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NEXT MEETING of the Orchid Society of Western Australia (Inc.) will be held at the Baylis residence, 18 Wheyland Street (corner with Caple Street) Willagee, on Friday 2 February, from 6:00 pm.

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BBQ AT THE HOME OF

OSWA Committee no February meeting

General Meeting 7:30 pm Friday 23rd (includes AGM)

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Birthdays.

January: 31st John Carless

February: 7th Jim Baylis, 11th Nancie Jones.

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.

OSWA's January 2018 General Meeting will be held on Friday 2 February 2018.

OSWA's "January meeting" will be a BBQ at the home of Jim and Kaye Baylis, 18 Wheyland Street (corner with Caple Street) Willagee, on Friday **2 February 2018**, from 6.00 pm. Phone 9337 6210. Bring your own drinks and meat, and bring a salad or sweet to share. There won't be a plant competition but please bring along any unusual plants to show. Extra chairs would also help. 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 to donate, please bring it along, so that perhaps we can all go home with a new plant.

Membership Subscriptions for 2018 are now overdue.

\$26 double, \$21 single. For your convenience OSWA can accept payment by three methods:

- (a) directly to Kirsty Bayliss at a general meeting;
- (b) by cheque payable to Orchid Society of WA Inc., sent to OSWA, 58 Gladstone Rd Leeming 6149; or
- (c) by direct debit to OSWA's account:

Account name - Orchid Society of Western Australia Inc.

Bank - Westpac Bank, Booragoon, WA

BSB - 036069

Account Number - 457265

Reference - please use your name, to help us identify your payment.

Unfortunately we cannot carry unfinancial members because we need to cover costs (insurance etc.) that are associated with each membership. *If your subs are not paid, this is the last Bulletin that you will receive!*

Name Badges have Arrived!

Badges have arrived for Silvana, Peter, Helena, Scott, Aaron, Bryan, Amy, and Poh. They will be available at the next general meeting.

February 2018 AGM: Election of office bearers.

Please consider nominating for committee or some other role to help OSWA this year. Nomination forms are available on the back page of this bulletin.

Home Visits.

If you would like to hold a Home Visit in 2018 please contact Kaye Baylis on 9337 6210. It doesn't seem to matter what time of year that we hold Home Visits, they are always very popular.

CYMBIDIUM CULTURAL NOTES (JAN-FEB 2018)

based on notes from Courtney Rogasch and Roy Brown

Summer is a time of year when there are not a lot of cymbidiums in flower here in Perth. Those that are in flower tend to be the starry pendulous flower type. Some say these are an acquired taste, however they do break the monotony of nothing but green leaves.

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. My retic is set for 10 minutes per station starting at 6:00 am. If necessary (depending on the temperature during the day) I will hand water again in the late afternoon. This also allows me to apply a very weak application of fertilizer. If you don't have time to apply weak fertilizer frequently, consider using some slow release fertilizer. The new leads on your plants are in a rapid growth phase at this time, therefore regular and frequent fertilizing with high nitrogen fertilizer helps your plants grow sufficiently for some of them enter the flowering process this season, rather than next season. During summer some cymbidium growers like to water the shade

house with a fine spray in the early evening. This is a good time to water as there is less water loss through evaporation, and it also helps to keep the evening temperature down. The initiation of new flower spikes occurs during cool nights, so cool night temperatures are vital if we want our cymbidiums to flower in the coming season.

The increase in water and humidity can sometimes cause or contribute to an increase in fungal problems such as bulb rot. If this occurs, remove the affected bulbs immediately. If you leave the rotten bulbs in the pot, the problem can spread to other bulbs and destroy the whole plant. Mancozeb Plus and or Fongarid can help control fungal problems.

Make sure there are no holes/tears in your shade cloth. Your plants will quickly suffer sunburn on the leaves if exposed to direct sunlight at this time of the year. Once sunburnt the leaves become discolored and unsightly.

Summer is also the time when Red Spider Mite and Two Spotted Mite will pose a threat. The actual mites are very small and hard to see without a good magnifying glass or microscope. Watch for evidence of mites on the underside of the leaves of your cymbidiums. It will look like a very fine spider's web all over the underside of the leaf, but it won't come off if you rub it. If it is at all possible, ensure the undersides of the leaves get thoroughly wet when you water your plants. It may be necessary to increase the space between pots to allow this to happen. There are lots of miticide sprays available. Most are 'kill on contact' sprays that need to be applied once to kill the adult mites, then again 10 days or so later to kill any newly hatched mites. It is imperative to read and follow the instructions on the pack, and follow all the safety precautions. Otherwise it won't just be the mites that are feeling crook.

These mites love hot dry conditions especially if there is little or no air movement, typical of Perth summer days, so you may have to repeat actions to control them, several times during the summer and autumn months. About every 5-6 weeks is recommended.

It's too late in the year now for dividing and repotting: any plants that were not attended to will be better left until 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 (JAN-FEB 2018) based on notes from Henry Eaton

Some hot weather has finally arrived. With the onset of hot dry conditions, examination of your plants will show the development of new growths which will elongate guickly.

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. Correct watering will help with enlargement of the new growths. Damping down of the growing area by watering or misting beneath the benches will help with raising humidity.

A fertilizer programme will also be needed to provide sufficient nitrogen (N) for growth as well as potassium (K) 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 and trained 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 (JAN-FEB 2018) 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 four 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 pot sizes, you will need to ensure that the smaller pots do not dry out completely between waterings. 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:

- checking to ensure good air movement
- misting to assist with maintaining humidity, especially in the glasshouse
- weekly fertilizing
- · checking to ensure plants are not overcrowded
- checking for pests and treating if necessary
- · keeping the area clean of dying leaves or other material
- increasing watering to 3 times a week or more often if plants have dried out
- · checking all plants to see if there are any signs of stress
- watering in the early morning before the sun is too high
- · watching and control your shading.

The Orchid Society of WA (Inc.)

Minutes of the General Meeting held at the Manning Senior Citizens Activity Centre, Manning, on 15 December 2017

Welcome: Mr Courtney Rogasch opened the meeting at 7.36 pm welcoming visitors, members.

Birthdays: December: 5th Pauline Chia, 6th Val Seaman, 27th Maxine Godbeer. January: 31st John Carless

Apologies: As per register.

New Members: Helena & Peter Blackley, Scott Darcy, Bryan Jenkins were welcomed into the Society Meeting Items: Phalaenopsis Repotting with Malcom Davis, Dendrobium keikis with Murray Baker.

Presentation of Trophies. Congratulations to all winners of Trophies & Certificates.

Special Recognition Badges were awarded to Caterina Ottobrino, Kirsty Bayliss & Lynn Brooks.

Appreciation Certificates were presented to Edna Burgess, Eric & Jacqui Bateman.

Break for popular vote. (5-10 minutes)

Minutes: Moved Ray Taylor, seconded Rod Pohl, that the Minutes of the November General meeting be accepted. Carried.

Correspondence:

- Enquiry re purchase of Cycnodes Wine Delight nobody appears to have one for sale
- WAROO AGM & discussion re 2023 World Orchid Conference Saturday 20th January 10am Eaton Tavern, Bunbury Ian Duncan & Kirsty Bayliss to attend
- Responses to email enquiries from members of the public about where to obtain orchids, show and meeting dates, etc.
- · Received: Society Bulletins and junk mail

Confirmation: Moved Jim Baylis, seconded Merril Brechin, that Correspondence be endorsed. Carried.

Financial Statement: prepared and presented by K Bayliss

Confirmation: Moved Kirsty Bayliss, seconded Murray Baker, that the Financial Statement and Accounts for Payment be endorsed. Carried.

General Business:

- · Anyone who hasn't paid their Subs won't receive a Bulletin from February
- Nominations for positions on the Management Committee forms are in the December Bulletin Please consider.
- The January meeting will be a BBQ at the home of Jim and Kaye Baylis, 18 Wheyland Street, Willagee, on Friday 2nd February, from 6.30 pm. Phone 9337 6210. Bring your own drinks and meat, and bring a salad or sweet to share. There won't be a plant competition but please bring along any unusual plants to show. Extra chairs would also help.
- · OSWA Shed Cleanup in April

Raffle: Rosalie McCullum, Margaret Rathbone, Rod Pohl, Tara Peeters, Caterina Ottobrino, Rod Pohl, Chris Sloan, Lina Pacca, Lauren Nichols

Popular Vote:

Open: Odontocidium Succubus "Nightshift" owner Ray Taylor **Novice:** Oncidium Heaven Scent "Redolence" owner Jenny McLean

Door Prize: Kaye Baylis

Meeting Closed at 8.45pm followed by a delicious Christmas supper – thanks to all those who brought in a plate of

food to share. Following Supper, we enjoyed an activity to encourage Members to move around the room

mixing with everyone.

THE ORCHID SOCIETY OF WA (INC) AGM

Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Orchid Society of WA (Inc), held in the Manning Activity Centre, Manning, on 24th February 2017.

The President Mrs K Baylis declared the meeting open at 7.40pm, welcoming members & visitors present.

Acceptance of the 2016 AGM Minutes: Moved Rod Pohl, seconded Lynn Brooks that the 2016 Minutes be accepted. Carried.

Business arising from the Minutes: None

Financial Statement: Presented by Kirsty Bayliss

The Audited Financial Statements for the year ended 31st October 2016 were complete.

Moved Tom Seaman, seconded Peter Kissell that the Audited Financial Statement be accepted. Carried.

President's Report: Mrs K Baylis presented her report

Election of Office Bearers: Kaye Baylis was appointed as Returning Officer. Moved Ray Taylor, seconded Lynn

Brooks. Carried

Patron: Nomination: Trevor Burnett nominated by K Baylis, seconded by L Brooks. Carried

President: Courtney Rogasch nominated by R McGrath, seconded by K Baylis. Carried

Vice President: Murray Baker nominated by K Baylis, seconded by L Brooks. Carried

Secretary: Rosemary McGrath nominated by K Baylis, seconded by L Brooks. Carried

Treasurer: Kirsty Bayliss nominated by R McGrath, seconded by K Baylis. Carried

Immediate Past President: Mrs Kaye Baylis.

Committee: Mr Jim Baylis nominated by R McGrath, seconded by K Bayliss. Carried

Mr Jack Krishnan nominated by R McGrath, seconded by C Ottobrino. Carried

Mrs Lorna Dodd nominated by R McGrath, seconded by C Ottobrino. Carried

Volunteers from the floor: Mrs Jacqui Bateman

Committee Continuing (1 more year to complete term): Mr Ian Duncan, Ms Lynn Brooks,

Positions for which formal nomination not required:

OSWA Registrar: Ian Duncan Show Marshall: Kaye Baylis

Opportunity Table: Rosalie McCallum, Coral Bielby

Show Secretary: Rosemary McGrath, Merrilyn Brechin

Librarian: Kaye Baylis

Show Sales: Rosemary McGrath, Ian Duncan

Bulletin Editor: Murray Baker

Webmaster & Online Contact: Murray Baker

Orchids Australia: Kirsty Bayliss Facebook: Kirsty Bayliss

Show Committee: Committee Members plus Merril Brechin,

Auditor: Mr Harvey Viner

There being no further business, the meeting was declared closed at 8.00 pm.

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MONTHLY PLANT COMPETITION (December 2017)

1F	(2)	1 Ian Duncan2 Tara Peeters	Encyclia Bees Knees Brassavola David Sandler
3B	(2)	Howard Tan Howard Tan	Paphiopedilum St Swithin (rothschildianum x philippinense) Paphiopedilum Yang Ji Apple (philippinense x anitum)
3C	(3)	1 Howard Tan2 Howard Tan3 Howard Tan	Paphiopedilum Julius x Paphiopedilum tigrinum Paphiopedilum Pinocchio x Paphiopedilum helenae Paphiopedilum Bianka (moquettianum x adductum)
5B	(1)	1 Rosemary McGrath	Doritaenopsis Tai Lin Redangel 'V1' x Doritaenopsis Ching Hua Horn 'Jordan'
6D	(2)	1 Rosemary McGrath2 Ray Taylor	Odontocidium Tiger Crow 'Golden Girl' Odontocidium Succubus 'Night Shift'
7B	(2)	1 Tara Peeters2 Tara Peeters	Vanda Pink Fairy Renanthera monachica x Renanthera citrina
11A	(6)	1 Howard Tan2 Ray Taylor3 Rosemary McGrath	Phragmipedium Grande 'Chinaman' Phragmipedium Mauricianum Phragmipedium Grande 'Chinaman'
11B	(1)	1 Ray Taylor	Miltonopsis Unknown

NOVICE

15F	(2)	1 Enid Chelva2 Lynn Brooks	Encyclia Bees Knees Encyclia Bees Knees
20D	(3)	1 Jenny McLean2 Enid Chelva3 Lynn Brooks	Oncidium Heaven Scent 'Redolence' Oncidium Unknown Oncidium Ruffles 'Scent of a Woman'

POPULAR VOTE Open: R Taylor Odontocidium Succubus 'Night Shift'

> Novice: J McLean Oncidium Heaven Scent 'Redolence'

SCHOKMAN TROPHY Encyclia Bees' Knees (71 points) I Duncan

(Laelinae)

JIM GRANTHAM H Tan Phragmipedium Grande 'Chinaman' (74 points) **TROPHY**

(Phragmipedium)

THE ORCHID SOCIETY OF WA TROPHY WINNERS LIST 2017

TROPHY				WINN	WINNER	
The Lester Schokman Memorial Trophy (Cattleya - most points awarded - throughout year)				R Taylor		
Harold Hill Memorial Trophy (Best Phalaenopsis - Spring Show)					-	
Cypripedium Champ	ionship Perpet	ual Trophy (Pa	phiopedilum - Winter Show)	H Tan		
Vera Kennedy Perpe	etual Trophy (N	ovice - Aggrega	ate Points)	J Krishnan		
Vicki Browne Perpet	ual Trophy (Ch	ampion Native	or Hybrid Terrestrial - Spring Show)	-		
Cymbidium Champic	onship Perpetua	al Trophy (Chai	mpion Cymbidium - Spring Show)	C Rogasch		
J & C Sullivan Troph Spring Show)	J & C Sullivan Trophy (Best Specimen Plant Australian Native Hybrid or Species –				M Brechin	
George Marshall Tro	phy (Open - A	ggregate Point	s)	M Godbeer		
W & L Janney Perpe	etual Trophy (Bo	est pure colour	cymbidium - Spring Show)	-	-	
Jim Grantham Memo	orial Trophy (Be	est Phragmiped	lium of the Year)	G Price		
Richard Nichols Memorial Trophy (Best Lycaste of the year)			the year)	M Go	dbeer	
C & L Friar Perpetua	C & L Friar Perpetual Trophy (Best Aust. Native Hybrid Seedling - Spring Show)				-	
Roy Brown Perpetual Trophy (Best Novice Cymbidium – Spring Show)					-	
Tom Dixon Memorial Trophy (Best Cymbidium Seedling – Spring Show)					I Duncan	
Judge's Choice Certificate - Best at General Meeting for the year.				R Taylor		
AOC Most Pre Eminent Entry, Autumn Show Cymbidium dayanum				C Rogasch		
AOC Most Pre Eminent Entry, Winter Show Brassocattleya Pastoral Innocence			M & A Davis			
AOC Most Pre Eminent Entry-Spring Show Zygone			eria Freestyle Meadows	C Rog	gasch 	
		OSWA Winne	ers 2017 – Points			
Most Points in Open Class 1 st – Maxine Godbeer 2 nd – Ian Duncan 3 rd – Howard Tan			can	102 po 68 po 51 po	ints	
2 ⁿ		2 nd – Harry A	1 st – Jack Krishnan 2 nd – Harry Ashton 3 rd – Dana Mitchell & Enid Chelva (tied)		27 points 9 points 6 points	
Schokman Trophy (Cattleya)				80 pts 76 pts 74.5 pts		
	3 rd – Tom an	d Val Seaman	Cattleya loddigesii	-	•	
Jim Grantham Trophy (Phragmipedium)	1 st – George 2 nd – R Pohl 3 rd – George		Phragmipedium Conchiferum Phragmipedium caudatum Phragmipedium Conchiferum		73.6 pts 73 pts 72.8 pts	
Richard Nichols	1 st – Maxine	Godbeer	Lycaste aromatica		71.8 pts	

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Trophy (Lycaste)	2 nd – Maxine Godbeer	Lycaste aromatica	69 pts
Judges Choice – Monthly	Nov. Rod Pohl Dec. Courtney Rogasch Feb. Murray & Arni Bak Mar. Ian Duncan Apr. Ray Taylor May Howard Tan Jun. Robin Dalziell		72 pts 72 pts 74 pts 72 pts 78 pts 74 pts 76 pts
	Jul. Courtney Rogasch Aug. Valerie Cooper Sep. Courtney Rogasch	<i>Rhyncholaeliocattleya</i> (Haadyai Delight x Srisil Gold)	77 pts 73 pts 75 pts
	Oct. Ray Taylor	Cattleya skinneri var. oculata alba 'Dayana'	80 pts
Overall winner of Plant of the Month	Ray Taylor	Cattleya skinneri var. oculata alba 'Dayana'	80 pts

Certificates of Appreciation: Jacqui & Eric Bateman, Arnold Godfrey, Edna Burgess

Appreciation Badges: Catterina Ottobrino, Kirsty Bayliss, Lynn Brooks

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 2018

From the December General Meeting...



Trevor presenting Jack with Vera Kennedy Perpetual Trophy for the most Novice points.



Trevor presenting Ray with the Lester Schokman Memorial Trophy for the best Cattleya of the year.



Trevor presenting Howard with the Cypripedium Championship Perpetual Trophy.



Trevor presenting Ian with the Lester Schokman Memorial Trophy for the best Cattleya of the year.



Trevor presenting Courtney with the Cymbidium Championship Perpetual Trophy.



Trevor presenting George with the Jim Grantham Memorial Trophy for Best Phragmipedium of the Year.



Brassavola David Sander (Tara Peeters)



Gongora gratulabunda (Maxine Godbeer)



Trevor presenting Rod with his Judges Choice Certificate.



Trevor presenting Merril with the J & C Sullivan Trophy (Best Specimen Australian Native at the Spring Show).



Lynn, Caterina, and Kirsty with their Appreciation Badges.



Paphiopedilum villosum (Rod Pohl)

THE ORCHID SOCIETY OF WA (INC)

I hereby nominate
for the position of
Nominator
Seconder
I hereby accept nomination & declare that I have not breached any of the 4 conditions (listed below) under the New Act
Signed
Date

Under the New Law a person is excluded from being on the Committee if they:

- 1. Are bankrupt or their affairs are under insolvency laws
- 2. Have been convicted of an indictable offence in relation to the formation or management of a body corporate in the last 5 years
- 3. Have been convicted of an offence involving fraud or dishonesty, punishable by at least 3 months imprisonment in the last 5 years
- 4. Have been convicted of an offence under the Act, where a person has allowed an association to operate while insolvent in the past 5 years.