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NEXT MEETING of the Orchid Society of Western Australia (Inc.) will be held at Jim & Kaye Baylis' Home, 18 Wheyland St, Willagee, on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2015, commencing at **6.30pm**

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## **THIS MONTH'S MEETING ITEM:**

BBQ & SOCIAL EVENING AT  
JIM & KAYE BAYLIS' HOME

## **FEBRUARY MEETING DATES:**

Judging Panel	None
OSWA Committee	7.30 pm Fri 6 <sup>th</sup> Feb'15
AGM	7.30 pm Fri 27 <sup>th</sup> Feb'15

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**Birthdays: January:** 17<sup>th</sup> Liu Shen-Pohl, 31<sup>st</sup> John Carless

**February:** 6<sup>th</sup> Maxine Perry, 7<sup>th</sup> Jim Baylis, 11<sup>th</sup> Nancie Jones, 25<sup>th</sup> Betty Rensen

Best wishes to anyone else celebrating Birthdays or Anniversaries. To any member on the sick list we wish you a speedy recovery & may you soon be well, especially Nancie Jones.

**Vale: Meg Brown. 5th January, 2015.**

Meg joined the Orchid Society of W.A. in 1952. A very quiet behind the scenes worker. Always there to help and volunteer her time and often Meg would donate her knitted and crochet work for an extra raffle to raise money for our Society. Meg was our auditor from 1984 until recently.

Our thoughts and prayers are with Roy, Les, Helen, Annette, Ian, Grandchildren, and great grandchildren, with the sad loss of a loving wife, mother, granny and great granny.

Meg's smile and happy personality will be missed by all who knew her, especially her family and all her friends in the Orchid world.

Until we meet again Meg, Heaven has another beautiful flower.

**New Members:** Peter Kissell - Rockingham  
Mr & Mrs Hicks - Balga

Welcome & we hope you have many rewarding years ahead with our Society.

**Name Badges:** If you haven't a name badge, please see Ian and let him know. Not all of our members are familiar with each other, so it is made easier if you are wearing a badge.

#### **General News:**

- **Home Visits** If you would like to hold a Home Visit in 2015 please contact Kaye Baylis on 93376210 It doesn't seem to matter what time of year that we hold Home Visits, they are always very popular.
- **General Meetings: Please Note:** At present, meetings will still be on a **Friday evening** at the Collins Street Centre Hall, from February to December for 2015. **Please note the January Meeting is at Jim & Kaye Baylis' home** (see below)
- **January Meeting:** 23rd January 2015. - BBQ to be held at Jim and Kaye Baylis' home: 18 Wheyland, cnr Caple Street, Willagee. 6.30pm. BYO - Meat, Drinks, chair and a salad or a sweet to share. If you have a problem plant or any questions you might want answered please come along and we will do our best to help you.  
This is a wonderful way to start the new year of orchid growing. There will be a raffle, so if you have a spare plant, please bring it along, so that perhaps we can all go home with a plant.  
Also if you would like a few extra plants from the Baylis' garden (not orchids) arrive a little earlier & please bring a spade & you may remove what you would like – just check with Jim first.
- **General Meeting Sharing Table:** Thanks to Pam Di Giovanni a table is set up at each of the Society's Monthly meetings. The table will not be available at the January Meeting. Thanks to those who have brought donated items in such as books, magazines, pots, cuttings of their favorite plants, produce (bag of lemons), etc. All donations are most welcome. Please remember to put a small donation in the **Honesty Box** if you take something from the table.
- **Membership subscriptions: 2014/15 subs** were due on the 31st October – so please keep this in mind. Contact Ian Duncan on 9364 5439 re payment. \$26.00 for a Double & \$21.00 for a single membership.
- **FEBRUARY 2015 AGM: Election of office bearers at the AGM (February 2015): Please consider nominating for committee or some other role to help OSWA next year. Nomination forms need to be submitted at or before the January General Meeting.**  
As Murray will be away for most of 2015 it would be appreciated if someone could offer to stand in as Secretary for the next year. He is happy to pass on any applicable computer files applicable to OSWA. Also we are looking for nominations for Committee – can you all give serious consideration to nominating for any position as every little bit lessens the load for others. Nomination Forms at the end of the Bulletin.

- **2015 CALENDER of SHOW EVENTS:** (None of these have been confirmed in writing as yet)
  - **Autumn Show:** Stocklands Riverton 6<sup>th</sup> – 9<sup>th</sup> May 2015, Set up Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May
  - **Winter Show:** Cottesloe Shopping Centre 16<sup>th</sup> – 18<sup>th</sup> July 2015, Set up Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> July
  - **Spring Show:** Kardinya Park Shopping Centre 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> September, Set up Tues 1<sup>st</sup> September
  - **Royal Show:** 26<sup>th</sup> September – 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2015, Set up Friday 25<sup>th</sup> September
  - **Potting Workshop:** Scout Hall, South Perth Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2015 (confirmed)

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**MONTHLY PLANT COMPETITION (December 2014)** (Apologies if plant names are incorrectly spelt)

**OPEN:**

Class 1C (1)	1. Ian Duncan	Ctna Maui x C Penny Kuroda
Class 1F (2)	1. Maxine Godbeer	L. Pulcherrima
	2. Peter Kissell	C. Harfor
Class 5A (1)	1. Maxine Godbeer	Phal. cornu - cervi
Class 5B (1)	1. Rosemary McGrath	Phal. Firebird
Class 5C (1)	1. Howard Tan	Paph Taiwan Rose (Lary Isabel x micranthum)
Class 6A (1)	1. Ian Duncan	Brs. brachiata
Class 6D (1)	1. Rosemary McGrath	Brs. Unknown
Class 7A (1)	1. Maxine Godbeer	Angrcm. compactum
Class 10B (2)	1. Maxine Godbeer	Bulb. bicolor
	2. Peter Kissell	Chysis. limminghei
Class 11A (3)	1. Maxine Godbeer	Phrag. Grande "Chinaman"
	2. Maxine Godbeer	Phrag. Dick Clements
	3. Maxine Godbeer	Phrag. Geralda
Class 11B (4)	1. Peter Kissell	Ctsm. Expansum x Ctsm. Orchidglade
	2. Murray & Arni Baker	Lycaste candida x deppei
	3. Murray & Arni Baker	Lycaste aromatica x deppei

**NOVICE:**

Class 18D (1)	1. Mal & Ann Davis	Den. Rinnadi Pink x Kyon Beauty
Class 19B (2)	1. Mal & Ann Davis	Phal. Golden Orange
	2. Mal & Ann Davis	Phal. Unknown
Class 24B (1)	1. Rod Pohl	Lyc. aromatica
Class 23A (1)	1. Rod Pohl	Enc. Unknown

**Junior:**

**Schokman Trophy:** C. pulcherrima owner Maxine Godbeer 68 points

**POPULAR VOTE:**

**OPEN:** Paph Taiwan Rose, owner Howard Tan

**Novice:** Phal. Unknown, owners Mal & Ann Davis

**CYMBIDIUM CULTURAL NOTES (JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2015 ) by Roy Brown**

Now that we are into the summer months, we can expect hot days and evenings, coupled with hot dry easterly winds. Don't allow the cymbidiums to dry out under any circumstances. The plants should be watered every day, and during heat waves, twice a day. Water the shade house with a fine spray in the early evening: this is the best time to water as there is less water loss through evaporation, and it also helps to keep the evening temperature down. This is vital if we want our cymbidiums to flower again next year, because it is during the summer months that the flower spikes are initiated.

New growths are growing well now, and during the next couple of months growth will be very rapid. Keep the fertilizing going, either weekly or fortnightly, whenever you prefer. This helps to increase growth and so will give better flowering next year.

It's too late in the year now for dividing and repotting: any plants that were not attended to will be better left until next autumn. However, in an emergency, it is always better to repot at any time of the year, rather than risk losing the plant because of sour or rotten compost.

Always keep a neat and tidy shade house, free from weeds and dead vegetation, and you should have a house free from insect pests.

**CATTLEYA CULTURAL NOTES (JANUARY/FEBRUARY 2015) from notes of the late Henry Eaton**

As expected the hot weather has arrived. With the onset of hot dry conditions, examination of your plants will show the development of new growths which will elongate quickly.

Increase shading if necessary and the use of fans to cool the growing area is called for. Because of the dryness, watering frequency will need to be increased as the mix dries out sooner, in order also to help with enlargement of the new growths. Damping down of the growing area, watering or misting beneath the benches will help with raising humidity. A fertilizer programme will also be needed to provide sufficient N for growth as well as K (Potassium) for maturing those growths. The aim should be to produce big fat bulbs without inducing the appearance of further weak new growths. New growths should be watched to train them into an erect position before they mature off, so that when flowers appear, they are well displayed.

At this time of the year, look out for the appearance of cockroaches, grasshoppers, scale insects and other pests and deal with them promptly. Snails and slugs are ever present, but not as many as when the ground is wet in the wintery months.

**PAPHIOPEDILUM CULTURAL NOTES (JANUARY /FEBRUARY 2015) by Trevor Burnett**

The hot weather will be in full swing during these months, but I still only water 3 times a week. If the forecast is for very hot weather over 4 days, I will increase the watering to every second day but always in the morning.

Keep your additional shade in place if the plants are showing signs of yellowing, as they are receiving more light than is required. If plants show any signs of burning, add some extra shade for the next few months. Any burning will cause a setback at this stage which will definitely effect our flowering season. If you have a variety of size pots, you will need to ensure that the smaller pots do not dry out completely before watering. A simple solution to prevent some pots drying out quicker is to double pot, so the final size pots in the house are all the same. By this I mean placing the smaller pots into a larger pot which is filled with compost which encircles the smaller pot. This way all the pots end up drying at the same rate.

Paphiopedilum growths should be promoted, so keep the regular fertilizer programme in place to ensure the growths mature ready for the flowering season ahead.

Let's get back to looking after our plants after our Christmas break by regular routine checking of:

- Good air movement
- If in a glasshouse, misting will assist with maintaining humidity
- Weekly fertilizing
- Not overcrowding our plants
- Check for pests and treat if necessary
- Keep area clean of dying leaves or material
- Increase watering to 3 times a week or more often if plants have dried out
- Check all plants to see if there are any signs of stress
- Water in the early morning before the sun is too high
- Watch and control your shading

**The Orchid Society of WA (Inc.)**  
**Minutes of the General Meeting held in the Collins Street Hall, South Perth,**  
**on 12 December 2014**

**Welcome:** The President Mrs K Baylis opened the meeting at 7:30 pm welcoming visitors & members.

**Meeting item:** Presentation of Trophies and Certificates of Appreciation

**Apologies:** As per Register

**Minutes:** Moved R Pohl, seconded R McGrath that the Minutes of the previous meeting be accepted. **Carried.**

**Correspondence:**

- From Ezi-Gro Orchids, advising new prices for raffle plants
- From Thea Shaughnessy, minutes of AOC AGM, and invoice for 2015 Orchids Australia subscription
- From City of South Perth, advising bookings for venues for 2015 had been approved
- Responses to email enquiries from members of the public about growing orchids, where to obtain orchids, show and meeting dates, etc.
- Received: Society Bulletins and junk mail.

**Business arising:** Nil

**Confirmation:** Moved J Baylis seconded S Brown that Correspondence be endorsed. **Carried.**

**Financial Statement:** Presented by I Duncan. Included an outline of status of funds/purchases from the Lotteries Commission Grant.

**Confirmation:** Moved M Brechin seconded R Pohl that the Financial Statement be received. **Carried.**

**Break for popular vote.**

**New Members:**

- P Kissell, K& A Hicks

**Confirmation:** Moved E Burgess seconded S Brown that the new members be approved. **Carried.**

**Reports:** Nil

**General Business:**

- January meeting - at the Baylis residence, details in the Bulletin
- Home open at the Walton's residence (March) and at the Davis residence (April or May)
- AGM in February, please consider nominating for a Committee or other office bearer position.
- S Brown received her free plant.
- Badges required for Sandra, Patricia, Mike, Ray, Ian
- M Davis spoke briefly about spider mite and how to treat it (use Rogor)

**Break for popular vote**

**Raffle:** D Mitchell, R McGrath, P Kissell

**Popular Vote:**

- **Open:** Paph Taiwan Rose, owner H Tan. (Howard kindly donated his plant to visitor Dillon).
- **Novice:** Phal unknown, owner M & A Davis

**Door Prize:** R Pohl

**Plant Descriptions:**

- M Baker spoke briefly about *Lycaste (candida x deppei)* and other *Lycastes* benched on the night. They are very easy to grow and stay in the shadehouse all year, experiencing exposure to rain in winter.
- K Baylis showed two other unusual orchids, *Phalaenopsis cornu-cervi* var. *alba* 'Ching Hua' and *Angraecum compactum*, both of which are owned by M Godbeer.

**Business aspects of the Meeting concluded at 8:40 pm; Christmas supper followed.**

**The Orchid Society of WA (Inc) Trophy List 2014**

<u>TROPHY</u>	<u>WINNER</u>
The Lester Schokman Memorial Trophy (Cattleya - most points awarded - throughout year)	Owner P Taylor
Harold Hill Memorial Trophy (Best Phalaenopsis - Spring Show)	Owners J & B Rensen
Cypripedium Championship Perpetual Trophy (Paphiopedilum - Winter Show)	Owner M Godbeer
Vera Kennedy Perpetual Trophy (Tray) (Novice - Aggregate Points)	Owners M & A Davis
Vicki Browne Perpetual Trophy (Champion Native or Hybrid Terrestrial - Spring Show)	Owners M & A Baker
Cymbidium Championship Perpetual Trophy (Champion Cymbidium - Spring Show)	Owner M Donald
J & C Sullivan Trophy (Wood – Best Specimen Plant Australian Native Hybrid or Species – Spring Show)	Owner I Duncan
George Marshall Trophy (Tray) (Open - Aggregate Points)	Owner M Godbeer
W & L Janney Perpetual Trophy (Best pure colour cymbidium - Spring Show)	Owners M & A Baker
Jim Grantham Memorial Trophy (Best Phragmipedium of the Year)	Owner M Godbeer
Roy Brown Perpetual Trophy (Best Novice Cymbidium – Spring Show)	Owner M Donald
Judge's Choice Certificate - Best at Gen. Meet. for year.	Owner M Godbeer
AOC Most Pre Eminent Entry –Autumn Show Den. biggibum No 0082 Sec 132 H	Owner I Duncan
AOC Most Pre Eminent Entry- Winter Show Angraecum sesquipedale No. 0257 Sec. 174 J	Owner I Duncan
AOC Most Pre Eminent Entry-Spring Show Den. speciosum No 0331 Sec. 132H	Owner I Duncan
Junior – Most Points - Certificate	Owner Dana Mitchell

Most Points in Open Class -	1 <sup>st</sup> – Maxine Godbeer	125pts	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Ian Duncan	107pts	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Jack & Betty Rensen	44pts	
Most Points in Novice Class -	1 <sup>st</sup> – Malcolm & Ann Davis	23pts	
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Rod Pohl	20pts	
	3 <sup>rd</sup> – Valerie Cooper	17pts	
Most Points in Junior Class -	1 <sup>st</sup> – Dana Mitchell	3pts	
Schokman Trophy	1 <sup>st</sup> – Phil Taylor	Rlc Sweet Margaret	76.3pts
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Gillian Marsh	B.perrinii	73pts
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Malcolm & Ann Davis	Blc Pastel Pagent	73pts
Jim Grantham Trophy	1 <sup>st</sup> – Maxine Godbeer	Phrag Grande	74pts
	2 <sup>nd</sup> – Howard Tan	Phrag delasandroid	72.3pts
Equal	3 <sup>rd</sup> - Maxine Godbeer	Phrag Grande	72pts
	Rod Pohl	Phrag Longueville	72pts
Judges Choice – Monthly – Nov. –	Maxine Godbeer	Grammangis ellisii	75pts
Dec. -	Gillian Marsh	B. perrinii	73pts
Feb. –	Jack & Betty Rensen	Phal. violacea	73pts
Mar. –	Ian Duncan	Gur. bowringiana	71pts
Apr. –	Maxine Godbeer	Bulb. annandalie	73pts
May –	Ian Duncan	Den Maikhong	73pts
Jun. –	Maxine Godbeer	Aerangis biloba	73pts
Jul. –	Maxine Godbeer	Dendrochilium tenellum	72pts
Aug. –	Ian Duncan	Den. speciosum	74pts
Sep. -	Maxine Godbeer	Aerangis citrate	72pts
Oct. –	Jack & Betty Rensen	Den. Madame Udomsri x Jaqueline Concert	72pts
Overall winner of Plant of the Month -	Maxine Godbeer	Grammangis ellisii	75pts

**Congratulations to all members who won Trophies** for their successful presentation of orchid plants both at Shows & at Monthly Meetings. Wishing you all every success with your orchids in 2015

**HELP WANTED:**

**Northam Over 60's Group** (based in Northam) has a membership of around 75 and meets every Thursday at the Northam RSL Hall for lunch and afternoon activities, including Guest Speakers, Entertainers etc. They are looking for somebody (or several bodies) to travel to Northam on a Thursday as a Guest Speaker with a small orchid display, and they are willing to cover expenses and make a donation to the Society. If anyone is interested, please let us know....

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