

W.A. NATIVE ORCHID STUDY

AND

CONSERVATION GROUP (INC)

OCTOBER

NEWSLETTER

PATRON: Sir C. Nalder

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The attendance at the October meeting was very small, although there were reasons for this. We had put the meeting date forward so as not to clash with the W.A. Orchid Societies Spring Show and being the long weekend. There had been arranged a trip to Walpole under the guidance of Mr Terry Wilson.

Amongst the orchids that were tabled were two interesting flowers a *Caladenia dilatata* x *Caladenia pattersonii* and *Caladenia lobatata* x *Caladenia pattersonii*. Both these flowers were unusual and the markings were beautiful.

The Royal Show exhibition was very successful, as usual, in more ways than one, as it created a lot of interest and also new members. The area was extended on last year and Andrew Brown and Herb Foote must receive the credit for the mural background of the area, especially Herb Foote, as he painted the gum trees and shrubbing to represent our bushland. The orchids were set in an island effect, among moss, gathered from granite rocks, with our great standby the blackboy. Thanks are also extended to all those who helped to set up this area and those members who put in their time manning the display.

The Hollywood Reserve project is moving along nicely. Two scout groups put in time weeding and cleaning up. The Nedlands Council have delivered gravel and peat with which to make the gravel and damp areas respectively. Members are urging to get planting, and so to this end the planting controllers are calling a special meeting to formulate a plan.

Members who are interested in forming a committee to control this reserve are urged to contact Graham Kierath or Andrew Brown.

More on the Baker's Junction Reserve: Sir Crawford Nalder has approached Mr Jones, the Minister for Conservation, and as Mr Jones would be in the Albany district he was going to contact Mr Ron Heberle for more information so this move for conservation is under way.

This newsletter is apparently proving of some interest, but it is not getting to people who cannot get along to our meetings. Postage is a high cost and to cover this cost, it was decided to set up a mailing list. Where a member who wished this to be mailed each month could pay an extra \$2.00 per year to cover postage.

Three new members were admitted to our group:

Mr & Mrs Ottrey and

Miss E. Dunn of

to our midst. We welcome them

We have some books for sale at \$2.00 each. They contain very good illustration of our terrestrial orchids.

There are still some car stickers for sale at \$1.00 each.