

Maribyrnong Orchid Society

MAY 2017 BULLETIN



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Next Meeting
9th May 2017



The Early 'New Growers' Group starts at 7.15pm. This group runs for approximately 30 minutes prior to the start of the monthly meeting. The group will be led by Anthony Scerri and Eric Wilde.



The pots'n'ferts and plant sales table operate at every meeting. See Tony Lopreiato for the supplies you are looking for, and then talk to Alex Wild about the sales plants.

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 will be Mr Michael Coker who will be speaking on Slipper Orchids (the Cypripedioideae Sub-family).

Thanks to Dr Randall Robinson who spoke last month on "What is new in Cymbidiums: an historical perspective"

Supper



We will be passing around the supper roster **AGAIN**. If you can offer to help throughout the year, it will be much appreciated.

All members are encouraged to bring in a plate of supper to be

enjoyed at the end of the evening, along with your cuppa. Stay a while and have a chat, it's a great way to get to know everyone.

Plant of the Night - April



Best in Open and Judges Vote,
Lc Mini Purple 'Tamami' by Joe Crawford



Best in Intermediate,
Cym Kasuda Shining 'Geyserland', Barry Whearam



Best in Advanced Novice,
Cattleya Chocolate Drop x C *guttata*, A-Sat Chenh

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NEW WEBSITE ADDRESS

The new website address is:

<http://www.mosorchids.org>

Please make sure you change your favourites or bookmarks.

Show documents and other information is available through the website so please go have a look soon.

Facebook

Keep up with all the club news by visiting and liking us on Facebook.

While you are there check out the many interesting orchid groups.



Coming Shows

Geelong Orchid & Indoor Plant Club Winter Show

Sat 24th June & Sun 25th June

Christ Church Hall,

Cnr Moorabool Street and McKillop Street

Geelong

Maribyrnong Orchid Society Winter Show

Sat 8th July & Sun 9th July

Maribyrnong Community Centre

Randall Street

Maribyrnong Mel. Ref. 28 A8

Werribee Orchid Club Winter Show

15th July 9am-4pm & 16th July 9am-3pm

Italian Sports Club Werribee

601 Heaths Road

Werribee Mel. Ref. 205 F3

Victorian Orchid Club Winter Show

Heidelberg Repatriation Hospital

Sat 15th & Sun 16th July

300 Waterdale Road

Heidelberg Mel. Ref. 31 F4

President's Report May 2017

Hi everyone, at the April meeting we held the 2017 AGM. I would like to thank you all for your patience and understanding as I chaired the meeting. Thank you to the past committee and welcome to the new.

Thank you to Elizabeth Walker for all her hard work over the years as Treasurer. Elizabeth has stepped down from her position on the committee and Treasurer, but remains a life member. We look forward to seeing Elizabeth at our shows where her help is invaluable.

At the AGM Life Membership guidelines/criteria was mentioned by one of the members. As a committee we try our best to run the club efficiently and to the best of our abilities. I call upon all members for any suggestions or ideas as to what they think warrants a member being awarded this honour. If you are not already aware, as a member of the Maribyrnong Orchid Society you too have the right to nominate ANY member you feel deserves a life membership. As always, your feedback is most appreciated.

At the last meeting I pointed out the red "Ideas" box. Please feel free to put your ideas and suggestions in the box. I would like to thank the member who did just that about the bus trips and fund raising. It was suggested that we hold social outings where we can meet outside of "meeting" nights. This input is very much appreciated. As social officers, Maureen and I will look into the suggestions that were made. Thank you to that member, as promised I will continue to check and action the ideas put forward. There is no point have a suggestion box if no one makes any suggestions. You may remain anonymous if you wish.



I'm coming for YOU 🙌

Most, if not all our members grow wonderful orchids but we have all experienced the "failures" and "sudden death of plants". On meeting nights, I will be approaching members to interview them on how and what they do to grow their orchids. I hope you will be open to this because as we know, what works for one, may not work for another. Your tips may be just what a struggling grower needs! I think it'll be good to share ideas. It needn't be a long drawn out saga, just a few tips and ideas.

I will then share the information I collate and add it in the bulletin.

This month's speaker will be Michael Coker.

Don't forget to prepare your orchids for the July show, it'll be here before we know it!

Just another reminder, if you have a segment you wish to put in the bulletin, contact Jenny Dark. At the end of the year we will draw a winner for best entry and will receive a pots and ferts voucher.

Happy growing,

Maria Malacria

Seedling Competition

All of the Competition Seedlings have been sold so we are looking forward to everyone bringing in their seedlings to each monthly meeting. The little orchids are looking very happy in their new homes.



Last meeting, of 68 Seedlings 43 plants were returned and the winner of 'Seedling of month' was #46, Peter Caly. So please remember to bring your seedlings in for our meeting in May.

Pterostylis Curta

Anthony would like all those who took some of the sample tubers from Helen Richards to bring them in to the next meeting in May so we can see them. They should all be starting to sprout by now and we are all excited to see just how they are progressing.

Show Coordinator's Report

Maribyrnong Orchid Society
Winter Show
Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 July 2017

I hope you all had a great Easter and didn't eat too many Easter Eggs.

The Winter Show (which is our first show for this year) will be held on Saturday 8 & Sunday 9 July. The set up the show will be on Friday 7 July, after 1.00pm; please book this dates in your diaries.

I will be taking any special orders for bark at the May meeting. All special bark orders are required to be paid for in advance.

Again this year we are will be permitting free entry into our shows for our members that have their name badge on. However, you are required to show your 2017/18 membership ticket at the door as well.

I look forward to see you all at the May meeting and at our Winter Show.

Anthony Scerri
Show Coordinator

Wanted to Buy

A reminder also about the "Wanted to Buy" section in the bulletin. Just let the editor know, as a member may have a spare piece they are willing to let you have. Arrangements can then be made between you.

Competition Results April 2017
As per judging sheets

OPEN SECTION

Australian Native Species Dendrobium

1st Dend *rigidum* A Wild

Australian Native Terrestrial

1st Pt unknown A Scerri

2nd Chiloglottis *diphylla* A Scerri

Novelty Paphiopedilum

1st Paph *holdenii* x *superbiens* D Visser

Cattleya Exhibition Type

1st Blc Hawaiian Wedding Song J W Crawford

2nd Blc Kinza 'Soouthern Cross' J W Crawford

Cattleya Novelty Type

1st Lc Mini Purple 'Tamami' J W Crawford

Oncidium Hybrid

1st Miltassia Aztec D Visser

2nd Brassidium Shooting Star A Scerri

Miltonia Hybrid

1st Milt Guanaburra A Scerri

Masdevallia Hybrid

1st Masd Super Nova 'Beenak' D Visser

Any Other Hybrid

1st Phrag Cardinale J W Crawford



Species Any Genera

1st Bulbophyllum *exiguum* M Mally

Best in Section

Cym Kasuda Shining 'Geyserland' B Whearam

ADVANCED NOVICE SECTION

Cattleya Cluster Type

1st C Chocolate Drop x C *guttata* A-Sat Chenh

Best in Section

C Chocolate Drop x C *guttata* A-Sat Chenh

NON SECTIONAL

Judges Vote

Octomeria *estrellensis* D Visser



2nd Sten Venus x Venus D Visser

Species Any Genera

1st Spiranthes *odorata* A Wild

2nd Laelia *interceps* F & J Spiteri

Best in Section

Lc Mini Purple 'Tamami' J W Crawford

INTERMEDIATE SECTION

Medium Cymbidium

1st Cym Kasuda Shining 'Geyserland' B Whearam

Australian Native Hybrid Dendrobium

1st Dend Colonial Surprise x (Aussie Springtime x Kim)
M Mally

*Would you like to win?
All you have to do is write an article and have it
published in our bulletin this year. This entitles you
to be in the running for a \$30 Pots and Ferts
Voucher to be presented at the December meeting.
That's all you need to do.*

*It doesn't need to be long and you don't need to be
an expert. Have you been to a recent show? Have
you had some success with your orchids? Are you
perplexed about your orchids? Can you
recommend a great orchid book? These are just a
few ideas. Novice growers are encouraged to
submit an article.*

*All entries should be submitted to the editor. If you
have any queries at all about this, contact the
editor. Jenny Dark mosbulletin@gmail.com or
0418 135 819*

CATALOGUE OF AUCTION

Conducted by the A.O.C. Victorian Regional Judging Panel

SUNDAY 7th May, 2017

**At the ACACIA & WATTLE ROOMS
REPATRIATION HOSPITAL, HEIDELBERG
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA**

Entry is through GATE 8 and follow the parking signs

**VIEWING FROM 9.00 AM WITH THE AUCTION
STARTING AT 10.00 AM.**

Approximately 450 plants for sale.

Bids will be recorded by BIDDERS NUMBER ONLY.

Bidders must register and be given a number before the start of the auction.

PAYMENT

Payment is by cash only.

No credit card facilities available.

BYO LUNCH

Tea and coffee will be available

For further information, please contact Stephen Hauser on 0429 367 902

Email. stephenrogerhauser@gmail.com

**Catalogue available on the web at
www.orchidsaustralia.com.au**

BUYERS.

Plants are accepted in good faith that the plant name is as stated by the grower.

However, if the plant is not in flower, the onus is on the buyer to purchase at their own risk.

All plants are guaranteed, by the seller, to be free from virus and infestation.

Please check your purchases before leaving the hall, and

have your sheets signed by the officials before paying and taking your plants.

SELLERS.

Please ensure that all plants are numbered in accordance with the catalogue.

Only QUALITY plants free from Virus and Infestation will be accepted for sale.



**W.A. Orchid Spectacular Conference & Show
Perth, Western Australia
5th & 6th August 2017**

**Under the Auspices of
Western Australian Regional Orchid Organisation
Hosted by the Wanneroo/Joondalup Orchid Society**

**What? WA Orchid Spectacular & Conference 2017
Where? Rendezvous Hotel Perth, Scarborough
When? Saturday 5th & Sunday 6th August 2017**

http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/WAOS_2017.htm

Melbourne International Flower and Garden Show

Judy Marshall and Julianne Diwell again gave up their time to set up and man the MOS display at this world class event. Many thanks to both these ladies and to the members who brought in their orchids for the club display.

This event is held annually, so we will remind members next year, and you may be able to help out, or go along to support the club.



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Some more from the bench April 2017



Brassidium Shooting Star



Colmanara Wildcat 'Bobcat'



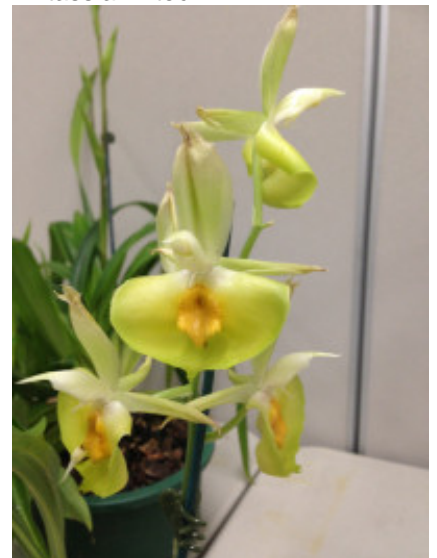
Miltassia Aztec



Paph *holdenii* x *superbians*



Spiranthese *odorata*



Catasetum Portagee Star 'Suzanne' x Susan Fuchs "Burgundy Chips"