

Cymbidium Orchid Club of W.A. Inc.

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Coming Up

Next meeting– May 15th– 7.30pm

***Neutrog talk (45mins)**

June 19th Meeting

***Bruce Larson on the WA Orchid Spectacular**

***Ian Beeson on bees**

Winter Show -28/29/30th July

WA Orchid Spectacular– 5/6th August

Spring Show-26/27th August

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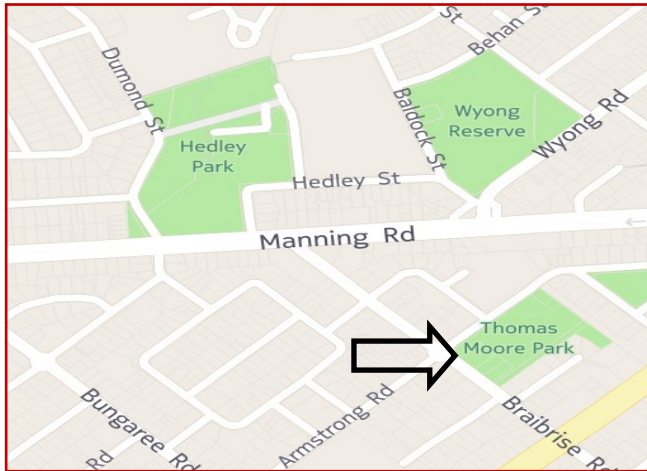
Please feel free to bring your own cup if you would prefer one over a disposable cup.

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-New Meeting Venue-

Wilson Community Hall

34 Braibrise Road, Wilson



2017 State Winter Cymbidium Orchid Show

At Ezi-Gro Orchids

76 Evandale Road, Darch

Friday 28th July 9.00am - 5.00pm

Saturday 29th July 9.00am - 5.00pm

Sunday 30th July 9.00am - 4.00pm

Plant and fertiliser sales, potting demonstrations,
Re-potting your cymbidiums for a small fee,
and raffles.

Ian Beeson 0419049013

Ezi-Gro Orchids: 9343 2761

Entry Fee: \$5 Single with complementary tea or coffee

\$3 Seniors and concession cards

with tea or coffee



Cymbidium Orchid Club of WA Presents the 2017 Spring Show

At Cannington Exhibition Centre

Main Hall

Corner of Station St

and Albany Hwy, Cannington

Saturday 26th August 2017 9.00am-5.00pm

Sunday 27th August 2017 9.00am-3.00pm

Plant and fertiliser sales,
potting demonstrations,
raffles & refreshments available.

Inquiries: Ian Beeson 0419049013

Admission: \$5 per adult

\$3 for Seniors and children (under 16)



**Help
Wanted!**

Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

COCWA is holding a Sausage Sizzle at Cannington Bunnings on Saturday August 12th. We are looking for help in the following areas:

*volunteers to man the sizzle from 7.30am

*anyone with contacts to donate/ buy at low cost sausages, rolls and soft drinks (approx. 600 of each)

Fancy Hats



Do you have a fabulously fancy hat or two that you would like to lend to the COCWA for the Winter Show display?

Please let one of the Committee members know at the next General Meeting or email me-

rebecca.longbottom@bigpond.com

Cymbidium Culture Notes for May

By Courtney Rogasch

If you have not already started, now is a good time to commence your annual potting maintenance program. All those Cym's that flowered late last spring or over summer can now be done. Along with any other's that are not going to flower this winter or spring.

Some of the early flowering Cym's will now be in bud or in flower. Once the buds are clear of the sheaths, it's a good idea to provide them protection from rain, hail and strong winds. The new buds are very soft and easily damaged or marked. It is better to put them in an undercover area, ensuring that they are still getting sufficient air movement and sunlight. Make sure nothing is rubbing against the buds. Do not allow water to get on the buds or flowers. They are more likely to suffer problems such as botrytis if this occurs.

Snails and Slugs will pose a constant threat while your Cym's are in bud or in flower. They seem attracted by new buds especially. There is a copper tape product on the market called 'On Guard' Snail & Slug barrier. Wrap a layer of this tape around the flower spike, and any staking device that you have installed. Position the tape well below the buds or flowers, in a position where the snail or slug would have to cross over the tape to get at the buds or flowers. They won't actually cross the tape. It acts as a repellent. Ensure that they can't get at the flowers any other way E.g. from another leaf, other plant or staking etc. This method works well in conjunction with the traditional snail pellets method, and provides insurance in case the pellets get eaten or washed out of your pots.

Provide temporary staking to racemes that require it, but ensure that it does not inhibit the spikes' ability to grow lengthwise. Strategically placed plant clips do the job nicely.

W.A. Orchid Spectacular Conference & Show

Rendezvous Hotel, West Coast H/W, Scarborough
5th & 6th August 2017

excerpts from WAOS Bulletin No.4

Planning is moving apace with a number of world renowned orchid identities already accepting our invitation to present lectures for the Conference Registrants. The latest speakers to join our Lecture Program are David Woolf of Woolf Orchid Culture and Ray Clement of Tinonee Orchids. They will be joining Mark Brundrett formerly from Canada, now living in WA, Bill Thoms and Marni Turkel of the USA, and Holger Perner, formerly from Germany and now living and working in China, and researching Paphiopedilums and other Chinese species from Hengduan Shan mountains region in Sichuan province. This area is a recognised biodiversity hotspot and is best known for being the home of the Giant Panda. Many of the orchids from this area are endemic and come from small, highly localized populations

Registration All this (and more) for the WAOS Registrants in August 2017, for a very reasonable \$100 for the first Registrant and \$75 for an accompanying Registrant. Registration buys you 3 days of WAOS Conference fun, daily admission to Conference Venue, all lectures, Welcome Ceremony and Orchid Show Preview, early entry for photography, pre-purchasing opportunities. This is bargain time so don't let it get away!! <http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Registration.htm>

Venue The venue is the Ballroom of the Rendezvous Hotel at Scarborough WA, which overlooks the famous Scarborough Beach. The hotel management has offered us their special room rate for **Registrants**, which can be found here.... <http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Accommodation.htm>

Orchid Show We would welcome as many plants as possible including those not being entered in the show or display. We will have display benches for excess plants to club display and show requirements to help make a good show for the public.

We are fortunate to have attracted sponsorship for a good number of the show awards including \$1000.00 for the Grand Champion (Flora Plant) and \$500.00 for the Reserve Champion (Garden City Plastics).

Marketplace We now have the first two pre-order catalogues up on the WAOS website. Firstly, we have a flask list from Hengduan Mountains Biotechnology which includes some very desirable and seldom obtainable Chinese and other species and hybrids. The prices shown are in A\$, and include the import costs. As they already have a number of Eastern States customers, and will be bringing flasks for them as well as for sale at WAOS, pre-ordering is the best way to ensure that you get the flasks that you particularly want. You can order direct from Hengduan Mountains Biotechnology as per Wenqing's instructions in the list, or by sending your order to kcjones@tpg.com.au

Their website at <http://www.hengduanbiotech.com/> is still under construction and has a small photo gallery plus information about other products they manufacture and sell.

We also have a list from Orchid Species Plus in Victoria on the WAOS website. Orchid Species Plus is one of the major species suppliers in Australia and their list has many hard to acquire species, both flowering size plants and seedlings. While their listing shows plants of which they have a reasonable supply, they will be attending several Eastern States orchid fairs over the next 5 months and will be taking the same plants to those events for sale. Therefore, if you want to ensure that you get that species that you have always wanted, it is advisable to pre-order. The prices include all costs incurred in bringing plants to WA. Bill and Jan Miles also advised that they do have smaller numbers of some species that are not shown in their list, so if there is a species or two that you have wanted but not been able to find, please contact them with your wish list. You can pre-order direct from Orchid Species Plus or send your order to kcjones@tpg.com.au. Their website address is <http://www.orchidspeciesplus.com.au/> and has a photo gallery of species orchid flowers.

Public Workshops One of the major attractions at WAOS will be the public workshops conducted throughout Saturday and Sunday. Very experienced local orchid growers will be part of a continuous demonstration program with 30-45 minute presentations and demonstration starting on the half-hour each morning and the hour each afternoon. This program will be conducted in the marketplace area, and the daily program will be posted in the show entry area.

The program has been designed to cover commonly grown orchids, provide answers to questions often asked of orchid society members at public displays about how to grow and flower orchids and how to deal with common pest and disease problems.

Attendance at these presentations is included in the Show entry fee. Show visitors will be encouraged to ask questions, both during the presentation and on a one-on-one basis at the end of each session.

Photo Competition The Conference Committee of the W.A. Orchid Spectacular Conference & Show, being held at The Rendezvous Hotel, 5th - 6th August 2017 is pleased to invite entries into an open orchid photographic competition to provide an opportunity for the Community and Orchid enthusiasts interested in the arts, to create awareness and beauty of both native (species) and hybrid orchids. See the full details here.... http://www.waorchids.iinet.net.au/Photo_Competition.htm

