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MEETING TOPICS

Friday 27 September
Oswa Spring Show and Soup Night.
Setup from 6:15 pm

Friday 25 October
Repotting Phalaenopsis and Cattleya
Orchids + Orchid Q&A

OTHER MEETING DATES

OSWA Committee: Friday 4 October
Friday 1 November

General Meeting: Friday 22 November

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President's Corner – September/October 2024

Hi friends,

I'm loving the arrival of warm, sunny spring days. New growth is happening everywhere, and right now, the weeds have the upper hand in our garden. In my shadehouse, the big dendrobium I mentioned last month is currently covered with flowers (see photo) and the fragrance is heavenly! If it's still flowering at the end of September (and I can get it in the car without breaking it) I'll bring it to the next meeting.

With much trepidation I completed my first deflasking last month (*Sobennikoffia robusta*, which is an epiphytic orchid from Madagascar with a wonderful vanilla-like fragrance) and so far, my baby orchids are surviving in their community pots. I know that I have to be patient, but I

want them to hurry up and grow!

Have you been to any orchid shows this season? I was lucky to be able to attend four shows, from Mirrabooka to Bunbury, and really enjoyed them all. The quality and variety of plants represented was outstanding. Remember that at the September meeting, we will have our Spring Show (more information on that appears elsewhere in this Bulletin). I hope you can join us for what promises to be a very enjoyable evening.

May your garden grow well,

Annette Gelfi – OSWA President



General News

Birthdays

September: 4th Nelia Farquhaison; 14th Bob Longmore; 15th Nantha Lingam; 19th Lilly Collis; 30th Wanda Frantom

October: 4th Kristene Northover; 4th Katherine Cooper; 9th Tara Peeters; 10th Claudia Rowe; 11th Enid Chelva; 14th Eric Bateman; 16th Barbara Burnett; 21st Ann Walker; 23rd Joshie Balgos

November: 2nd Aishya Ghose

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.

New Members

Welcome to Antonio Neto (Perth), Kate Reid (Canning Vale), and Jenny Siva. We hope you have many rewarding years ahead with our Society.

It is time to bring the Trophies back!

Could members who are holding the trophies please return them by the October General Meeting, as they need to be engraved during November, before our Christmas Meeting and presentation night. If you wish to polish them, please use Silvo.

This Month's Meeting: OSWA'S SPRING SHOW

As you are probably already aware, this year, due to a number of factors, we are unable to stage our Spring Show which in recent years was held at the Kardinya shopping centre. So that members do not miss out on the opportunity to have their plants judged and have prizes awarded, we will be holding our Spring Show judging at our meeting this Friday, 27 September.

We have access to both rooms at the Manning Senior Citizens Activity Centre from 6.15 pm for setting up the Show. We need people to have their plants at the centre and entered for judging no later than 7.15 pm. Although the show is happening during our usual September meeting, the show is open to anyone who wants to enter plants. Ribbons and prizes will be awarded on the night. Certificates will be presented at the October meeting, as we need time to have the calligraphy done.

There will not be a speaker or presentation at this meeting because of the show. While the judging is taking place, we will have a pot luck/soup night so that we can share a meal together. We ask that members bring a soup or side dish or dessert to share. There will also be a mega raffle, and the winners from the past two months' raffles will be able to claim their prizes. It should be a very fun evening.

Quality Plant Auction

Two specimens of *Cattlianthe (Laeliocattleya)* Trick or Treat 'Orange Beauty' will be put up for auction by Kaye Baylis at this month's meeting. This hybrid was registered in 1973 and has received numerous awards, the 'Orange Beauty' clone being the most highly awarded! Both specimens are large and healthy and each is carrying four racemes (photos below left and centre). The flowers are bright orange and form in clusters. The photo of *Cattlianthe* Trick or Treat flowers below right is taken from the Robertson Orchids website (robertsonorchids.com.au), and while it isn't of a flower of from one of the actual plants to be auctioned, it gives you an idea of what the flowers will look like. Both specimens will be ready to divide and/or repot immediately after flowering.



OSWA Library

Greetings all!

I have come to the conclusion that putting a few books on the trolley for members to see is not effective.

We have over 70 books in the library and so to let you see all the titles, I will have the inventory book on the table where I am sitting during General Meetings. Please look through the inventory book and if there is a library book you would like to borrow tell me and I will get it out for you.

I will only be putting a selection of magazines on the trolley against the back wall.

There is still a number of older books to give away but putting them on the table in the corner is not effective as they get swallowed by pots for sale. When there is a second trolley available I will put the give-away books on it next to the magazine trolley.

If you are not sure about anything to do with the library please come and ask me.

Many thanks!

John Cain, OSWA Librarian

There's lots of news in this bulletin...lots going on over the coming 8 weeks...

In the coming weeks we'll be having our **Spring Show**, our **Christmas Dinner**, the **Potting Workshop**, and the **Late Flowering Orchid Display**. October is prime re-potting season, so at our **October meeting** there will be demonstrations of repotting phalaenopsis and cattleya orchids, and an orchid Q&A session. The annual **Orchidup Open Day** will happen on the last weekend in October. There's more info about each of these events later in this bulletin.

The reason you are reading about all this stuff now is that the Bulletin Editor will be away for most of October, so **there will be no Bulletin published in October**. Put the October meeting and the October and November events in your calendar now, because you won't be receiving a bulletin in October to remind you then, and the Bulletin Editor will once again not be able to receive emails asking "where is the bulletin this month?". 😊

OSWA Christmas Dinner - Wednesday 9 October, from about 6:30 pm. BOOK NOW!

Our traditional Christmas Dinner at Bentley Pines Restaurant will be very early this year due to the restaurant closing for renovations. **Our September general meeting will be your last chance to book a place at the dinner!** This event is always enjoyable—good food, good company, so don't forget to sign up and pay for your place this Friday!

The venue: Bentley Pines Training Restaurant, Hayman Road, Bentley.

Starts: About 6:30 pm, Wednesday 9 October.

The venue is part of South Metropolitan TAFE and staffed mostly by students training to work in the hospitality industry. The menu is interesting, the food is excellent, and there is ample parking on-site. The buffet meal will include dessert and coffee/tea afterwards. Drinks are not included, but there is a bar where patrons may purchase alcoholic and non-alcoholic beverages. Unfortunately only limited places are available, so be quick to secure your place in this event.

Potting Workshop: Sunday, 13 October, 10 am - 3 pm at MSCAC

The Potting Workshop is a highlight of the OSWA calendar and is an excellent event for anyone wishing to learn more about potting and other aspects of orchid culture. And members get in for free! And members might get free scones!

Setup will be from around 9 am (to be confirmed at the September General Meeting). *Speakers, potters & helpers needed, as well as plants for the display and for the sales table and donations for the kitchen.*

The workshop will be at the Manning Senior Citizens Activity Centre, 3 Downey Drive, Manning (where we hold our General Meetings). Plants will be potted, there will be sales of orchids and orchid-related paraphernalia, there will be talks, there will be a display, and there will be coffee, tea, soft drinks and snacks.

We will need:

- Members to help with repotting. Don't worry if you don't know how, the best way to learn is to practice, and you'll get plenty of practice and on-the-job training at this event. Murray learnt almost all he knows about repotting orchids during his first attendance at this event, about 20 years ago, and on that occasion he was put to work repotting too!
- Helpers willing to give a short talk about some aspect of orchid culture on the day.
- Helpers for the kitchen, entrance table, etc.
- Donations for the kitchen (scones, cake, sandwiches...)
- Plants for the display.
- Plants for the sales table. Plant sales tags etc will be available at the September general meeting or can be downloaded from www.orchidsocietywa.net.au.

Orchidup Open Day, 26-27 October

Orchidup (www.orchidup.com.au), based in Walpole, is a popular orchid vendor at many orchid events in Perth and southwest WA. Owners David and Liz Edmonds will be hosting the annual Orchidup Open Day on the weekend of 26-27 October 2024, 10 am – 4 pm both days. The Orchidup nursery is well worth a visit. Orchids and succulents, including some rare and unusual plants, will be for sale, and tea, coffee, cakes, and light lunches will be available. The address is 82 Bridge Road Walpole (it's a farm, easy to find). See: <https://www.instagram.com/p/DADIV0czmsj/?hl=en>

Late Flowering Orchid Display: Saturday 9 and Sunday 10 November.

November is traditionally a slack time for shows, which can be disappointing for all those growers who have special orchids that only flower around that time. In collaboration with the Cymbidium Orchid Club of WA and the Australian Native Orchid Society (ANOS WA), we will be having our fourth Late Flowering Orchid Display in November to show off our late-flowering orchids. **Setup will be in the evening of Friday 8 November**, from about 5 pm, and will be accompanied by the **traditional LFOD Soup Night**. This event will be a Display only, so no plant competition or judging, but there will be plant sales, snacks, and the chance to meet members of other clubs. More info at upcoming general meetings and in the advert later in this bulletin.

OSWA MEMBERSHIP AMNESTY: ARE YOU A CURRENT FINANCIAL MEMBER?

We want OSWA membership to be a rewarding, educational and enjoyable experience for all members. So that we can continue to provide presentations, resources, raffle prizes, club plants, shows and other activities for the benefit of members, not to mention pay for essential things like insurance and hall hire, we need all members to pay their membership fees on time. Annual membership subscriptions are due on 1st November every year, however a significant number of members still haven't paid their fees for this year, and risk removal from the membership register. Are you one of them?

To avoid the potential embarrassment of being asked to pay a \$2 fee to attend a club meeting as a non-financial member (something that was mentioned in the May/June 2024 Bulletin) and no longer receiving club Bulletins, we will have a list of current financial members available at the August general meeting, to make it easy for you to check if you are paid up or not. If you won't be at the meeting please email our Treasurer Sheelagh at sheelagh4@bigpond.com and she can advise you of your status.

New arrangements for sale of plants by members at monthly meetings.

OSWA is modifying the sales process for monthly meetings to make running the club less onerous to our hard working volunteers and office bearers. OSWA will no longer be 'staffing' a sales table for members to sell plants etc at monthly meetings. Sales plants etc are still welcome, but sales and payment will be arranged directly between the buyer and seller. No commission will be payable on these sales.

Due to late notice just prior to the September meeting, this change will start at the October meeting.

OSWA will continue to operate a sales table to sell OSWA plants, pots, tags, hangers, fertilisers, and so on (purchased in bulk to be sold on to members at special prices). Plant sales at OSWA shows and other public events will continue as usual, with 10% commission to OSWA.

Courtney's Orchid Sale

The sale includes Brassia, Cattleya, Coilostylus, Cymbidium, Dendrochilum, Dendrobium, Oncidium, Oncidinae, Sarcocylus, and Zygo orchids. These plants are well-established and actively growing. Many are large enough to split into 3 or 4 pieces. Enquires: call 9495 1522 to arrange an appointment to view the plants, or alternatively, SMS Courtney's mobile 0407 049 717. Be sure to include your name in the message. Courtney does not answer calls on his mobile from unknown callers.

Rebates for Waterwise Gardening

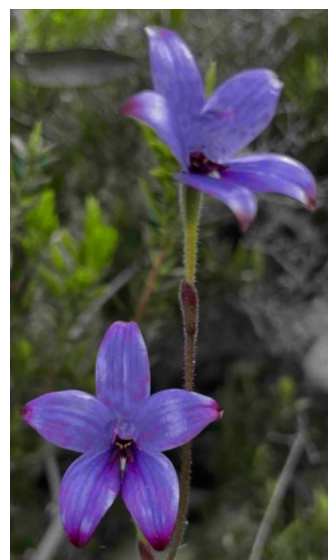
As part of supporting sustainable gardening practices, the Orchid Society of Western Australia encourages members to ensure their reticulation is waterwise. Water Corp is current offering a rebate on the purchase of certain waterwise products—see this link for more information:

<https://www.watercorporation.com.au/Waterwise/Waterwise-offers/Waterwise-Irrigation-Rebate>

Orchids in the bush

If you haven't gone for a bushwalk or visited Wireless Hill this season, do so ASAP! Native terrestrials are flowering spectacularly at the moment.

Over the last few weeks I've been exploring pockets of bushland around Leeming, Murdoch University, Bibra Lake, Wireless Hill (Ardross), and Signal Hill (Bentley). Just around Leeming, I've seen literally thousands of cowslip orchids (*Caladenia flava*, at right) and donkey orchids (*Diuris* sp.). These orchids seemed to be by far the most



abundant in Leeming, but I'm not sure if that perception is just due to their bright colours making them easy to spot against the dull background of the bush. I also found a couple of spider orchids in the Leeming bush, including two specimens of the dancing spider orchid, *Caladenia discoidea*, at right. Thank you to Harry and Karl for identifying this orchid for me.



Bushland around Murdoch University has cowslips and donkeys in abundance. Kirsty tells me there are also spider orchids on the Murdoch campus, but I haven't seen them there myself. I was excited to find a few enamel orchids (*Elythranthera brunonis*, at left) in the bush at the southern end of the campus. Some of the enamel orchids were even visible from the street!

I did find some spider orchids (at right, *Caladenia longicauda*?) near Bibra Lake, but the dominant orchids there were the pink fairy orchids (*Caladenia latifolia*, at left), often in large colonies. I



even found a couple of places where *Caladenia latifolia* (flowers of which range from white to magenta) and *Caladenia flava* (yellow flowers with varying amounts of red markings) were growing together, and in amongst them were pink-orange flowers (near right) that may be the natural hybrid of the two, *Caladenia x spectabilis*. The



hybrid has also been made by hybridisers and was registered with the Royal Horticultural Society as *Caladenia* Harlequin in 1997. While searching online for information about the natural hybrid, I was surprised to find a post by Fred Clarke, of Sunset Valley Orchids, the source of many orchids made available to us through Barrita Orchids. In the post, dated 3 March 2020, Fred said that he'd just flowered *Caladenia* Harlequin, and his flower (below left, from Facebook) looked quite different to my suspected natural hybrid from near Bibra Lake.



I've seen *Microtis* orchids (at right) in each area of bush that I've visited, and they're even growing in my front yard and as weeds in orchid pots in my shadehouse. (Because they are orchids, I don't consider them to truly be weeds, so they are safe wherever they grow at my place!) *Microtis* sp. are surprisingly easy to spot despite the smallness and dullness of the flowers. Perhaps they are easy to see because the plant itself, which has an onion-like leaf shape, is quite different to the more prickly-looking flora

that dominates the bush. The flowers are quite pretty if viewed up close.

I haven't had a chance to take a good look around Wireless Hill, but I've heard that it has many more orchid species in flower than I've seen so far this season, with many specimens easily visible from the walking paths.

I was out again this afternoon, exploring the bush at Murdoch University. I was looking for the spider orchids and sun orchids that Kirsty told me she'd seen there, but those orchids remained elusive to me. *Caladenia flava* is still abundant there, and there were plenty of pink fairy orchids about too, but the donkey orchids are already past their prime, and all the *Pterostylis* orchids have turned brown and gone to seed. So, if you'd like to see terrestrial orchids in local bush, you better do it soon or they'll all be gone until next year.



OSWA Events Calendar 2024

- **OSWA Spring Show Judging at our September General Meeting**
- **Christmas Dinner:** Wednesday 9 October, at Bentley Pines Restaurant (very early this year due to the restaurant closing for renovations from November).
- **Potting Workshop:** Sunday 13 October
- **Late Flowering Orchid Display:** Setup Friday 8 November, display 9-10 November
- **December General Meeting:** Friday 13 December (early due to Christmas).

Free Trestle Tables and Photocopier

OSWA has a number of our old trestle tables that need new homes. These are the tables we used to set up benching of plants and the sales table at shows. They are sturdy and in quite good condition. If you would like some please get in touch with a member of the committee. The OSWA photocopier (wgich needs a service) is also available for free to any member who wants it. It is on wheels so it is quite easy to move, but it is very heavy. It may be useful to any member who is technically inclined enough to do a minor repair job, or who has a large boat and is in need of an anchor...contact Murray if interested.

GENERAL ORCHID CULTURE NOTES FOR KAMBARANG (APPROX. OCTOBER/NOVEMBER)

The Orchid Society of Western Australia would like to acknowledge that our meetings are held on the traditional lands of the Noongar people. Unlike the European calendar, the Noongar people describe the climate of West Australia's South West as having six seasons, guided by what is happening and changing around us rather than specific 'dates' on a calendar. This approach to describing Perth's

climate is helpful for guiding our orchid related jobs for the year. Kambarang (approx. October/November) is the season of birth. The worst of the cold weather has past, and the country is bursting into life with wildflowers. This includes many of our native orchid species, which are easy to spot on most wildflower bush walks. Take care when appreciating them though—many of our native reptiles (danger noodles) are also very active this time of year!

- ✓ With rising temperatures and longer days, many orchids will be showing signs of new growth. Actively growing orchids are in the perfect stage of their growth cycle to take up fertilizer, so application of slow release pellets and liquid feeds is highly beneficial. Be excited by the new growths—they are the 'solar panels' that will fuel the sprays of spectacular flowers next year!
- ✓ Some fertilizer pellets release their contents in a temperature-dependent manner. For this reason, it's best not to just apply the pellets to the surface of the mix where they receive full sun—tap the pot so the pellets settle into the mix a little.
- ✓ Remember that fertilizer application needs to go hand in hand with increased watering, especially for newly repotted orchids that have a fresh, free draining mix that doesn't hold as much moisture as older mix. If you have an irrigation system, it may be time to start using it in the next few weeks. Remember to water orchids heavily—water should run through the bottom of the pot to flush out any excess salts. Try to grow plants like bromeliads and groundcovers (but not ferns!) under the orchids, as these will absorb any excess fertilizer runoff, help create a frog friendly environment (insect patrol) and improve humidity in the growing space.
- ✓ If overhead watering, remember that new orchid growths can be soft and delicate, and if water is accumulating in developing leaf axils there is a risk of rot. Try to angle and position plants to face directions where this risk is reduced.
- ✓ Growers that having solarweave/plastic covers for their shade house can remove them at this time of year—it can get very hot under a solarweave roof! Consider applying an additional layer of shade cloth as temperatures rise, especially into November.
- ✓ Repotting should be well underway, and some general tips were included in previous months' culture notes. Repotting can be stressful for orchids, especially in warmer weather, so it's a good idea to keep the plants in a cooler, shadier location for a week or two after repotting to help them cope with any stress.
- ✓ Insects such as scale, aphids and mealy bugs become more active as it warms up (and are enticed by the irresistibly lush new growth on our plants!) so vigilance is required. Managing ants is critical to prevent them from 'farming' and spreading scale. Large caterpillars can also be a problem. Try to identify signs of infestation early to minimize damage.

CYMBIDIUM CULTURAL NOTES FOR KAMBARANG (APPROX. OCTOBER/NOVEMBER)

Most cymbidiums have finished flowering by this time of the year, and any remaining flower spikes are best cut off to allow the plant to redirect energy into new growth. The exception to this is our Australian native cymbidiums and their hybrids, which flower well into November and December, and make an excellent addition to any orchid collection!

New growths will be developing rapidly at this time of the year. These growths will support next years flowers, so keep them growing by increasing the quantity and frequency of fertilizer application. Cymbidiums are heavy feeders compared to most other orchids. Strike Back for Orchids pellets and liquid can be used in combination, with the diluted liquid best being applied on a weekly basis. Water heavily in between fertilizing, allowing water to flow through the bottom of the pot to flush out any excess salts that might accumulate.

Repotting should be in full swing, aiming to have all the cymbidiums done by the first week of November at the latest. When dividing your plants, try not to break them up into sections that are too small. A three bulb piece will have a better chance of flowering the following year. Try not to overpot your plant. Select a pot that will hold the plant and its root system and will allow for a further two years growth. When repotting, hold the plant firmly in one hand one inch below the top of the pot, then using your fingers work the fresh pine bark between the plants roots. Fill the pot to about a centimetre from the rim, firming the bark in as you go (the plant should be secure). The plant should now be sitting neatly in the centre of the pot, with the base of the bulb just below the top of the bark.

CATTLEYA CULTURAL NOTES FOR KAMBARANG (APPROX. OCTOBER/NOVEMBER)

Many cattleyas will be putting up new growths at this time of year. If repotting is required, it is best to time this activity with the appearance of a flush of new roots (2-3 cm long) that will establish themselves in the new potting mix. Try to repot before roots get any longer than 3 cm, or the roots are likely to be snapped in the repotting process. When dividing, aim for each division to have more than 4 bulbs for best chances of flowering next year. At the time of potting, place the oldest pseudo bulb against the back wall of the pot and fill in with mix from the front. Push the mix in so that the plant is held firm in the pot. If adequately immobilised, you can usually lift the plant up by its leaves without the plant coming away from the pot. Stake the pseudo bulbs up vertically as far as possible and make sure the front growth cannot move around damaging the emerging new roots. If you hang your pots, a neat trick is to use the hanger as the stake.

As new growths mature, liquid fertilising can be carried out once a week with Strike Back for Orchids liquid or a high nitrogen product. Strike Back pellets can be sprinkled over the potting medium as a slow-release fertiliser, but take care not to apply the pellets directly to the 'flush' of new root tips as this can burn them.

Some cattleyas have an inconvenient growth habit of developing horizontally instead of vertically. For these orchids, try and stake the pseudobulbs upright—this position will be ideal for presenting the flowers when they open. Staking is best done as the bulbs develop, as the bulbs can be difficult to manipulate once mature. More information on growing cattleyas can be found in our updated culture notes at:

http://www.orchidsocietywa.net.au/OSWA/Growing_Orchids_files/new%20Cattleya%20Culture%20Notes%20July%202022_1.pdf

PAPHIOPEDILUM CULTURAL NOTES FOR KAMBARANG (APPROX. OCTOBER/NOVEMBER)

By the end of October, repotting of the plants that have finished flowering should be complete. The plants that did not produce spikes should already have been done. (If you complete your repotting by the end of October, contact Murray, who will allocate you additional repotting duties.) When repotting plants from the existing pot, carefully extract all the growing mix with your fingers and remove any dead roots. Care must be taken not to damage live roots when repotting as paphiopedilums have a limited root system. Place the plant in the pot, with the base of the plant some 15 mm below the rim of the pot, and work the mix in and around the roots. Gently bumping the pot on the bench can also assist in the placement of the mix. On top of the mix I spread a small quantity of crushed sea shells or gravel sand which helps support the plant from moving in the pot and thus helps to avoid root damage.

With warmer conditions now gradually becoming the norm during these months, plants are actively growing and increased attention needs to be given to the watering. Remember that paphs do not have 'bulbs' to store water, and so need to be kept moist. As all my plants now have a nice new open mix, I increase my watering programme to once a week, but always in the morning, and increase the frequency of watering if temperatures are consistently above 30 °C. The the fertilizer programme can be increased to weekly or fortnightly at ¼ to ½ strength, with a high nitrogen based fertilizer to promote good development of the new growths.

Remember that paphs are lower light orchids than cymbidiums and cattleyas, and appreciate a cooler, shadier position in the shadehouse. More information on growing paphs can be found on our updated culture notes at

http://www.orchidsocietywa.net.au/OSWA/Growing_Orchids_files/New%20Paph%20culture%20notes%20July%202022_1.pdf

Notes of the General Meeting held in the Manning Senior Citizens Activity Centre, Manning, on Friday 23 August 2024

Welcome: 7:30 pm **Apologies and attendance:** as per register

Presentations/demos: Buying Orchids: What to look for (Harry)

General business

- **Glynn Fathers Tribute.** Funeral service: St Paul's Anglican Church, 162 Hampton Road,

Beaconsfield on Monday August 26th at 10:30am.

- **OSWA Welcome Packs** – if anyone did not receive one of these, please contact Harry
- **September meeting with orchid judging.** We have access to the hall from 6:15pm, and all plants should be entered by 7 pm. Judging will commence at 7:30 pm. We plan to enjoy some food while judging is taking place!
- **Presentation requests** – please let us know if there is a topic of interest you would like to hear about, we are always looking for suggestions for presentations!
- **Trestle tables** – OSWA has a number of our old trestle tables that we would like to find new homes. If you would like some please get in touch with a member of the committee
- **Quality Plant Auctions** – Please be reminded that if you have a high quality plant you would like considered for auction at an OSWA meeting, please let the secretary know prior to the meeting so it can be fit into the agenda.
- **Events calendar 2024**

Supper prize: Betty S. **Floral Art:** Joshie “On the Branch” – a charming minimalist display of cymbidiums and ferns perched on a branch, with lightbulbs suspended below it.

Open popular vote: Harry Ashton with *Epicattleya* Rene Marques Flamethrower x *Cattleya* amethystina! This is an interesting intergeneric hybrid that Harry obtained from our good friends Orchidup. It grows very well, and each year the new growth is larger and larger with more flowers. I'm interested to see the full potential of this plant!

Novice popular vote: Alan Rowe with *Dockrilia* (or *Dendrobium*!) *teretifolium* mounted on a fence post. This is an Australian native species from the east coast. Alan bought this from a nursery in Melbourne long before he joined the orchid society. Alan grows this hanging under a pergola

Door Prize: John Cain. **Raffle:** Betty S, Emily, Richard G, Carol. Unfortunately we did not have the full quantity of raffle plants this month, so we will need to owe some further raffle prizes. We owe prizes (from the last 2 months) to Jacqui Bateman, Ray Taylor, Chris, Ray T, John, Sugandika, Alan R, Harry A, John C, Betty S, Gloria, Jenny, Donna, Nantha, Ray T, Sugandika.

Judges Choice: NA. **Best Cymbidium:** NA. **Meeting closed:** 9:30pm

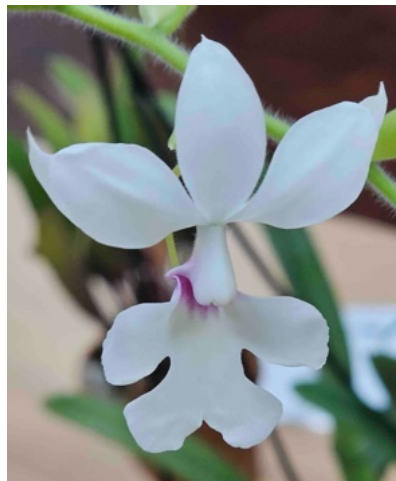
From our August Meeting

(Photos by Alan Rowe)

On the Branch,
created by Joshie



Calianthe vestita,
grown by Harry Ashton



Dockrilia teretifolium,
Novice Popular Vote,
grown by Alan Row





Orchid Potting Workshop



**Sunday 13th October 2024
10am to 3pm**

**Manning Senior Citizens Centre
3 Downey Drive, Manning**

- Orchid potting demonstrations
- Talks - bring your orchid questions!
- Orchid display
- Plants and growing supplies for sale
- Refreshments available

orchidsocietywa@gmail.com



\$3 Entry
**\$5 potting fee
per plant**



Late Flowering Orchid Display

9th November 9am - 4pm
10th November 9am - 3pm

Manning Senior Citizens Centre
3 Downey Drive, Manning WA

Entry \$5
includes
tea/coffee
& cake



- Orchid plants and supplies for sale
- Talks and demonstrations
- Refreshments available