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of the
**Western Australian Native Orchid
Study and Conservation Group (Inc.)**

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THE WEST AUSTRALIAN NATIVE ORCHID STUDY & CONSERVATION GROUP

OBJECTS 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 natural environment.
- c. To learn their habitats and keep records.
- d. To have field days and learn to recognise the different genera and species.
- e. To hold meetings for the exchanging of knowledge and furthering of interest in Western Australian 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 other lawful things as are incidental to or conducive to the attainment of the above objects or any of them.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

October 21st 7.00 pm
Kings Park Administration Building

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

October 21st 8.00 pm
Kings Park Administration Building

TOPIC OF THE MONTH

Dr Kingsley Dixon will talk on Orchids of Italy and orchid research. Kingsley recently attended a number of conferences in Europe and his talk will cover some new thoughts on orchid biology.

FIELD TRIPS

November 14th and 15th - Cosy Corner/Augusta

Meet at Margaret River at Pioneer Park just before the river.
Accommodation will be organised. For details ring Syd Gibbings.

Highlights of a field trip to Kalbarri in Brief.

Beryl Yates

David Parker.

The weather was wet so few stops possible on the way North. Just North of Geraldton we climbed one of those odd hills with their stunted shrubbery and found 5 *Caladenia* new to us, which we took lots of photos of, I believe it is to be named soon.

At the Z Bend, *Caladenia flava* in a good range of colour variants, though there were lots of dead ones, so we were a mite late. We found about 40 blooming *Caladenia wanosa*. *Drakea jeanensis* 8-10 in flower and lots of leaves. *Caladenia cairnsiana* dead, *Caladenia filamentosa* (denticulata type) *Pterostylis nanna* and *dilatata*.

On the way home with the sun shining we were able to stop at lots of places we had had to miss,

Northampton side of Binu at a salt flat 2 types of *Diuris*, *Caladenia flava* a *Thelymitra antennifera*.

Arrowsmith, there were about 40 *Caladenia crebra*, *Caladenia patersonii* a and a lovely cross with red tip to the labellum, *Caladenia flava* and *Caladenia filamentosa*, *Pterostylis vittata*. *Eriochilus* in seed.

Cockleshell Gully: *Caladenia patersonii* white and a lovely pink form and again a cross, red calli, and red tip to the labellum, *Caladenia hirta* in both pink and white. *Caladenia flava*, *Leporella* leaves.

Loads more of course at each stop, with wonderful wildflowers all the way..

We topped the trip off with a cross country stop at Wiling for my first look at *Caladenia cristata*. too late to search much but there were about 5 in bloom,

TUBERS REQUIRED:

Mr J.R. Spoones of [REDACTED] is seeking tubers of *Caladenia pectinata*. If any member has excess tubers of this species they may like to send them to him. He is willing to buy the tubers.

(*Caladenia pectinata* is the sandplain form of what is now called *Caladenia huegelii*.)

PLANT DISPLAY - SEPTEMBER

- W. MERRITT *Corybus despectens*
 C. species (Albany)
 Caladenia patersonii var *longicauda*
 Diuris species (small swamp)
 C. cairnsiana
 C. multiclavia
 Pterostylus rufa aff.
- S. VAN LEWIN *C. filamentosa*
- B. YATES *C. sp. C/vale*
 Prasophyllum hians
- S. GIBBINGS *Drakaea elsatica*
 D. glyptodon
 C. pectinata 2 pots
 Lyperanthus serratus
- J. TONKINSON *Pt rufa* aff.
 C. filamentosa Red Ge.
- N. CLARKE *Pt baptistii*
 Pt erecta
 Pt curta
- R. STAPLETON *C. sp*
 D. punctata
 D. maculata
 D. aurea
 Th. sargentii
 Th. nuda
 Pt baptistii
 C. species

COMING EVENTS OF INTEREST:

Orchid Spectacular '87, Bunbury Orchid Society 1987
Spring Show; 25-27th September.

Native Orchid Show at the Royal Botanic
Gardens, SOUTH YARRA; 3-4th October.

Orchid growers beginner's night, WEST PERTH; 25th
September.

Orchid Workshop, SOUTH PERTH; 1st November.

Australia's Bi-Centenary Orchid Festival, SYDNEY;
17-25th September 1988.

Orchid Expo 1988, QUEENSLAND; 8-12th September 1988.

For more information on any of the above events please
contact the Secretary.

VALE

HERBERT EDWARD FOOTE

Herb Foote passed away at 11am Friday, 7th August 1987 and it was with great sorrow that we said goodbye to our good friend who gave to us his unselfish friendship, advice, expertise and the warmth of his companionship.

Herb Foote joined the Orchid Society of Western Australia (Inc) on 30th June 1958, was secretary 1959-1960, then to Committee in 1962, was made Vice President in 1965 and President from 1967-1969 in which year he led the O.S.W.A. at the World Orchid Conference in Sydney and most of the credit must go to him for the winning of a Gold Medallion for the Society, for the best Interstate Society Display.

Recognition of work for the Society resulted in the granting of Life Membership of The Orchid Society of Western Australia on 26th November, 1971.

Herb achieved and accomplished many skills in his 77 years on this planet. As a grower of Orchids he was the master in most genera, excelling in Cattleyas, Cymbidiums and Oncidiums and his Native Orchid Collection was grown to perfection in natural surrounds at his residence in the hills at Forrestfield.

Photography was his forte, and the artistic side of Herb was expressed in Water Colour Landscape Painting, Copper repocée work and Calligraphy.

Herb was the founder of the Western Australian Native Orchid Study and Conservation Group (Inc) of which he was the President for many years.

This Group will always be indebted for his successful efforts to establish and foster the awareness of the need for conservation of Terrestrial Orchid Species in Western Australia, and the mention of this Group, and of terrestrial orchids in W.A. will always bring to mind the name of Herb Foote.

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ELECTION OF OFFICE BEARER 1987/88

NOMINATION FORM

I herewith nominate for position of _____

Proposed _____

Seconded _____

Note: Nominee, Proposer and Seconder must be financial members of the Group

NEW MEMBERS

The committee and members would like to welcome the following new members to the group.

Ronald and Joyce Williams

Jeff and Lorraine Scannell

FIELD TRIPS

At the September meeting Wayne Merritt reported a trip down through the wheat belt Ongerup area (where we went last year at this time) very dry and very few orchids.

Stephen Van Leeuwen reported similar results on the Mt Jackson trip.

FLORA OF THE PERTH REGION AT THE SPECIAL PRICE OF \$30.00

This newly released publication provides a means to identifying the native and introduced plant of the Swan Coastal Plain and adjoining Darling Range region. This book, which comes in two volumes, has the most up to date coverage of the flora in the immediate vicinity of Perth including the orchids.

The book normally retail at \$45.00 but is available through the group at the special price of just \$30.00. This is an enormous saving of \$15.00. However, for such a remarkable reduction in price to be achieve at total of 10 orders must be forthcoming.

If you are interested in ordering a copy of this book, at the special price of just \$30.00, please inform the Secretary as soon as possible and before the 21st of October so that arrangement can be made with the suppliers.

(If you require your copy of this book to be posted to you an additional \$10.00 will be require to cover handling and freight charges, but you still save!)

FLORA OF THE PERTH REGION

**PART ONE
AND
PART TWO**



N.G. Marchant
J.R. Wheeler
B.L. Rye
E.M. Bennett
N.S. Lander
T.D. Macfarlane

ORCHID WORKSHOP

at the

SOUTH PERTH CIVIC CENTRE

SUNDAY 1st NOVEMBER 1pm TO 5.30pm

DOORS OPEN 11.30am (for plant sales)

Learn how easy ORCHIDS are to grow in W.A.

- Commercial orchid growers in attendance
- Demonstrations on the culture of the four most easy varieties to grow
Cymbidiums, Phaiopedilums, Cattleya, Australian Natives
- Orchid display
- Orchid plants for sale

ADMISSION \$6 (includes afternoon tea) (light lunch & snacks available)

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All proceeds to The 12th Australian Orchid Conference, Perth, 1991

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration closes on October 24th.

MR
MRS
MISS

ADDRESS

P/CODETELEPHONE:

I/We will be attending the Orchid Workshop
on the 1st November at \$6 per person

post to **ORCHID WORKSHOP**
LOT 1 GNANGARA RD.
HENLEY BROOK 6055

Tickets issued by return post

Number of persons ()
attending

Your Orchid ()
Society is:

TOTAL \$

Supper Roster.

August.. Ray Stapledon
Sept.. Joan Gibbings
Oct.. Kingsley Dixon.

Raffle Roster.

Aug.. Val Preston
Sept.. Wayne Merrit
Oct.. Bevan Buirchell

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