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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.*

**NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 7.00 pm

**NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING** Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2012 at 8.00 pm

**NEXT GENERAL MEETING** Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April at 8.00 pm at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Admin. Office.

**BULLETIN ARTICLES**

Please email any Bulletin contributions to Urszula Kokosinska at [redacted] or call on [redacted]

Articles for the next Bulletin need to be submitted by 1<sup>st</sup> of next month.

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**2011 FORTHCOMING MEETINGS**

20 April	General meeting	17 August	General meeting
18 May	General meeting	21 September	General meeting
15 June	General meeting	19 October	General meeting
20 July	General meeting	16 November	General meeting



## FAREWELL TO ERIC ALCOCK

*Early last month Eric Alcock passed away. Eric was an enthusiastic participant in orchid hunting trips, and together with his wife, Lyn, was a regular on club excursions. He could always be seen, camera in hand, taking the next shot of the next flower. Eric was always cheerful and would swap a yarn with anyone. We will miss his presence. We extend our condolences to Lyn and family.*



### Proceedings of Committee Meeting Nov 17 2010

1. Ross Coghill, Quindanning, set up website (spiderorchid.com) wants input of photos and locations of orchids on his public sight. Andrew doesn't want to participate. Committee needs to decide whether we participate or not.
2. There was discussion about the finances of the Lotterywest Grant which is still being finalized
3. Christmas Party subsidy of \$150 was discussed, but deferred to next meeting.
4. Discussion about the bulletin and whether it was necessary for the electronic copy to be the same as the print copy. The committee directed the editor to ensure both copies were the same. It was also agreed that the bulletin size not be extended beyond 8 pages, due to postage costs.
5. Discussion about 'Adopt an Orchid'. This was to be continued into 2011.

### Proceedings of Committee Meeting Feb 12 2011

1. Ross Coghill to come to April committee meeting to discuss his website.
2. Discussion about club involvement over developments at Challenger TAFE site and at Bayonet Head in Albany
3. Adopt and Orchid program to be presented to membership early in 2011.
4. Subsidy of Christmas Party was voted on and motion was defeated.
5. First Aid boxes have been checked and restocked. Discussion occurred about whether greater Duty of Care needed to be exercised by the club including the possibility of purchasing heart defibrillators for use if needed on field trips.
6. Tony Lock presented information about some possibilities for a revised club website.
7. A range of conservation issues included discussion on Jandakot Airport and whether the club will form a conservation sub-group and a study sub-group similar to models in some Victorian clubs.
8. The Treasurer's report included a summary of the incomplete accounting of the Wheatbelt Orchid Rescue Program. This should all be finalized by the end of March.

## MEMBERSHIP

All members are reminded that annual subscriptions are now due. The annual family membership fee is now \$30. Payment can be made in person to the Treasurer, or by mail with cheques made out to WANOSCG and sent to [REDACTED]. Or by electronic transfer to the club's bank account:

BSB: 306044 Bank name: Bankwest Account number: 5492468

If you choose to send money electronically please advise Matz Dahlkamp our Treasurer by e-mail [REDACTED] that you have done so.



## AUDIT CONFIRMATION

I have examined the books, vouchers and bank transactions of the Western Australia Native Orchid Study & Conservation Group (Inc) for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> January 2011.

I have examined the Financial Statements with regard to having had no input into the entity's transactions.

A stocktake schedule has been completed for plant and equipment with a value being shown on the schedule. As well, a stocktake is completed for normal stock items held by the Group, with a value being shown on that schedule.

A stocktake schedule prepared by the Treasurer is attached to the Financial Statements.

There are no known further liabilities to the Group identified by this Audit.

The attached Statement of Receipts and Expenditure is in accordance with these records, and represents a fair and reasonable account of the financial affairs of the Group.

Phil Bunney  
AUDITOR  
16<sup>th</sup> February 2011

Statement of Receipts and Payments For the year ended 31 January 2010					
			31/01/2010	31/01/2009	
<b>Receipts</b>					
Memberships			2,600.00		2,529.50
Nomination Fees & Badges			515.00		375.00
Car Stickers			30.00		27.00
Embroidery Garments			-		19.40
Flava Badges			-		12.00
Publication -History of WANOSCG			-		3.00
General Postage			-		6.00
Interest Received			571.20		1,211.94
Publication- Orchid Flowering Time			-		5.00
Publication -Orchids of WA			-		29.00
Publication -Orchids of WA (2008)			130.00		6,760.00
Pat Dundas Cards			-		77.00
Raffle			424.80		430.00
Rufa Survey Report			-		40.00
Supper			171.55		203.10
GST			111.00		8,622.00
Donations			52.97		148.75
Lottery West			211,054.80		36,603.60
Transfer from GCMA *			56,485.09		33,464.35
Wineglasses			115.20		-
			272,261.61		90,566.64
<b>Expenditure</b>					
Bulletin Copying			418.00		291.70
Bulletin Postage			417.45		432.72
Conservation Council Award Evening			-		30.00
Conservation Council Annual Fees			390.00		90.00
Embroidery Garments			-		147.00
General Postage			38.30		21.75
GST			6,899.00		3,378.00
iiNet			-		46.40
Insurance			643.50		632.50
Name Badges			323.00		337.50
Post Office Box Renewal			75.00		70.00
Presentation			55.85		16.00
Rent	2010		495.00	2008 & 2009	990.00
Stationery			59.35		556.05
Supper			142.07		167.05
Universal Press (new book)			-		5,940.00
University of WA			208,494.43		97,558.26
Transfer to GCMA *			55,000.00		19,000.00
Advertisement			80.52		-
Car Stickers			352.00		-
Wineglasses			547.00		-
			274,430.47		129,704.93

	Excess Payments over Receipts	-\$ 2,168.86		-\$ 39,138.29
	<b>Cash at Bank</b>	<b>2009/10</b>		<b>2008/09</b>
	Balance - February 1	7,533.28	Incl. u/p chq's	46,671.57
	Plus Receipts	272,261.61		90,566.64
		279,794.89		137,238.21
	Less Payments	274,430.47		129,704.93
	Balance - January 31	\$ 5,364.42		\$ 7,533.28
	<b>Investments</b>	<b>2009/10</b>		<b>2008/09</b>
	<b>Term Deposit</b>			
	Balance - February 1	8,212.91		7,597.22
	Interest	398.57		615.69
	Balance - January 31	\$ 8,611.48		\$ 8,212.91
	<b>Gold Cash Mgmt Acct</b>			
	Balance - February 1	8,713.64		23,177.99
	Details above *	(Net) 1,485.09		14,464.35
	Balance - January 31	\$ 7,228.55		\$ 8,713.64
	<b>Bank Funds 31 January 2010</b>	<b>\$ 21,204.45</b>		<b>\$ 24,459.83</b>

## WANOSCG GENERAL MEETING MINUTES Wednesday, 16<sup>th</sup> March 2011

Meeting held at: BGPA Boardroom, Kings Park.  
Meeting opened: 8:02 pm

**1. CIRCULATION OF REPORTS:** Attendance Book and Treasurers Report and 2010 Auditor's Report were circulated to the members. The President, Christine Lock, thanked Phil Bunney for preparing the Auditor's Report.

**2. ATTENDANCE:** 25 members present  
9 apologies 0 visitors

**3. RAFFLE:** Kindly donated by John Hill

**4. PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES**  
Amendments:

The General Meeting Minutes as distributed are a true and correct record of the meeting of November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2010.  
Moved: John Ewing and Seconded Matz Dahlkamp and carried.

**5. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING**  
None

**6. CORRESPONDENCE**  
Correspondence list was circulated to the General Meeting.

**7. MATTERS ARISING FROM CORRESPONDENCE:**  
None

### **8. FIELD TRIP REPORT**

8.1 The Southern Rivers Branch have asked for members to submit any requests to see particular orchids or visit particular areas of interest so that the Branch can organise a time a place for a Group trip during the year.

8.2 The Field Trip Coordinator, Ian McLean, is currently considering a number of options for field potential trips – e.g. Mt Lesueur, Collie, Paganoni Rd, Cape Arid. More information will be provided in due course.

### **9. GENERAL BUSINESS**

9.1 The President thanked Alcoa for the US\$250 donation to the Group, given as part of its Global Impact contribution to communities through its Volunteer Matched Funds for the work done by Ramón Newmann for the Group.

9.2 The President proposed that volunteers be called for to form an Occupational Safety and Health (OSH) committee to review OSH matters for the Group. The motion was seconded by Eddy Wajon and carried. Liz Ryan and Russel Thomas volunteered, and the President will forward to them all of the relevant material.

9.3 Kim Hansen reported that the Adopt-an-Orchid initiative will be covered in the next Bulletin.

9.4 The President discussed the idea of WANOSCG forming special interest groups, such as orchid research,

conservation etc., as done in other orchid groups in the eastern states. The topic will be brought up at the next General Meeting for further discussion.

- 9.5 According to the Constitution, there is a need for the General Meeting to vote on the need to have a Conservation Officer and a Registrar. Further to this,

9.5.1 The President moved a motion that the Group have a Conservation Officer – seconded Sarah Atkinson and carried.

9.5.2 The President moved a motion that the Group have a Registrar – seconded Donna Wajon and carried.

- 9.6 Tom Burbidge asked the General Meeting if anyone saw any issues with the proposed widening of the Kwinana Freeway between Leach and Roe Highways. Jack Eborall reported that Greenhoods (*Pterostylis* sp.) and *Microtis* sp. have established themselves along this part of the Freeway since the Freeway was built. Being so common, these orchids will not be under threat if there is an expansion of the Freeway.

- 9.7 Tom Blinco reported that Noel Clarke had been a member of the Group since 1978 and a Life Member since 1992 and tonight was the first non-enforced non-attendance at a Group meeting. The reason for this, Tom further reported, was due to the fact that he no longer wished to be involved with the Group as he was un-happy with the way the Group has been managed for the past 3 years. Tom said that the Group should be asking “why is this the case?”. In response, Eric Swarts stated that the Committee had gone out of its way to address Noel’s various concerns, including making various visits to his home – all of which had ended cordially with everyone shaking hands. The Committee has done all in its capacity to address Noel’s issues, Eric said.

## 10. CONSERVATION REPORT

- 10.1 Conservation Officer, Eddy Wajon, reported that the EPA decision for the Emu Point site is due on April 20<sup>th</sup>. Any submission would be due before that date; otherwise an appeal can be lodged after the decision. There are no reported DRF species on the site, and

Eddy Wajon has no other knowledge of what orchids there are on the site.

- 10.1 The Bayonet Head site, however, is reported to be of greater significance for orchids, though Eddy Wajon does not have any orchid specific data for the site. Eddy Wajon proposed that the Southern Rivers branch take on a project to survey the site for orchids each month, so a list of orchid species can be compiled for any potential submissions. Eddy Wajon will email the Southern Rivers branch with this suggestion. Further to this, at the Committee Meeting today Eddy Wajon proposed that the Group focus on the Bayonet Head site rather than Emu Point, because of its potential greater significance for orchids, rather than try to write submissions for both the sites. The direction from the Committee was to focus on Bayonet Head only.

- 10.2 The new CEO of the Shire of Toodyay has found that there is no need to clear beyond previously cleared road areas, thereby reducing the area previously under threat of clearing.

- 10.3 John Ewing has spoken to Andrew Brown, DEC, regarding the controlling of weeds at Eaton to protect the Shell Orchids there. Andrew has recommended a weed spraying technique that John would be able to follow himself. John will provide the weed killer and undertake the spraying on his own behalf, following Andrew’s recommendations. Further to this John asked the General Meeting for any one who would like to help to contact him directly.

## 11. GROWERS TABLE

There were no plants presented.

## 12. LOTTERYWEST WHEATBELT ORCHID RESCUE PROJECT

- 12.1 Gerald Stack presented the final report of the above project to WANOSCG – one hard copy and various electronic copies.
- 12.2 Gerald reported that the project was awarded the Lotterywest grant, and commenced, in September 2006.
- 12.3 Dr Mark Brundrett completed the research work in January 2011.
- 12.4 The final report was presented to Lotterywest at a ceremony in February 2011.
- 12.5 The objectives of the project were to study and conserve threatened native



orchids in the wheatbelt area of SW Western Australia, with 10 objectives. All of the objectives were addressed in the report.

- 12.6 The program of work involved WANOSCG in field surveys, and Friends of Kings Park in propagation work. Staff and students of UWA also contributed to the project.
- 12.7 The highlights included the better understanding of 9 orchid species, 5 of which are very much better understood. Germination and propagation have been simplified and made more effective.
- 12.8 The Lotterywest grant has been fully drawn down, with final invoices from UWA not yet presented, preventing the final financial report from being completed. This is due to be finalised in April.
- 12.9 Gerald expressed appreciation of the WANOSCG Presidents, Mike Harper and Christine Lock, and Adjunct Professor Dr Mark Brundrett for his research work.

12.10 Thanks were also extended to the Steering Committee (Andrew Brown, Garry Brockman, Martin Revell, Trish Bylsma, Lyn Rowland and Phyllis Robertson); Matz Dahlkamp; Lotterywest Staff (Faye Baxter; Emilia Manilac); the Orchid Carers (Hans Lambers, Kingsley Dixon, David Merritt, Nigel Swarts); and WANOSCG Members.

12.11 The President thanked Gerald Stack for being with the project all the way through its life and for making such a great effort.

### 13. RAFFLE DRAW

Winner of the raffle: Jack Eborall

**MEETING CLOSED: 9.00 pm**

**NEXT MEETING: 8.00 pm  
Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> April 2011**

## PROPOSED FIELD TRIPS

\*\*\* **Still to be decided** \*\*\* any preliminary suggestions to Iain McLean [REDACTED].

## SOUTHERN RIVERS GROUP FIELD TRIP REPORT

**2<sup>nd</sup> April 2011: Gull Rock and Mt Martin**

An early morning start had 5 club members and a new family eager to see the first orchids of the season. At the Gull Rock site at least 12 flowering plants of *Praecoxanthus aphyllus* (Leafless orchids) were located. One more member joined us for the Mt Martin walk. About 8 more *P. aphyllus* flowers were found beside the track. Of note at both sites was the size of the flowers, most being quite small.



On our return to the car park a cuppa was had as we made plans for the year ahead. Field trips are being investigated for specific orchids as well as searching specific locations. More details in future bulletins once good rains have fallen and details are finalised.

In the Torndirrup National Park the first *Eriochilus* have been found in pockets of vegetation on granite rocks immediately above the high water mark along the coastline. Specifically *Eriochilus pulchellus* (Granite Bunny Orchid) and *E. dilatatus* subsp. *multiflorus* (Common Bunny).

Anna de Haan

*Praecoxanthus aphyllus* (Leafless orchid)  
Photo taken by Editor near Pinjarra 2010

Hi from the new Editor.

My name is Urszula Kokosinska and together with my husband George Kokosinski we are quite new members - joined the Group last year in June. We were always interested in nature and photography. On one of our trips in 2009 we met Ross & Margaret Fox. They gave us wonderful lesson on how to look for orchids and opened our eyes on fantastic new world around. We started to visit Groups website and decided it's time to act. We both are still working. George as civil engineer and I as teachers' assistant in Richmond PS. George's second love is bird watching and bird photography. My another passion beside native orchids is genealogy. By trade I am a classical philologist which helps in indexing old church documents. We both love nature, photography, art and travelling. We have one daughter Anna 28 living at the moment near Houston, Texas and working as a vet. We all were born in Poland and came to Australia in 1986 on Christmas Eve early in the morning.

As a new member and a new editor I have a lot to learn. So please be patient, correct my mistakes and help if you can. We would love to have many more articles, reports or photos of your favorite or interesting orchids. Maybe you have some new ideas – please do not hesitate to contact me on [redacted] or by e-mail [redacted].

Regards, Urszula Kokosinska



# Happy Easter



	<b>Raffle Roster</b>	<b>SPEAKERS 2011</b>
<b>MAR</b>	John Hills	Mark Brundrett – Final Report on Wheatbelt Orchid Rescue Project that has been funded by a Lotterywest grant
<b>APRIL</b>	John Ewing	Rod Peakall
<b>MAY</b>	Ross & Margaret Fox	Ross Fox – “Orchids from our Travels”
<b>JUNE</b>	Sarah Atkinson	Tony Lock – “Operation of the new Website” Kim Hansen – “Adopt an Orchid”
<b>JULY</b>	Jack Eborall	Belinda Newman – “Urban Orchids in Perth Region”
<b>AUG</b>	Tom Burbidge	TBA
<b>SEPT</b>	Thea & Kim Hanson	TBA
<b>OCT</b>	Jay Steer	TBA
<b>NOV</b>	Ian Greeve	Photo competition and members’ slides

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**PROPOSED FIELD TRIPS**

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