



**BULLETIN**  
*OF THE*  
**WESTERN AUSTRALIAN NATIVE ORCHID  
STUDY AND CONSERVATION GROUP  
(INC)**  
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#### OBJECTIVES OF THE GROUP

- To promote interest in and preserve Western Australian indigenous orchids.
- To learn the best means of cultivation and do all things possible for the conservation of native orchids in their environment.
- To learn their habitats and keep records.
- To have field days and learn to recognise the different genera and species.
- To hold meetings for the exchange of knowledge and furthering of interest in Western Australian orchids.
- To affiliate with kindred organisations.
- To make rules for the governing of the Group's domestic affairs.
- To do all such other 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, 19 June 2002 at 7.00 p.m. at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Administration Office.

### **NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

Wednesday, 19 June 2002 at 8.00 p.m. at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Administration Office.

### **GUEST SPEAKER**

Eric McCrum – "Ecology of the Bush".

### **BILL JACKSON**

Regretfully I have to tell you that our friend and member from Walpole, Bill Jackson, is very sick. Anyone going in the vicinity of Walpole please visit Bill, he will be glad to see you.

### **FORTHCOMING MEETINGS**

19 June	General meeting
14 July	Field trip Canning Regional Park
17 July	General meeting
10/11 August	Field trip Paynes Find
17/18 August	Field trip Busselton
21 August	General meeting
31 Aug/1 Sept	Field trip Bunbury
7/8 September	Field trip Perenjori / Watheroo
15 September	Field trip The Spectacles
18 September	General meeting
22 September	Field trip Ken Hurst Park
28-30 September	Field trip Pemberton / Northcliffe
6 October	Field trip Yeal Swamp
16 October	General meeting
19 October	Field trip Perth to Martup Pool
20 November	General meeting

### **ANNUAL GROUP MEMBERSHIP FEES** **MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE NOW DUE.**

*The Groups financial year commences on 1 February.*

The membership fees are as follows:

Single membership \$20.00 pa.

Family membership \$20.00 pa.

New membership \$10.00 joining fee and if joining after 30 June membership fee for the year adjusted prorata.

**The digit after your name on the address label is the year for which you are financial and is updated to the last meeting. If you have paid since then please make the allowance.**

**Please send fees to The Treasurer, PO Box 323, Victoria Park, 6979.**

### **BULLETIN CONTRIBUTIONS**

Contributions are needed for every edition of the Bulletin. Articles should be sent to Noel Clarke. The article submission deadline for the next issue is **1 July 2002**. Country members, we would love to share your orchid adventures (or misadventures). Many private field trips are undertaken, how about sharing them with the membership via the Bulletin.

### **SUPPER COST**

Each month our supper is generously donated by group members (per list on the back of the Bulletin), while the group supplies the tea, coffee, sugar and milk. To recoup some of the cost of these supplies, a modest fee of 50 cents applies. This can be left on the supper table and will be collected by the Treasurer at the end of the evening.

*Also please rinse out your cups when you have finished with them.*

### **WANOSCG ORCHID SIGHTING FORMS**

Donna & Eddy Wajon have produced a new sighting form. It will be a lot easier to use. These forms could be available at the next meeting.

Please help get our database off and running. When you fill in the form please provide as much information as you can. If you can only provide the location as District or Shire and road name this will suffice. The vegetation and land details are for historical records and need not be filled in.

Chris French is waiting with his fingers poised over the keyboard to enter the data you provide into the computer.

### **FOR SALE**

Rufa Trip Report \$10.00.

Caladenia flava Badges \$4.00 members, \$5.00 non-members.

Name Badges \$10.00.

Orchids of WA (2<sup>nd</sup> Ed) \$9.00.

Orchids of SW Australia \$45.00.

Orchid Flowering Times \$5.00.

Colour guide to Spring Wildflowers by Eddie Wajon \$ 18.00 each.

Part 1: Kalbarri & The Goldfields.

Part 2: Perth & The Southwest.

Part 3: Esperance & The Wheatbelt

Car Stickers \$1.50.

Pat Dundas Cards \$8.00.

Bush Survival Kit \$4.00.

History of WANOSCG \$3.00.



### NAME BADGES

Group name badges can be ordered from the Treasurer. The cost is \$10.00 each.

### FIELD TRIP PROCEDURES

Remember the rule, keep the following vehicle in sight. If it falls behind then slow down till it catches up.

Most importantly when you turn, stop at the turning point till you are sure the following vehicle is going to turn.

No participant in a field trip is exempt from these two important rules.

### FIELD TRIPS

Please ensure you have sufficient fuel to get you through the field trips.

Please advise the Field Trip Coordinator, phone [REDACTED], or the field trip leader, if you intend participating.

It is important that you advise the Field Trip Coordinator because then you can be advised of any change of plans, etc.

The field trips listed are proposed and are subject to change if needed.

Please consider car pooling, particularly on metro trips.

### FIELD TRIP 14 JULY TO CANNING REGIONAL PARK

Eric Swarts is trip leader, phone [REDACTED]

Meet at Adenia Rd /Bannister Rd Bridge at 1.00 pm.

Please advise Eric or Christine Lock if you are going.

### FIELD TRIP 10/11 AUGUST TO PAYNES FIND

Noel Clarke is trip leader, phone [REDACTED]

This trip is subject to rain.

### FIELD TRIP 17/18 AUGUST TO BUSSELTON

Noel Clarke is trip leader, phone [REDACTED]

### FIELD TRIP 31 AUGUST 1 SEPTEMBER TO BUNBURY

Chris French, phone [REDACTED] will lead the trip on 1 August and Sherry Thomas will lead on 1 September.

### FIELD TRIP 7/8 SEPTEMBER TO PERENJORI / WATHEROO

Ian Greeve is trip leader, phone [REDACTED]

### FIELD TRIP 15 SEPTEMBER TO THE SPECTACLES

Christine Lock is trip leader, phone [REDACTED]

### FIELD TRIP 22 SEPTEMBER TO KEN HURST PARK

Eddy Wajon is trip leader, phone [REDACTED]

### FIELD TRIP 28-30 SEPTEMBER TO PEMBERTON & NORTHCLIFFE

Christine Lock is trip leader, phone [REDACTED]

### FIELD TRIP 6 OCTOBER TO YEAL SWAMP

Christine Lock is trip leader, phone [REDACTED]

### FIELD TRIP 19 OCTOBER TO ALBANY HWY, PERTH TO MARTUP POOL

Christine Lock is trip leader, phone [REDACTED]

### FIELD TRIP REPORT 26 MAY TO ARMADALE & KALAMUNDA by NOEL CLARKE

4 members met at the Armadale Swamp to see *Eriochilus helonemos*. Most plants were past their prime but there were still 500+ plants to choose from. Eddy had a field day.

We moved on to Canningmills Rd. Most plants here were past their prime and the usual discussion took place. We are still confused.

It was time to meet Christine Lock at Kalamunda. Four more members joined us here. After crossing the Murray River (Piesse Brook) & climbing Mt Everest (that's what it felt like to me) we found more *Eriochilus helonemos* in good flower. One plant had the petals away from the dorsal sepal, was it *E pulchellus*?

Thanks Christine, but can you please find the rest on the flat, near the car & growing on a pillar about 1.5 m high.

### HERBARIA – TALK by ALEX GEORGE

Alex illustrated his talk with several slides of Herbaria in different parts of the world. Many Herbaria are in magnificent old buildings. Some are in modern buildings; one forced rebuilding when the old Herbarium was destroyed during the war.

The biggest Herbarium is at Kew. There are so many specimens here and many more being collected that approximately every 40 years a new wing is added.

The Venice Herbarium has collections by von Huegell and Septimus Roe.

Unfortunately collections are spread over many Herbaria making it difficult to track down specimens. A book has been produced listing the collections and Herbaria, but it is incomplete.

Prior to the 1950s in Australia there was nowhere to store specimens and no expertise on how to do so. The Melbourne Herbarium

houses the best collection of Australian specimens.  
The Perth Herbarium has been shifted a few times. It was once housed in the old Observatory before being incorporated into the Agricultural Department complex.

#### **WANOSCG – MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 15<sup>th</sup> MAY 2002**

Meeting commenced at 8.10pm

#### **ATTENDANCE:**

**27 members were present and 6 apologies as per the attendance register.**

#### **NEW MEMBERS:**

Nil

#### **VISITORS:**

Nil

#### **MINUTES**

*Moved. Noel Clarke/Donna Wajon Minutes of General meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> April 2002 as presented in the Bulletin be confirmed.*  
**CARRIED.**

#### **Matters Arising:**

Nil.

#### **CORRESPONDENCE:**

As per list circulated with attendance book.  
Eddy Wajon addressed the meeting regarding the possible participation of he and other group members at this festival.

Members were advised that a funding opportunity has been raised through Swan Catchment Urban Landcare Program (SCULP). Phil Bunney, with his involvement with our successful Lotteries Commission grant has offered to investigate on our behalf.

#### **TREASURERS REPORT:**

The treasurer's report for the past month was circulated for members with the attendance book.

This report has previously been tabled to committee and matters arising attended to at that meeting.

#### **Matters Arising:**

Nil

#### **FIELD TRIPS:**

Christine Lock (field trip co ordinator) addressed the meeting with a schedule of Planned trips for 2002.

The immediate trips planned were posted on the blackboard.

Future trips will be published in the bulletin.

Beth Kinsey reported on a successful trip to Walpole (Eriochilus Praecoxanthus and Leporella abound).

#### **PLANT TABLE:**

Bill Burton presented two plants, Caladenia drummondii and Eriochilus sp.

Debate of the correct classification of his bunny orchid continues.

#### **GENERAL BUSINESS:**

1. Sighting Forms. Donna Wajon has worked tirelessly to produce a format of this form which replaces and simplifies the "Orchid Reporting Form" which was designed for our database.

General consensus was that this was an excellent concept and warmly welcomed by the meeting.

Donna will put the final touches on this before production.

Thanks Donna for a great effort and obviously a lot of time spent.

#### **GUEST SPEAKER:**

Alex George, a much traveled and famous botanist (not to mention a very long time member of this group, 1974) presented a historic and informative talk on the "Herbaria of the world" with special reference to those holding Western Australian orchid specimens.

Having traveled extensively to these herbaria Alex has a knowledge and passion that makes you want to just pack up and go.

An excellent talk with wonderful architecture, history and great old cars.

#### **RAFFLE:**

The raffle was donated by Tom Blinco, drawn by our guest speaker and won by Minna George.

#### **SUPPER:**

Margaret Fox donated supper for us, Thanks Margaret from all present.

The meeting closed at 9.50 pm.



	<b>SUPPER ROSTER</b>	<b>RAFFLE ROSTER</b>	<b>SPEAKER</b>
<b>MARCH</b>			
<b>APRIL</b>	Virginia Bird	Ross Fox	Ron Heberle
<b>MAY</b>	Margaret Fox	Tom Blinco	Alex George
<b>JUNE</b>	Nancy Clarke & Sarah Atkinson	Noel Clarke	Eric McCrum
<b>JULY</b>	Matz Dahlkamp	Stuart Harris	
<b>AUGUST</b>		Sarah Atkinson	
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		Jeff Spencer	Members Slides
<b>OCTOBER</b>	Stack Family	Don & Eva Smith	Andrew Brown
<b>NOVEMBER</b>	Beth Kinsey	Len Stewart	Members slides & Awards Night

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**FORTHCOMING FIELD TRIPS**  
14 July – Canning Regional Park.