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# ADORP - Adopt an Orchid Project

The new location for the ADORP Project on the Department of Parks and Wildlife website is: http://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/plants-and-animals/threatened-species-and-communities/73adopt-an-orchid-project?showall=&start=1

Volunteer survey reports are now on the website:

http://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/plants-and-animals/threatened-species-and-communities/73adopt-an-orchid-project?showall=&start=3





Caladenia dundasiae - Patricia's Spider Orchid - Priority 1

2013 General Meetings

March 20th	August 21st
April 17th	September 18th
May 15th	October 16th
June 19th	November 20th
July 17th	

## WANOSCG GENERAL MEETING **MINUTES** Wednesday, 17 July 2013

Meeting held at: BGPA Boardroom, Kings

Park.

Meeting opened: 7:35 PM

**CIRCULATION OF REPORTS**: Attendance Book and Treasurers Report were circulated to the members

ATTENDANCE: 32 members present 3

apologies 3 visitor

Kindly donated by Matz RAFFLE:

Dahlkamp

#### 1. PREVIOUS GENERAL MEETING MINUTES

Amendments: Eddy Wajon pointed out that the figures in the June and July Treasurer's reports do not agree. John Ewing said that this would be corrected by the next meeting. Moved: Matz Dahlkamp, seconded Paul Winthrop that the amended minutes of the 19<sup>h</sup> June 2013 General Meeting be accepted as a true and correct record. Carried

## 2. BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING

- 2.1 Plans for the 40<sup>th</sup> year of the club's existence: Profiles of Life members will ao into this publication. Long standing members' profiles are still needed.
- 2.2 The ground hugging orchid leaves reported in Bull Creek by Gavin Waugh are thought to be Pyrorchis nigricans (Red Beak Orchids).
- 2.3 Photo bank: For future use in a photo bank, members were reminded to take a variety of photos of orchids including salient features of their flowers, their leaves and their habitat.

## 3. TREASURER'S REPORT

For the period 1<sup>st</sup> February to 30 June: Income for June: \$909.00

Total income for the period 1st February to 30h \$4,259.50

Expenditure for June: \$948.00 Total expenditure for the period 1st February to 30<sup>th</sup> June: \$1.522.46

Long standing Members: John Ewing has contacted some long standing members who have not paid their 2013 membership fees. Although some of these un-financial long standing members have decided to not renew their memberships it was suggested that the bulletin should still be sent to them.

Moved John Ewing, seconded Urszula Kokosinska that the Committee be empowered to send the electronic version of the Bulletin to long standing and overseas members irrespective of whether they have paid their membership fees.

Carried

#### 4. CORRESPONDENCE

Mail received for the period 16 May to 19 June 2013:

- 4.1 Hard copies of Bulletins from: ANOS Geelong, ANOS Victoria, The Orchardian.
- 4.2 Membership Fees from: JA Hardwick & M Le Faucher, Des & Lorraine Austin and KA & B Bayley

**Business arising from the Correspondence** None reported for this month.

#### 5. FIELD TRIP REPORT:

- 5.1 Reports of the May and June field trips appeared in the June and July Bulletins.
- 5.2 New destination for the 21 July field trip: Because few shell orchids were flowering in the Bagieau Rd, Merritt Rd, Bunbury area this year it was decided to replace this field trip with a trip to Gillingarra and Moora to look for the Moora Spider Orchid and other orchids.

## **Personal Field Trips**

Wayne Merritt: Moora and Candy Bush Reserve: Pterostylis scabra (Green-veined Shell Orchid) and Pterostylis sp 'broad petals' (Broad-petalled Orchid), Diuris sp at Gillingarra Justin Brown: Moora: Pterostylis scabra (Green-veined Shell Orchid) only just out.

Paul Winthrop: Yandin Hill Diuris perialla. Area north of Moora on Kiaka Rd(soon to become a reserve):, Diuris sp and Pterostylis sp.

**Noel Hoffman**: Yandanooka (3 weeks ago): Noel saw Caladenia drummondii (Winter Spider Orchid). Three Springs: Pterostylis scabra (Green-veined Shell Orchid). Dongara (went out with Gail Reed): At Allanooka Rd: Where Gail has seen 4 Diuris perialla on 27 May 2004, 9 in 2005, 9 in 2006, and 100 – 200 last year and again this year.

**Eddy Waion**: Parking spot 20km from Williams: Pterostylis hamiltonii (Red-veined Shell Orchid). Robinson Rd: Pterostylis hamiltonii (Red-veined Shell Orchid), Pterostylis sanguinea (Dark banded greenhood Orchid), Pterostylis recurva (Jug Orchid) in bud, Pterostylis sp 'hairy' (Hairy-Snail Orchid) 5 Km stemmed Woodanilling.

**Tom Burbidge**: Bunbury Cathedral Grammar School (in a small burnt area): *Pyrorchis nigricans* (Red Beaks Orchid) and a *Caladenia* sp.

#### 6. CONSERVATION REPORT:

- 6.1 Banjup: Eddy Wajon indicated that there was possibly some preliminary clearing of the NE corner of the site. Mark Brundrett and the Swan Region of Department of Parks and Wildlife are aware of the orchids at this site.
- 6.2 Kewdale and Tonkin Highway sedge site: Rescue of orchids in the dry-land area is proposed. Dates are yet to be finalised. There is potential dieback risk at the site (the SE area is OK).
- 6.3 Jandakot Airport: A half day rescue of orchids is proposed. As the owner of this land is the Commonwealth Government this might pose a complication to obtaining approvals.
- 6.4 Ranford Bushland: Although this area is fenced off, with appropriate authorisation members can do surveys there. Since this reserve is close to Ken Hurst Park it may contain Caladenia huegelii. Wayne Merritt reported that there are Sun Orchids in the area as well as Caladenia x triangularis (Shy Spider Orchid).
- 6.5 Earthworks and Rubbish at the parking spot 20km from Williams: Eddy Wajon asked that the Conservation Officer write a letter to the Shire about these matters.
- 6.6 Clearing of the Robinson Road verges:
  Eddy Wajon asked that the Conservation
  Officer to write a letter to the Shire of
  Woodanilling noting our appreciation of
  their past concern for orchids along this
  road BUT expressing our concern that
  clearing along this "Flora road" would
  impact on rare flora including orchids.

## 7. GENERAL BUSINESS

7.1 Lucid Key: Margaret Collins has purchased the hardware and software for this project herself and has not asked for financial help from the club.

## 8. GROWERS TABLE

No specimens brought in this month.

#### 9. PRESENTATION

This started with a picture of a hybrid Cowslip Orchid. Slides from members followed: **Margaret Petridis:** 

- Pterostylis sanguinea Banded greenhood
- Pterostylis sanguinea Brown- red Greenhood
- Pterostylis concava Cupped banded greenhood
- Pterostylis sargentii Frog Greenhood
- Pterostylis sanguinea Northern version of the Banded greenhood
- Pterostylis sp 'grey bands' Grey Banded Greenhood
- Some Snail orchids at Moodiarrup
- Pterostylis hamiltonii (Red-veined Shell Orchid)
- Pterostylis angusta (Narrow-hooded shell orchid)

#### **Noel Hoffman:**

- Pterostylis dilatata (Robust Snail Orchid)
- Pterostylis *pyramidalis* (Tall Snail Orchid)
- Pterostylis setulosa not officially recognised as yet. Has a hairy stem. Seen at Namming Lake south of Cataby
- Pterostylis sp 'clubbed' seen at the swampy area of Namming Lake
- Pterostylis sp 'Karri' Milyeannup Rd
- Pterostylis sp 'Millers Point' (Dwarf Snail Orchid) seen at Millers Point 200m from water's edge
- Pterostylis sp 'short eared' at South Yanchep
- Pterostylis sp 'short sepals' Bremer Bay, Karri Forest and Milyeannup Rd
- Pterostylis sp 'slender' Carinyah Rd
- Pterostylis aff. setulosa Merredin. Two of the same plant taken between 8 – 19/8 2010

## John Ewing:

- Pterostylis sanguinea north of Bindoon
- Pterostylis sp 'Northern'
- Pterostylis vittata (Banded Greenhood Orchid)
- Pterostylis sp 'Dongara'
- Pterostylis sanguinea brown form
- Pterostylis sanguinea red form
- Pterostylis concava
- Pterostylis hamiltonii

#### RAFFLE DRAW

**Drawn by** Noel Hoffman – the winner being Rhonda McInnes.

**MEETING CLOSED: 9:00 pm** 

NEXT MEETING: 7:30 pm Wednesday 21 August 2013.

# PROCEEDINGS OF THE AUGUST COMMITTEE MEETING

## Issues with the Treasurer's Report

There has been confusion in interpreting and reporting the Treasurer's statements and hence errors have appeared in the minutes and subsequently been published in a number of bulletins this year. The committee has agreed that in future only the monthly and total income and expenditures will be reported in the minutes and bulletin. The full Treasurer's statement will, of course, still be circulated at each General meeting.

## The 40<sup>th</sup> Cellebration

The 40<sup>th</sup> Year Working Party has met. At this stage they plan to produce a booklet/publication divided into two sections. The first section will outline the history of the club and focus on our life members. The second section will be articles from current members, of up to 200 words with no more than 6 supporting photographs, including pictures of themselves.

## **Field Trips**

The Field trip to be led by John Ewing to survey Bulbarnet Reserve will now take place on the 31st August. As John will be away in the weeks leading up to this trip please contact Paul Winthrop ( or wanoscg.newsletter@gmail.com) if coming on that trip.

# ADORP reports on the Department of Parks and Wildlife's website

Andrew Brown has advised that ADORP study group reports can be accessed at <a href="https://www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/plants-and-animals/threatened-species-and-communities/73-adopt-an-orchid-project">www.dpaw.wa.gov.au/plants-and-animals/threatened-species-and-communities/73-adopt-an-orchid-project</a>.

## **Personal Field trips**

The committee asks that members who wish their personal field trip reports to be recorded in the minutes fill out a Personal field trip report form and hand it to the Secretary either before or after the meeting. We need your name, the dates and locations that you are reporting on and the names of the orchids that you found.

# WANOSCG 40TH YEAR CELEBRATION PUBLICATION

The sub-committee of:

Urszula Kokosinska Marina Karyagina
Jeanette Wheatley
John Ewing
have met and this is the suggested format for the publication to celebrate the group's 40 <sup>th</sup>
anniversary in March 2014.
The publication will have 2 main sections. The
first section is about the club as a whole and the second section is about the current members.

In the first section, the current intention is to cover the following headings

Foundation of the Group Life members; both past and present – profile of each

Lists of overseas and interstate members – (past and present if possible)

The Club's Patron
Field trips over the years
Conservation Stories
The Bulletin – history
The plant table over the years
Club Member of the Year
Southern Rivers Group
Latin names of Orchids (perhaps)

Are there any other headings that members think should/could/might be included? Are there any of the above that anyone thinks are of lesser/low importance?

The second section of the publication is about current members. The current thinking is that there will be ONE (A4) page for each member/family. Each contributor will be asked to send in 1 or 2 photos of themselves (including family if they wish – the photo should show faces, so the person in the photo can be recognised). They will also be asked to write up to 200 words (about 15 lines of Times New Roman font 12 text) which may include such things as details of family, occupation, how they first started in orchids and most importantly anecdotal stories about Orchiding. Contributors can write anything they wish (about themselves) and do not HAVE to include any of the above suggestions. When writing information, contributors need to allow the editors permission to make changes. If this is done (apart from grammar etc) the editors will send the contributor the edited version to ensure that the contributor is happy with what is to be

published. The next part of the contribution is up to 6 orchid photos from which the editors will make a selection. Generally about 2 or 3 photos will be chosen. Part of the selection process will be influenced by the contributions of others where we will try to have a wide range of species represented.

Contributions need to be sent electronically to any of the editors.

Urszula Marina Jeanette John

#### THE TIMEFRAME

The publication will need to reach the publishers by the end of January 2014. The first part of the publication will be done essentially by Urszula and Marina and they have gathered quite a lot of material already. If you have any information you think would be helpful to them (given the

headings mentioned above) could you contact them by phone or email as soon as you can. The gathering of current member contributions is being done by John. To this end he would be very pleased to have people send him their contribution by the end of August (ie within 3 weeks of receiving your copy of the Bulletin). While this timeframe is a bit tight for each of you it will make our task of editing much easier. John will continue collecting material over September and into October. Since Jeanette, Marina and Urszula will be doing most of the formatting it will help them enormously if the material comes in sooner rather than later. If there are members who are intending not to make a contribution it will also help the editors if you can advise one of us, and that will also save us some time. We look forward to hearing from you soon.

## **UPCOMING FIELD TRIPS**

## BREMER BAY FIELD TRIP: 28-30<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2013

We are organising a field trip to Bremer Bay for the long weekend, 28th – 30th September. If you are planning to come, it would be advisable to contact the local caravan parks to book accommodation or camping sites soon.

Contact details are:

Bremer Bay Caravan Park: 98374018

Bremer Bay Beaches Resort & Tourist Park: 98374290

## CORRIGIN FIELD TRIP: 22<sup>nd</sup> SEPTEMBER 2013

Members are advised to book accommodation soon as there is an event at Corrigin that weekend.

## FIELD TRIP REPORTS

# SOUTHERN RIVERS GROUP - Round trip via the Stirling Ranges 10<sup>th</sup> August 2013

After a week of good soaking rains a small group of enthusiasts headed northwards to a small remanent of old cleared bush near Kamballup. On the slopes of a gentle rise we identified dozens of Caladenia hiemalis (Common Dwarf Spider) and Diuris sp. (not yet named) (Donkey Orchid), Diuris brumalis (Winter Donkey), Pterostylis sanguinea (Dark Banded Greenhood) and many Caladenia reptans subsp. reptans (Little Pink Fairies). Another nearby reserve which had been a good site in the past was nearly bereft of orchids. Quite a disappointment.

Onto the Stirling Range National Park. At our first stop we located the *Thelymitra speciosa* (Eastern Queen of Sheba) and *Caladenia arrecta* (Reaching Spider). All were beautiful specimens. Further along the road more of the latter were found as well as *Caladenia reptans* subsp. *reptans* and *Pt. sanguinea*. Lunch was eaten in the sun in the lee of a mountain peak with grand views along the length of the ranges. When ready to pack up a small Snail orchid with lots of basal leaves growing on moss was sighted. We could not identify the orchid, however it belonged to the *nana* complex.

At the third site *Pt. vittata* (Banded Greenhood) and many *Pt. recurva* (Jug Orchids) were seen. Heading due south our next site didn't have any orchids, however an unusual *Drosera* (Sundew) was admired.

Along the Stirling Range Drive we stopped at one of the picnic sites to add *Cyrtostylis robusta* (Large Gnat) to the ever increasing list of orchids. A quick stop on Red Gum Pass Road we discovered a short walking track along which many of the above mentioned orchids and *Cyrtostylis huegelii* (Midge) as well as *Pt.* sp. "slender' (Slender Snail) grew in damp conditions.

Via back roads, some of which were dusty, brought us to a Mt Barker reserve. Amongst the hundreds of orchid leaves and buds we identified the following in flower; *Caladenia polychroma* (Joseph's Spider), *Pt.* sp. 'slender' (Slender Snail), *Pt.* sp. 'crowded' (Crowded Greenhood) and *Prasophyllum parvifloium* (Autumn Leek).

It may have been a day with cold winds, however, by finding the solid protection of mountain sides and buildings whilst enjoying a cuppa and lunch a very rewarding orchid field trip was enjoyed by all. The rain had held off till we were driving south at the end of a long day.

Anna de Haan



Caladenia arrecta (Reaching Spider Orchid)



Thelymitra speciosa (Eastern Queen of Sheba)

## Perth Group - GILLINGARRA AND MOORA - 21ST JULY 2013

Due to dry conditions and low orchid numbers down south, the day field trip on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July was changed to a northern one.

Members met at Mogumber and headed north along the Bindoon Moora Rd, stopping a short distance out of town where we found Pterostylis sanguinea, sp. 'Dongara', and sp. 'hairy' in flower, Pterostylis sargentii and another snail in bud, Thelymitra leaves, and seedpods and leaves of Eriochilus dilatatus ssp. undulatus in roadside sheoaks.

Further north, just out of Gillingarra, we found Caladenia exilis ssp. vanleeuwenii, another unidentified spider, Diuris brumalis, Diuris perialla, Pterostylis sanguinea and Pterostylis sp. 'Dongara' in roadside vegetation and across the railway line.

We continued north and pulled into Bulbarnet Rd to explore the nearby reserve. After careful and wideranging searching, we found it was quite dry and orchids were few and far between. We did find some Pt rufa rosettes at the eastern edge of the reserve as well as some large Caladenia leaves.

We had our lunch stop in the centre of the reserve where more of the large Caladenia leaves were found across the creek, presumably the C. longicauda species that Jack Eborall brought to our attention last year.

Careful searching revealed very few orchids in the area we covered, with some leaves and seedpods of Eriochilus dilatatus ssp undulatus, a bud of Pterostylis sargentii and Diuris leaves the only things recorded. The habitat looked quite promising, so perhaps there will be more orchids in a wetter year.

We travelled further north to the reserve near Moora on the Midlands Rd, where a small population of Caladenia exilis ssp vanleeuwenii were found. Nearby a few plants of Diuris recurva were just starting to flower and we found considerable populations of Pterostylis scabra, with a small proportion in flower. Healthy Pterostylis 'rufa' rosettes were also seen as well as Eriochilus leaves and seedpods.

The main field trip ended here and people made their various ways home. Five carloads went to 9 Mile Well NR on the Great Northern Highway on the way back, and found Diuiris brumalis and Pterostylis sp 'broad petals' in flower and Pterostylis sp 'dwarf' (bird) in bud.

We all agreed it had been an interesting and productive trip. *Margaret Petridis*.



Diuris brumalis (Winter Donkey Orchid)



Diuris perialla





Spider Orchid Gillingarra

Caladenia exilis subsp vanleeuwenii (Moora Spider Orchid)

## An Interview with our patron, Professor Stephen Hopper

Professor Stephen Hopper, was interviewed in May on "The Science Show" on Radio National. The program discussed the change in climate in the south west of Western Australia.

## SW Western Australia now hotter and dryer.

"The Climate Commission has confirmed that a permanent change in climate has taken place in SW Western Australia. The region is known as a biodiversity hotspot meaning there is a large number of plants and animals in the region. As the climate changes plants and animals alter their range when they can, or populations decrease. There are increasing observations of birds and other animals changing their range. Others are seen less. Victoria Laurie reports for *The Science* Show."

A Link to the show: http://www.abc.net.au/radionational/programs/scienceshow/sw-western-australianow-hotter-and-dryer/4679886

## Western Australian Native orchid photos on the web:

Looking for some reference photos for identification or to prepare for a field trip?

Justin Brown's website has a great coverage of local species: http://orchids.chookman.id.au/ Colin and Mischa, the "Retired Aussies" also have a great collection of Western Australian orchids on their website: http://www.retiredaussies.com/

And of course, checkout florabase: http://florabase.dpaw.wa.gov.au/

## MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2013

All members are reminded that annual subscriptions are now over due, non-financial member will not receive the Bulletin. The annual single or family membership fee is \$30. Payment can be made in person to the Treasurer or by mail with cheques made out to WANOSCG and sent to: WANOSCG PO BOX 323, VICTORIA PARK, W.A. 6979 Or by electronic transfer to the club's bank account:

BSB: 306044

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Account number: 5492468

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## **BULLETIN ARTICLES**

Please email any Bulletin contributions to Paul Winthrop at wanoscg.newsletter@gmail.com or call Articles for the next Bulletin need to be submitted by 1st of August 2013

## 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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#### The Conference is near!







Register to come to the 7th Australasian Native Orchid Society Conference & Show.

Held at Strathpine (Queensland, Australia). Hosted by Kabi Group(Inc).
Full Conference - 22-25<sup>th</sup> August 2013

Public show days - 23-25th August

August will be here before you know it, and registration date is the end of June.

If you wish to come, and have not yet registered, see all the details on

http://www.ourshopfront.com/kabi/html/confer ence.php

2013	ROSTERS		CDEAVEDS 2042
2013	Raffle	Supper	SPEAKERS 2013
MAR	Tom Burbidge	John Ewing Urszula Kokosinska	ADORP progress
APRIL	Paul Winthrop	Pam Hill Bill Gaynor	Eric McCrum
MAY	Marina	Margaret Petridas Paul Winthrop	Eriochilus Photos from Members, Ramon demonstrating the "Lightroom" software for digital photograph processing
JUNE	Jeanette Wheatley	Matz and Jay	Mark Brundrett
JULY	Matz	X	Member photos of Snails, Shells & Banded Greenhoods
AUG	David Lawson	Jeanette Thea	TBA
SEPT	Peter Proudfoot	Trish & Ramon Newmann	Bill Kosky – Victorian Spider Orchids
OCT	Eddy Wajon	Margaret and Ross Fox	Etienne Delannoy
NOV	Sarah Atkinson		Photo competition. Members slides.

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## PROPOSED FIELD TRIPS

Please contact our Field Trip Coordinator Margaret Petridis on register for the trip/s and to find out meeting place details.

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Date	Place	Targeted species/Notes
21 <sup>st</sup> July	Johnson Rd and Australind	Shell and Greenhood orchids
31 <sup>st</sup> August	Bulbarnet Reserve	Trip Leader is John Ewing. Contact Paul Winthrop to register ( or wanoscq.newsletter@qmail.com)
15 <sup>th</sup> September	Bindoon Private Property	
22 <sup>na</sup> September	Kungin Reserve, Corrigin	316
28th-30th September	Bremer Bay	

## Please note:

- Field trip leaders are to be appointed for each separate field trip.
- The last person to arrive at meeting point of orchid field trip will write the trip report.