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(The FRIENDLY Society)

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Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Maribyrnong Orchid Society will be held at the Maribyrnong Community Centre, Randall Street, Maribyrnong on Tuesday the 12th June, 2007.

The Early 'new growers' group starts at 7.15pm and is conducted by the informative Steve Stebbing. This group runs for approximately 30 minutes prior to the start of the monthly meeting. We also have 'Pots and Ferts' and plant sales tables operating at every meeting. Members may bring 10 orchids to be sold on the sales table each month. The Society deducts 15% commission on the sale of all plants. Please note that all plants must be labeled correctly and state whether they are hot/cold growing and expected floral colour, if not in flower. Plants are also to be listed on a sales form, available from members on the Sales table, to be filled out by the selling member.

Guest Speaker this month

Our guest speaker this month will be Mr Grant Garrett presenting his slide show of awarded orchids for 2006.

We thank Mr. Dennis Diehm for his presentation last month. It was very informative night and the members appreciated his presentation.

Supper Roster

For the June meeting we kindly have Alex Wild and Hubert Nyssen on Supper Duties. All members are welcome to bring a plate of goodies to be enjoyed after the Evening's Speaker has finished their presentation.

New Member

The club wishes to welcome Ken and Sally McMillan to our club. We look forward to seeing you at the next meeting, when you will be presented with your name tag and complimentary orchid.

Many of our members may not be aware that our Patron, the honorable Mr. Gerald McCraith, AM was awarded the prestigious OSSEA FELLOWSHIP in 2005. We would like to inform our members of Gerald's achievements and also acknowledge and thank Gerald for his success and contribution to the Orchid World.



THE ORCHID SOCIETY OF SE ASIA
Formerly The Malayan Orchid Society
FOUNDED 1928

Mr. Gerald McCraith, AM
OSSEA FELLOWSHIP
CITATION

Mr. Gerald McCraith joined the Orchid Society of Victoria in 1931, when it was the only Orchid Society in Australia. Today, there are at least 217 societies, many of the stimulated and encouraged by Gerald. Since 1931, with a brief interregnum for wartime service in the Signal Corps, he has devoted himself to the development of orchid interest, conservation and culture in Australia. He is the co-founder, with Hermon Slade, and most senior director of the Australian Orchid Foundation. He was also active in the formation of the Australian Orchid Council, and chaired it during the 6th World Orchid Conference in Sydney.

The Australian Orchid Foundation is a voluntary organisation of 100 members, devoted to the preservation, protection, promotion, and cultivation of all orchid species and hybrids. It disburses many thousands of dollars every year, all raised from voluntary contributions, towards projects that further these aims.

Gerald McCraith has been untiring in pursuing the work of the Foundation. For his work, he was made a Member of the Order of Australia in 1993. He will be well known to many here today as he has also been untiring in his support for and attendance at successive World Orchid Conferences. He has attended every Conference since the Fourth, in Singapore. This is the first that advancing years have obliged him to forego.

The Orchid Society of South East Asia is very happy that Gerald McCraith has accepted the Fellowship and gold medal of the Society in recognition of his lifetime dedication to orchid science and horticulture.

Given at the 18th World Orchid Conference, Dijon, France
14 March 2005

John Elliott
President

Wendy Chew
Honorary Secretary

MAY 2007 COMPETITION RESULTS As

per judges sheets

OPEN SECTION

Small Cymbidium

1st erithrustylum x dayanum O & R Carter

Sarcochilus Species/Hybrid

1st Fitzgeraldii 'Pinkie' x Reverdene
'Red Sparkles' G Downie
2nd Fitzgeraldii 'Pinkie' x Reverdene
'Red Sparkles' G Downie

Zygopetalum

1st Zygo Kiwi Choice 'Eileen' I & M Paul
2nd Zygo Kiwi Choice 'Eileen' J & D Sharam

Paphiopedilum Species

1st Paph spicerianum M Pearce
2nd Paph charlesworthii B Duncan

Cattleya Exhibition

1st Blc Bryce Canyon 'Splendiferous'
D McAuslan

Cattleya Novelty Type

1st C Lulu 'Full' x Lavender Ice J & M Lattimore
2nd C Lulu 'Full' x Lavender Ice J & M Lattimore

Miltonia Hybrid

1st Miltonia Maymoir M Condon

Dendrobium – Hybrid/Species

1st Valerie Vamadre D Breuer

Vanda

1st Vasco Pine Rivers 'Esan' J & M Lattimore

Masdevallia Hybrid

1st veitchiana x Copper Queen B Duncan
2nd Marguerite 'Firewalker' B Duncan

Any Other Hybrid

1st Colmanara Wildcat D McAuslan
2nd Oda Snowflake x Cta Keith Roth M Condon

Species Any Genera

1st Oncidium crispum O & R Carter
2nd Laelia perrinii O & R Carter

Best in Section

Colmanara Wildcat D McAuslan

INTERMEDIATE SECTION

Cymbidium – Small

1st Hugh Gordon 'Freckles' J & D Portelli

Cattleya Novelty Type

1st Slc Dals Good One 'Sun Dancer' E. Walker
2nd C Kew J Beggs

Miltonia Hybrid

1st regnellii J & D Portelli

Any Other Hybrid

1st Zga Adelaide Meadows E Walker

Species any Genera

1st Coelogyne rochussenii J & N Marshall
2nd Arpophylum alpinum J & D Portelli

Best in Section

Coelogyne rochussenii J & N Marshall

ADVANCED NOVICE SECTION

Cymbidium - Medium

1st Mea Zea 'Preview' R Ryan

Dendrobium – Australian Native Species

1st Yondi Star x Aussie Victory B O'Brien

Australian Native Terrestrials

1st Pts truncate J Bradley

Cattleya Exhibition

1st C Unknown J Zerafa

Masdevallia Hybrid

1st Sundancer x davissii R Brooks
2nd Sundancer R Brooks

Best in Section

Sundancer x davissii R Brooks

NOVICE SECTION

1st Cymbidium traceyanum O Boicos

1st Phal Taisuco Adian H Young

Olga Boicos and Helen Young are now promoted to Advanced Novice Section for Competition.

NON SECTIONAL

Seedling Flowering for 1st time

1st Phal Heiroglyphica J & M Lattimore
2nd Sarc Dove 'Good' x Hirticulcar
G Downie

Best Cultivated

Dendrobium Valerie Vamadre H D Breuer

Popular Vote

Coelogyne rochussennii J & N Marshall

Judges Vote

Coelogyne rochussennii J & N Marshall

AM Received on the Night

**Coelogyne rochussennii 81Pts
J & N Marshall**

Solid Enameled Name Badges

Members are advised that the committee is still looking into selecting a new badge supplier. We will let you know via the newsletter when we have negotiated with an appropriate supplier.

President Report June 2007

On the 6 May 2007 we went on the first bus trip for the year. I think it was a good day and all had a good time, at least I did. But I will leave the bus trip report to Princes Panda (Liz).

The next bus trip is on the 19th August 2007. Names were taken at the May meeting and there are still ten of places left at the moment, so be quick if you would like to attend.

The first show (Autumn Show) was on the 25th, 26th and 27th May 2007, I would like to thank those members who helped over the weekend.

Our next show (Winter Show) will be held on the 14th, 15th & 16th July 2007. The club requires people to help over this weekend and your help would be very much appreciated and I would like to see some of the newer members helping out at the shows.

At the June meeting there will a draw for people who have entered plants in a show for the first time and another draw for anybody who has entered a plant in the show, you can win a great prize just by entering your plants in the show.

Don't forget that if members wear their name badge to a show you will receive FREE entry.

I look forward to seeing you at our June meeting.

Anthony Scerri
President

Seedling Competition

Last month 37 seedlings out of 50 were returned on the night. Try and remember to bring back your seedling at each meeting. If you happen to kill your little plant, let Jeff know and he will scrub your name off the Competition List.

New Hostess

New members please be advised we now have a hostess at our meetings each month to help you enter your plants and to help you with other information that you may seek. Elizabeth will be wearing a BIG bright green badge. Please approach her and she will endeavor to set you in the right direction. Remember also other Committee members can help you too.

Social Function

The next bus trip will be on Sunday the 19th of August. The bus will be traveling to the following destinations:-

1. Tyabb Packing House Antiques
2. Australian Orchid Nursery
3. Orchid Spectacular at Garden World

The cost of the trip is \$20. The club currently has 35 people booked for the trip, leaving room for only another 10 members. Can all those who have put their name down to attend please make their payment at the June meeting.

Members going on the trip are asked to wear their name tags. In fact it will be helpful if you could wear them on all bus trips in future.

ORCHID SHOW CALENDAR

Maribyrnong 2007 Orchid Shows

Winter Show: 14th and 15th July

Spring Show: 8th & 9th September

Sarcochilus Festival: 10th & 11th November

All Maribyrnong Orchid shows are conducted at our club rooms, which are located at Maribyrnong Community Centre in Randall Street.



Jane's Apricot and Coconut Slice

Ingredients:

- 250grms plain sweet biscuits, crumbled
- 1 cup dried apricots, finely chopped
- 1 ½ cups desiccated coconut
- 300mls Nestle Condensed Milk
- 125grms butter
- 1 ¼ cups Nestle Milk Melts, melted

Method:

1. Line base of 18cm x 28cm baking tin with baking paper.
2. Combine biscuit crumbs, apricots and coconut in a medium bowl.
3. Place NESTLE Sweetened Condensed Milk and butter in a medium saucepan.
4. Stir over medium heat until butter is melted and ingredients are combined.
5. Pour into dry ingredients and mix thoroughly. Press mixture into pan and refrigerate until set.
6. Pour melted chocolate evenly over slice, allow to set. Cut into squares to serve.

BUS TRIP – MAY 2007

Our first bus trip for 2007 was a great success. We had a lovely morning, and it promised to be a good day, so we all set off on time with Tony our bus driver. Jessica got busy handing out raffle tickets for all the lovely orchids that were donated for prizes by the members for our morning raffle. The raffle kept us busy and it wasn't long before we were pulling in for a comfort stop at a little market. After our twenty-minute stop we were off again on our way to Australian Fern and Orchids.

On our arrival we were greeted by Jane and Mark's dog and it wasn't long before many of us were strolling through the greenhouses. The boys set up the barbeque and some of the ladies started to get lunch ready. Jane had been cooking again and had some yummy nibbles set out for our morning tea. Jane's Apricot and coconut slice is very popular, and it didn't take long for us to get into it. Jane has given me the recipe, and it is available in this bulletin. Do try it. As you have probably guessed, I love the smell of barbeque, and the smell was soon wafting through the greenhouses with Peter, Harold and Anthony cooking up a storm. Once again the ladies had excelled with their delicious salads, and before long we were all sitting around enjoying our lunch.

Eventually all good things must come to an end and it was time to pack up our purchases and head off to Mt. Beenak to see Clive and Aggie. We had a quick stop at Gladysdale at the apple fair [where many apple products were purchased,] and the bus was soon pulling up outside the nursery. Once again Clive was an abundance of knowledge and was helping us out with our orchid problems. There were many lovely orchids in bloom and it was difficult to choose. Many of us had some idea of what we wanted but as usual Clive had some "beauties" out on the sales bench and a few of us had to stop buying before we ran out of money.

All too soon it was time to leave, so we packed our purchases onto the bus, which was getting pretty full by now, and headed off home. Anthony ran another raffle on the way home, and within no time we were turning into Randall Street with another fantastic day behind us.

Thanks to all the ladies for the great food and thanks to the men for being great cooks. If you haven't been on one of the bus trips or are new to the club then I suggest that you join us in the

near future and meet lots of lovely people and have a great day.

Hope to see you soon.

Elizabeth Walker

Autumn Show 2007 Awards

Major Awards

Grand Champion Orchid of the Show	
Slc Dals Tradition	J & M Lattimore
Reserve Champion Orchid of the Show	
Paphiopedilum villosum	E Walker
Champion Cymbidium	
Morialta Falls	F Spiteri
Champion Australian Native Orchid	
D Pretty x Aussie Victory	M Pearce
Champion Laeliinae Orchid	
Slc Dals Tradition	J & M Lattimore
Reserve Champion Laeliinea Orchid	
C Lulu x C Lavender Ice	Francis & Martin
Champion Paphiopedilum Orchid	
Paphiopedilum villosum	E Walker
Champion Masdevallia Orchid	
Jewel 'Royale'	M Pearce
Champion Hybrid, any other genera	
Sartylis Janine Banks	J & M Lattimore
Champion Species Orchid	
Gongora dressleri	J & N Marshall
Champion exhibit by an Intermediate Grower	
Paphiopedilum villosum	E Walker
Champion exhibit by a Novice Grower	
Masd Kara Delight 'Black Legs'	R Brooks
Champion Specimen Orchid	
Sterioglottis longifolia	A Evans
Champion Stand	J & M Lattimore
Champion Basket of Orchids	G Manna
Champion Junior Orchid	No Entry
Champion Plant (Non Orchid)	
Begonia	A Evans
Champion Cacti	
Cotyledon	D Colquhoun
Champion Bromeliad	
Aechmea	L Summers
Best Open Floral Art	Margo Lattimore
Best Intermediate Floral Art	Diane Sharam
Best Novice Floral Art	Nicole Marshall
Best Junior Floral Art	J McLeod-Ray
Best Wired Work	Margo Lattimore
<u>Minor Awards (Sash)</u>	
Best Stand by an Intermediate	E Walker
Best Cultivated Orchid	
Paphiopedilum insigne	E Walker
Best Seedling Orchid Flowering for the 1 st Time	
Paph fairieanum	Francis/Martin
Best Fern Exhibit	
Fern	A Evans
Best Foliage Exhibit	
Persian Shield	A Evans
Best Flowering Exhibit (Non orchid)	
Begonia	A Evans