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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.

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NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday 18th JUNE 2008 at 7.00pm at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Admin. Office.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

The next General Meeting will be Wednesday 18th JUNE 2008 at 8.00pm at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Admin. Office.

BULLETIN ARTICLES

Please email any Bulletin contributions to John Ewing

Articles for the next Bulletin need to be submitted by 1st of the month

MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS

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then according to our records, you have not paid your 2008 subscription. If we are wrong could you please contact Matz Dahlkamp (the Treasurer) on [redacted] and let her know. The Committee has decided that only financial members will receive a Bulletin as from next month. If there is any problem about this can you contact me by email or by phone.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

18 June	General Meeting
16 July	General Meeting
20 August	General Meeting
17 September	General Meeting
15 October	General Meeting
19 November	General Meeting

PLANNED FIELD TRIPS

[All this was in the last bulletin, but I have added a few additional pieces of information]

The trips planned so far include

SUNDAY JUNE 22 to Mogumber to look for *Thelymitra apiculata* (Cleopatra's Needles – H&B p256)

Meet at 10.30am opposite the Mogumber Hotel which is on the corner of Mogumber Rd West and Bindoon-Mooro Rd

JULY 26 & 27 First of Wheatbelt Orchid Studies being conducted this season by Mark Brundrett. We will look for the Underground Orchid (*Rhizanthella gardneri*) at Munglinup (South Coast). Mark Brundrett will be there 2 or 3 days before then. Contact him if you would like to help search before the start of the weekend. We will stay at the Munglinup Beach Caravan Park. Ph 90751155 Cabin accommodation is now booked out. Camping and caravan sites are still available. Alternatively you could book at the Ravensthorpe Caravan Park. Further specific details are available from Mark [redacted] and will be in the next bulletin.

AUGUST 13-18 {weekend is 16th & 17th} at Eurardy Station which located 4km from North

West Coastal Highway, the turn off being approx 43km north of the Ajana-Kalbarri Road. This trip is to assist in a survey for *C. wanosa* (Kalbarri Spider Orchid) H&B Pg 61], *C. barbarella* (Small Dragon Orchid H&B Pg 191), *C. bryceana* subsp *cracens* (Northern Dwarf Spider Orchid H&B Pg 139) and *Paracaleana terminalis* (Smooth-billed Duck Orchid H&B Pg 212). The contact up north for accommodation for this trip is Leanne Ph 99361038. Accomodation is limited and is only shared single quarters. Contact Ross if you want further information.

AUGUST 28-31 [weekend is 30th & 31st] at Mukinbudin. This trip is to survey rocky outcrops in the surrounding area in conjunction with the local Wildflower Society. There are some cabins available at the Mukinbudin Caravan Park. Book early on 90471103

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7 in the Mullering area. This is a possible trip where we would meet with locals. More details will come in a later bulletin

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 14 in the Toodyay area. This is also a possible trip to look for *Calochilus stramenicola* ms (Wandoo Beard Orchid H&B Pg 275). This trip may now be a little later. Advice will come in a future bulletin

SEPTEMBER 18-21 {weekend is 20th & 21st} at Dragon Rocks which is near to Hyden. (Check your map book to see location.) This is the second of this season's Wheatbelt Orchid Studies under Mark's leadership. The trip is to survey *C. graniticola* (Pingaring Spider Orchid H&B Pg 419). Places to stay are Hyden Caravan Park (98805023), Tressies Caravan Park (98895043), Hyden Motel (98805052). Details of where and when to meet will be in future bulletins.

SUNDAY OCTOBER 5 in the Boddington area. Meet at the Boddington Shire Office at 10am. The trip is to find *C. sp* Quindanning. Advise Ross Fox if you are coming.

Other trips are intended for October and beyond. Details will be in future bulletins.

If you are coming on any of these trips will you let Ross Fox know as early as possible. With the rising cost of fuel it will also be helpful if you can let Ross know if you wish to 'get a ride' or whether you would be willing to take a passenger (or 2)

with you. In these cases, sharing the cost of fuel will make it less expensive for everyone.

CLUB ITEMS FOR SALE

WANOSCG wine glasses	\$8.00
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Orchids of WA : Cultivation and	
Natural History	\$5.00
Badges : Name Badge	\$12.50
Caladenia Flava	\$4.00
30 th Anniversary	\$4.00

[Contact Matz for any of these items]

Colour Guides to Spring Flowers

Part 1 : Kalbarri and the Goldfields

Part 2 : Perth and the Southwest

Part 3 : Esperance and the Wheatbelt

Part 4 : Exmouth and the Pilbara

\$18.00 each

[Contact Eddy Wajon for these items]

WANOSCG MEETING MINUTES

GENERAL MEETING 21 MAY 2008

OPENED: meeting declared open at: 8.10 pm

APOLOGIES: There were 26 members present, 8 apologies, and no new members or visitors.

RAFFLE TONIGHT: Donated by Margaret and Ross Fox

MINUTES TO THE MEETING: 16 April 2008.

Moved: Noel Clark, and Seconded: Tom Blinco, that the minutes as published in the Bulletin were a true record of the meeting of 16 April 2008. CARRIED

FIELD TRIP PLANNING:

1. The Field Trip Coordinator, Ross Fox, advised that the next field trip was to Mogumber on 22 June, with details in the Bulletin. Ross also advised on other trips including Munglinup, Eurady Station, Mukinbudin, Mullering (see below), Toodyay and Dragon Rocks. See the earlier information for details

2. The trip of 7 September to the Mullering area required someone to be the FTC (as Ross will be away). The trip will require 4WD capability. The mining company seismic work has damaged the bush, and WANOSCG may help to raise the orchid loss as an issue with the company, and recommend changes to the way the work is done.
3. Ross Fox told of his trip to Walpole and reported seeing Green Leporella and four different Eriochilus. On the return, at Pinjarra, he found *Praecoxanthus aphyllus* and *Eriochilus dilatatus* subsp. *multiflorus*. He also found in the State Forrest, Mundaring, Leporella (grazed), *E dilatatus* subsp. *multiflorus* and Rattlebeaks and Hammer Orchids in bud.
4. Tom Blinco too recounted a trip to Walpole and reported finding 4 Easter Bunny plants at the Balingup cemetery and 2 Scented Autumn Leeks at Mt Barker, and not much else.
5. John Ewing reported seeing *Prasophyllum parvifolium* and *Pterostylis vittata* in Capel Nature Reserve
6. President Christine reported Banded Greenhoods appearing in the burnt area near Chevin Road, Roleystone.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Noel Clark pointed out that the *Caladenia hoffmanii* subsp. *graniticola* was now seen as separate from *C. hoffmanii*, and Tom Blinco advised that the change nomenclature was recorded in the April 2007 Bulletin.
2. Bill Burton asked that the arrangement with other orchid groups which no longer mailed their Bulletins. He will provide the list of such groups to the Editor, who will include a reference in the next Bulletin.
3. John Ewing referred to the 2008 WA Orchid Spectacular (29 Sept – 3 Oct) which he will organise. Any member with large (A4 or A3) images of orchids was asked to advise John, so they could be included in the display. John was referred to Mike Harper who had

stored some framed prints. Members are asked to be available to staff the WANOSCG display.

4. Mark Brundrett advised that the Lotterywest project also would mount a static display at the Spectacular.
5. President Christine pointed out that membership fees were due and payable. Unfinancial members would receive the next Bulletin with a Red Dot – their last copy until they return to Financial status.

Dr Mark Brundrett then presented a slide show and informative commentary on mycorrhizal associations and fungal relationships in Australian flora.

RAFFLE DRAW: The raffle was drawn by Mark Brundrett and delightfully won by David Lawson.

NEXT MEETING DATE: The next general meeting will be held on 18 June 2008

Meeting closed at 9pm.

WHAT TO FIND THIS MONTH AND NEXT

Many of the May orchids will still be in flower this month. For the list of June orchids, see last month's bulletin.

Here is the July list

H&B	Common Name	Botanic name
51	Glistening Spider	<i>C incensa</i>
53	Elegant Spider	<i>C elegans</i>
54	Primrose Spider	<i>C xantha</i>
75	Daddy-long-legs Spider	<i>C longicauda</i> subsp <i>borealis</i>
131	Dwarf Zebra	<i>C pachychila</i>
144	Little Pink Fairy	<i>C reptans</i> subsp <i>reptans</i>
145	Pale Pink Fairy	<i>C reptans</i> subsp <i>impensa</i>
147	Cowslip	<i>C flava</i> subsp <i>flava</i>
187	Pink Bunny	<i>E scaber</i> subsp <i>scaber</i>
188	Round-leafed Bunny	<i>E scaber</i> subsp <i>orbifolia</i>
227	Midge	<i>Cyrt huegelii</i>
232	Sandhill Helmet	<i>Cor despectans</i>
234	Helmet	<i>Cor recurvus</i>
252	Lemon-scented	<i>T antennifera</i>

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252	Curly-locks	<i>T spiralis</i>
295	Little Laughing Leek	<i>Prasophyllum gracile</i>
339	Dwarf Shell	<i>Pt aff aspera</i>
349	Hairy-stemmed Snail	<i>Pt aff nana</i>
355	Midget Greenhood	<i>Pt mutica</i>
361	Grey Banded Greenhood	<i>Pt aff vittata</i>
364	Frog Greenhood	<i>Pt sargentii</i>
381	Bird	<i>Pt barbata</i>
386	Mini Donkey	<i>D recurva</i>
417	Patricia's Spider	<i>C dundasiae</i>
		<i>C petrensis</i>
		<i>C saxicola</i>

Note – the last two species are not in H&B, but are described in full in Nuytsia vol 17 Pgs 73-80. You can read this on the Internet.

Second Note – In the June list the Botanic name for the Northern Queen of Sheba (H&B Pg 456) is now *T pulcherrima* ms

NEWER MEMBERS

If you wish to know specific location for these orchids, there are experienced members who will be able to give you some help

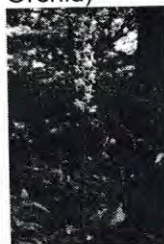
EXPERIENCED MEMBERS (and newer members)

While this is not really a competition the editor would like to be kept informed of the 'first find' of each of these species.

If you email me a photo (which I will enjoy) then I can publish this as well.

FROM ENGLAND

An email was recently received by the editor from new members Cathy and Neville Stott. They are now keeping in touch via the Bulletin and sent me a brief report of field studies they are doing on *P. chlorantha* (Greater Butterfly Orchid)



Cathy and Neville are coming to WA in September/October to join in the Orchid Spectacular. We will look forward to meeting them then and showing them around.

FIELD TRIP REPORTS

April 25 & 26 and early May

A trip eastwards was undertaken by Louise Little and myself over the Anzac day weekend. Near Corrigin we found the Pygmy Orchid (*Corunastylis tepperi*) and at Nine Acre Rock near Brookton, Hare Orchids and Crinkle-leaf Bunny Orchids.

In a bigger trip during early May we first journeyed to the Whicher Range near Dunsborough and found Common Bunnies as well as Scented Autumn Leeks. Going further afield to Beedalup Falls near Pemberton, Easter Bunnies were discovered. Back nearer to home Swamp Bunnies (*E. helonomos*) were found at both Glen Eagle Forest which is on Albany Highway and at Ferndale (a south-eastern suburb of Perth)

Wayne Merritt

June long weekend

Kaye and I ventured south to Wagin. A few early stops yielded little, but on the way towards Corrigin we paused at a pioneer settlement at Cancanning. It was the site of the original school and still has the hall, derelict tennis courts and this facility pictured below - the editor is doing his best to create maximum interest in the bulletin. As you can see there were some nice she-oaks and a quick scout around located many Hairy-stemmed Snail Orchids. True to form Kaye then found both *Pterostylis sanguinea* (Dark Banded Greenhood) and *Pterostylis concava* (Cupped Banded Greenhood)



It turned out to be a profitable little stop. In fact it turned out to be the only useful place, as my efforts to find something up at Babakin (just north of Corrigin) was fruitless. You win some and you lose some [lots!!!]. Still the losses make the wins even sweeter. [John E – editor]

June 5 & 6

I had a couple of days to go north and went via Moora. At Gillingarra I found what I think were

Pterostylis aff *sanguinea* [Coastal Banded Greenhood]. As described in H&B, the sepals were slightly cupped and they did vary in colour from green to light-fawny brown BUT there were lots of them (as distinct from being in groups of 3 or 4) and they are growing under she-oaks rather than in a moist shady area such as under zamia palms. The same site had many leaves of *Diuris brumalis* and *Caladenia exilis* subsp *vanleeuwenii* (Moora Spider Orchid). For those who have visited this site before I should be interested in your opinions. (Ah what fun orchiding is!!!!) Next was the stop at Mogumber Road West and YES, YES, YES ; they are out in full beauty. *Thelymitra apiculata* were located at both regular sites including one magnificent plant found by Matz (who just happened to be there when I arrived) – see below. Matz also located *Pterostylis* aff *nana* (which one you might ask??).

In the interests of creating interest there will be a chocolate frog for the first non-committee person to come to me at the June meeting and identify the specific species.

Back to the trip – I continued on to Regans Ford and found what I think might possibly be *Pterostylis* aff *vittata* (Small Banded Greenhood). The leaf size was correct, but it was located on the roadside of the entry into the rest area and so could not really be considered “adjacent to a seasonal creek”.



A last stop at the 50Km to Wanneroo sign yielded some more Greenhoods. These looked suspiciously like the Gillingarra ones with their slightly cupped sepals (and again not being translucent). So were they more Coastal Banded Greenhoods?? I am buoyed in my view by having H&B describe Coastal Banded Greenhoods as COMMON.

THANKS to Tom Blinco for his excellent proofreading.

	RAFFLE ROSTER 2008	SPEAKER 2008
MARCH	Gerald Stack	Mark Brundrett – The current state of orchid conservation in WA/ the Lotterywest Project
APRIL	Anna De Haan	Ross Fox – Orchiding in Tasmania
MAY	Ross & Margaret Fox	Mark Brundrett – Fungal associations
JUNE	Stuart Harris	Ross Rudeforth – Friends of Kings Park
JULY	Donna Wajon	Gary Brockman – Nomenclature Revisited – keeping up to date
AUGUST	David Lawson	
SEPTEMBER	Jack Eborral	
OCTOBER	Kim & Thea Hansen	
NOVEMBER	John Ewing	Photo competition and members slides

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FORTHCOMING FIELD TRIPS
June 22 – Mogumber
July 26&27 – Munglinup
August 17&18 Eurady Station
August 30&31 Mukinbudin
September 7 – Mullering Swamp
September 14 - Toodyay
September 20&21 Dragon Rocks
October onwards - yet to be advised