



THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SA INC.

# Gazette

April 2020

Patron: Coralie Hills FAOC  
President: Michael Willoughby

## IMPORTANT NOTICE TO ALL MEMBERS

The South Coast Orchid Club of SA Committee have decided owing to the COVID - 19 virus it is a very wise decision to close our club meetings for six months. We will revise this decision in two months to keep you up to date with this Pandemic Virus. We are concerned about the health and safety of all of our members.

President Michael and all committee wish you all a safe journey through this very trying time.

### Question most asked “Will we still get our Gazette?”

Yes, you certainly will.

- President’s Message page keeping in touch and things we need to know.
- Daytime Chapter, Southern Region Group you may have an orchid in flower you would like to share. Take the flower photo and send it to our Editor, she will print it.
- How to grow your orchids month by month written by one of our great pioneer orchid growers. Geoff uses this system with his Cyms.
- You may like to share some of your ideas.

**Phone calls to us are always welcome. Stay Safe.**

**NEW MEMBERS:** The Club welcomes the following new members to our midst: John Harris, Alex Priadko, Alan Clayton and Steven Monkhouse. May your time with us be a happy one and that you enjoy the orchids that we all love so much.

**LUCKY NAME BADGE:** Make sure you wear your Name Badge to meetings, you may win a prize.

**PUBLIC LIABILITY:** Under Insurance Guidelines all members and Committee attending any function or meeting held by the Club must sign and print your name on an Attendance Sheet.


**DEADLINES FOR NEXT GAZETTES**  
26 April and 24 May



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## YOUR COMMITTEE FOR 2020

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<b>Convenor Main Beginners Gr.</b>	<b>Craig Humfrey</b>	

### **LIFE MEMBERS**

\* denotes Member who has passed away.

1978 Dulcie Grave *	1986 Harry Viney *	2009 Don Biebrick
1978 Leora Harvey	1986 John Nicholls	2009 Henk Van Leuveren *
1978 L. & H. Poole*	1989 Helen Edwards	2010 Dorothy Carassai
1978 Ellie Shaw*	2003 Norman Gitsham *	2011 John and Bev Gay
1979 Syd Monkhouse	2005 Merve Steele *	2012 Noel Oliver *
1979 Bernie Hanson*	2005 Shirley Steele *	2015 Lesley Fenton
1981 Lois Hanson*	Circa Tony and Toshy Deonno *	2015 Rod McRedmond
1981 John Leeder*	2007 Ron and Irene Parish	2018 Kevin Western
1985 Brenda Lynch	2007 Murray Baulderstone *	2020 Malcolm Mangelsdorf
1985 Bubs Gready *	2008 Geoff and Lucy Spear	This list is still being compiled.

### **SUBSCRIPTIONS:**

Subscriptions for 2020 are due now. There will be no increase in subscriptions for 2020. We do value your membership and seeing you at meetings each month.

#### **RATES – One membership covers all groups**

<b>Family Membership</b>	<b>\$38.00</b>
<b>Single Membership</b>	<b>\$30.00</b>
<b>Junior Membership</b>	<b>\$22.00</b>

#### **Rural and Interstate Membership**

<b>Family Membership</b>	<b>\$34.00</b>
<b>Single Membership</b>	<b>\$28.00</b>

**Account Details: BankSA Glenelg. BSB: 105-145**  
(Use your grower number for Reference)

**Account No.: 545457040**

### **HELP WANTED FOR WORKSHOPS IN 2020**

We are seeking members with a shed or covered outdoor area to hold workshops for the months of October and December. It is anticipated that workshops would be of two and a half hour duration.

- The first half hour would be for socialising with a cuppa and biscuits.
- The second half hour would be for showing your collection.
- The last hour and a half will be discussing growing orchids, questions and answers and any orchid information.

## President's Message



As we have entered a time that is so far from our normal I hope you are all well and tolerating this scary time as well as keeping yourselves safe.

Your committee has arrived at the decision that The South Coast Orchid Club of South Australia will cancel all group based activities (meetings/workshops/house visits etc.) for the next six months. This decision was not made easily, however in light of the current world situation and the advice from The Australian Government and Medical professionals it is the only responsible option as many of our members fall into the vulnerable group for COVID-19. Your committee will review this decision in two months and advise through the Gazette if any changes are to be made or when there is clear official advice that we can gather safely.

Your safety and health are always our priority.

Christine and Lucy would be happy to hear any ideas from you as to what we see in the upcoming Gazettes. A thought is having a 'see what's flowering at home this month' feature and members can email photographs to Christine for inclusion, as it would be a shame not to see these beauties. Tell us what you would like to see in your Gazette.

Stay calm and carry on

*Michael Willoughby*



### **ORCHID CALENDAR 2020**

#### **AUTUMN SHOW**

Sunday 3rd May to Saturday 9th May 2020  
Hallett Cove Shopping Centre

**CANCELLED**

#### **WINTER SHOW**

Sunday 26th July to Saturday 1st August 2020  
Colonnades Shopping Centre

**CANCELLED**

#### **OPEN HOUSE VISIT**

Sunday 9th August 2020  
Malcolm Mangelsdorf, Noarlunga Nursery

**CANCELLED**

#### **SOUTHERN REGION SHOW**

Thursday 20th August to Sunday 23rd August 2020

**CANCELLED**

#### **SPRING SHOW**

Sunday 13th September to Saturday 19th September 2020  
Seaford Rise Shopping Centre

**TO BE ADVISED**

## CATTLEYA ARTICLE FROM OUR WEBSITE

### CATTLEYA

No other Orchid is as strikingly flamboyant as the large Cattleya,  
Pronounced **(KAT-lee-a)**.

However the Cattleya family of plants is a huge group with great variation of form, colour and size. The large white or purple Cattleya that we know so well is just one branch of the family. There are several closely allied genera of orchids that are always included in the Cattleya Alliance. These have been hybridised with the Cattleya to produce intergeneric hybrids which are often abbreviated in code-. - C = Cattleya Lc. = Laeliocattleya Bc. = Brassocattleya Blc. = Bras-solaeliocattleya Slc. = Sophrolaeliocattleya.



### GROWTH HABIT

Cattleyas make successive growths from the base of last year's growth; therefore they are of sympodial growth habit. They are epiphytes, which means they grow on trees or rocks in their natural habitat. The major part of their root growth is accustomed to being exposed to the air.

### GROWING CONDITIONS

Cattleya plants can be grown very successfully in a shade house in South Australian climatic conditions but they will require protection from the winter rains. A fibreglass roof cover is helpful to control winter watering. Heating is not necessary but if available can be used. Cattleya's can be grown in cold plant houses, enjoy good ventilation and air circulation. And can also be hung on mesh frames rather than flat benches. This not only saves space but also helps provide good air circulation. This type of culture can be inspected by a visit to a nursery.

### POTTING MEDIUM

Cattleyas must be grown in a very open potting medium that drains freely and therefore dries out quickly. Medium grade bark 15mm. for mature plants and small grade bark 10mm. for smaller plants. Cattleya's do not enjoy being over potted but should be placed in a pot that allows 1-2 years space for growth.

### FERTILISER

Use of a regular fertilising programme is recommended. Use a soluble fertiliser and at 1/2 strength weekly or full strength fortnightly. Use BLOSSOM BOOSTER from December to June and HI-NITROGEN July to November. PLANT STARTER may be used at monthly intervals for small plants or as a growth activator as required.

### WATERING

During the hot summer months frequent damping of the growing area will boost humidity levels. The Cattleya does not like continually wet potting medium and must be allowed to dry out

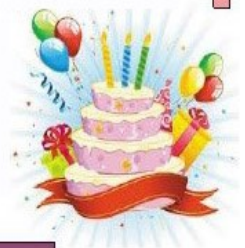
## Judges at Work

Photos Neil Cooper



## Happy Birthday .....

**PAUL HAYES, TREVOR STUTLEY,  
RITO SILVESTRI, MAX ALMOND, KAREN NG,  
JOHN BECHMANN, LAURIE CARTER,  
JOHN WAINWRIGHT, GRAHAM FEAR,  
MALCOLM MANGELSDORF, CHRIS HEYSEN,  
CORAL TILLSMANN, TREVOR KENNY**



Is your name in the Birthday Book ??



# March Results List

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

## Open Division

### Laeliinae - Cluster

2512	Ctt. Valentine Day 'Lisa'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
2513	Ctt. Valentine Day 'Leanne'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2
2514	Ctt. Valentine Day	Vicky & Neil Cooper (1119)	1

### Laeliinae - Species

2515	E. alata	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Laeliinae - Standard under 100mm

2511	C. Mini Purple 'Jessica'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm

2521	Pyp. Mendenhall 'Hildos'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

2532	Phal. pulchra	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

2533	Paph. Magic Lantern 'Vincent Vista'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Paphiopedilum - Non Standard

2522	Paph. Wellesleyanum	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
2523	Paph. Lynleigh Koopowitz	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2
2524	Paph. Magic Lantern 'Vincent Vista'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	1

### Paphiopedilum - Species

2525	Paph. godefroyae 'Seaview'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Seedling of the Night

2539	Paph. Magic Lantern 'Vincent Vista'	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	3
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### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

2531	Prom. Mike Leaty	Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju (1252)	2
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## First Division

### Laeliinae - Species

2529	Psh. cochleata	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	3
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### Oncidiinae - Hybrid < 60mm

2530	Onc. Sharry Baby	Phil and Anne Steer (514)	3
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### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

2527	Phal. Unknown	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	3
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### Orchid Seedling - any Genera

2528	Z. (Blues Eyes x maxillare)	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	2
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### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

2526	Z. (Blue Eyes x maxillare)	Laurie & Susan Carter (1303)	2
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## Second Division

### Laeliinae - Non Standard

2508	E. Bees Knees	Colin, Judy, Alex MacDonald (202)	3
2509	Rlc. Young Kong 'Sun'	Genny & Dudley Huxtable (279)	2

### Oncidiinae - Species

2510	Onc. incurvum	Colin, Judy, Alex MacDonald (202)	3
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### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

2516	Angcm. Longiscott 'Hihimanu'	Helen McIntosh (299)	3
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### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

2517	Max. cucullata	Beth Stronach (836)	3
2518	Gga. galeata	Beth Stronach (836)	2
2519	Hab. medusa	Beth Stronach (836)	1



## PLANT COMMENTARY FOR MARCH

### Orchid of the Night and Orchid of Open Division

The plant of Open Division was *Paphiopedilim Wesleyanum* grown by Michael Willoughby and Oui Ju. This plant is a crossing of *Paph. godefroyae* and *Paph. concolor*. One of the parents, *Paph. godefroyae*, was also benched alongside this plant. *Paph godefroyae* has been used quite extensively in hybridizing and has been used as a parent plant for 184 first generation offspring and has been awarded on 125 occasions.

*Paph. Wellesleyanum* displayed two fresh and healthy flowers that were appealing to the eye. The consistent colour and balanced markings made it attractive. The flowers were well formed and filled in. The flowers presented well and looked up at you.

Congratulations Michael and Oui



**Orchid of the Night  
Orchid of Open Division**  
*Paphiopedilum Wesleyanum*  
Grown by Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju  
Photo Neil Cooper



**Seedling of the Night**  
*Paph. Magic Lantern 'Vincent Vista'*  
Grown by Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju  
Photos Neil Cooper



## PLANT COMMENTARY FOR MARCH Cont...

### Orchid of First Division

The plant of First Division was grown by Laurie & Sue Carter and was *Prosthecea cochleata*. This was a relatively small plant with a single inflorescence carrying 3 open flowers and a further 3 buds. The flowers were clean and fresh and displayed themselves well. These plants are progressive flowering and can last quite some time.

This species is found throughout Mexico, Central America, Columbia, the West Indies & Florida. They are found in open forests including tropical deciduous, tropical evergreen and oak. The habitat range is described as 0 to 2000 metres above sea level. They like both shady and bright conditions. This species grows well in our South Australian climate.

Well done Sue & Laurie.

### Orchid of First Division

*Psh, cochleata*

Grown by Sue & Laurie Carter

Photos Neil Cooper



### Orchid of Second Division

The plant chosen by the Judges was a beautiful plant of *Maxillaria cucullata*, grown by Beth Stronach. This plant is generally found in Mexico, most of Central America, and northern South America. Plants grow on trees, rocks, and the surface of the ground. They are found in open or dense humid forests, pastures, coffee plantations, and patches of cloud forest. Although usually found at 1500-2300 m, collections have been reported from as low as 1200m and as high as 3300m.

Beth's plant was a very well grown specimen and was growing in a basket pot. The attractive little flowers were nestled in the foliage and the orange flowers with a striking brown lip provided a lovely contrast to the shiny green leaves.

Congratulations Beth.

### Orchid of Second Division

*Max. cucullata*

Grown by Beth Stronach

Photo Neil Cooper

Thanks to our Judges, Recorders & Pencillers for all your efforts.  
Good Growing.

*Phil Steer*  
*Registrar*





## DAYTIME CHAPTER

### Thursday 12th March 2020

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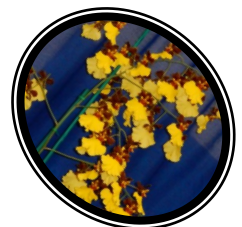
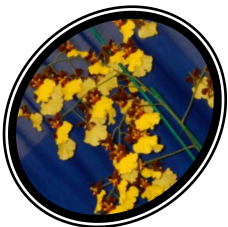
Hi Everybody

Our guest speaker this month was Craig Humfrey who gave our group an interesting talk on the various viruses that can attack our orchids. He spoke in depth about the Botrytis fungus that prospers when there are cooler temperatures coupled with high humidity. He informed us that we should keep our growing area clean and destroy any affected flowers. Also raising the temperature will help prevent the problem. He also spoke on several other viruses. Members had several questions for Craig to answer.

We received apologies from Val and Keith who have just recently returned from Vietnam. Colin McDonald was the winner of the Plant of the Day with a very dainty pale pink *Oncidium incurvum*. We encourage members to participate in the plant of the day competition.

We finished with a delicious afternoon tea.

*Barb & Patty*



Colin MacDonald and Geoff Spear with  
Colin's Plant of the Day *Onc incurvum*

*Photo Andrew Dean*



## **SOUTHERN REGION MEETING**

**Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> March 2020**

A great day was had by all although membership was down slightly. We had 11 apologies. Condolences to Joan McMahon whose husband passed away after a long illness. A card has been sent from the Southern Region Group. Don Overall passed away recently. Condolences to Rhonda and Family. Don and Rhonda joined the Southern Region Group at our very first meeting. A card has been sent from the Southern Region Group.

**New Members:** Alan Clayton and Violet and John Dunning received their name badges and Plants.

Lucky Name **Badge:** Val Phillips

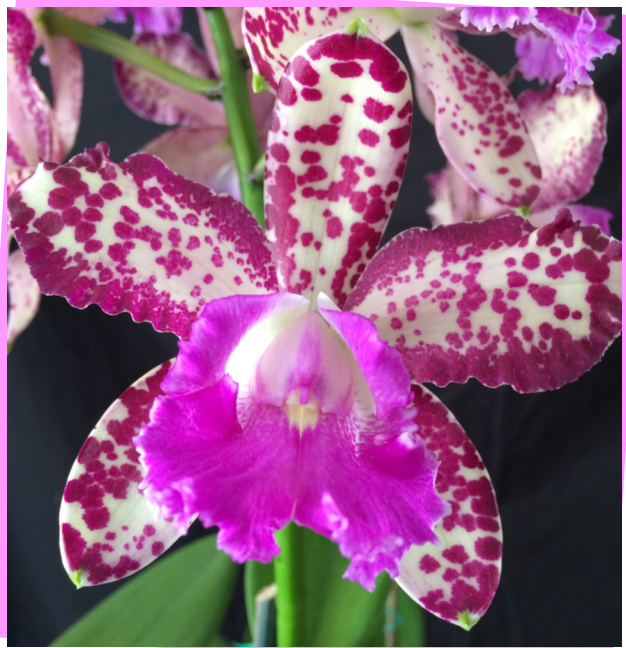
**Guest Speaker:** Roger Herraman gave a wonderful video presentation of his beloved Australian Natives. It was very interesting with plants not seen before. Roger introduced many of our members to the great world of Australian Dendrobiums. We also saw Cattleyas and Oncidiums. There were many plants not often seen at meetings or shows. Thank You Roger.

**Judging:** There were 21 plants for judging and they were absolutely beautiful. Judging was carried out by Graham Zerbe, John Gay and Associate Judge, Christine Robertson, with Margaret Yelland, Diane Cawley, Bev Gay and Sue Zerbe undertaking the data entry and printing of certificates.

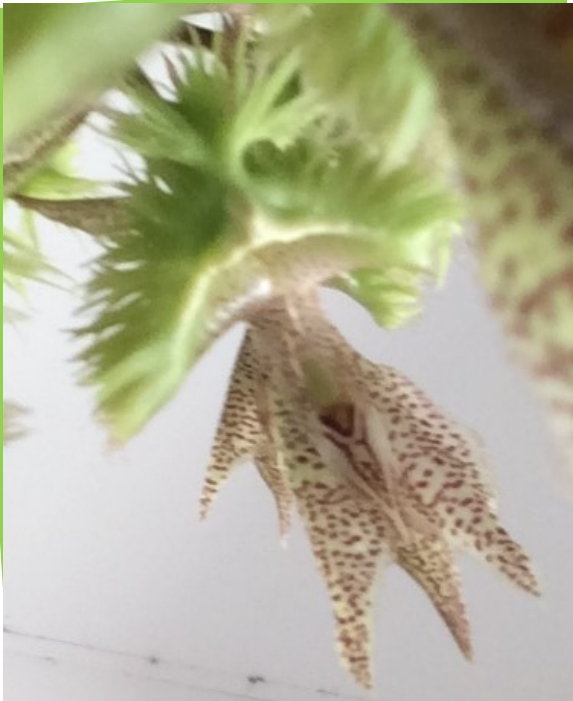
- **Plant of the Day, Plant of Second Division, Popular Vote:**  
C. Pinata Surprise Grown by Helen Humphrys
- **Plant of First Division :**  
*Ctsm. fimbriatum* Grown by Ruth Tugwell

**Trophies:** The following trophies were presented:

- Helen Humphrys won the Graham & Sue Zerbe Trophy for Highest aggregate in Second Division.
- Shirley & Don Greig won the Australian Native Orchids Aggregate Trophy Donated by Brian & Moyna Leedham
- Shirley & Don Greig won the Noel Oliver Memorial Trophy for Aggregate Points for Australian Native Hybrids.



**Orchid of Second Division, Plant of the Day  
and Popular Vote**  
*C. Pinata Surprise*  
Grown By Helen Humphrys  
Photos Christine Robertson



**Orchid of First Division**  
*Ctsm. fimbriatum*  
Grown By Ruth Tugwell  
Photos Christine Robertson

# Southern Region March Results List

Ref. No.

Points Awarded

## First Division

### Cymbidium 60 - 90mm All Colours and Non Standard

Cym. Golden Elf 'Sundust' Sid James (170) 3

### Laeliinae - Cluster

Ctt. Valentine Day 'Aarts' Ruth Tugwell (613) 3

Ctt. Valentine Day 'Chloe' Shirley & Don Greig (1128) 2

### Laeliinae - Non Standard

Rth. Adelaide Silver Shirley & Don Greig (1128) 3

Pcv. Golden Peacock Shirley & Don Greig (1128) 2

### Laeliinae - Species

Psh. cochleata Sid James (170) 3

### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

C. Hawaiian Wedding Song 'Virgin' Eileen Pinnock (519) 3

### Oncidiinae - Hybrid > 60mm

Onc. Unknown 'Holly' Sid James (170) 3

### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Hybrid

Hab. Regnierii Ruth Tugwell (613) 3

### Orchid Genera not listed elsewhere - Species

Ctsm. fimbriatum Ruth Tugwell (613) 3

Hab. medusa Ruth Tugwell (613) 2

## Second Division

### Cymbidium under 60 All Colours and Non Standard

Cym. Kiwi 'Zig Zag' Helen Humphrys (445) 3

### Laeliinae - Cluster

C. Pinata Surprise Helen Humphrys (445) 3

Ctt. Valentine Day 'Kodama' Helen Humphrys (445) 2

Ctt. Valentine Day 'Kodama' Bob Clayton (143) 1

### Laeliinae - Non Standard

Bct. Hawaiian Treat Margaret & Warren Yelland (350) 3

### Laeliinae - Species

C. Ioddigesii 'Blue Sky' Helen Humphrys (445) 3

### Laeliinae - Standard over 100mm

C. Hawaiian Wedding Song 'Virgin' Helen Humphrys (445) 3

Rlc. (Redland Quandry x. Brave Warrior) Margaret & Warren Yelland (350) 2

### Zygopetalinae - Hybrid

Z. Artur Elle 'Essendon' Margaret & Warren Yelland (350) 3



Helen Humphrys  
receives her trophy  
from Graham Zerbe



Shirley Greig  
receives her trophy  
from Graham Zerbe



## Orchid Culture Notes for April

Autumn is still a growth time in the orchid house except unlike Spring where many of our plants are commencing growth we are now at maturity for many. The days still remain warm and the humidity increases but the colder evenings remind us that Winter is not far away. Many of our plants will mature this month, some in readiness for flowering in the next month or so and others that will go into a rest phase until the lengthening days of Spring stir them into action. An important factor for these flowering and resting plants is a general reduction in water and increase in light. This means we remove additional shading provided to combat the fierce Summer sun, raise our plants off the ground and provide cover to keep out the cold Winter rain.

Some orchids can handle exposure to winter rain without too much trouble with the humble *Cymbidiums* and *Zygopetalums* not requiring much protection from the elements of winter unless they are in spike when some supplementary cover would be advantageous. However, there are some orchids which will certainly struggle, if not die when confronted with single digit minimums and wet roots over Winter. Many of our *Cattleyas*, *Oncidiums* and even the hot/cold *Dendrobiums* have a distinct dislike of these conditions and whilst they will not kill the plant, it will turn their roots into a brown/green soggy mess. Come Spring the poor old plant has to start all over again and direct energies to grow new roots at the expense of the new growth. This is a common cause of that orchid you grow that gets smaller every year.

Most of our **Terrestrials** will be up and away this month and even the first *Pterostylis* from the Cauline group will be in flower. Increase watering gradually and pull out small weeds as they appear. Make sure toppings remain in place and watch out for any erosion of the pots caused by rain dripping from above.

Native **Dendrobiums** will all start to show signs of Spring flowers as the flowering nodes split open later this month. If you have a few hot/cold hybrids then you, like me, will be looking at the first early flowers already. I love the hot/cold hybrids. The flowers are larger, certainly more colourful and best of all they last a long time compared to the Spring natives. Treat like your normal native epiphytes except keep a bit drier over winter and hang them when they get to flowering size and you will have good success. Watering in April can still be weekly for your Australian native epiphytes and keep feeding them as well. I do give them some liquid potash this time of year as well as some liquid dolomite to sweeten the mix. Given some of my natives spend a long time in their pots, after a while the mixes break down and become acidic and the dolomite helps neutralise this acidity.

When **feeding your orchids**, water first and then a little later on the same day or the next you can fertilize. Feeding a dry plant is not usually recommended as the fertilizer can damage roots. Keep an eye out for aphids and looped caterpillars this month. There are still plenty of plants in new growth and the tender new leaves are great bug tucker. These same leaves are susceptible to fungal problems from now as well. Warmth and increasing humidity are key factors in the development of fungal problems this month. A precautionary fungicide treatment about now and a morning watering plan as opposed to late afternoon will keep these problems to a minimum.

April should see those with a few **Zygopetalums** in their collections looking at a forest of spikes emerging from new growths. Don't let them dry out, keep protected with a fungicide now and follow the morning watering ritual. Throw a few snail pellets in each pot as well. Feeding wise should be one that is high potash based. This has two benefits, improves the flower colour but also aids in the strengthening of the plant leaves cell walls which in turn gives more protection against fungal attack which will become more prevalent once the rains start.

I let my **Oncidiums** tell me what they are up to. If they have green tips then they still require moisture and feeding. Some will seal off later this month as they enter their resting stage and these will be kept drier. I find the varicosum type, those ones with the big yellow skirts follow this trend and will suffer root loss if kept wet over winter. Knowing the plants origins are a distinct advantage. Oncidiums for example can grow in deserts, humid jungles or high up in the mountains. That's a huge variance in temperature, humidity, light and even seasonal factors. This means you cannot keep all Oncidiums dry over Winter. Sure that applies to some but not all. This is where some reading up of the species involved is required to work out how they need to be cultivated.

This year our Autumn flowering **Laeliinae** group have been earlier than normal, possibly spurred on by a cooler than normal January. Once flowering has finished they will appreciate a rest but for now keep moist and fed with a potash based feed. Some even sprout new roots now to absorb some moisture and nutrition prior to dormancy. If this is the case keep watering. If the roots seal then start reducing it. Spring flowering plants will be in active growth heading towards maturity as well. These usually require protection over Winter and slightly warmer temperatures to perform well. Feeding would still be along the lines of high potassium. Again, the plants roots are a giveaway as to what the plant requires. Green or red tips indicate they are growing, sealed tips mean they are resting or a slug got you!

*Steve Howard*

### UNUSUAL PLANT OF MONTH - *Epidendrum pseudepidendrum*

This unusual orchid comes from Costa Rica and Panama. In Costa Rica plants are found in lowlands and lower mountain rainforests 400-1000m; in Panama plants grow at 1200m. *Epidendrum pseudepidendrum* is fairly common in cultivation but is now rather rare in nature, because of habitat destruction.

It is a large clump-forming sympodial epiphyte with 50-100cm long stems. In smaller plants the stems are normally erect, whilst in larger plants the stems are nearly horizontal or pendent with turned up tips. Leaves are spreading, strongly pointed, and leathery arranged in two rows to the tip of the stem.

The 15cm long inflorescence at the apex of the stem has 1-3 flowers which are rather waxy or plastic. The flowers have dark green to apple green sepals and petals, a large brilliant orange or red-orange lip and a column that is green at the base with orange red to purple apex.

This species has been widely used in hybridising with 60 primary hybrids (many have been awarded) and 120 total offspring. The species has been awarded in Germany and USA with 8 cultural awards and 8 Quality awards.



## **ORCHID CLUBS IN SOUTH AUSTRALIA** **General Meeting Times**

**THE SOUTH COAST ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** Meets on the first Wednesday of the month at St. Bernadette's Church Hall corner of Walsh Avenue and South Road, St. Mary's. Beginners Class starts at 7.15p.m., meeting at 8.00p.m.

**THE DAYTIME CHAPTER:** meets at the Lou Kesting Hall, off Broadway, South Brighton on the second Thursday of the month at 2.00p.m.

**THE SOUTHERN REGION:** meets at Carrickalinga House, 17-19 Torrens Street, Victor Harbor at 2.00p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month.

**THE ORCHID CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** meets at 8pm in The Enfield Community Centre, 540 Regency Road, Enfield on the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of the month.

**Daytime Group:** meets from 2.00p.m. to 4.00p.m. in the Enfield Community Centre, 540 Regency Road, Enfield on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of the month.

**THE MURRAY BRIDGE AND DISTRICT ORCHID CLUB:** meets at 1.45pm in the Seventh Day Adventist Hall, corner Myall Avenue and Standen Street, Murray Bridge on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month.

**NORTHERN AND EASTERN DISTRICTS ORCHID SOCIETY:** meets in St. Philip's Church Hall, Galway Avenue, Broadview from 7.30p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month.

**THE SOUTH AUSTRALIAN ORCHIDACEOUS SOCIETY:** Meets at the Adelaide West Uniting Church Hall, 312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive, Brooklyn Park from 7.30p.m. on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the month.

**THE NATIVE ORCHID SOCIETY OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** meets at 7.30p.m. at St. Matthew's Church Hall, Bridge Street, Kensington on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month.

**THE CYMBIDIUM CLUB OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA:** Meets at 7.30p.m. at Burnside Community Centre, 401 Greenhill Road, Tasmore on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month.

### **Our Affiliated Clubs:**

**The Murray Bridge and Districts Orchid Club.**

**The Orchid Club of S.A. Inc.**



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