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OBJECTIVES OF THE GROUP

- a) To promote interest in and preserve Western Australian indigenous orchids.
- b) To learn the best means of cultivation and do all things possible for the conservation of native orchids in their environment.
- c) To learn their habits and keep records.
- d) To have field days and learn to recognize the different genera and species.
- e) To hold meetings for the exchange of knowledge and furthering of interest in W.A. orchids.
- f) To affiliate with kindred organizations.
- g) To make rules for the governing of the Group's domestic affairs.
- h) To do all such lawful things as are incidental to or conducive to the attainment of the above objectives.

Note: The opinions expressed by contributors to this Bulletin are not specifically endorsed by this Group.

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NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 15TH July 2009 at 7.00pm at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Admin. Office.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday 15th July 2009 at 8.00pm at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Admin. Office.

BULLETIN ARTICLES

Please email any Bulletin contributions to John Ewing at [redacted] or call on [redacted]. Articles for the next Bulletin need to be submitted by 1st of the next month.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

15 July General Meeting
19 August General Meeting
16 September General Meeting

PLANNED FIELD TRIPS

JULY 26 Yillimining Rock – Meet at 10am on Williams-Narrogin Rd at the layby approx 22 east of Williams, just before Narrogin

August 21 (Friday) - 23 Field trip and survey to Mt Gibson (south of Paynes Find) Must be fit, lots of walking, max 20 people, Accommodation in a shearing shed & un-powered camping. Camp kitchen available. Trip will be cancelled if rain a few days before.

Details about meeting places in next bulletin
Sept 6th, Weam Nature Reserve – to see *Caladenia williamsii*. Meet at 9.15 at Robinson Rd. near railway station in Brookton. Strict viewing procedures apply to viewing.
Sept 13 & 20 depending on flowers, will either be at the burns at Yanchep National Park or Greenmount then along the York Rd (see future bulletins for more details or contact Ross Fox – [REDACTED]).

Sept 26 - 28 long W/E. Meet at Jerramungup Caravan Park(ph 98351174) @ 11 am Sat. 26th. Cabins available.

Oct 4th Jarrahdale - *Thelymitra frenchii* – date may be changed depending on flowering. Meeting details in a future bulletin

Oct 10 - 11 Frankland. meet at caravan park at 11 am Sat 10th. The only accommodation available in the area is at the following-

Alkoomi Wines Wingebellup Rd
(ph 98552229)

Ferngrove Winery Ferngrove Rd
(ph 98552365)

Osborn Lodge B & B Yarnup Rd
(ph 98566287)

Oct 18th - Brookton Hwy. Meet at Edison Mills Rd corner Brookton Hwy at 10 am.

WANOSCG MINUTES

WEDNESDAY 17th June 2009

Meeting at: BGPA Boardroom. Wednesday 17th June 2009. Commencing 8:15 pm

ATTENDANCE: 34 members present, 10 apologies, 0 visitor as per Attendance book.

VISITORS: none

RAFFLE: Kindly donated by Noel Clarke

MINUTES TO THE MEETING 20TH May 2009:

The following corrections on the May 20th General Meeting minutes as published in the Bulletin were noted:

21 October General Meeting

18 November General Meeting

1. There are a number of small errors in the Auditor's Report as published, though the total figures are correct. The Treasurer will provide the corrections and publish it in the next Bulletin.
2. Bob Steer won the raffle prize, not Jack Eborall,

FIELD TRIPS: Ross outlined the trips as printed in the Bulletin

1. The next planned trip is JUNE 28 Australind and Ludlow - Meet at 10am at the nature strip 55km from Bunbury on the Old Coast Road.
2. JULY 26 Yillimining Rock – Meet at 10am on Williams-Narrogin Rd at the layby approx 22 east of Williams, just before Narrogin
3. A potential trip to Mount Gibson is being investigated. Recently an Australian birds survey was conducted at the station, owned by AWC, and they are keen for an orchid survey. The maximum size of group that they could take is 20 to 25 from a known group such as WANOSCG – with just few beds being available, other wise members will be able to camp. Rains would be needed to make the trip worthwhile – end of August is a possibility.
4. Ross is looking for any member reports on burnt out areas for possible trips. The Greenmount burnt areas may be an option for a survey in July/Aug.
5. A recent visit to the Mogumber area by Ross and Margaret Fox revealed just 2 flowering *Thelymitra apiculata* plants.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Tom Blinco:
 - a. requested that it be recorded that Stuart Harris was acting as Secretary at the May meeting
 - b. asked for clarification on whether the Constitution would need to be amended to accommodate the Southern Rivers sub-group. The President confirmed that no changes would be required to the Constitution, but the

- Committee could create any by-laws that may be necessary. Any such by-laws would be circulated in the Bulletin before being accepted.
- c. Asked if it was necessary to limit access to the group's database to just contributors. Filtering of requests for database information is in place. The registrar filters information given out to persons who request information.
 2. Eddy Wajon summarised his Conservation Officer's report – including an 8 page submission to the Shire of Toodyay, and the publication of an article on WANOSCG in the Greener Times paper.
 3. A group member has requested that Electronic Funds Transfers be facilitated for the payment of annual subscriptions. In order to keep up with the changing times, at the start of next year the group's bank BSB and account number will be published in the Bulletin. Members will then be able to pay their subscriptions by this method, but will be asked to email the secretary with the details of their payments, including the receipt number. The Secretary will then pass on this information to the Treasurer in a timely manner.
 4. Tom Blinco requested that we reinstate the practice of circulating the correspondence list and financial report with the attendance book each meeting. It was agreed that this would be done.
 5. Eddy W. reported that he had been approached by Andrew Brown, DEC, to write a submission from the Group to the Wireless Hill Vision 2020. Eddy undertook to write such a submission.
 6. On behalf of Jack Eborall (who sent his apologies), Tom B. noted that no notification had been given of the recent Denmark trip by the Southern Rivers sub-group. The President replied that there was not enough time to include a notice in the Bulletin as the weather dictated the timing and this did not fit in with the Bulletin schedule – however emails were sent out.
 7. The President reported that the current batch of Keep Australia Beautiful bags had run out, but an other lot was on order
 8. A consensus was sought on the orchid naming references to be listed in the orchid sighting reports. A motion was carried that all references would be used would be trialed until Feb 2010, when it would be reviewed – motion proposed by Wayne Merritt and seconded by Stuart Harris and passed. President to follow-up. This form will be published in the next Bulletin and an electronic copy sent to those on email.
 9. Since an increasing number of group photos from trips are being used in publications beyond the Bulletin (eg Greener Times), and it is becoming difficult to contact each person in the photograph to ask for their permission in the time required, as part of next year's membership submission it will be stated that all members will be regarded as giving the group the right to publish their photo if it is taken on a group trip if it is to be used for the non-profit promoting of native orchids – unless the member otherwise notifies the person taking the photo at the time.
 10. Kim Hansen has now completed the review of the Field Trip Protocol, with the help of Eddy W. – the current form will be published in the Bulletin and on our web page and used for this year. It will then be reviewed for 2010, so feedback is sought from members.
 11. It was noted that other clubs and societies adopt a protocol of using mentholated spirit spray on any surfaces that will come into contact with the ground (eg shoes, tripods and tyres) to protect against the spread of dieback. (typically a 20-50% solution of meths & water from a relatively cheap and readily available spray bottle). The President indicated that this form of protection was encouraged and that it is up to individual members to bring along their own spray.
 12. Mark Brundrett reported good results from his orchid propagation project. The results are currently being reviewed, and looked promising.
 13. Ramon raised the need for names of family members to be documented on

- the membership for insurance purposes. RN and CL to follow-up
14. The President has contacted Stephen Phillips in regard to By-laws and await documentation.
 15. Insurance cover was discussed and Phil Bunney commented that ANOS now use another organization which covers visitors, people aged over 70 and equipment. RN to follow-up
 16. Don Manners raised the issue of Auditor's report inconsistencies as noted above.

PRESENTATION BY Eddy Wajon on the Wildflowers of the Exmouth and Pilbara region.
RAFFLE DRAW:

Noel Clarke drew the raffle which was claimed by Don Manners

GROWERS TABLE: n/a

NEXT MEETING DATE: 15th July 2009

MEETING CLOSED at 10:10PM

CORRECTIONS from AUDITORS REPORT

In the last bulletin there were some typing transcription and addition errors made by the editor. On page 2 the total for investments should have read \$8212.91 not \$9212.91. On page 3 in the Expenditure there were 2 other minor typing errors involving stationery (\$1) and iiNet (0.20c) but the totals for other which were from my incorrect additions of smaller items should have read \$282.40 (not \$202.40) for 2007/8 and \$86.00 (not \$107.75) for 2008/9. My apologies to the treasurer and the auditor.
 (Editor)

Name Corrections from Andrew Brown

Please note that in *Eriochilus scaber* the subspecific name *orbifolia* was changed to *orbifolius* in early 2007 to correct the gender to masculine. I had forgotten about this and did not include the new spelling in "Orchids of Western Australia".

TOM BLINCO ADDITION

Members using Hoffman and Brown "Orchids of South-West Australia" please also note, the photo on page 188 of either volume is actually *Eriochilus scaber* subsp. *scaber*.

No photo of *Eriochilus scaber* subsp. *orbifolius* has been published. However, the subspecies is described in Hopper, S.D. and Brown, A.P. Contributions to Western Australian orchidology: 3. New and reinstated taxa in *Eriochilus Nuytsia* 16(1): 29–61 (2006) and is briefly described and illustrated (painting) in Brown, et al. Orchids of Western Australia 202–203 (2008).

ORCHID SITING REPORT SHEET

Included in this bulletin is our new Orchid Siting report sheet. Members receiving the bulletin electronically will see the 2 pages separately and in colour. Print versions are in B&W but the colour code for page numbers in the three reference sources, shows in this version as 'black' (ordinary print density), 'red' as a paler print and 'green' in bold print (darker print density). The sequence for any species is always black, red, green although some have only two or perhaps only one reference source. Hopefully this is still easy to use.

A sheet can be used for more than one site, although there is little space to put in data for the same flower on different sites in the one box. In this case perhaps use the box immediately below and make a note on the sheet.

The most important aspect is to USE the sheets and send them into Christine Lock so they can be recorded on the club's data base.

ANDREW BROWN REQUEST FOR HELP

Attached please also find a list of *Thelymitra* species that occur within a one or two hour drive from Perth. Peter Bernhardt (Saint Louis University, Missouri USA) will be spending several months in WA this year (September to November) on a National Geographic grant to study the pollination biology of sympatric *Thelymitra* species. Ideally, he wants sites in which two species overlap in relatively large numbers (>20 flowering stems in a population). I have a fair idea of locations for most of these taxa but it would be good if members of the group could provide me with some additional locations (preferably in Cons Reserves of State Forest) within an hour or two of Perth where they have seen these plants in good numbers. Locations to be sent to me care of my email address below. **Andrew Brown**
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 Department of Environment and Conservation (DEC)

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***Thelymitra* species that occur within a two hour drive from Perth**

<i>Thelymitra</i>	Distance	Flowering	Population size	Sympatric species (sometimes). Note these do not necessarily flower concurrently.
<i>antennifera</i>	30 mins to 2 hours	August-early October	25+ (sometimes hundreds)	<i>petrophila</i> , <i>benthamiana</i> , <i>crinita</i> , <i>flexuosa</i> , <i>frenchii</i> , <i>maculata</i> ms, <i>magnifica</i> , <i>mucida</i> , <i>petrophila</i> , sp. Northern Swamps, <i>spiralis</i> , <i>villosa</i> , <i>vulgaris</i> , <i>xanthotricha</i> .
<i>benthamiana</i>	1 to 2 hours	October-November	10+ (25+ in a good year)	<i>antennifera</i> , <i>crinita</i> , <i>dedmaniarum</i> , <i>flexuosa</i> , <i>maculata</i> ms, <i>villosa</i> , <i>xanthotricha</i> .
<i>campanulata</i>	30 minutes	September-early October	5+ (more common in some years)	<i>crinita</i> .
<i>crinita</i>	30 minutes to 1 hour	Late Sept - early November	25+ (sometimes hundreds)	<i>antennifera</i> , <i>benthamiana</i> , <i>dedmaniarum</i> , <i>flexuosa</i> , <i>graminea</i> , <i>macrophylla</i> , <i>maculata</i> ms, <i>magnifica</i> , sp. 'Wandoo', <i>stellata</i> , <i>variegata</i> , <i>villosa</i> , <i>yorkensis</i> .
<i>dedmaniarum</i>	1 hour	November	5+ (very rare)	<i>benthamiana</i> , <i>crinita</i> , <i>graminea</i> , <i>macrophylla</i> .
<i>flexuosa</i>	30 mins to 2 hrs	September-October	25+ (sometimes hundreds)	<i>antennifera</i> , <i>benthamiana</i> , <i>crinita</i> , <i>mucida</i> , sp. 'Northern Swamps', <i>vulgaris</i> , <i>xanthotricha</i> .
<i>frenchii</i>	1 hour	Late Sept-October	5+ (very rare)	<i>antennifera</i> , <i>crinita</i> .
<i>fuscolutea</i>	30 minutes	November	10+ (rare in Perth Region)	<i>crinita</i> , <i>macrophylla</i> .
<i>graminea</i>	30 mins to 1 hour	Late Oct-November	25+ (sometimes hundreds)	<i>crinita</i> , <i>macrophylla</i> , <i>villosa</i> .
<i>latiloba</i>	2 hours	Late Sept - October	10+ (sometimes more)	<i>crinita</i> , sp. 'Wandoo'.
<i>macrophylla</i>	30 mins to 1 hour	Mid Sept-October	25+ (sometimes hundreds)	<i>crinita</i> , <i>dedmaniarum</i> , <i>graminea</i> , <i>magnifica</i> , <i>stellata</i> .
<i>maculata</i> ms	1 – 2 hrs	August	5+ (very rare)	<i>antennifera</i> , <i>benthamiana</i> , <i>crinita</i> , <i>villosa</i> .
<i>magnifica</i>	30 mins	October	5+ (very rare)	<i>antennifera</i> , <i>crinita</i> , <i>macrophylla</i> .
<i>mucida</i>	30 mins to 2 hrs	October-November	5+ (rare in the Perth Region)	<i>antennifera</i> , <i>flexuosa</i> , sp. 'Northern Swamps', <i>vulgaris</i> .
<i>petrophila</i> ms	2 hours	Sept-Oct	25+ (sometimes hundreds)	<i>antennifera</i> .
sp. 'Northern Swamps'	30 mins to 2 hrs	Late Sept - October	10+ (sometimes more)	<i>mucida</i> , <i>vulgaris</i> .
sp. 'Wandoo'	1.5-2 hrs	Late Sept-October	10+ (sometimes more)	<i>latiloba</i> .
<i>spiralis</i>	2 hours	August	5+ (not extant in Perth Region)	<i>antennifera</i> .
<i>stellata</i>	45 - 1 hr	November	2+ (very rare)	<i>crinita</i> , <i>macrophylla</i> .
<i>variegata</i>	45 - 1 hr	Late Aug-September	1+ (extremely rare in Perth)	<i>campanulata</i> .
<i>villosa</i>	1 to 2 hrs	Oct-early November	10+ (sometimes more)	<i>antennifera</i> , <i>crinita</i> , <i>flexuosa</i> , <i>graminea</i> , <i>xanthotricha</i> , <i>benthamiana</i> .
<i>vulgaris</i>	30 mins to 2 hrs	Mid Sept-early Oct	25+ (sometimes hundreds)	<i>antennifera</i> , <i>xanthotricha</i> , <i>flexuosa</i> , <i>mucida</i> .
<i>yorkensis</i>	2 hours	Nov-early December	2+ (very rare)	<i>crinita</i> .
<i>xanthotricha</i>	30 mins to 2 hrs	Late Sept-October	10+ (25+ in a good year)	<i>antennifera</i> , <i>flexuosa</i> , <i>villosa</i> , <i>vulgaris</i> , <i>benthamiana</i> .

	Raffle Roster	Welcomer	SPEAKERS 2009
MAR	Gerald Stack		Mark Brundrett – Wheatbelt Orchid Rescue Project
APR	Glenys Salter	Tom Burbridge	Ramon Newmann – How I started orchids
MAY	Etienne Delannoy	John Ewing	Tony Lock – WANOSCG data base
JUNE	Noel Clarke	Tom Blinco	Eddy Wajon – flowers of the Pilbara
JULY	Tom Blinco	John Ewing	Etienne Delannoy
AUG	Louise Little		
SEPT	Jay Steer		
OCT	David Lawson		
NOV	Gary McDonald		Photo competition and members slides

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