



# Maribyrnong Orchid Society

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## Next Meeting – 9<sup>th</sup> April 2013

The next meeting of the Maribyrnong Orchid Society will be held at the Maribyrnong Community Centre, Randall Street, Maribyrnong, on **Tuesday the 9<sup>th</sup> April 2013**.

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.

## Supper Duties 9<sup>th</sup> April

Geoff Ragg and Karen Cooke have volunteered to help with supper at the April meeting. All members are welcome to bring in a plate of supper to be enjoyed at the end of the evening.

Please put your name down on the supper roster when it is passed around at the meeting. There are only two more helpers required. If you'd like to help out, it is a very easy job to do.

## Annual General Meeting 9<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2013 8pm

The Maribyrnong Orchid Society Annual General Meeting will be held at the meeting on April 9th. Please consider becoming a committee member as all positions need to be filled at the meeting.

## March Plant of the Night

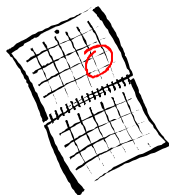


Best in the Open section and Judges Vote for the March meeting went to Paph *primulinum* x *rothschildianum* benched by Joe Crawford.

## Guest Speaker

Our guest speaker this month will be Mr Eric Wilde, our very own Patron of our Society. Eric will be speaking on Preparing Plants for the Show Bench. Thank you to Mr Milton Dyer for his talk last month about Maxicrop products.

## Dates to Remember For 2013



12 <sup>th</sup> February	Meeting
19 <sup>th</sup> February	Committee Meeting
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Meeting
19 <sup>th</sup> March	Committee Meeting
9 <sup>th</sup> April	AGM & Meeting
16 <sup>th</sup> April	Committee Meeting
14 <sup>th</sup> May	Meeting
21 <sup>st</sup> May	Committee Meeting
May 24 <sup>th</sup> May 25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup>	Show set up Autumn Show
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	Bus Trip – Mt Beenak & B & T Ferns
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Meeting
18 <sup>th</sup> June	Committee Meeting
9 <sup>th</sup> July	Meeting
12 <sup>th</sup> July	Show set up
13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup> July	Winter Show
16 <sup>th</sup> July	Committee Meeting
13 <sup>th</sup> August	Meeting
20 <sup>th</sup> August	Committee Meeting
10 <sup>th</sup> September	Meeting
13 <sup>th</sup> September	Show set up
14 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup> September	Spring Show
17 <sup>th</sup> September	Committee Meeting
8 <sup>th</sup> October	Meeting
15 <sup>th</sup> October	Committee Meeting
8 <sup>th</sup> November	Show set up
9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup> November	Sarcophilus Festival
12 <sup>th</sup> November	Meeting
19 <sup>th</sup> November	Committee Meeting
10 <sup>th</sup> December	Dinner & Meeting



## MOS Orchid Shows

Autumn Show:	May 25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup>
Winter Show	July 13 <sup>th</sup> & 14 <sup>th</sup>
Spring Show	Sept 14 <sup>th</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup>
Sarcophilus Festival	Nov 9 <sup>th</sup> & 10 <sup>th</sup>

Maribyrnong Community Centre,  
Randall Street, Maribyrnong. Mel Ref 28 A7.

## Guest Speakers



12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	Ms Helen Richards	Growing Terrestrial Orchids and their Culture
12 <sup>th</sup> March	Mr Milton Dyer	Maxicrop
9 <sup>th</sup> April	Eric Wilde	Preparing Plants for the Show Bench
14 <sup>th</sup> May	Peter Miller	Mounting Australian Native Orchids
11 <sup>th</sup> June	Grant Garrett	Awarded Orchids 2012
9 <sup>th</sup> July	TBC	
13 <sup>th</sup> August	TBC	
10 <sup>th</sup> September	TBC	
8 <sup>th</sup> October	TBC	
12 <sup>th</sup> November	TBC	
10 <sup>th</sup> December	No Speaker - Christmas Function	



## Supper Roster

March	Denise Colquhoun	Judy Marshall
April	Geoff Ragg	K Cooke
May	Maryanne Deguan	Rose Brooks
June	Peter Caly	Hilda Caly
July	Mila Jurjevic	Joyce Spiteri
August	Tony Lopreiato	
September	Margaret Gatt	Carmen Ellul
October	Rita Grima	May Sciberras
November	Fay Penman	

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE  
LAST ONE FOR ME

Well here we are at last. Yes my three year tenure [and second time] as president is nearly over and I can finally get one of my knees done. I have bitten the bullet and am going into hospital on the 10<sup>th</sup> April. This means that I will have to get my husband up to speed on the orchid watering routine. I hope that you have been keeping the water up to your orchids as we have had some windy days and hanging baskets dry out quickly.

Have any of you newer growers decided to display any orchids at our Autumn Show? If I still can't convince you to, then come along and have a look. If you're anything like the rest of us you will see something there that you have and say "gee mine is as good as that or even better". Most of us have been through it before, but if you're not sure then bring your plant along on the Friday and someone will be able to help you. You may be pleasantly surprised.

As with all clubs it takes many people to run it and I have many hard workers to thank. I have already said my thanks to the committee but there are some workers that are not on the committee. Mick Condon, who is always there at the shows doing his bit. All the ladies who work in the kitchen and do a great job keeping our tummies full over the weekend. Ray Austen and Fay on the pots and ferts stall. Margot and Jim Lattimore, who work very hard in the sales area. Fran Wilde, for trying to sort out all the unsold plants and sales sheets. Bob Rowlands, who helps me on the Friday and helps Fran over the next two days. Joanne Hastewell, for her work on the seedling competition and help at the shows. For all the guys who help out in the sales area at the shows, you do a good job. The Dark family who set up the hall before meetings and Jenny who does such a great work on our bulletin and Terry on the web site. To little Steve who sells the raffle tickets and does the door entry at the shows. {He missed the last committee meeting} Alex Wild, who has taken over the sales on club night. If I have missed anyone then I apologise.

Of course I will still be around at meetings as Princess Panda and at the shows annoying people. Don't forget to come up and say hello and have a chat.

Oh I forgot to tell you that our first bus trip this year is June 2<sup>nd</sup> to Mt. Beenak and B & T Ferns in that order. Clive Hall expressed a wish to give a few cultural talks about the orchids that we buy so we will know how to grow them successfully. Lunch will be a cold cut lunch, no bar-b-que. It should be a great day. See Wilma for bookings. Cost will be \$25 and we will be leaving at 8.00am from the Footscray Park Bowling Club in Hoadley Court. Footscray. I will try to get the other bus trips in the next bulletin so you can get the dates in your diaries.

Well that's about all from me. I have made some great friends since I joined the club and am looking forward to making a lot more. Maybe it will be you.

Bye for now  
Elizabeth

P.S. I forgot to say thank you to the judges who have been very helpful, and to Diane Sharam. What would I do without you Di?

Liz

From the Committee 19<sup>th</sup> Feb 2013

At the committee meeting we received the bad news that Neil Marshall was going to take a break from the committee, Neil (and Judy) have been stoic supporters of our Society over many, many, years, as a committeeman and as a former Treasurer (must have been for 10 years as Treasurer). I am sure that at the appropriate time Neil will remind us of his service. He is of course a Life Member. We will miss Neil's methodic methods at committee. Neil will be able to take a well-earned rest and grow his orchids again. I have missed his stands recently. Good luck Neil and enjoy your retirement from Committee.

Ah! The last night of Committee for the year, we were also advised that Barry would be retiring from the position of Treasurer. Barry has served in this position for three years, having replaced Neil. Barry bought a new age professional accountancy background to the position and just as we are catching up to him, he has spurted away. Thank you Barry, for your time and effort. Barry came to the club to "learn" to grow his orchids and got lumped with this lot, he has promised in his free time to begin that which he came to the club for. Well from that lot, you now know that there are some "extra vacancies" on Committee, as the time for formal applications will have expired as you read this, no need to rip off an application, we will get you in the hall on Tuesday night. On a serious note..... we do need new minds and continuous movement through the committee. We all see things differently, you never know, you may be the next saviour of our club. So when I ask for nominations at the AGM, leap up and have a go, don't wait for somebody else to nominate you, nominate yourself.

Wilma announced the trips for the year, these will become obvious as the year unfolds. Most are to the same establishments, but those that go on these trips seem to enjoy these venues. If you have other ideas, convey them to Wilma or Elizabeth..... Or join the committee???

As you are all becoming aware, two things are scheduled to happen on the 14<sup>th</sup> of September, one pleasurable, our Spring Show, that will happen but , also on this day Ms Gillard has declared that there will be an election (provided that it goes that long). Our hall is a voting centre, guess who loses out? We are negotiating with the Footscray Park Bowling Club to use their premises (where we had the Christmas Party last time we were thrown out of our hall). Their establishment is a little smaller than "our Hall", but they are more friendly, we will manage "somehow", and we have a wonderful fence fronting Ballarat Road, I wonder if we can get some passing trade? You never know, it's like I said before, "nothing like a change".

I don't know whether Ron Glover's Auction (the 6<sup>th</sup> April) has been, but if you get your Bulletin prior to the day, don't forget it, it is the opportunity to get some really good plants.

See you at the auction and /or the AGM, a big month this month.

Good growing  
Eric

## Membership Fees

Membership fees are now due and Eric will be taking renewal fees from members from the next meeting. Fees remain unchanged:

Junior \$ 8.00 (under 16 yrs)  
Single \$12.00  
Family \$15.00

It will be greatly appreciated if members have the correct money on hand..

This will be the last Bulletin received for any members who remain unfinancial.

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## Seedling Competition

Out of the 50 seedlings sold 34 were returned at the March meeting. The winner of the monthly draw was Rosemarie Brooks, congratulation. I would like to thank Alex Wilde for his informative comments on the seedlings.

REMEMBER the plants are to be returned each meeting; we all like to see how the plants are going. This also guarantees you a place in the draw at the end of the year. If you can't attend any particular monthly meeting, you may arrange for another member to return them for you.

Good luck and happy growing,  
Joanne Hastewell – Coordinator.

### MARIBYRNONG ORCHID SOCIETY INC. AUCTION OF PLANTS ON BEHALF OF THE LATE RON GLOVER

FEATURES A WONDERFUL COLLECTION OF THE  
BEST DELICATUMS AND LAELIAS &  
AN UNUSUAL COLLECTION OF PLEIONES

**06 APRIL 2013**

**9 AM Viewing time**

**10 AM Auction starts**

**AT 138 BALLARAT ROAD MAIDSTONE**

#### TERMS OF SALE

BIDDERS SHALL REGISTER AND BE GIVEN A  
NUMBER PRIOR TO THE START OF THE AUCTION  
PAYMENT IS BY CASH ONLY NO CREDIT CARD  
FACILITIES ARE AVAILABLE  
TEA AND COFFEE WILL BE AVAILABLE  
B.Y.O.LUNCH AND CHAIR

BIDS SHALL BE RECORDED BY BIDDERS NUMBER  
ONLY

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CONTACT  
Eric or Frances Wilde on (03) 52831364

Maribyrnong Orchid Society  
Autumn Show  
Saturday 25 & Sunday 26 May 2013

Yes, we are already in April and the Autumn Show is not far away. It will be held on Saturday 25 & Sunday 26 May 2013 and I will require help with set up on Friday 24 May after 1.00pm. Please book this in your diaries.

At our shows, there are a number of jobs that I will require 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 the hall, so more help will be required again.

Please contact me if you can give your club some of your time during the shows so I can book you in, or just turn up and help.

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 see Liz at the April or May meetings to arrange your sales tickets in advance.

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

The cost to enter show this year has increased to \$4.00.

This year we are still permitting free entrance into our shows for our members who have their name badge on. You will be required to show your 2013 membership ticket at the door as well. (No 2013 membership ticket and you will have to pay).

I look forward to seeing you all at the April meeting and at our Autumn Show.

Anthony Scerri  
Show Coordinator

Only 5 months away!



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Register to come to the  
**7<sup>th</sup> Australasian Native Orchid Society  
Conference & Show.**  
**Held at Strathpine (Queensland, Australia).**  
**Hosted by Kabi Group(Inc).**  
**Full Conference - 22-25<sup>th</sup> August 2013**

**Public show days - 23-25<sup>th</sup> August**  
**NOTE: Programme update**  
**ANOS Gen. Meeting for affiliated members 23<sup>rd</sup> Aug**  
**For fuller details see [www.ourshopfront.com/kabi](http://www.ourshopfront.com/kabi)**  
**and follow the Conference link**

**Competition Results March**  
As per judging sheets

**OPEN SECTION**

**Small Cymbidium**

1<sup>st</sup> Cym Golden Elf x *lancifolium* B Rowlands

**Australian Native Species Dendrobium**

1<sup>st</sup> Den mooreii B Duncan

**Sarcochilus Species/Hybrid**

1<sup>st</sup> Sarc Nicky x Fitzhart J W Crawford

2<sup>nd</sup> Sarc Velvet E & F Wilde

**Maudiae/Callosum Type Paphiopedilum**

1<sup>st</sup> Paph masterianum x Gothic Garden M Pearce

**Novelty Paphiopedilum**

1<sup>st</sup> Paph *primulinium* x *rothschildianum* J W Crawford

2<sup>nd</sup> Paph lantha Stage J W Crawford

**Cattleya Novelty Type**

1<sup>st</sup> Catt Landate E & F Wilde

2<sup>nd</sup> Slc Dream Cloud J W Crawford

**Oncidium Hybrid**

1<sup>st</sup> Onc Dancing Lady A Scerri

**Miltonia Hybrid**

1<sup>st</sup> Milt Goodale Moir ?

**Masdevallia Hybrid**

1<sup>st</sup> Masd Golden monarch 'Alice' M Pearce

2<sup>nd</sup> Masd Peppermint Glow 'Beenak' M Pearce

**Lycaste**

1<sup>st</sup> Lyc *skinneri* x *strobellei* J Sharam

**Any Other Hybrid**

1<sup>st</sup> Phrag Green Hornet J W Crawford

2<sup>nd</sup> Epi Joseph Li x Orange Glow E & F Wilde

**Species Any Genera**

1<sup>st</sup> Aerangis *punctata* A Wild

2<sup>nd</sup> Onc *truliferum* 'Royale' x self M Pearce

**Best in Section**

Paph *primulinium* x *rothschildianum* J W Crawford

**INTERMEDIATE SECTION**

**Medium Cymbidium**

1<sup>st</sup> Cym Without Fear 'Soft Touch' M Mally

**Australian Native Hybrid Dendrobium**

Dock Purple Pepper J Diwell

**Sarcochilus Species/Hybrid**

Sarc Elsie x Velvet J Diwell

Sarc Bonza 'Splatter Bug' J Diwell

**Cattleya Novelty Type**

1<sup>st</sup> Catt Unknown B Whearem



**Best in Section**

Cym Without Fear 'Soft Touch'

M Mally

**ADVANCED NOVICE SECTION**

**Australian Native Hybrid Dendrobium**

2<sup>nd</sup> Den Brolga x Autumn F Penman

**Sarcochilus Species/Hybrid**

1<sup>st</sup> Sarc Fitzhart x Pinky F Penman

**Cattleya Novelty Type**

1<sup>st</sup> Catt Unknown Tien Nguyen

2<sup>nd</sup> Catt Unknown Dau Nguyen

**Miltonia Hybrid**

1<sup>st</sup> Milt Gunabarra Tien Nguyen

**Species Any Genera**

1<sup>st</sup> Dendrochilum var *uncatum* Tien Nguyen

2<sup>nd</sup> Dendrochilum var *uncatum* Dau Nguyen



**Best in Section**

Dendrochilum var *uncatum*

Tien Nguyen

**NON SECTIONAL**

**Best Cultivated**

Oncidium flexuosum

F & J Spiteri

**Judges Vote**

Paph *primulinium* x *rothschildianum*

J W Crawford

**Club Cultural Certificate Awarded**

Oncidium flexuosum

F & J Spiteri



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