

THE SPECIES ORCHID SOCIETY OF WA (INC.)

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Anne O'Callaghan Award July 2022
Epidendrum elongatum
Bruce

NEWSLETTER

NEXT MEETING Tuesday 9 August

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MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING

12 July 2022 8.10pm

Set out for Silent auction

Charly and Tony set out the lots with donated items for the silent auction

Present: 22 members as per register.

Apologies: 8 as per register.

Visitors: Lynette (Bunbury)

New members: Nil

Minutes: Acceptance of minutes from June meeting moved Lynn, seconded Arnold. Carried.

Business Arising: Nil

Financial Report: Treasurer's report In the absence of Treasurer, Adrian no report was available.

Business Arising: Nil

Break for Silent Auction bids

A break of 25 minutes was taken to enable members to lodge their bids.

Correspondence:

Inwards: Orchids WA draft minutes

- ISODW entry arrangements, Kevin Western flask list
- GCA - Call for nominations for awards, bulletin
- Cancellation of 2022 Perth Orchid Fair
- All About Labels sample sheet and pricing
- Diane Gilbert -Paradise Orchids (Qld) plant quarantine service
- Graham – Promotional material for Orchids of the World, Paris late August 2022

Outwards: Busselton Orchid Society – ISODW dinner bookings

- Committee – draft committee meeting

minutes, updated plant inventory, Peter's proposal to amend SOSWA rules, Perth Orchid Fair committee minutes, draft GM minutes, information from Associations On-line, Kevin Western flask list, Doonville Orchids flask list

- GCA awards (nominations), GCA bulletin Acceptance of correspondence report moved Lynne, seconded Arnold. Carried.

Business Arising: Nil

General Business:

ISODW 2022

- Ken asked members for plants for the SOSWA display, and for details so that he can prepare name tags. Thanks to Charly who has offered to take the display material to Busselton in Bruce's trailer.
- Members unable to go to Busselton who might have plants for the display, please let Ken know so that arrangements can be made to get them to Busselton. For members attending the home visit on 31 July but not going to Busselton with plants where the flowers will last a week, bring them to the home visit.

Perth Orchid Fair

- The Perth Orchid Fair 2022 has been transferred to John Septimus Roe College, Mirrabooka Avenue on the 20-21 August, with set up at 4pm on Friday 19th. Thanks to Jan and Tony's efforts, this venue has become available.
- The Species Society will be staging a display and we ask members for their assistance in providing plants for display

and sale and staging the event. A roster for volunteers will be at the next home visit and the August general meeting.

- Given the very small kitchen facility, there will not be a dinner on the Saturday night. It is proposed to have BYO drinks and light refreshments after the event closes to the public at 4.00pm.

Species Orchid Society rules

The matter of whether the Society's rules should be changed to remove the requirement for a review of the annual financial statements following the June general meeting was discussed.

- Peter expressed his opinion that a reviewer had to have the professional qualifications set out in the Act. During lengthy discussion that followed, it was confirmed that the Species Society is a Tier I organisation and as such is only required to provide an annual financial statement to members that is not required to be audited or reviewed by a person with professional qualifications unless members or the Commissioner require same.
- Maxine and Arnold both confirmed that this requirement based on information they were provided during their attendance at Associations On-line information sessions.
- Because Peter's proposal constitutes a change to the registered rules, it can only be made by a majority vote at a special general meeting or annual general meeting of which at least 28 days' notice is given.
- Motion Lina moved that a Special General Meeting be scheduled for members to consider whether to change the registered Species Society rules to remove the requirement for review of the annual finan-

cial statements. Seconded by Tony. Motion carried on a show of hands.

- Ken will draft the required notice of SGM to members to be approved by committee at the July meeting. The SGM will be held with the September General meeting.

Committee meeting options

- The proposal that committee meetings be conducted using Zoom rather than face-to-face meetings at a member's home was discussed. The benefits of not having to drive at night were considered, but technology constraints that would prevent some current committee members participating in Zoom meetings were greater than the benefit, and the decision was to continue meeting at a member's home.
- The option of weekday daytime meetings was rejected as it could prevent members with regular work from nominating for committee. The option of weekend daytime meetings was similarly rejected as members often have regular weekend commitments in addition to many of the local orchid shows.

Membership Dues

- The Society's financial year ended 28 February. You can pay the Treasurer or by EFT to the Society's bank account account at Bendigo Bank, BSB 633-000, account 122491988 including your surname in the transfer.

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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.

- * 28 Aug Rod, Woodvale
- * 25 Sept Picnic in the Park
- * 30 Oct Harry, Kelmscott
- * 24 Nov Lynne, Eden Hill

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.

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Quiet Achievers

2013 Ian
2014 Chris (dec'd)
2015 Margaret

Life Members

Graham & Margaret
Chris (dec'd)
Barry (dec'd)
Gordon (dec'd)
Maxine
Ken & Chris
Adrian & Deanna
Joan (dec'd) & Ted (dec'd)
Trevor (dec'd)
Neville (dec'd)
Noel (dec'd) & Eva
Tony & Mavis
Barry (dec'd)

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

-Anne O'Callaghan Cultural Award:

Awarded to Bruce for line bred
Epidendrum elongatum 'Fairy Lavender'

Raffle: No raffle.

Badge Prize: Lynn

**NOTES FROM YOUR
COMMITTEE**

• **Meetings and Home Visits**

For those members who still feel apprehensive about COVID-19, we encourage you to wear a mask, and maintain social distancing.

• **Perth Orchid Fair**

As announced at the July general meeting, the Perth Orchid Fair will now be held at John Septimus Roe College, Mirrabooka Avenue on the 20-21 August with set up at 4.00pm on Friday 19th August.

The Species Society will stage our usual display, and hope that members can provide display plants and plants for sale, as well as assisting in conducting the event. As a seed-funding member of this group, we share in any profit generated from plant sales, door entry, raffle and kitchen sales.

• **Special General Meeting**

Enclosed with this newsletter, you will find a notice of Special General Meeting scheduled to be held before

the September general meeting. This Special General meeting has been called to comply with the motion moved by Lina and seconded by Tony at the July general meeting.

• **Promotion of combined Perth International Orchid Fair, Australian Orchid Conference and International Orchid Conservation Conference 2024**

Bruce, Tony and Ken will be attending the AOCC in Queensland in late August to commence promotion of this event. We plan to stage a display of Western Australian terrestrial orchid cut flowers. If you have any terrestrial orchid flowers, or for those living on 'bush blocks' terrestrial orchids growing on your property, please let Bruce, Tony or Ken know so that we can collect and take them to Brisbane.

• **September home visit**

Thanks to Jacqui, we will be meeting at Kings Park on 25 September to see terrestrial orchids with one of their volunteer guides. More details will be provided closer to the date.

MONTHLY PLANT

Vanda foetida

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Country of origin: Sumatra
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Description: Large sized monopodial epiphyte
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Difficulty: Tropical species that requires good air movement, bright light, winter warmth and summer humidity.
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Cost: \$10.00

Vanda foetida J.J.Sm. 1906, commonly known as the bad smelling Vanda due to the heavy creosote smell of this flower comes from humid forests in southern Sumatra. It is a large sized monopodial epiphyte (up to 1m tall) with strap-shaped, fleshy, tough, shiny grey-green leaves. Flowering in summer on erect short 8-10cm 2-3 flowered racemes have wide open, fleshy, creosote scented flowers

These plants have been grown from flask by Peter, and are not common in local collections. Coming from southern Sumatra, it is recommended they be grown in bright light and warm temperatures with constant air movement and high humidity. This species is equally at home in pots, slat baskets, or if you are able to maintain high humidity during summer, on cork, hardwood or tree fern slabs, or even a suitable live tree. Regular applications of

Mature plant photo source: https://www.orchidroots.com/detail/211466/species_detail/?newgen=211423&newpid=211466&tab=sum&ole=pub&att=



Photo source: <https://www.orchidweb.com/orchids/vandaceous/species/vanda-foetida>

balanced orchid fertiliser during the growing period autumn-spring will encourage plant growth and flower production. Where possible, the use of rainwater is recommended, especially when slab or basket culture is used to prevent salt build-up on exposed roots.



The Genus *Coelogyne* (continued from July)

Coelogyne radioferens Ames & C.Schweinf. 1920 *Section Tomentosae* Pfitzer is found in Brunei, Kalimantan and Sabah, Borneo as a warm to cold growing epiphyte or occasional lithophyte in lower and upper montane oak-laurel forests on bases of tree trunks at 900-2,100m. Close set, slender, spindle-shaped to long cylindrical, shallowly grooved pseudobulbs carry two apical, long-obovate to long-elliptic, acute, slightly acuminate, plicate, 5 to 9 nerved, gradually narrowing petiolate base leaves. Flowering in spring and autumn takes place on proteranthous, basally curved, apically pendulous, slightly fractiflex 28cm, 6-15 flowered inflorescence arising from a mature pseudobulb carrying persistent floral bracts and simultaneously opening flowers. Its common name is the Rayed Coelogyne referring to the lines on the lip.



Photo source: <http://www.orchidspecies.com/orphotdir/coeloradioferens.jpg>

In situ photo source: <https://pbase.com/rogiervanvugt/image/142282279>



Coelogyne salmonicolor Rchb.f. 1883 *Section Speciosa* Lindley comes from Sumatra as a small sized,

Harry

Epidendrum elongatum
Leptotes bicolor

Graham & Margaret

Laelia anceps (4)
Prasophyllum parvifolium

Charly

Rhynchostylis retusa

Ken & Chris

Bulbophyllum arfakianum
Ceratocentron fessellii
Dendrochilum convallariforme
Dendrochilum luzonense
Dendrochilum spp
Laelia anceps var. *chamberlainianum*
Paphiopedilum villosum

Bruce

Epidendrum elongatum

Tony & Mavis

Brassavola nodosa
Ludisia discolor



Laelia anceps
Graham & Margaret

MEMBER PLANTS DISPLAYED July 2022



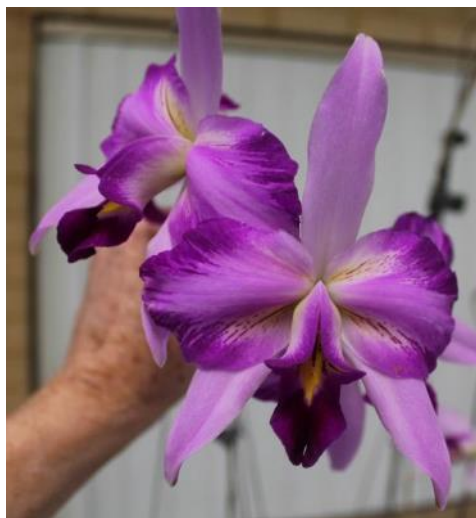
Ceratocentron fessellii
Ken & Chris



Epidendrum elongatum
Bruce
Harry



Rhynchostylis retusa
Charly



Laelia anceps
Graham & Margaret

MEMBER PLANTS DISPLAYED July 2022



Leptotes unicolor
Harry



Brassavola nodosa
Tony & Mavis

warm to cool growing epiphyte in hill forests, lower montane forest and open areas in both wetter and drier mountainsides at 950-1,500m. Close set, obliquely ovoid, slightly flattened quadrangular pseudobulbs carry a single apical, erect, elliptic, plicate, acute petiolate base leaf. Flowering in spring occurs on a synanthous, slender at the base and thickening towards the apex, erect then pendulous, fractiflex 8cm 2-4 flowered inflorescence with ovate-oblong acuminate, persistent floral bracts and salmon-coloured flowers. Its common name is the Salmon Colored Coelogyne, and synonyms are *Coelogyne bella* Schltr. 1911 and *Coelogyne salmonicolor* var. *virescentibus* J.J.Sm. ex Dakkus 1935.

Photo source: <https://orchidroots.com/detail/45263/species/?tab=sum>



Coelogyne tiomanensis M.R.Hend. 1930 *Section Speciosae* Lindl comes from Tioman island (off peninsular Malaysia) where it grows as a medium sized, warm to cool growing epiphyte or lithophyte in montane dwarf forests at 600-1,100m. Ovoid pseudobulbs carry a single, apical, lanceolate, acuminate to mucronate, plicate, 2 nerved elongate petiolate base leaf. Flowering in spring and summer takes place on an erect 30cm fractiflex 2-10 flowered inflorescence arising from a newly emerging growth with ovate-oblong, acuminate deciduous floral bracts with flowers that open in succession. Its common name is the Tioman Coelogyne from the island on which it is found.



Photo source: <http://www.orchidspecies.com/coeltiomanensis.htm>

Coelogyne trinervis Lindl. 1830 *Section Flaccidae* Lindl comes from Myanmar, Thailand, Malaysia, Laos, Cambodia, Vietnam, Java, Lesser Sunda Islands, Moluccas and Sumatra where it grows as a medium sized, hot to cool growing epiphyte or lithophyte on trees or rocks at 100 – 1,600m. Ovoid, closely set, longitudinally 4 grooved, oblique, brownish pseudobulbs are basally enveloped by sheaths and carry 2, apical, plicate, 3-nerved, acute, elongate, grooved, petiolate base leaves. Flowering occurs in autumn on erect 25cm slender, slightly fractiflex rachis with few to several flowered inflorescences arising with the new growth. This species has deciduous floral bracts and fragrant (though some report unpleasant while others report light and airy) simultaneously opening flowers. Its common name is the Three-Veined Coelogyne



Photo source: <http://www.orchidspecies.com/orphotdir/coelssp.jpg>

Synonyms are *Coelogyne angustifolia* Ridl. 1897, nom. illeg.; *Coelogyne cinnamomea* Lindl. 1858; *Coelogyne pachybulbon* R idl. 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.



In situ photo source: In situ photo https://idao.plantnet-project.org/orchisasia/genre/Coelogyne/Coelogyne%20trinervis/Coelogyne_trinervisPB0342.jpg

Coelogyne veitchii Rolfe 1895 Section *Veitchiae* Clayton 2002 is the type species for the section.

Found in New Guinea and the Solomon Islands this medium sized warm to cool growing epiphyte grows in lower, shady montane forests on mossy trees at 600 – 1,700m. A stout rhizome of fusiform-oblong to conical-ovoid, angular pseudobulbs that are basally enveloped by evanescent (short lived and soon disappearing) sheaths which carry two apical, elliptic-lanceolate, acuminate, plicate, 5-nerved channeled petiolate base leaves. Flowering in winter, spring and autumn takes place on newly matured growths with pendulous up to 75cm laxly many flowered racemose inflorescences.

Simultaneously, wide opening unscented small flowers have persistent, inflated, brown floral bracts that almost cover the ovary. Its common name is Veitch's *Coelogyne* named for the 1800's English Orchid collector.



Close up photo source: <http://www.orchidsnewguinea.com/orchid-information/species/speciescode/1820>



In situ photo: <https://orchidroots.com/detail/45326/species/?tab=sum>

Coelogyne velutina de Vogel 1992 Section *Tomentosae* Pfitzer comes from Thailand and peninsula Malaysia where it grows as a medium sized warm to cool growing epiphyte on trees and shrubs or lithophyte in lower montane forests at 900 – 1,950m. Close set more or less ovoid pseudobulbs carry two, often quite stiff, elliptic to obovate, acuminate, plicate, 5-7 nerved elongate petiolate base leaves. Flowering in late winter and early spring occurs on a pendulous, 12-26 flowered velvety red brown hairy, 23-59 cm inflorescence arising from a mature pseudobulb with persistent floral bracts and simultaneously opening flowers. Several colour forms are known ranging from yellow, brown, pink and white. Its common name is the Velvety Coelogyne referring to the rachis and ovary. The synonym is *Coelogyne tomentosa* var. *penangensis* Hook.f.

1890.



Photos source: <https://orchidroots.com/detail/information/?pid=45327&role=>

Coelogyne virescens Rolfe 1908 Section *Brachypterae* D.A.Clayton is found in northern Thailand and Vietnam as a medium sized, hot growing epiphyte in deciduous forests at 200-350m. Elongated conical, 4 angled, slightly grooved, pale green pseudobulbs about 2.5cm apart are basally enveloped by scarious bracts and carry 2, elliptic, subacute, undulate margin, 7 nerved plicate petiolate base leaves. Flowering in spring takes place on a terminal, erect to arcuate, 10cm racemose, up to 5 flowered inflorescences arising from mature pseudobulbs carrying simultaneously opening, fragrant green flowers. Its common name is the Greenish Coelogyne, and the very commonly encountered synonym is *Coelogyne brachyptera* Rchb. f. 1881.



Photo source: <https://powo.science.kew.org/taxon/urn:lsid:ipni.org:names:623785-1>

In situ photo source: http://www.qsbg.org/database/botanic_book%20full%20option/search_detail.asp?botanic_id=3212



Contd. in September

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
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Next meeting Tuesday 9 August