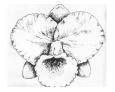
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NEXT MEETING of the Orchid Society of Western Australia (Inc.) will be held in the Collins St. Hall, cnr Collins St & Shaftesbury St. South Perth, Friday 17th December 2010 commencing at **8.00p.m.**

Orchid Society of Western Australia Patron Mr K.C. Rex

THIS MONTH'S MEETING ITEM:

XMAS BREAKUP & TROPHY PRESENTATION

None

8.00 pm Friday 28th

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JANUARY MEETING DATES

OSWA Committee None

Judging Panel

General Meeting

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Birthdays:

December- 6th - Val Seaman

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January : 26th - Francesca Lombardi 31st - John Carless Anniversary: 21st– Faye & Hector Patfield

We wish everyone a very Happy Birthday and also anyone celebrating an Anniversary, our best wishes to you. To anyone on the sick list, we wish you a speedy recovery.

OSWA Bulletin: The Bulletin is now online at http://members.iinet.net.au/~murray.baker/OSWA

If you are happy to download the Bulletin from the web and not receive the printed copy by post, please let Murray know (murray.baker@iinet.net.au)

- OrchidWiz: The people at OrchidWiz (www.OrchidWiz.com) have kindly donated another copy of OrchidWiz software to OSWA. This is fantastic software for orchid enthusiasts and is already being used by a number of growers in Perth. It includes a comprehensive database, thousands of pictures, and the ability to add information and photos of your own plants. This will be auctioned or raffled at a future date.
- **December Item:**. This will be our Christmas breakup, so members are asked to bring a small plate of finger food to share. Drinks will be supplied by the Society.
- **New Members:** We welcome Mr & Mrs How from Murdoch, N & R Costa and Mary Viscovich from Melville and wish them a very happy association with the Society.
- **Subscriptions are now due** (1st November). Single \$21, Double \$26. Please see Nancie to pay or to check if you are financial.
- Position Vacant: Due to the sad passing of Jeanie Herbert we are now looking for someone to take over the writing of cultural notes for WA and giving information to Orchids Australia. Please help!

Vale: Jean Herbert

Our Jeanie passed away 20th November 2010. Jean was a very active member of our Society as well as, at one stage, being a member of six other Orchid Societies.

Jean and Fred joined our Society 11th March 1983 and in November 1985 were promoted to Open Grower Status. Jean and Fred won many prizes and quite a few Grand Champion-ships with their orchids.

Jean became an AOC Judge in November 1990, passing her written test with 100%. She was our bulletin Editor from 1985-1997 and also wrote in Orchids Australia to keep them informed about OSWA. For a few years Jean was our Programme Organiser and did a great job finding different topics for our monthly meeting.

OSWA bestowed a Life Membership on Jeanie in 1996 for her untiring work for our Society.

Jeanie had many friends in the orchid fraternity and will be sadly missed by us all. Our love and prayers are with all of Jean's family - Fred, Graham & Margaret, Geoff & Linda, Grand-children & Great-Grandchildren.

Till we meet again. Rest in Peace Jeanie

VOLUME 50 NO 12 RESULTS OF PLANT COMPETITION - (MONTH - NOVEMBER 2010)

Open:

Open:	
Class 1A (3) 1	1. Nancie & Bob Jones
	2. Jack & Betty Rensen 3. NAS
Class 1C (1) 1	1. Jack & Betty Rensen
Class 1F (1) 1	1. Ian Duncan
Class 2C (1) 1	1. Ian Duncan
Class 3D (2) 1	1. Jack & Betty Rensen
2	2. Jack & Betty Rensen
Class 4A (1) 1	1. N/A
2	2. Jack & Betty Rensen
Class 4C (3) 1	1. Jack & Betty Rensen
2	2. Jack & Betty Rensen
3	3. Jack & Betty Rensen
Class 5A (1) 1	. Maxine Godbeer
Class 6A (1) 1	. Maxine Godbeer
Class 7A (2) 1	1. Maxine Godbeer
2	2. Maxine Godbeer
Class 8A (2) 1	. Ian Duncan
2	2. N/A
Class 8B (1) 1	1. Ian Duncan
Class 10B (3)	1. Maxine Godbeer
2	2. Maxine Godbeer
3	3. Ian Duncan
Class 11A(4)1	. Fred & Jean Herbert
2	2. Maxine Godbeer
3	3. Maxine Godbeer
Class 11B(1) 1	1. Nancie & Bob Jones
Class 13A(3) 1	1.lan Duncan
2	2. Ross & Alice Lang

Novice:

Class 27A(1) 1. Peggy Stacy

Enc. candollei Enc. cordigera 'Gertrude x Liontianum'

Slc. Mahalo Jack x Lc. Orpeti 'East Wind' Epi. Star Valley 'Lake View' Cym. Australian Midnight Paph. Magic Lantern Paph. Ang Thong 'Alba' x *bellatulum* var. *al alba*

Den. dearei Den. tangerinum x Den. macranthum Den. Jacqueline Concert Den. (Lady Kissel x *canaliculatum*) x Den. Ricky Cornetti Phal. cornu-cervi var. alba Onc. stramineum Angcm. compactum Renanthera monachica Cym. madidum

Den. Gloucester Sands Promenea xanthina Promenea ovatiloba Ansellia africana Phrag. Don Wimber Phrag. Grande Phrag. sargentianum x caricimum Z. Kiwi Sunrise x Prom. Crawshayana Ctsm. Penang Cym. Pee Wee 'Red Lip' x canaliculatum var. sparksii

Phal. unknown

Schokman Trophy Points - Slc. Mahalo Jack x Lc. Orpetti (63 pts) - Jack & Betty Rensen Jim Grantham trophy Points—Phrag. Don wimber (72.5 pts) - Fred & Jean Herbert POPULAR VOTE: Open– Phal. Fusheng Mistical Dream—J&D Walton Novice—Phal. Unknown—P. Stacy

CYMBIDIUM CULTURAL NOTES (DECEMBER 2010 / JANUARY 2011) by Roy Brown

This years flowering season has come to an end, and we must now look forward to the next season. The next few months are important if we are to expect our plants to flower again.

The new growths should be growing very nicely now, and we must keep them growing at a fast rate to enable them to mature in time to produce their flowers next year.

Keep up with the fertilizing now the young growths have started, and as I have mentioned before it's always better to give the plants two applications of a weak fertilizer than one heavy one.

From now on, increased temperature can be expected, and so we must increase thee watering too. Watering is most important and should be carried out daily for the next few months. During a spell of very hot weather, twice a day will help keep temperatures down and increase humidity.

Keep the pots and surrounding areas free from weeds, these can be a nuisance now that the plants are receiving increased water and fertilizer. Slugs and snails also lurk where dead leaves and weeds are lying, so try to keep the shade house clean and tidy at all times.

Now the plants are growing strongly and we are fertilizing and watering fairly heavily, make sure they are receiving enough sunlight to make use of the extra nutrients. I suggest you grow your plants under 52% Sarlon shade cloth, this to my mind is the ideal shade conditions for Cymbidiums.

This being the December notes, I would like to wish every member a Very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year for 2011.

CATTLEYA CULTURAL NOTES (DECEMBER 2010/JANUARY 2011) by Henry Eaton

Summer is truly with us now, with high temperatures, low humidity and increased light for longer each day. The plants respond by slowing rapid growth and trying to mature the new growths preparatory to flowering. Excessive fertilization is not called for now but a blossom boost with higher Pottasium may be useful. Humidity can be increased by misting more often and adequate shading being applied. Control of high temperatures would also include intermittent misting, the use of water coolers and not missing out on watering the plants when needed. On very hot days, the dryness of everything gives you a chance of watering the plants towards nightfall to cool them down. This is quite acceptable as the plants soon dry up because of the heat.

As far as potting, repotting or division of plants is concerned, this should not e undertaken unless there are signs that the mix has broken down completely and the life of the plant is at stake.

Those plants that show signs of maturing their pseudo bulbs should be staked up erect so that

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The Orchid Society of WA (Inc.)

Minutes of the General Meeting held in the Collins Street Hall, South Perth, On Friday 26th November 2010

Welcome: The President opened the meeting at 8.04 pm and welcomed the members and

visitors present. The President then advised members of the passing of Mrs. J Herbert and asked the members to observe 2 minutes silence. She then asked for a volunteer to take over the duties of the reporting to Orchids Australia, previously done by the late Mrs. Herbert.

Attendance & Apologies: As per register

Minutes:Moved M. Brechin, seconded R. McGrath that the Minutes of the previousmeetingbe accepted and confirmed. Carried.

Business arising: The President thanked J. Walton for chairing the October meeting.

Two members contacted the South Perth Senior Citizens re. raffle

plants.

Confirmation: Moved P. Stacy, seconded E. Burgess that the Business Arising has been resolved. **Carried**

Correspondence Inward:

- Minutes of WAROO meeting held 21st November 2010.
- Report of the AOC Annual Meetings from WA delegate.
- Report from 2012 Conference Committee.
- City of South Perth advising bookings for 2011 Winter Show 16th & 17th July
- Letter from Community engine P/L. advising of their services.
- Society Newsletters

Correspondence Outward:

- Letter to Patron Ken Rex inviting him & a friend to our Xmas Dinner.
- Get Well cards to M. Longmore & J. Carless
- Bereavement card to f. Herbert
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Business Arising: Ian Duncan advised that he had been advised at the WAROO meeting that OSWA was un-financial with regard to the AOC. He will follow up.

Confirmation: Moved J. Walton, seconded R. Jones, that Correspondence Inward & Corre-

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spondence Outward be endorsed. Carried.

Financial Statement: Statement #420 was tabled. Moved R. Jones, seconded P. Stacy that the financial statement be received. **Carried.**

New Members: Mr. Peck Cheng How, Mrs. M. How, N 7 R costa and M. Viskovich. The president welcomed them with the hope that they have a long anf satisfying membership.

Reports: OJPWA I. Duncan reported that at the recent Annual Meeting, J. Baylis had been elected as Deputy Chairman.

General Business: J. Walton suggested that next year we have a silent auction and that the OrchidWiz disc be included.

R. McGrath mentioned that Maxine Godbeer's photograph was included in a report of a trip to Borneo published in the AOS Magazine.

The President reminded members to bring a plate of goodies for our next meeting. Also for those attending the Dinner to bring a plant or a gift.

Members were reminded that membership fees are now due.

Popular Vote: Novice - Phal. Unknown—P. Stacy Open - Phal. Fusheng Mistical Dream

Raffle: M. Perry, R. McIntosh, R. Jones

Door Prize: B. Burnett

Evening's Programme: Ian Duncan gave a talk and showed some plants that can be grown with Cymbidiums, then Jim Baylis gave a demonstration on repotting cymbidiums

Meeting closed at 9.30 pm

The President and Committee extend their wishes to all our members for a safe and festive Christmas and New Year and successful orchid growing in 2011.