Anne O’Callaghan Cultural Award
November 2016
Phalaenopsis schilleriana.
Peter

NEXT MEETING - TUESDAY 6 December
MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

8 November 2016, 7.50pm

Present: 31 present as per the register
Apologies: 6 as per register
Visitors: Nil
New members: Nil
Minutes: Minutes of the July meeting accepted (Ian, Paul)
Business Arising: Nil
Financial Report:: Charly advised current balance is $5,365.74. We also have $6,000 in a term deposit. (Mavis, Ray)
Correspondence:

Inwards:
- GCA Garden Magazine.
- 3rd WAOS 2017 Bulletin.
- NDOS bulletin Newsletters;

Outwards:
- Nil

General Business:
- The Orchidup trip was well worthwhile.
- Remember to bring a plant for the plant swap at the Christmas Party on the 6th of December.
- The Society is to purchase plants from Tinonee and Paul needs to know if anyone wants some Bulbophyllum lasiochilum.
- A deflasking demonstration will possibly be held at Tony & Sandy’s home during the February home visit.
- Ken, Chris and Charly will be constructing our WAOS 2017 display.
- WAOS 2017 brochures have been printed. David Wolfe and Ray Clement have also agreed to give talks. The theme is Scarborough Fair.
- Thanks were given to John for the last home visit. Peta and Ray have agreed to hold the next one as a combined visit with the NDOS.

Anne O’Callaghan Cultural Award:
Awarded to Peter for his large flowering specimen of Phalaenopsis schilleriana.

Raffle: Lina, Ray, Courtney and Victor.

Name Badge: Graham & Margaret
The December meeting on the 6th December (note one week earlier than normal) is our Christmas party. Please bring festive supper. The Society will provide the usual tea coffee plus wine, beer and soft drink.

Our Christmas tradition is to give each member (family or individual) an orchid plant. Donations of plants for this are appreciated.

We are now planning our display at WAOS in August 2017 and have formed a sub-committee consisting of Charly, Chris and Ken. If you would like to be involved, please see Ken.

The Paphiopedilum Study Group has purchased a pallet of jumbo Perlite. It is available for sale at $36 per 100 litre bag. Normal retail price for a 100l bag is $44. If you wish to purchase a bag, please see Ken Jones.

Life Members
Barry (dec’d)
Gordon
Maxine
Ken
Joan (dec’d) & Ted (dec’d)
Trevor
Neville
Noel & Eva
Tony & Mavis
Barry (dec’d)

Quiet Achievers
2013 Ian
2014 Chris
2015 Margaret
2016 Tom & Pat
NOTICEBOARD

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Home visits:
At 10 am on the Sunday after the fourth Thursday of each month. Please bring chairs and food to share.
* 28 January - Ezi Gro Orchids
* 26 February - Tony & Sandy, Woodvale

FOR SALE/WANTED

Imported plant news

Another inspection and release of plants from Ecuador (Dec 2015), APOC Thailand (Mar 2016) and Singapore and Malaysia (Jul 2016) has been booked for 2 December. If you are able to collect plants late on Friday 2nd or over the weekend it would be very helpful as I will require the bench space for the new shipment.

The final order from Taiwan has been lodged with Ten Shin Gardens and shipping will take place on 4 December with inspection and treatment on the 7th and 8th.

Ken & Chris Jones
Contd from November

Stanhopea maduroi Dodson & Dressler 1998 is a recently named species. It was previously identified as Stanhopea platyceras fma. gunnii by Jenny. Jenny wrote “If you put a platyceras in alcohol, it looks very much the same but the hypochile is a bit shorter and broader.” The flower is concolor yellow and the lip is very similar to that of Stanhopea platyceras. Apparently, the type plants were "collected" (purchased in the weekly plant market) in El Valle de Anton, Panama, and it is named after Andres Maduro, a Panamanian orchidist and owner of Finca Dracula. With only three clones known, it is arguably one of the rarest Stanhopea species.

An article in the Australian Orchid Review by Rudolph Jenny and David Banks referred to a slide provided by Ron Parsons of a pure yellow Stanhopea collected by the late Henry Butcher, allegedly in northern Colombia close to the border of Panama. It was named Stanhopea platyceras alba. Jenny says that he wasn’t able to identify the species, so just filed it away. Some years later, Ron Parsons sent some more slides of an unspotted yellow Stanhopea for identification that had been flowered by Howard Gunn in Sacramento, California USA. Jenny later received pickled flowers and when compared with Stanhopea platyceras, realised that it could be an anthocyanin-free form of this species. As it was unclear whether the two plants in the photos were exceptions of part of a population, if was described in 1997 as Stanhopea platyceras fma. Gunnii.

Then, in 1998, a third plant was described as Stanhopea maduroi by Dodson and Dressler in Orquideologia. This plant was collected in 1985 by Andres Maduro, a Panamanian orchidist, in El Valle in Panama and described by the authors as a species in his honour. The comparison shows very clearly that Stanhopea maduroi is absolutely identical with the concept of Stanhopea platyceras f.gunnii. The flower is pure yellow; the form of the lip is very close to Stanhopea platyceras, deeply saccate with broad horns. If you put a flower of Stanhopea platyceras in alcohol, it looks very much the same as Stanhopea maduroi but the hypochile is a bit shorter and broader. After careful comparison of the available material Jenny concurred that Dodson and Dressler are correct in treating this plant at specific level and not as an aberrant colour form of Stanhopea platyceras.

Photo source: http://stanhopea.autrevie.com/stanhopea_maduroi.html contd page 8
Graham & Margaret
Dendrobium anosmum
Dendrobium pugioniforme
Pterostylis picta

Chris
Cattleya mossiae var. coerulea
Coilostylis falcata
Coilostylis parkinsonianum
Cymbidium bicolor var. obtusum
Dendrobium lindleyii
Guarianthe skinneri fma. occulata alba
Phalaenopsis philippinensis

Murray & Arni
Rhyncholaelia digbyana

Adrian & Dee
Ansellia africana

Peter
Aerangis fastuosa
Cattleya amethystaglossa
Cattleya intermedia var orlata
Dendrobium chlorostylum
Dendrobium thyrsiflorum
Dendrobium goldschmidtianum
Guarianthe skinneri
Phalaenopsis bastannii
Phalaenopsis schilleriana
Phalaenopsis stuartiana
Psychopsis papilio
Renanthera bella

PLANTS DISPLAYED November 2016

Cymbidium qiubeiense
Courtney

Dendrobium pugioniforme
Graham & Margaret
PLANTS DISPLAYED November 2016

Norm
Dendrobium kingianum
Encyclia patens
Epidendrum porphyreum
Sarcochilus hartmannii

Courtney
Cymbidium qiubeiense
Sarcochilus hartmannii (2)

John
Cattleya intermedia var orlata
Guarianthe skinneri
Paphiopedilum hirsuitissimum

Tony & Mavis
Phalaenopsis amabilis
Phalaenopsis philippinensis

Sarcochilus hartmannii
Norm
Courtney

Photography by Tony
It is found at 500-1,500m in Panama and Colombia. This species has been collected once in El Valle de Anton in Panama and twice in northern Colombia, close to the border of Panama.

**Stanhopea manriqueii** Jenny & Nauray 2004 This new species was described in 2004 by Rudolf Jenny and William Nauray, and published in the journal Lankesteriana. It is found in Peru, and was named for Alfredo Manrique, past-president of Club Peruano de Orquídeas (2001-05) and owner of Centro de Jardineria Manrique, Lima. Manrique is an agronomist from Universidad Agraria la Molina, Lima, but is better-known for his association with *Phragmipedium kovachii*. The flowers are a deep golden yellow, evenly spotted dark red, with red flush on hypochile.

**Stanhopea marizaiana** Jenny 2003 was published by Dr. Rudolf Jenny in August 2003. It is found in the Cusco region of Peru, and is related to *Stanhopea deltoidea* that is endemic to the Chanchamayo Valley in Peru. The two species have identical mesochiles and epichiles, while the main variance is the shape and size of the hypochile. According to Jenny, the hypochile of *Stanhopea marizaiana* is "large and massive...as broad as the mesochile [horns]." By comparison, the hypochile of *Stanhopea deltoidea* is small and narrow, approximately 1/3 the width of the mesochile. Physically, the species is small and compact in growth, with rounded leaves and with a growth habit similar to *Stanhopea posadae*.

The original plant was noticed by Isaias Rolando, an orchidist from Lima, Peru who is responsible for the Peruvian Orchid Club website, www.peruorchids.com. Collected in November 2001 by Moises Quispe at an altitude of 1,800-2,200 m, it flowered in autumn 2002 with flowers that were 11-12 cm across. The colour is described as beige with sepals and petals uniformly covered with small, red to red-brown spots. The inside of the hypochile is red, and the horns and epichile are covered with speckles, rather than spots. The species was named for the collector's late wife Mariza Rolando.

Photo source: http://stanhopea.autrevie.com/stanhopea_marizaiana.html

**Stanhopea martiana** Bateman ex Lindley 1840. This species from the Nayarit, Jalisco, Guerrero and Oaxaca states of Mexico is found as a medium sized, cool to hot growing lithophyte on rocks in open oak forests in the lower coastal mountains from Tepic to Oaxaca 1,200 to 2,100m. It is similar to *Stanhopea hernandezii* and Williams and Whitten (1999), University of Florida, Gainesville, noted that *Stanhopea martiana* is "morphologically similar to *Stanhopea tigrina* Bateman ex Lindley, but
differing in floral fragrances" and "forms an independent clade." Index Kewensis also lists *Stanhopea martiana* var. bicolor Lindl., published in Edward's Botanical Register 29: tab. 44. 1843.

*Contd next month*

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Dear Orchid Aficionado

More GOOD NEWS vis-à-vis the W.A. Orchid Spectacular Conference & Show in 2017 which is only a short 10 months away.

Planning is moving apace with a number of world renowned orchid identities already accepting our invitation to present lectures for the Conference Registrants.

Holger Perner is recognised as a world authority on Chinese Paphiopedilums and has lived and worked in China for the last 15 years, researching the genus. For more, see http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Holger_Perner.htm

Bill Thoms is ‘The’ world authority on Bulbophyllum, (the largest genus in the orchid world!!) their culture, and hybridizing. For more, see http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Bill_Thoms.htm

Marni Turkel is a hobby grower who has been growing orchids since 1980 at her home in Santa Rosa, California. For more, see http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Marni_Turkel.htm

All our overseas speakers will give two talks and bring orchid flasks for sale at the event. Pre orders will be taken for these and their catalogues will be posted on the Conference web site and in these Bulletins as soon as they become available. Keep watching for this great opportunity which is not to be missed!! Further info as it comes to hand.

Mark Brundrett is a Senior Scientist at the Department of Environment and Conservation in Swan Region and an Adjunct Associate Professor at the University of Western Australia. His orchid research focused on the conservation of WA orchids in a 4 year project which helped conserve critically endangered orchids in the Western Australian Wheatbelt.

All this (and more) for the WAOS Registrants in August 2017, for a very reasonable $100 for the first Registrant and $75 for an accompanying Registrant which includes the Opening Ceremony. http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Registration.htm
The general public has not been left out with public workshops. Many local orchid identities have agreed to present demonstrations in the workshop area of the exhibition hall. These talks and demos will be scheduled to run continuously throughout the two day of the show and will be available to all comers.

The venue is the Ballroom of the Rendezvous Hotel at Scarborough WA, which overlooks the famous Scarborough Beach. The hotel management has offered us their special room rate for Registrants, which can be found at http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Accommodation.htm

Details of other nearby accommodation can also be found on this web page.

Scarborough Beach is about a 20 minute drive north west of Perth and is serviced by regular buses from the city. The venue is surrounded by many restaurants and cafes offering a wide variety of cuisines.

It is planned to have the show set up and judging completed on Friday the 4th August, and open to the public on both Saturday the 5th and Sunday the 6th August with the lecture program on both days. Floor plans of the hotel and the exhibition area are now available at http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Floor_Plan.htm

The WAOS Conference web site is on line and will be updated from time to time as we have further news and information for you. Visit http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/ WAOS_2017.htm

The 4 day Orchid Tour of the Midwest of Western Australia for Registrants will be a major attraction for many interstate lovers of Australian native orchids. Places on the tours led by Andrew Brown and Garry Brockman will be extremely limited, so do get in fast if you do not want to miss out. The tour will leave Perth on Monday the 7th August, (the day after the Conference). The stopover points from Perth will be Dongara, Kalbarri, Dongara and Dalwallinu with 5-6 planned stops most days. You can register your interest on our ‘Expressions of Interest’ page on the Conference web site at http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Expressions_of_Interest.htm

A Half Day Tour which will include orchid venues around the Perth area is planned for Friday 4th August, (the day of the Conference set up). This tour is not planned to include WA native orchids as it will be too early in the season for their flowering in the Perth area. Details on the Conference web site as soon as they come to hand.

We will also provide links to other excursion options such as Swan Valley Wine tours etc. on the Conference web site. Further info as it comes to hand.

The Conference is only 10 months away, and it is never too soon to be making your plans to visit us in 2017. Should you have any queries or questions regarding the WAOS 2017, feel free to contact the Chairman, Bruce Larson (bruce@pegasusconsulting.org) or the Webmaster, Tony Watkinson (waos@iinet.net.au)
Monthly Meetings
Monthly meetings held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month (exc January) at Wilson Community Hall, Braibrise St, Wilson commencing 7.45 pm. Usually, the short formal meeting is followed by plant descriptions given by members. Supper follows to allow members time to socialise and discuss orchids. All visitors are very welcome.

Membership Fees
Family $30 PA + 2 badges (1st year only) [Badges come in two versions. Pin fastening ($11.50) or Magnet fastening ($13.50) Please indicate your preference.]
Single $20.00 PA + 1 badge (1st year only) [Pin fastening ($11.50) or Magnet fastening ($13.50)]
New members who don’t live in Perth will not require name badges, therefore membership will be at the renewal fee only.

Monthly Home Visit
On the weekend following the fourth Thursday of each month (generally on the Sunday morning), a home visit is held at a member’s home. This gives members an opportunity to enjoy the fellowship that our mutual interest provides, and to see how others go about growing their orchids.

Monthly Plant Display
Given that the prime objective of the Society is to promote the cultivation of species orchids, only species or natural hybrids are acceptable for display. Since we all may be uncertain about the identification of a plant from time to time, we encourage members to bring plants along about which they are unsure since someone may be able to identify them. There is no competition nor restriction on flower count, quality or length of ownership. We want members to be able to see species plants in flower.

So even if your flowers are a bit past their best, bring them in as others may not have seen that species in flower.

Plant Sales
The Society provides an opportunity table for members to sell surplus plants and equipment, and for the Society to sell product from time to time. A commission of 10% is charged on all sales.

Plant Purchases
The Society endeavours to obtain a different species seedling for sale at each meeting, usually costing between $6.00 and $15.00. The Society makes a small profit on these sales which is invested in benefits to members. As it is always difficult to get new or different species, should members have 20 or more plants of one species which they feel might be suitable as a monthly plant, please contact a Committee member.

Raffle
The Society conducts a raffle each meeting and at home visits as a means of raising funds.

Management
In accordance with the Constitution, the Annual General meeting is held in May each year at which time the office-bearers and committee are elected. The majority of Committee members serve two year terms.
Next meeting Tuesday 6 December
(one week earlier than normal)