

**THE SPECIES ORCHID SOCIETY OF WA (INC.)**

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Anne O'Callaghan Award April 2022  
*Vanda sanderiana alba*  
Charly

# NEWSLETTER

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# MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

12 April 2022 7.40pm

**Present:** 25 members as per register.

**Apologies:** 4 as per register.

**Visitors:** Nil

**New members:** Nil

**Minutes:** Acceptance of minutes from March meeting moved Ian, seconded Charly. Carried.

**Business Arising:** Nil

**Financial Report:** Treasurer's report presented by Adrian. Account balance is \$6,022.40. Acceptance moved Ray, seconded John. Carried.

**Business Arising:** Nil

**Correspondence:**

**Inwards:**

- Busselton Orchid Society – 2022 ISODW
- Orchids WA – GM agenda, previous minutes, AOC correspondence, reports;
- Committee re City of Canning vaccination compliance, changes to Government COVID-19 restrictions;
- Mich – honorary membership certificates;
- Norwood Industries – pricing for printed plant labels;
- Jim Cootes – correct identification of orchids displayed in March;
- Perth Orchid Fair – organising committee minutes, draft budget, workshop program.

**Outwards:**

- Committee – City of Canning notices, committee minutes, Orchids WA correspondence, draft general meeting minutes, Committee meeting agenda and draft minutes, GCA communication
- City of Canning - COVID-19 contact register sheet March GM
- Committee – ISODW arrangements.
- Busselton Orchid Society – ISODW registration

Acceptance of correspondence report moved Ray, seconded Courtney. Carried.

**Business Arising:** Nil

**General Business:**

- Orchids WA general meeting
  - At the Zoom meeting held 2 April, member delegates voted to support the proposed Perth International Orchid Fair in August 2024, and a submission to AOC to host an Australian Orchid Conference as part of this event; which will also include International Conservation Conference organised by Prof Kingsley Dixon.
  - Member delegates approved acceptance of the WOC Trust offer to AOC to nominate an Australian member to the WOC Trust and provide sponsorship (quantum unknown). The WOC Trust has been restructured following acceptance of recommendations made by the chairman of the Perth WOC organising committee, Bruce.
  - ISODW 2022
  - Hosted by Busselton Orchid Society on 6-7 August. Society registration \$30. Participation in this event qualifies for a \$250 subsidy from Orchids WA. The cost for the dinner on Saturday night is \$40 per head. Payment and numbers required by 1 June.
- We have committed to staging a display at this event and need assistance from members to help planning and staging the display, and for those unable to attend, plants for display.

- Annual General Meeting

The Society's AGM will be held on Tuesday 10 May before the general meeting. Notice was posted on the Species Society website on 11 April 2022, along with nomination forms. Paper copies of the notice of AGM and nomination forms can be collected from the Secretary.

The members elected to the positions of President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer complete their term at the AGM. Five ordinary committee members term of election also concludes at the next AGM.

Committee member vacancies – as we have previously asked, please give some thought to nominating for a committee position. Nomination forms are required to be lodged with the Secretary by 26 April.

- Books donated to the Species Society

Books from Chris Cabassi's library donated by Phil Cabassi can be purchased tonight for a donation. If you are interested in securing one or more of these valuable (and often out of print) books, please see Margaret who has a list and the suggested donation for each. We sincerely thank Phil for making sure that Chris' library goes to members that appreciate it.

- Perth Orchid Fair

The Society is committed to staging a display at the Perth Orchid Fair at Aranmore College, Leederville on 19-21 August. As a member providing seed funds, we share in the substantial income from this event. We will use the display that we take to Busselton., replacing those orchids where the flowers have died.

- Membership

The Society's financial year ended 28 Feb. You can pay the Treasurer or by EFT to the Society's bank account (details included in each newsletter).

**Anne O'Callaghan Cultural Award:**

Awarded to Charly for a very impressive *Vanda sanderiana alba* grown from flask to flowering.

**Raffle:** Bruce, Arnold, Peter, Maxine, Courtney, Ken.

**Badge Prize:** Margaret

# NOTICEBOARD

## FORTH-COMING EVENTS

### Home visits:

At 10 am on the Sunday after the fourth Thursday of each month. Please bring chairs and food to share.

- \* 29 May Bruce & Kaye, Dianella.
- \* 26 Jun Caterina, Brentwood.
- \* 31 Jul Ken & Chris, The Vines

## MARKETPLACE - FOR SALE/WANTED

Karl would like to purchase a plant of *Ceratocentron fessellii*. If you have a plant for sale, please contact Karl on 0432 956 885 or e-mail karl.khlee@gmail.com.

Harry would like to buy plants of *Cattleya purpurata* var. *werkhauseri* and *Cattleya neokautskyi*. Contact Harry on 0412 403 696 or harry.ashton@live.com.au.

Lynn would like to purchase *Section Latouria Dendrobium* orchids. Contact Lynn on 0414 922 923 or contrarymiss@hotmail.com.

**President:** position vacant

**Vice President:** Adrian

**Treasurer:** Adrian

**Secretary:** Ken Jones  
210 Hermitage Drive, The Vines  
6069. Phone: 9296 1765  
e-mail: kcjones@tpg.com.au

**Editor:** Ken Jones

**Committee:**

Paul	
Graham	Peter
Maxine	Tony
Charly	Mavis

### Quiet Achievers

2013 Ian  
2014 Chris Cabassi (dec'd)  
2015 Margaret

### Life Members

Graham & Margaret Bowden  
Chris Cabassi (dec'd)  
Barry Gardner (dec'd)  
Gordon Doherty (dec'd)  
Maxine Godbeer  
Ken & Chris Jones  
Adrian & Deanna José.  
Joan (dec'd) & Ted (dec'd) Larson  
Trevor Pratt (dec'd)  
Neville Risbey (dec'd)  
Noel (dec'd) & Eva Verweirder  
Tony & Mavis Watkinson  
Barry Winter (dec'd)

2016 Tom & Pat  
2017 Charly & Gerda  
2018 Paul  
2020 Adrian & Deanna  
2021 John

## NOTES FROM YOUR COMMITTEE

- The City of Canning vaccination and mask requirements for attendance at the Wilson Community Hall has been withdrawn. Accordingly, we will no longer check your vaccination status on arrival. The decision on whether you wear a mask is yours. For those members who still feel apprehensive about COVID-19, we encourage you to wear a mask, and maintain social distancing. Your thoughts about mask wearing, social distancing and recommencing supper following the meeting will be sought at the general meeting.
- The home visit program has recommenced following the recent State Government announcement of withdrawal of limits on the number of people able to visit private homes. The next home visit will be hosted by Bruce and Kaye.
- The society's AGM will be held in May prior to the general meeting. Peter and Adrian were each elected for 2 years in August 2020 as President and Vice President respectively, so continued to 2022. Adrian and Ken were elected for 12 months to the offices of Treasurer and Secretary respectively, meaning all executive positions are to be filled at the election. Similarly, ordinary committee members Charly Hartmann, Chris (dec'd), Graham, Mavis, Maxine and Tony were elected in August 2020 for 2 years. With the exception of Chris, they seek re-election at the AGM. Paul elected for 2 years to 2023 as an ordinary committee member is not required to seek re-election.
- There has been a low response to parts one, two and three of the membership survey conducted by Jane. The links to the three parts of the survey are:
  - 1: <https://forms.gle/rKqvhkS52Du4przW6>
  - 2: <https://forms.gle/cQaZfWtZnLgSdJKNA>
  - 3: <https://forms.gle/aTYiv7iK5b9VNpTYA>
- The annual silent auction will be held at the 12 July general meeting. Orchids, other plants and other items welcome. If you're able to donate plants, please refrain from watering them on the day.
- Membership renewals were due at the end of February. You can either pay the Treasurer at the meeting, send payment to the Secretary or alternatively, transfer payment by EFT to the Society's account at Bendigo Bank, BSB 633-000, account 122491988 including your surname in the transfer.

## The Genus *Coelogyne* (continued from March)



This photo shows how a large, well grown specimen of *Coelogyne rochussenii* can flower.

Photo source: <https://my.onlinefriday.info/FRAGRANT-Coelogyne-Rochussenii-SPECIES-SEEDLING/58909297.4436819437>

*Coelogyne sanderiana* Rchb.f. 1887 Section

*Coelogyne* can be found in Sarawak, Borneo, Lesser Sunda Islands and Sumatra in as a large sized, hot to cool growing terrestrial, epiphyte or lithophyte in secondary hill forests, moss forests and on sandstone ridges or limestone at 200 – 1,300m. 6 cm spindle-shaped pseudobulbs, basally enveloped and sulcate (having long, narrow grooves or channels) when young becoming rugose (wrinkled) with age carry two, apical, erect, lanceolate, plicate, five nerved, acute petiolate base leaves. Flowering occurs in late spring on basal 25cm fractiflex (zigzagged) 6-9 flowered inflorescences arising before the pseudobulb has developed. Persistent, light green [Borneo] or dark red [Sumatra] floral bracts support simultaneously opening flowers that smell of dried coconut. Its common name Sander's *Coelogyne* after the well-known 1800's English nurseryman. The synonym is *Pleione sanderiana* (Rchb.f.) Kuntze 1891



Photo source: <https://www.orchidroots.com/detail/information/?pid=45266&role=pub>



In situ photo source: [https://orchid.unibas.ch/index.php/en/?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=3&SearchResultID=2045175/Coelogyne/sanderiana/Reichenbach\\_Heinrich\\_Gustav&setLang=en-GB](https://orchid.unibas.ch/index.php/en/?option=com_content&view=article&id=3&SearchResultID=2045175/Coelogyne/sanderiana/Reichenbach_Heinrich_Gustav&setLang=en-GB)

[option=com\\_content&view=article&id=3&SearchResultID=2045175/Coelogyne/sanderiana/Reichenbach\\_Heinrich\\_Gustav&setLang=en-GB](https://orchid.unibas.ch/index.php/en/?option=com_content&view=article&id=3&SearchResultID=2045175/Coelogyne/sanderiana/Reichenbach_Heinrich_Gustav&setLang=en-GB)

*Coelogyne septemcostata* J.J.Sm. 1903 Section *Speciosae* grows Thailand, Malaysia, Sumatra and Borneo [Sabah] as a medium sized, hot to cool growing epiphyte in moist shady lowland hill forests, often in trees overhanging rivers and streams at 50 -2,300m. Clustered, ovoid, longitudinally rugose pseudobulbs carry single, apical, plicate, elliptic, acute, narrowing at the base into elongate, petiolate stalk leaves. Flowering in winter through to early summer, flowers are carried on a synanthous (flowers and leaves appear at the same time), basal, erect, slender, 12cm single flowered inflorescence arising from newly developing pseudobulbs, completely enveloped by a few imbricate, acute bracts with successively opening flowers that do not open fully and are downward set.



Its common name is the Seven Ribbed Coelogyne which refers to the keels on the lip. Only the Sumatran species has 7 keels, but from other countries, it can vary from 5 to 8. The synonym is *Coelogyne membranifolia* Carr 1932.

Photo source: [https://orchid.unibas.ch/index.php/en/?option=com\\_content&view=article&id=3&SearchResultID=2100232/Coelogyne/septemcostata/Smith\\_Johannes\\_Jacobus&setLang=en-GB](https://orchid.unibas.ch/index.php/en/?option=com_content&view=article&id=3&SearchResultID=2100232/Coelogyne/septemcostata/Smith_Johannes_Jacobus&setLang=en-GB)

### Harry

*Brassavola cuculatta*  
*Cattleya intermedia*  
*Dendrobium bigibbum*  
*Dendrobium schneiderae*  
*Epidendrum diffusum*

### Graham & Margaret

*Cattleya labiata* var. *coerulea*

### Lynn

*Gastrochilus retrocallus*

### Maxine

*Bulbophyllum annadaiei*  
*Trichoglottis philippinensis*

### Charly

*Vanda sanderiana* *alba*

### Ken & Chris

*Cattleya perrinii*  
*Cymbidium dayanum*  
*Dendrochilum latifolium* var. *micranthum*  
*Dendrochilum longifolium*  
*Epidendrum diffusum*  
*Guarianthe bowringiana*  
*Mormolyca ringens*  
*Ornithophora radicans*  
*Trichophila fragrans*

### Adrian & Dee

*Cattleya perrinii*  
*Dendrobium bigibbum*  
*Gaurianthe bowringiana*

### Peter

*Cattleya maxima*  
*Cattleya perrinii*  
*Zygopetalum crinitum*

## MEMBER PLANTS DISPLAYED April 2022



*Dendrobium schneiderae*  
Harry



*Grammatophyllum multiflorum* var. *citrinum*  
Siva



**Courtney**

*Dendrochilum macranthum*  
*Miltonia x bluntii*  
*Oncidium hyphaematicum*

**John**

*Gaurianthe bowringiana*

**Norm**

*Cattleya perrinii*

**Helen**

*Cymbidium dayanum*



**Siva**

*Grammatophyllum multiflorum* var. *citrinum*

**Tony & Mavis**

*Dendrobium bigibbum*  
*Gastrochilus retrocallus*

*Cattleya perrinii*  
Ken & Chris  
Adrian & Dee  
Peter  
Norm

## MEMBER PLANTS DISPLAYED April 2022



*Cattleya labiata coerulea*  
Graham & Margaret



*Gastrochilus retrocallus*  
Lynn  
Tony & Mavis



In situ photo source: <https://www.flickr.com/photos/malaysianorchidinsitu/16785995137>

*Coelogyne speciosa* [Bl] Lindley 1833 Section *Speciosae* Lindley, the Type species for the section is another large sized, warm to cool growing epiphyte and occasional terrestrial found in Malaysia, Borneo, Java and Sumatra rainforests at 700-2,000m. Clustered ovoid pseudobulbs carry single or two apical, elliptic or lanceolate, acute petiolate, plicate leaves. Primarily flowering in spring and summer, although this species can flower at any time of the year, terminal, erect to nodding inflorescences carry up 3 musky scented flowers on racemose inflorescences that arise out of the center of a new pseudobulb growth. The flowers of this species have a strange flying insect appearance. It is said to grow best in baskets in semi shade.

Its common name is the Beautiful Coelogyne. The many synonyms include *Chelonanthera speciosa* Bl. 1825; *Coelogyne speciosa* subsp. *fimbriata* (J.J.Sm.) Gravend. 1999; *Coelogyne speciosa* subsp. *incarnata* Gravend. 1999; *Coelogyne speciosa* var. *alba* auct. 1905; *Coelogyne speciosa* var. *albicans*, Man. 1890; *Coelogyne speciosa* var. *fimbriata* J.J.Sm. 1907; *Coelogyne speciosa* var. *incarnata* (Gravend.)



M.Wolff & O.Gruss 2007; *Coelogyne speciosa* var. *major* C.F.Sander, F.K.Sander & L.L.Sander 1927; *Coelogyne speciosa* var. *rubiginosa* auct. 1922; *Pleione speciosa* (Blume) Kuntze 1891

Photo source: <https://eol.org/pages/1091872>



*Coelogyne speciosa* subsp.  
*incarnata*

Photo source: <https://www.aos.org/sitf-blog/coelogyne-speciosa-ssp-incarnata-2020-02-10.aspx>

*Coelogyne speciosa* in situ  
in Malaysia

Photo source: [https://orchidroots.com/detail/45275/species\\_detail/?tab=tax](https://orchidroots.com/detail/45275/species_detail/?tab=tax)



*Coelogyne stricta* (D. Don)

Schltr. 1919 Section Elatae Pfitzer is the type species for the section and comes from northeastern India, Nepal, Bhutan, upper Myanmar, China and Vietnam where grows as a medium sized, warm to cold growing epiphyte on broadleaved trees in lower and upper primary montane forests on steep riverbank slopes at 900- 2,100m. Glossy green oblong-cylindrical pseudobulbs enveloped basally by a few imbricate sheaths are about 5cm apart with each carrying 2 apical, elliptic-oblong, acute, coriaceous, plicate, gradually narrowing into elongate petiolate base leaves. Flowering in winter -spring occurs on an erect 40 cm, 6-15 flowered inflorescences arising from mature pseudobulbs, enveloped by imbricate sheaths at the juncture of the peduncle and rachis carrying simultaneously opening, fragrant flowers.

Its common name is the Rigid Coelogyne. Synonyms are *Coelogyne elata* Lindl. 1830; *\*Cymbidium strictum* D. Don 1825; *Pleione elata* (Lindl.) Kuntze 1891



Photo source: [https://www.researchgate.net/figure/A-flower-of-Coelogyne-stricta\\_fig1\\_295397652](https://www.researchgate.net/figure/A-flower-of-Coelogyne-stricta_fig1_295397652)

In situ photo source: [https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Coelogyne-stricta-habit-a-flowers-b-and-fruits-c\\_fig1\\_348414840](https://www.researchgate.net/figure/Coelogyne-stricta-habit-a-flowers-b-and-fruits-c_fig1_348414840)



*Coelogyne tomentosa* Lindl. 1854 Section *Tomentosae* Pfitzer unsurprisingly is the type species for the section. This species is found as a cool to cold growing epiphyte in mountainous regions, principally river valleys in montane forests and on high ridges in Malaysia, Sumatra, Borneo and Java in at 1,150-2,100m. Elongate-conical, somewhat angled pseudobulbs when young that become yellowish green and wrinkled with age carry single, apical, plicate, elliptic-obovate, long petiolate leaves. Flowering most often occurs in summer on terminal 37cm pendant, fractiflex (zigzagged) racemose inflorescences from new pseudobulbs with short bracts and 20-30 short-lived, delicately perfumed flowers.

Its common name is the Hairy Coelogyne referring to the pubescent ovary. This species is often marketed as *Coelogyne massangeana* which is a synonym. Other synonyms include *Coelogyne cymbidioides* Ridl. 1908 [Rchb.f.] Rolfe var. *massangeana* Ridley; *Coelogyne densiflora* Ridley 1903; *Coelogyne massangeana* Rchb.f. 1878; *Coelogyne tomentosa* Lindley var. *cymbidioides* Ridley; *Coelogyne tomentosa* Lindley var. *massangeana* Ridley; *Pleione massangeana* (Rchb.f.) Kuntze, 1891; *Pleione tomentosa* (Lindl.) Kuntze 1891



Photo source: <https://orchidroots.com/detail/information/?pid=45304&role=>

*Coelogyne triplicatula* Rchb.f. 1864 Section *Fulginosae* Lindl. is found in lower Myanmar as a miniature to small sized, warm to cool growing epiphyte. Close set, pyriform to oblong, angled longitudinally grooved pseudobulbs each carry 2 lanceolate, slightly acute, undulate leaves. Flowering in autumn takes place on a 10cm 1-2 flowered inflorescence arising from newly emerging growth with lanceolate, acuminate deciduous floral bracts and successively opening flowers. This species is said to be difficult to grow.



Photo source: <https://www.orchidsforum.com/threads/coelogyne-triplicatula.12791/>

*Coelogyne trinervis* Lindl. 1830 Section *Flaccidea* Lindl. Is found in Myanmar, Thailand, Malaysia, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam, Java, Lesser Sunda Islands, Mollucas and Sumatra at 100-1,600m as a medium sized, hot to cool growing epiphyte or lithophyte on trees or rocks. Ovoid, closely set longitudinally 4 grooved, brownish pseudobulbs are enveloped basally by a few sheaths and carry two apical, plicate, 3 nerved petiolate base leaves. Flowering in autumn takes place on an erect 25cm slender slightly fractiflex raceme carrying 4-8 flowers with deciduous floral bracts arising from a new growth. The simultaneously opening flowers are lightly fragrant [although some say the fragrance is unpleasant]. This species exhibits significant clonal variation in both colour and flower form between the localities in which it is found.

Its common name is the Three-Veined Coelogyne in reference to the nerves on the labellum. Synonyms are *Coelogyne angustifolia* Ridl. 1897, nom. illeg.; *Coelogyne cinnamomea* Lindl. 1858; *Coelogyne pachybulbon* Ridl. 1897; *Coelogyne rhodeana*

Rchb.f. 1867; *Coelogyne rossiana* Rchb.f. 1884; *Coelogyne stenophylla* Ridl. 1924; *Coelogyne wettsteiniana* Schltr. 1920; *Pleione rossiana* (Rchb.f.) Kuntze 1891; *Pleione trinervis* (Lindl.) Kuntze 1891.

Photo source: <https://powo.science.kew.org/taxon/urn:lsid:ipni.org:names:624081-1>



In situ photo source: <http://www.orchidspecies.com/coeltrinervis.htm>



Contd. in June

# ABOUT US

## Monthly Meetings

Monthly meetings held on the second Tuesday of each month at Wilson Community Hall, Braibrise St, Wilson commencing 7.45 pm. Usually, the short formal meeting is followed by plant descriptions given by members. Supper follows to allow member's time to socialise and discuss orchids. All visitors are very welcome

## Membership Fees

**Family** \$30 pa. For first year only, new family members will need to purchase two name badges. Badges come in two versions - pin fastening \$11.50 or magnet fastening \$13.50 [*Please indicate preference*]

**Single** \$20.00 pa. For first year only, new members will need to purchase a name badge. Badges come in two versions - pin fastening \$11.50 or magnet fastening \$13.50. [*Please indicate preference*]

New members who don't live in Perth will not require name badges, therefore membership cost will be at the renewal fee only

## Monthly Home Visit

On the weekend following the fourth Thursday of each month (generally on the Sunday morning), a home visit is held at a member's home. This gives members an opportunity to enjoy the fellowship that our mutual interest provides, and to see how others go about growing their orchids.

## Monthly Plant Display

Given that the prime objective of the Society is to promote the cultivation of species orchids, only species or natural hybrids are acceptable for display. Since we all may be uncertain about the identification of a plant from time to time, we encourage

members to bring plants along about which they are unsure since someone may be able to identify them. There is no competition nor restriction on flower count, quality or length of ownership. We want members to be able to see species plants in flower. So even if your flowers are a bit past their best, bring them in as others may not have seen that species in flower.

## Plant Sales

The Society provides an opportunity table for members to sell surplus plants and equipment, and for the Society to sell product from time to time.

## Plant Purchases

The Society endeavours to obtain a different species seedling for sale at each meeting, usually costing between \$6.00 and \$15.00. The Society makes a small profit on these sales which is invested in benefits to members. As it is always difficult to get new or different species, should members have 20 or more plants of one species which they feel might be suitable as a monthly plant, please contact a Committee member.

## Raffle

The Society conducts a raffle each meeting and at home visits as a means of generating funds. If you have spare species orchids that you wish to sell to the Society for raffles, please advise a committee member.

## Management

In accordance with the Rules, the Annual General meeting is held in May each year at which time the office-bearers and committee are elected. The majority of Committee members serve two year terms.

If unclaimed, return to  
The Editor  
210 Hermitage Drive, The Vines WA 6069

**Next meeting Tuesday 10 May**