



Sarcophilus australis

Maribyrnong Orchid Society

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Next Meeting – 8th November 2011

The next meeting of the Maribyrnong Orchid Society will be held at the Maribyrnong Community Centre, Randall Street, Maribyrnong, on **Tuesday the 8th November 2011**.

The Early 'New Growers' Group starts at 7.15pm and will be conducted by Stephen Stebbing. This group runs for approximately 30 minutes prior to the start of the monthly meeting.

We also have 'Pots and Ferts' and plants sales tables operating at every meeting. Members may bring up to 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 labelled 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

Our guest speaker for the month of November is Mrs Frances Wilde whose topic will be "How I grow my Sarcophilus Orchids". Frances has been a member of Maribyrnong OS for almost 30 years and has been growing Sarcophilus for quite a long time so she will have many words of wisdom on the topic.

Thank you to last month's guest speaker, Mr Mike Duncan whose topic "Around the World in 80 Orchids" was very entertaining.

Plant of the Night



Best cultivated for the night was this Masdevallia Pichincha 'Cape View' shown by Darren and Vaso Howard. Congratulations.

Supper Duties 8th November

Tien Nguyen and Quynh Nguyen will be on supper duties for the October meeting. All members are welcome to bring in a plate of supper to be enjoyed at the end of the evening.

Christmas Dinner

Remember to get your tickets at the November meeting for the Christmas Dinner!

See inside (pages 2 & 5) for more important details.



President's Message November 2011

Hello there all orchid growers. I hope that you are outside in this lovely weather enjoying your orchids. I have been trying to organise my back yard and have managed to get a few herbs into some spare pots. A friend of mine gave me some tomato plants, so I am hoping for a nice crop later this year.

I still haven't had my shaded area replaced as yet, but Ian is at Bunnings buying timber and shade cloth and is hoping to start it today. We have also installed a 500 litre tank outside the green house and it makes watering that area much easier.

The Sarc Festival will be upon us before we know it - the 12th and 13th of November. Don't forget that the closing time for entries has changed and is now 6.00pm. If this is a problem for you then contact Anthony to make other arrangements. Once again the club will be paying \$5.00 for first and \$2.00 for second, so get outside and check your sarcs to see if you have anything in flower and bring it along. You never know.

Unfortunately our Christmas party venue has been changed. We will be holding it at the Footscray Park Bowling Club on the corner of Ballarat Road and Hoadley Court Footscray. The venue is licensed and that means that you cannot bring alcohol or soft drink, but drinks are available at bar prices and there are plenty of glasses available, so you don't have to worry about those either. This is a one-time change and next year we will be back at Randall Street.

Well Ian has just come home with a car full of "stuff" so I had better go out and help him unload. Hope to see you at the next meeting, 8th November.

Bye for now
Elizabeth.

From the Committee 18th October 2011

The committee decided at the 18th of October meeting to continue with the payment for first and second prizes at the Spring and Sarcophilus Shows. The amounts will be first \$5 and second \$2. Barry will finalise the Spring show payments as soon as possible. The committee considered arguments about the payments for the Sarcophilus Show, these included the cost and also that many of the prizes could be won by "non-members". The Sarcophilus Show, or "Festival", as it was known, is a very prestigious show: we do have many intrastate and interstate people attending to observe the trends in growing and breeding. We, the committee, feel that it is right for the society to continue to lead in this field. The show is an "open" show, which means that any orchid grower may present and enter a sarcophilus plant at the show. The grower is then granted "Honorary Membership" of our society for the weekend. This includes the right to enter "other genera", other than sarcs in the show. It also includes the right to sell on the sales bench. The number of outside people entering the show has dropped over the past few years, however, the display is greatly extended by those who take advantage of our offer. **The show is more extensive due to their efforts**. The sales bench is also augmented by the addition of their sales plants.

The added commission from these sales, helps pay for the costs of running this show.

Barry was questioned about the financial position of this year's shows - they have all made a profit. It is important that members remember where the finances come from to run our society. Your financial membership dues hardly cover your bulletin, let alone the hire of the hall, etc. Perhaps my final word on this is that: **there is an easy way to "stop" outsiders winning all of the prize money**, enter your quality plants..... get it ???

The seedling competition for 2011 is coming to a conclusion. It seems to have been well received by the membership. The prizes will be given out at the Christmas meeting. The committee discussed and decided that 2012's competition will be a cymbidium. Everyone can grow a cymbid, so join the fun. The plants will be available at the February meeting. They will be quality seedlings of good advanced growth. The seedling competition runs for the calendar year, however the 2011 competition plants are just starting to come along so nicely, Anthony and the committee have decided that we will recall the seedlings in June of 2012 and have another look at them. A prize will be offered. I do not know whether it will be for the best plant or a lucky draw, I would favour the latter, but we will see next year.

Christmas dinner As mentioned last month, our Christmas dinner is unable to be held at the Maribyrnong Community Centre, due to maintenance to the floor, it will be held at the Footscray Park Bowling Club, enter through the intersection of Hoadley Court and Ballarat Road, Footscray. (Hopefully I will be able to place a map somewhere in the Bulletin) The cost of the dinner has been decided, \$20 for members, \$25 for non members. The dinner starts at 6-00 pm. Unfortunately, it is a licensed premises, so all drinks must be purchased at the bar (incl soft drink). **There will be no Judging or plant benching**, as it will be too difficult to transport all of the requirements. Our Judges will be invited to attend the evening, as a thank you for their year's work. The evening will include the finalising of the seedling competition, and the benching competition. This will be delayed until post 8-00 pm so that involved members not wishing to attend the dinner may join us after the dinner. Father Christmas will also attend (post 8-00 pm).

Well that's all folks see you about. Eric

Seedling Competition

Thirty-three plants were returned in October. The seedlings that were returned are still growing well, many with new healthy growth. Also, thank you to Anthony Scerri for his comments on the seedlings' progress. Congratulations to the lucky winner of the monthly seedling prize, Peter Caly.

A reminder to all the members that have returned their plants every month, one more to go. If you also return your plant next month you will be in the draw at the Christmas party for the final seedling draw of the year.

Happy growing
Joanne Hastewell

Maribyrnong Orchid Society
Sarcochilus Festival November 12th & 13th 2011
Maribyrnong Community Centre
Randall Street, Maribyrnong. Mel Ref 28 A7

As I mentioned in the September bulletin, we will be holding the Sarcochilus Festival Show, on Saturday 12 & Sunday 13 November 2011, and I will require help with set up on Friday 11th November after 12.30pm.

Please note the only people that can purchase plants on the Friday are the Exhibitors, Helpers and Judges. All others will not be permitted to buy plants on Friday.

Helpers will be required on Saturday 12th and Sunday 13th November 2011. There are a number of jobs that I will require your help with, on both days, and of course after 4pm on Sunday when we are all tired and most people have collected their plants and are on their way home. Yes, we have to clean up so more help will be required then.

Please contact me if you can give your club some of your time, so I can book you in.

Any members that require a stand at the show please ring me so I can arrange a position for you.

If you require sales tickets please ring Elizabeth Walker and she will arrange them for you.

Please note that NO plants are permitted in the hall till after 1.30pm on Friday and that the sales plants are permitted in to the sales area, till after 3.30pm on Friday.

Also next year, we will be issuing coloured membership tickets; we will be changing the colour each year. In order to enter the show free, with your name badge, you will be required to present your coloured membership ticket as well.

This is our last show for this year so come and give us some help and make it the best show ever.

I look forward to seeing you all at the Sarcochilus Festival Show.

Anthony Scerri
 Show Coordinator

Show "Walk-around"

A new feature of our Shows is the opportunity, on the Sunday morning of the show, for club members, exhibitors and members of the public to spend time with one of the judges to ask questions about the results of the judging and judging in general.

Malcolm Pearce is offering his services again (as a member of the Judging Panel) at 11 am on Sunday 13th November to anyone who wishes to walk around the Show and ask questions about the results of the judging, etc.

Those members who made use of the session at the last show found it very beneficial. So be involved, be informed and help make this a great feature of our shows.

MARIBYRNONG SARCOCHILUS FESTIVAL 2011
General Notes

- ❖ You may exhibit as many orchids in flower as you want in the show, but in order to be eligible for an award the orchid must have been grown and owned by you for a minimum of 6 months. Orchids that have been owned by you for a lesser time may be exhibited in the Non-competitive section.
- ❖ If you wish to sell plants at our shows you must exhibit on the show-bench - the allowance is 8 sales plants to one exhibit.
- ❖ Members helping with the set up should be there by 12.30pm on the Friday.
- ❖ Orchid entry times are from 1.30pm - 6.00pm. Entries after this time will not be accepted, unless prior arrangements are made.
- ❖ Members are asked not to bring their plants into the hall until the tables and chairs have all been



Maribyrnong Orchid Society Inc.



Sarcochilus Festival
 Saturday 12th and Sunday-13th
 9.00 am—4.00 pm
 November 2011

Randall Street Maribyrnong
 Admission : \$3.00
 Tram 57 or 82. Stop number 45
 Refreshments Available
 Melways Map 28 A8

Victoria University LWWP Student: Dahir Bhide

- ❖ reorganised, or until the Show Coordinator declares it is safe to do so.
- ❖ Sales plants cannot be brought in until 3.30pm on the Friday preceding the show.
- ❖ The Show is open 9am – 4pm on Saturday.
- ❖ The Sales area closes at 3.30pm on Sunday to enable members in this area to start the clean up. You are therefore required to collect your unsold plants at 3.30pm. Sales tickets must be removed and checked off on your sales sheet before taking plants away.
- ❖ The show area stays open till 4pm on Sunday and is cleaned up after that time.

Vera's Cherry Muffins

Were you one of the lucky people who tried Vera's cherry muffins at the Spring show? They were delicious and many people wanted the recipe, so here it is.

CHERRY MUFFINS

5 eggs	1 cup sugar
5 cups plain flour	2 teasps baking powder
½ teaspoon bicarb soda	grated rind of ½ lemon
2 teaspoons vanilla essence	1 cup milk
pitted cherries {morello}	1 cup vegetable oil

Beat the eggs and sugar until creamy, add vanilla essence and the rest of the sifted dry ingredients. Add oil and mix slowly with spoon or spatula. Spoon mixture into prepared muffin tray. Place cherries on the top of muffins. Bake in oven at 180 degrees for 20 to 25 minutes. Bon Appétit.

October Competition Results
As per judges sheets

OPEN SECTION

Medium Cymbidium

1st Cym Mem Joan Rowlands 'Debonair' B Rowlands

Small Cymbidium

1st Cym Devon Parish 'Devon Falls' B Rowlands

2nd Cym Mary Green D & V Howard

Aust Native Species Dendrobium

1st Den *striolata* E & F Wilde

2nd Plect *tridentata* J & D Sharam

Sarcochilus Species/Hybrid

1st Sarc Bessie E & F Wilde

2nd Sarc First Light E & F Wilde

Paphiopedilum - Exhibition Type

1st Paph Personella x Mandy Lou x Dazzler
J W Crawford

Paphiopedilum - Novelty Type

1st Paph Fumi's Delight D & V Howard

2nd Paph Norito Hasagawa 'Highclere' D & V Howard

Paphiopedilum - Species

1st Paph *sukhakulii* J W Crawford

Cattleya - Cluster Type

1st C Chocolate Drop x Blc Oconee D & V Howard

Cattleya - Novelty Type

1st Bc Dal's Charm x Blc Love Sound J & N Marshall

2nd Sl Orpetii 'Laina' J & N Marshall

Oncidium Hybrid

1st Onc Elsie Stoltze J W Crawford

Dendrobium Hybrid/Species (not Aust Native)

1st Den *moniliforme* M Condon

Phalaenopsis Hybrid

1st Dtps Watanabe x Phal *amabilis* J & M Lattimore

2nd Dtps Sogo Pride x Phal Tying Shin 'Cupid'
J & M Lattimore

Masdevallia Hybrid

1st Masd Phil Nicholas 'Radiant Beauty' M Pearce

2nd Masd Midas Touch 'Beenak' x Malura 'Prolific'
M Pearce

Masdevallia Species

1st Masd *igneae* G Garrett

2nd Masd *goliath* D & V Howard

Any Other Hybrid

1st Phrag Don Wimber 'Alkoomi' M Pearce

2nd Phrag Sedenii J W Crawford

Species Any Genera

1st Coelogyne *celebensis* J & N Marshall

2nd Lealia *jongheana* M Condon

Best in Section

Phrag Don Wimber 'Alkoomi' M Pearce

INTERMEDIATE SECTION

Medium Cymbidium

1st Cym Willinga Regal 'Night Shade' M Mally

2nd Cym Winter Fire 'Frosty Tips' Le Tan Liep

Small Cymbidium

1st Cym Street Tango 'Desire' R Ryan

2nd Cym Plush Canyon 'Devil's Falls' F & J Spiteri

Aust Native Species Dendrobium

1st Den *gracilicaule* M Mally

Phalaenopsis Hybrid

1st Phal Unknown A Philippou

Best in Section

Cym Willinga Regal 'Night Shade' M Mally



ADVANCED NOVICE SECTION

Large Cymbidium

1st Cym Swallow 'Daffodil' P Edmonds

Medium Cymbidium

1st Cym Sarah Jean 'Barrita' G Ragg

Small Cymbidium

1st Cym Ruby Eyes 'Red Baron' P Edmonds

2nd Cym Alex Muffett G Ragg

Aust Native Hybrid Dendrobium

1st Delicatum G Ragg

Aust Native Species Dendrobium

1st Sarc *falcatus* P & H Caly

2nd Den *kingianum* A & D Houghton

Sarcochilus Species/Hybrid

1st Sarc Aussie Dawn x Fitzhart C Voltolina

Cattleya - Novelty Type

1st Sl Orpetii 'Laina' J Hastewell

Dendrobium Hybrid/Species (not Aust Native)

1st Den Don Thompson G Ragg

Any Other Hybrid

1st Wilsonara Hilda Plumtree 'Purple Wings' K Stringer



Best in Section

Sarc Aussie Dawn x Fitzhart C Voltolina

NON SECTIONAL

Seedling Flowering for 1st time

1st Den Gilliston Royalty x Graham Banks J W Crawford

2nd Cym Kathleen Hutchings B Rowlands

Judges Vote

Phrag Don Wimber 'Alkoomi' M Pearce

Best Cultivated

Masd Pichincha 'Cape View' D & V Howard

Christmas Dinner

Where: Footscray Park Bowling Club

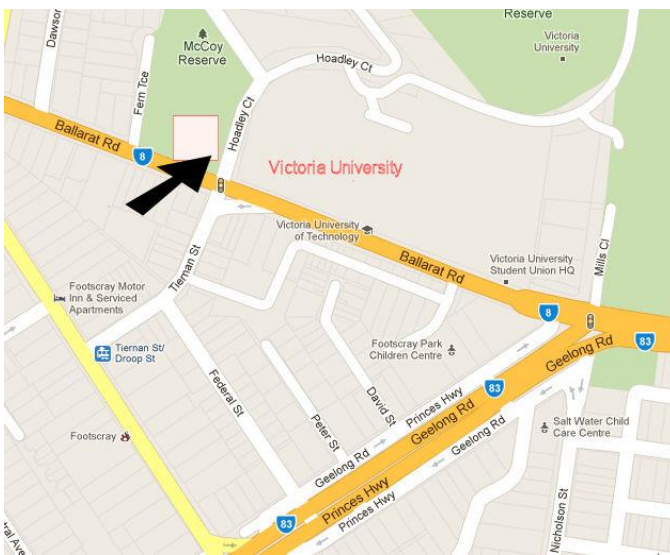
Enter through the intersection of Hoadley Court and Ballarat Road, Footscray.
Mel Ref 2S E4

When: 6pm December 13th

Cost: \$20 for members, \$25 for non members.
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Early Growers Group

Early Growers Group End of Year BBQ +Workshop

Sunday 27th November 11.00 am till close

BYO chair and Salad and Drink.

Meat Provided

32 Newbold Ave
Craigieburn
ph 0412 352 604



Please advise Stephen if you will be attending – for catering purposes

All Welcome!

Wanted to Buy

To request anything orchid-related through this column please phone 9748 7345, fax 9748 6933, email Jenny.Dark@darteks.com.au or see me at one of the meetings where I will have a sheet you can fill in with your request.

It's Re-potting Time!!

Have you done your re-potting? Traditionally done on Melbourne Cup weekend in Melbourne, it's a busy time of year for all orchid growers, particularly those with cymbidiums.

It's also time to think about whether you need to add a layer of shade cloth over your growing area. The hot weather will be here before we know it.

Other Orchid Shows

There are not many shows left this year, so have a good day out by visiting one or two of these:
And don't forget our show, the last one for the year, on the 12th and 13th of November

ANOS Geelong

Sat 5th & Sun 6th November

10am – 4pm

Masonic Centre

25-27 Regent Street, Belmont

Mel Ref 227 J8/9 or 451 H10.

Bayside Orchid Society

Sat 5th November 10am – 5pm

Sun 6th November 9am – 4.30pm

TAFE College of Casey Cranbourne

2 New Holland Drive, Cranbourne

Mel Ref 134 B5

Yarra Valley Orchid Society

Sat 5th & Sun 6th Nov 9.30am -4pm

B & T Ferns & Orchids,

30 Wiseman Road, Silvan

Mel Ref 123 E7

19th AOC Conference Perth 2012



19th AOC Conference & Show Perth, Western Australia 11th to 16th September 2012 "Wild About Orchids"

The Australian Orchid Conference, held every three years, will return to Perth for the first time since 1991 and promises to be even more spectacular than all previous conference successes.

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