



Sarcocochilus australis

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BULLETIN CONTRIBUTION DEADLINE – 3rd Thursday of the month

Next Meeting – 8th October 2013

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

Rita Grima and May Sciberras have volunteered to help with supper at the October meeting. All members are welcome to bring in a plate of supper to be enjoyed at the end of the evening.

Fay Penman and Frances Wilde are rostered for November

Guest Speaker

Our speaker next month will be Mr Murray Harding and the topic will be "How to Grow Australian Native Cymbidium Orchids."

Thanks to Mr Scott Barrie from Barrita Orchids, who spoke to us last month on "How to grow Sarcocochilus".

Grand Champion Orchid of the Spring Show



**Grand Champion Orchid of the Show
& Champion Paphiopedilum**

**Paph Raisin Eyes x *sukhakulii*
J W Crawford**

Spring Show Results

MAJOR AWARDS

Grand Champion Orchid of the Show	
Paph Raisin Eyes x <i>sukhakulii</i>	J W Crawford
Reserve Champion Orchid of the Show	
Masd Reggae 'Idlewilde'	M Pearce



Pre-eminent Entry of the Show	
Stand 'P' (above)	D Wain
Champion Cymbidium of the Show	
Cym Valley Splash 'Awesome'	D Wain
Reserve Champion Cymbidium of the Show	
Cym Tango 'Velvet Sheen'	F & J Spiteri
Champion Aust Native Hybrid Orchid of the Show	
Den Sheena	J W Crawford
Champion Aust Native Species Orchid of the Show	
Dend <i>speciosum</i> 'Windemere'	Le Tan Liep
Champion Masdevallia	
Masd Reggae 'Idlewilde'	M Pearce
Reserve Champion Masdevallia	
Masd Heathii x Hebe	M & B Haywood
Champion Laeliinae	
Catt Ken Dream 'Dogashima'	M & B Haywood
Champion Paphiopedilum	
Paph Raisin Eyes x <i>sukhakulii</i>	J W Crawford
Champion Phragmipedium	
Phrag Jason Fischer 'Alkoomi'	M Pearce
Champion Species not previously mentioned	
Maxillaria <i>picta</i>	G Pezzin
Champion Hybrid Any Other Genera	
Phal Leopard Prince 'Lonsdale'	J & M Lattimore



Champion Species Orchid of the Show:	
Gerald McCraith AM Award	
Maxillaria <i>picta</i> (above)	G Pezzin

Champion Specimen Orchid of the Show	
Maxillaria <i>picta</i>	G Pezzin
Champion Seedling Orchid 1st Flowering	
Cym Pepper Blaze x Khan Fury	D Wain
Champion Orchid by an Intermediate Grower	
Maxillaria <i>picta</i>	G Pezzin



Champion Orchid by a Novice Grower (above)	
Cym Lancashire Khan 'Debonair'	M Grima
Champion Stand	
Stand 'I'	M Pearce
Champion Basket of Orchids	
Basket 1	G Manna
Best Open Floral Art	M Lattimore
Best Intermediate Floral Art	A Scerri
Best Novice Floral Art	T Scerri
Best Wired Work Floral Art	M Lattimore
Best Junior Floral Art	S Prokopec

MINOR AWARDS (Rosette)

Best Large Cymbidium	
Cym Valley Splash 'Awesome'	D Wain
Best Medium Cymbidium	
Cym Tango 'Velvet Sheen'	F & J Spiteri
Best Small Cymbidium	
Cym Ruby Eyes	M Pearce
Best Seedling Cymbidium	
Cym Pepper Blaze x Khan Fury	D Wain
Best Specimen Cymbidium	
Cym Mimi x <i>caniliculatum</i>	E Locs
Best Australian Native Terrestrial	
Pterostylis <i>curta</i>	N & S Marshall
Best Australian Native Specimen	
Den <i>falcorostrum</i>	M Condon
Best Seedling Australian Native Orchid	
Den Issy's Gem	J W Crawford
Best Seedling Orchid Not Listed Elsewhere	
Phrag besseae 'D'Alessandro'	J W Crawford
Best Specimen Orchid Any Other Genera	
Maxillaria <i>picta</i>	G Pezzin
Best Cultivated Orchid	
Maxillaria <i>picta</i>	G Pezzin
Best Maxi Stand Open	
Stand 'I'	M Pearce
Best Maxi Stand Novice	
Stand 'L'	T Scerri
Best Mini Stand Open	
Stand 'F'	S & H Randall
Best Mini Stand Intermediate	
Stand 'H'	J Diwell
Best Basket of Hybrid Orchids	
Basket 3	D Breuer
Best Basket of Hybrid & Species Orchids	
Basket 1	G Manna

President's Report October 2013

I think our Spring Show this year was great and I would like to thank all those who helped and participated in the show over the weekend.

At our September meeting we had Scott Barrie from Barrita Orchid in NSW speaking on Sarcocylus and I believe the talk was very good.

At the October meeting we will be drawing the winners of a \$30.00 voucher for the Spring Show, to be used in the Pots and Ferts sales area. There are two sections in the draw, one for new members that place their plants in a show for the first time and one for any member that places plants in the show. So all you have to do is enter a flowering orchid in the Spring Show for your chance to win a \$30.00 voucher to be used in the Pots and Ferts sales area.

The Sarcocylus Orchid Show will be held on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th November 2013, at the Maribyrnong Community Centre. I have been informed by the Show Coordinator that he will again require assistance to set up on Friday 8th and throughout the weekend to run the show.

Don't forget that if members wear their name badge to a show and present your membership card for 2013, you will receive FREE entry.

I look forward to seeing you at the October meeting.

Tim Scerri
President

Wilma reported that there were 39 booked for the trip to Bendigo. There may therefore be some vacancies (?) - check with Wilma.

Anthony reported on the Spring Show. What a marvellous display, I think it was the best display that we have put up in 5 or 6 years, congratulations to all exhibitors. The show numbers were not that flash, only 295 paying customers through the door, but as the Treasurer said "that almost paid the hall rent". In the sales area, again, it was magnificent, 1011 plants were on sale. The small number of people through the door meant that the sales were not terrific. However a surprising number were sold, including some very expensive plants, proving once again that good plants always sell and bring high prices. If your plants did not sell, perhaps the quality and their price should be your first thoughts about the next show. I have often put a rough figure of each paying customer spends \$12 in the sales area. My preliminary figures indicate that the ratio may have been 3 times that amount for this show, which means that overall the Treasurer had a small smile on her face (again). For the first time in a while we did not sell all of our bark..... perhaps a measure of the lack of customers. Anyhow we have 20 bags of bark to sell next show.

Frances has indicated that she wishes to pass on her work of growing on the club plants. For many years she has been growing on about 300 cymbidium seedlings for the club to use as our Christmas plants, new member plants and Raffle plants. Do you have a little space and would like to enjoy this interaction with the plants? Contact Eric for details. This little task involves the seedling competition too. We (I) am negotiating with our last speaker (Scott Barrie) for the 60 seedling for next year (a sarcocylus).

We welcome Ms Sue Baldwin of Parkville and J and H Williams of Moonee Ponds as new members to the Society. Your name badges and gifts will be available for you at the next meeting, so please smile to them at the next meeting (at least).

The committee has discussed the cost of membership and the production of the Bulletin and its distribution. It has been decided that as of 1st November 2013, membership cost will not increase in 2014. However, members who have their bulletin delivered by mail will be charged an extra \$5 per year. This is to defray the cost of its production (printing) and the cost of mail (60 cents per copy/ per month). The committee is sorry for this small increase in some membership costs (bulletins at 60 cents plus 60 cents post = \$12.20 per year). Single membership is still \$12 and household (family) membership \$15. There are not many groups with a membership so cheap. Also, members wearing their badge and in possession of their membership card get free entry to every show (4 per year), so membership is a bargain.

On September 21st, the rules (constitution) committee will meet hopefully for the last time. Still several steps to go before it will be introduced, but it is for the betterment of the Society.

Eric

CONDOLENCES

The Committee and members of the Maribyrnong Orchid Society were saddened by the death on the 23rd September of Pamela, wife of our Judging Registrant, Grant Garrett. Our sincere condolences go to Grant and family. May she now rest in Peace.

Speakers for Monthly Meetings

I have a number of roles in the Club, one of which is to arrange the speakers for our monthly meeting.

This is not an easy job as it is very hard to find good speakers or people that can come to our club and speak on subjects related to orchids and I have been doing this for the last 15 years.

Could I please ask for your help? If you go to another club and/or you hear of a good speaker on orchids, please get their name and phone number and pass it on to me, so I can contact them and arrange for them to talk at our club.

Thank you for your help

Anthony Scerri
Speaker Coordinator

MOS Orchid Shows



Sarcochilus Festival Nov 9th & 10th
 Maribyrnong Community Centre,
 Randall Street, Maribyrnong. Mel Ref 28 A7.

Guest Speakers



8th October Mr Murray Harding
 How to Grow Australian Native Cymbidiums

12th November Mr Kevin Western
 TBC

10th December No Speaker –
 Christmas Function

Dates to Remember



8th October Meeting
 15th October Committee Meeting

8th November Show set up
 9th & 10th November Sarcochilus Festival
 12th November Meeting
 19th November Committee Meeting
 10th December Dinner & Meeting

Supper Roster



October	Rita Grima	May Sciberras
November	Fay Penman	Frances Wilde

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Maribyrnong Orchid Society is now on Facebook

In an effort to keep up with times and also maybe attract more attention to the society, we now have our own Facebook page. There has already been a pleasing amount of activity on the page, so please give it a go and ["Visit us on Facebook"](#).

Go to Facebook and enter: Maribyrnong Orchid Society.

We had a very successful Spring Show this year and I would like to thank all those people that helped over the weekend. We had the most orchids on show, for our Spring Show, in over five years.

Our next Show will be the Sarcochilus Orchid Show and it will be held at the **Maribyrnong Community Centre** and will be on Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th November. Yes, I will be requiring help over the weekend again, and to set up on the Friday after 12.30pm. There will be a number of jobs over the weekend that the club will require help with as well. After 4pm on Sunday when the show has finished, 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. More hands make light work, so if you could help at any time on Friday or over the weekend, it would be very much appreciated.

At our Sarcochilus Orchid Show, we will be giving \$5.00 for each first place and \$2.00 for each second place, as well as the ribbon.

If members require a stand at the show please contact me so I can allocate a position in the hall for you.

Any members who require sales tickets for the show please ring Elizabeth, or see the members at the back of the hall at the October meeting to arrange your sales tickets.

Please note that on the Friday of the show **NO** plants are permitted in the hall till after 1.30pm, and that **NO** sales plants will be permitted into the sales area till after **3.30pm**, or after Ron, who is in charge of the sales area, gives you permission.

At all shows this year, members will still receive free entry. However, they must have their name badge on and show their 2013 membership ticket at the door (If you cannot show your 2013 membership ticket, you will not get free entry).

I look forward to see you all at the October meeting.

Anthony Scerri
 Show Coordinator

Other Orchid Shows

Geelong Orchid and Indoor Plant Society
 Saturday 5th October - Sunday 6th October
 Christ Church Hall
 Cnr. Moorabool & McKillop Streets, Geelong

Warringal Orchid Society Spring Show
 Sat 12th & Sun 13th October
 St Sava Community Centre
 212 Diamond Creek Road
 Greensborough Mel. Ref. 11 C8

ANOS Geelong Annual Show
 Saturday 2nd & Sunday 3rd November
 Masonic Hall
 Regent Street, Belmont, Geelong

Bark

There are bags of Small and Medium bark left over from the Spring Show, which can be bought by ringing Mick Condon on 9311 2177 and picking them up from his house. **Please note that bark is \$25 per bag.**

Competition Results September
As per judging sheets

OPEN SECTION

Large Cymbidium

1st Cym Music Box 'Ballerina' A Philippou

Medium Cymbidium

1st Cym Ruby Valley 'Clare' B Duncan

Small Cymbidium

1st Cym Sunshine Falls 'Butterball' B Rowlands

Australian Native Hybrid Dendrobium

1st Den Issy's Gem J W Crawford

2nd Den Ira Butler D Colquhoun

Australian Native Species

1st Den *falcorostrum* M Condon

2nd Bulb *schillerianum* B Duncan

Paphiopedilum Exhibition Type

1st Paph Battersea 'Cornsilk' J W Crawford

Novelty Paphiopedilum

1st Paph *venustum* x *sukhakulii* J W Crawford

Cattleya Novelty Type

1st Slc Mini Purple 'Tamami' J W Crawford

Masdevallia Species

1st Masd *igneae* B Duncan

Species Any Genera

1st Cynorkis *compacta* B Duncan

2nd Encyclia *polybulbon* M Condon

Best in Section

Cynorkis *compacta* B Duncan

INTERMEDIATE SECTION

Large Cymbidium

1st Cym Khan Flame x Kimberley Rose R Ryan

Medium Cymbidium

1st Cym Green Oaks 'Gem' G Ragg

Small Cymbidium

1st Cym Little Sarah 'Feathered Fancy' B Rowlands

Australian Native Hybrid Dendrobium

1st Den Cobber J Diwell

2nd Den Duno 'Burgandy Sheen' x Yondi 'Tina Goliath' Le Tan Liep

Australian Native Species Dendrobium

1st Den *speciosum* 'Windemere' x self Le Tan Liep

Australian Native Terrestrials

1st Chiloglottis *formicifora* K Stringer

2nd Pterostylis *melagramma* K Stringer

Paphiopedilum Exhibition Type

1st Paph Showpiece x Hanglider K Stringer

Masdevallia Hybrid

1st Masd Copper Angel 'Highland' Le Tan Liep

Any Other Hybrid

1st Zygo Lois K Stringer

Best in Section

Masd Copper Angel 'Highland' Le Tan Liep

ADVANCED NOVICE SECTION

Large Cymbidium

1st Cym Aust Ginger Chestnut 'Fragrant' x Pitch Blend J & C Ellul

1st Cym Valley Freeman 'Lochie' J & C Ellul

Australian Native Hybrid Dendrobium

1st Den Bicentennial Blush x Gulginni T Lopriato

2nd Den *speciosum* x Mirrellen T T Loan Do

Australian Native Species Dendrobium

1st Den *speciosum* var *hillii* T T Loan Do

Any Other Hybrid

1st Zygo Unknown T Lopriato

Species Any Genera

1st Encyclia *polybulbon* Tien Nguyen

2nd Maxillaria *porphyrystele* J Hastewell

Best in Section

Den Bicentennial Blush x Gulginni T Lopriato

NON SECTIONAL

Seedling Flowering 1st Time

1st Sc Joanne x self J W Crawford




Judges Vote

Cynorkis *compacta* B Duncan

Best Cultivated

Encyclia *polybulbon* M Condon



Members and visitors are invited to attend the

37th Annual General Meeting

of the

Australian Orchid Foundation

at the City of Whitehorse Horticultural Centre,
82 Jolimont Road, Forest Hill (Melways Ref: 62 F4)

on Sunday 27th October 2013 at 2:00pm


Immediately followed by a presentation by

Phil Spence
Hon. Research Associate (RBGS)

"Dendrobium section Latouria"

Phil is a well-respected orchid researcher of *Dendrobium* section *Latouria*.
He will share his observations and experiences of both the species and
hybrids. Copies of the publication 'Latouria Dendrobiums' will also be
available.

Entry is free and after the talk you are invited to share afternoon tea.



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