



Sarcochilus australis

Maribyrnong Orchid Society

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**Next Meeting –
8th December 2015**

MERRY CHRISTMAS

**and a Safe and Happy
New Year to all**

Christmas Dinner

Venue: Randall Street, Maribyrnong

Date: Tuesday 8th December 2015

Start Time: 6.00pm

The hall will be open from 4.00pm

Dinner served from 6.30pm



*Bring your own nibbles,
beverages and glasses,
cups, etc.*

No reserved tables.



Welcome to Our New Members

On behalf of my fellow committee members, I extend a warm welcome to our newest members -
Tien Nhan, Lenh, Nhu Nguyen & Linh Ly
Carolyn Gerber
Sat A Chenh
Ly Cu Gieng
Patrick & Monica Caruana-Smith
Weng Lim
Thu Quoc Diep & Dai Hao Diep-Lam

Welcome back to Steve & Tip Stebbing
and The Kluchkovsky Family.

I would like to say thank you to Maria Malacria who has been assisting me all year. Kristina who steps up when required. To Jenny Dark who never fails to produce our newsletter. To the ladies in the kitchen who kept us fed over the show weekends. To my fellow committee members: another interesting year done and almost dusted.

Merry Christmas to all and a safe return in 2016.

Julianne Diwell
Membership Secretary

Grand Champion Sarcanthinae of Victoria (Nov)



Sarco Judith 'Yvonne' x Bessie 'Tina.
Congratulations to Stephen Stebbing

Grand Champion Orchid of the Show (Nov)



Paphiopedilum roebelenii
Congratulations to Richard Mills

Plant of the Night - November



Judges Vote and Best in Open for the November meeting was Sarco *hartmannii* x Duno 'Nicky's Twin' John Haniver.

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Seedling Report

Twenty-seven seedlings were presented on a wet and cold Tuesday night, when the previous day was twenty degrees hotter only 24 hours earlier.

Anthony Scerri's plant was the only one on the night to have a flower spike and be well on its way to flowering. Congratulations Anthony!

Anthony was also our commentator on the night as our guest speaker was unable to make it. Suggestions he made on the night were that the seedling be transferred to another pot (such as a tree fern pot) or even to mount them. Five of the plants on the night were mounted. Although they look very nice, they do require a little more care (more watering) to prevent them from drying out. Which was more likely than not, the case in one of the mounted seedling, which looked a little dehydrated.

Looking at the seedling sheet, sadly some of them have not made it. R.I.P. was noted beside the names and number of some of the plants. Overall, the seedlings had good, strong growth. Kristina was our monthly winner.



**First meeting for 2016 will be
Tuesday February 9th**

President's Report December 2015

First, I would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and all the best with growing your orchids in 2016. Also just a reminder that this is my final year as President of MOS and I would like members to start thinking about becoming a committee member or president of the club at the next AGM.

As we come to the end of 2015, this has been a great and exciting year for our club. As a club we have held some adventurous bus trips, four successful Shows and have had nine great club meeting nights.

Our December meeting will be our Christmas Breakup and will start at 6.00pm with a Spit Roast dinner. For the members that are not attending the dinner, but would like to attend the meeting; you can come at 8.00pm.

I would like to thank the people who have assisted in any way through the year with the club, but especially the members of the committee, they have worked very hard this year and deserve a big thank you.

I look forward to seeing you all at the December meeting.

Tim Scerri
President

SHOW CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT

I would like to wish everybody a Merry Christmas, Happy New Year and all the best with growing your orchids in 2016.

There are a number of members who help with every show through the year; to them I would like to say a **Big Thank You**, for without your help, there would not be any shows.

We only have three shows in 2016 and the dates are:

Winter Show
Set up Friday 8 July
Show dates - Sat 9 & Sun 10 July

Spring Show
Set up Friday 9 September
Show dates - Sat 10 & Sun 11 September

Sarcochilus Show
Set up Friday 11 November
Show dates - Sat 12 & Sun 13 November

I look forward to seeing you all at the Christmas Breakup meeting in December

Anthony Scerri
Show and Speaker Coordinator

George Downie Award

The George Downie Award was presented for the first time in March 2015 to Anthony Scerri. To qualify for the award there is just one component - Participating in every club competition. From Dec-Nov, you must bench an orchid in flower at every club meeting and our three shows.

2016 points competition explained

Starts December 2015 – November 2016

Points are accumulated in 2 ways

1. Bringing in plants to monthly meetings
2. Entering plants/floral art in the shows

Scoring – meeting nights

Benching a plant = 1 point (per person)

Each 2nd place = 2 point

Each 1st place = 3 points

Scoring – shows

Entering a plant = 2 points (per person)

Each 2nd place = 4 points

Each 1st place = 6 points

Floral Art - at shows

Entering an arrangement = 2 points (per person)

Each 2nd place = 4 points

Each 1st place = 6 points

FROM THE COMMITTEE

Our last show is over and Christmas is drawing near. This also means the hot weather {we hope}. Don't forget to get to water, especially those that are hanging up. They dry out quickly.

Hope that you are coming to our Christmas breakup on Tuesday 8th December. Dinner starts at 6.00pm. Last year's caterer was so popular that we have ordered him again this year.

The committee will be looking for new members next year, 2016, as we have a few retiring through age or ill health. Please give a thought to your club and how it is run by joining the committee. We are not the ogres that we seem, and look forward to seeing new faces and hearing new ideas.

During this year Geoff Ragg donated an Ideas Box which has not been christened yet. Maybe 2016 will be a big year for filling up the box.

Well that is all for the moment. The committee would like to wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy and safe New Year. Looking forward to seeing you again next year.

Elizabeth

EDITOR'S COMMENT

*Thank you to everyone who has contributed to the bulletin this year. I like to make this a bulletin about **our** society and **our** members, not reprints of others. So please think about writing an article about your orchid experience that we can share with our members. This has been a tough year for many, but there have also been lots of highs.*

Thank you to Tim, Anthony & Elizabeth for supplying their reports every month, and to Jessica and Kristina. Big thanks to Julianne and Terry for their support every month with the database and proof reading.

Jenny Dark

PS: we now have 407 likes on Facebook, are you one of them?

December meeting

There is a general meeting on Dec 8th starting at 8pm for those members not attending the dinner. Plants can be benched and will be judged. Points are awarded and December is the start of the 2016 points competition. (see above for details)

The sales table and the pots'n'ferts table will not be available and there is no early growers group or speaker.

Competition Results November As per judging sheets

OPEN SECTION

Small Cymbidium

1st Cym Cricket A Scerri

Sarcochilus Hybrid/Species

1st Sarco *hartmannii* x Duno 'Nicky's Twin' J Haniver

2nd Sarco Magenta x *hartmannii* E & F Wilde

Novelty Type Paphiopedilum

1st Paph Carnusian A Scerri

Cattleya Novelty Type

1st Lc Aussie Sunset 'Cosmic Fire' M Breuer

Dendrobium (Not Aust Native)

1st Dend Ann Marie J W Crawford

Masdevallia Hybrid

1st Masd Sundancer J W Crawford

Masdevallia Species

1st Masd *coccinea* 'Hillsview' D Visser

Any Other Hybrid

1st Colm Jungle Monarch M Breuer

2nd Zga Freestyle Meadows J & D Sharam

Species Any Genera

1st Catt *intermedia* 'Alba' x 'Pink' G Ragg

2nd Catt *loddigesii* var alba J W Crawford

Best in Section

Sarco *hartmannii* x Duno 'Nicky's Twin' J Haniver

INTERMEDIATE SECTION

Australian Native Terrestrials

1st Diuris *drummondii* K Stringer

Sarcochilus Hybrid/Species

1st Sarco *hartmannii* x Heidi T Lopreiato

2nd Sarco Melody 'Pink Delight' T Scerri

Any Other Hybrid

1st Lycaste Macama 'Aline' K Stringer

Species Any Genera

1st Laelia *mantiqueira* Dau Nguyen

2nd Catt *intermedia* T Scerri



Best in Section Lycaste Macama 'Aline' K Stringer

ADVANCED NOVICE SECTION

Sarcochilus Hybrid/Species

1st Sarco unknown H Nyssen

2nd Sarco *hartmannii* E Locs

Dendrobium (Not Aust Native)

1st Den *aggregatum* 'Malusi' A Juravic

2nd Den *nobile* E Locs



Best in Section

Den *aggregatum* 'Malusi' A Juravic

NON SECTIONAL

Seedling Flowering First Time

Sarco George Colthup x Velvet E & F Wilde



Best Cultivated

Diuris *drummondii* K Stringer

Judges Vote

Sarco *hartmannii* x Duno 'Nicky's Twin' J Haniver

Sarcochilus Festival & Orchid Show 2015
As per judging sheets

SARCOCHILUS FESTIVAL MAJOR AWARDS

Grand Champion Sarcanthinae of Victoria

Sarco Judith 'Yvonne' x Bessie 'Tina' S Stebbing

Champion Sarcanthinae Hybrid

Sarco Judith 'Yvonne' x Bessie 'Tina' S Stebbing

Champion Sarcanthinae Species

Sarco *fitzgeraldii* L Fagg/J Haniver

Champion Sarcanthinae Specimen

Sarco Fizzy Dove K Moss/A Murphy

MINOR AWARDS

Best hartmannii

Sarc *hartmannii* 'Vacy' K Moss/A Murphy

Best fitzgeraldii

Sarc *fitzgeraldii* L Fagg/J Haniver

Best Other Species Sarcanthinae

Sarc *olivaceous* T Stebbing

Best Melba

Sarco Melba L Fagg/J Haniver

Best Fitzhart

Sarco Fitzhart Y & G McIntyre

Best other Primary Sarcochilus Hybrid

No result

Best Complex Sarcochilus Hybrid (Non Intergeneric)

Sarco Judith 'Yvonne' x Bessie 'Tina' S Stebbing

Best Australian Sarcanthinae Intergeneric Hybrid

Prcls Sweetie K & A Goodall

Best Other Sarcanthinae Intergeneric Hybrid

Sartylis Blue Knob 'TS' D Nguyen

Best Seedling Sarcanthinae 1st Flowering

(M & J Lattimore Award)

Sarco Judith 'Yvonne' x Bessie 'Tina' S Stebbing

Best Pendant Sarcanthinae

Sarco Judith 'Yvonne' x Bessie 'Tina' S Stebbing

Best Cultivated Sarcanthinae

Sarco Fizzy Dove K Moss/A Murphy

Best Sarcanthinae Maxi Stand

Stand 'H' K & A Goodall

Best Sarcanthinae Mini Stand

Stand 'I' A Scerri

Best Basket of Sarcanthinae

Basket 4 E & F Wilde

FLORAL ART

Best Open Floral Art

M Lattimore

Best Intermediate Floral Art

K Forbes

Best Novice Floral Art

T Scerri

Best Wired Work Floral Art

M Lattimore



COMBINED SHOW MAJOR AWARDS

Grand Champion Orchid of the Show

Paphiopedilum roebelenii R Mills

Champion Species of the Show (not otherwise scheduled) - Gerald McCraith AM Award

Paphiopedilum roebelenii R Mills

Champion Stand of the Show

Stand 'D' D Visser

Champion Basket of the Show

Basket 4 E & F Wilde

Champion Exhibit by an Intermediate Grower

Paphiopedilum roebelenii R Mills

Champion Exhibit by a Novice Grower

Cym Black Stump T N Nguyen & Family

GENERAL SHOW MAJOR AWARDS

Champion Orchid of the General Section

Paphiopedilum roebelenii R Mills

Champion Cymbidium

Cym Black Stump T N Nguyen & Family

Champion Australian Native Orchid

Cym suave D Nguyen

Champion Masdevallia

Masd Pixie Leopard 'Lorodale' B Duncan

Reserve Champion Masdevallia

Masd King of Kings 'Dane Hill' D Visser

Champion Species

Paphiopedilum roebelenii R Mills

Champion Hybrid of the Show

Paph Black Currant x Pulsar R Mills

MINOR AWARDS

Best Specimen Orchid

Arporphyllum spicatum A Evans

Best Cultivated Orchid

Dend. thrysaflorum Le Tan Liep

Best Seedling 1st Flowering

Baptistonia echinata T Nguyen

Best Maxi Stand

Stand 'D' D Visser

Best Mini Stand

Stand 'A' S & H Randall

Best Basket of Orchids (non sarc)

Basket 3 A Evans



Merry Christmas Everyone

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