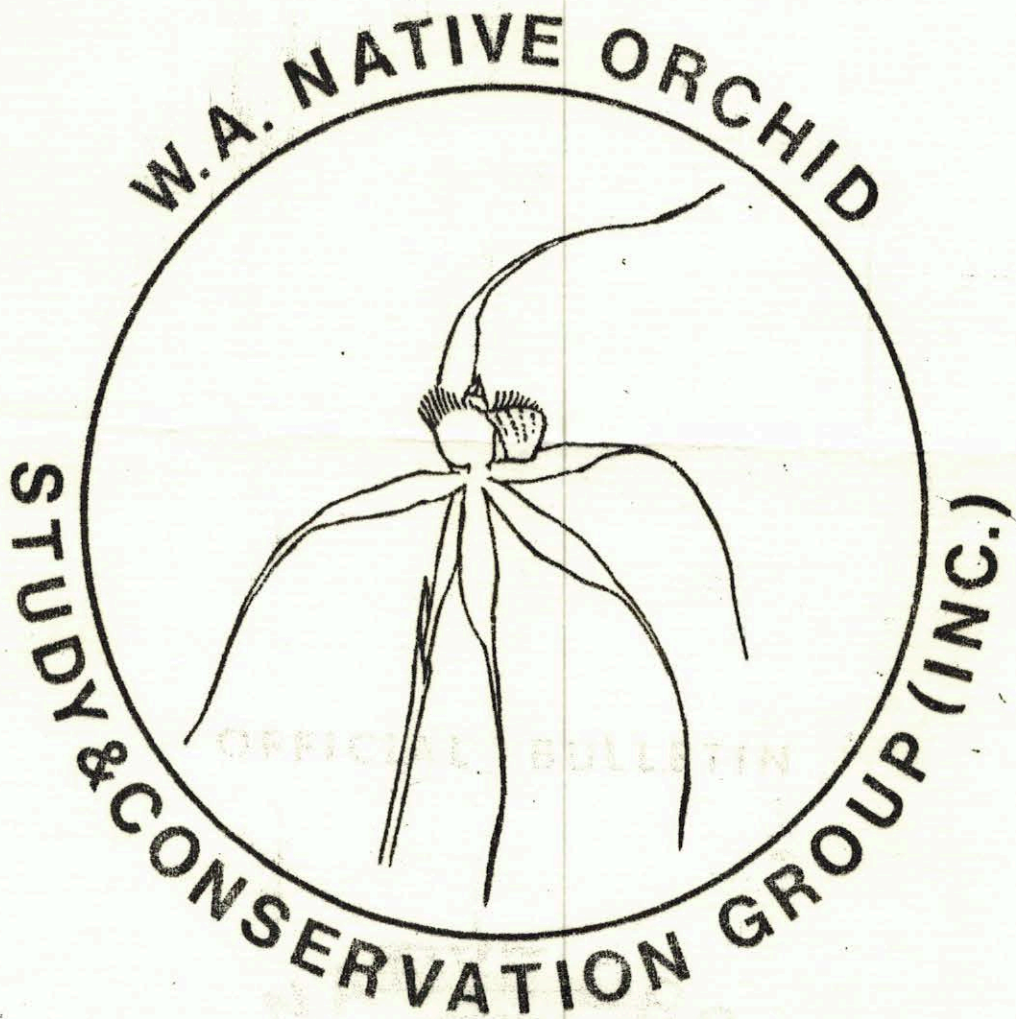


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Due to a motion passed at the October meeting our Annual General Meeting will not be held until the first Friday in March, 1980. Naturally the committee meeting will be on the Tuesday prior to the first Friday in March.

Our December meeting which was purely a social evening, was very enjoyable except once again it was a cold night, but apart from that it was enjoyed by everyone present. Alison and Ian Harrington and Alex George set a quiz and everyone participated and believe me, some of the questions set a poser. These will appear elsewhere in the bulletin so that our country members can try their skill. The answers will be given in the February bulletin. On behalf of the members of the Group, I wish to thank Roy and Meg for opening their home to us.

At the time of writing, Herb Foote our past President is in hospital and no visitors are allowed. I rang Mrs Foote to inquire and she informed me that Herb was much better and she would ring me when he was discharged from hospital. I will keep the members informed and in the meantime wish him a speedy recovery.

Another of our members has been in hospital to have his hip attended to. He has now left hospital and we wish him good health and hope he can now climb about those hills in search of those orchids. Good luck Laurie.

There are several reports mainly from the deep South. Ron Heberle brought some flowers up for the George Lullfritz Expo. The heat and the travelling up from Albany wilted quite a lot of the flowers, but he left some with me and I was successful in reviving most of them so that I could photograph them. They were: Caladenia patersonii hybrids, but all the same sort, Diuris emarginata var. pauciflora, Epiblema grandiflorum and one which Ron calls the Albany late yellow. He also left with me a Greenhood which appeared to be a type of Pterostylis sargentii, to take to the meeting and give to Alex George but by the Wednesday it was finished.

We made a trip down to Denmark and while down there had a walk around the bush south-west of Peaceful Bay - Walpole Nornalup National Park to be correct. Here I found flowers of Elythranthera emarginata which were really big and beautiful. The only other orchids were leaves and spent seed pods of Caladenia latifolia. Surprisingly there were no snakes, although there were quite a few on the road back to Denmark.

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This will be the last bulletin of the year and as President I wish to take this opportunity to wish every member a happy and prosperous New Year.

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We welcome into our Group a new member:

Miss Ward of Goomalling.

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Culture in the Dormant Period -- Lal Sheppard

These are the procedures which I myself adopt and which have proved fairly successful.

At this time of the year most terrestrials have died back although some will be still green of leaf and some of the late flowerers still in flower.

When all these have died back, all pots should be set aside and kept cool by extra shading and occasionally a light spray of water, which will help to save the tubers from drying out too much.

This also has an effect of starting the tubers into early growth.

February bulletin will contain potting instructions for the growing season of 1980.

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Quiz Questions

1. What rare orchid was rediscovered this year?
2. Which Caladenia is named after the first Surveyor General of Western Australia?
3. Which W.A. genus of orchid has my christian name in it?
(The questions were read out by Ian Harrington)
4. What is the scientific name of the naturalized South African orchid in W.A.?
5. What orchid is flowering now on the granite rocks in the Darling Range?
6. Which botanist has discovered that pseudo copulation is common among our orchids?

7. What is the first flowering orchid of the season?
8. Which is our slowest orchid?
9. Who is the present Premier of South Australia?
10. Which club member was born within the grounds of Government House?
11. Where is the site of the new bauxite treatment plant?
12. Who was the captain of the W.A. Shield cricket team for the first two matches of the season?
13. How much rain has fallen in Perth this year?
(Up to December 7)
14. Which month of the year is wettest in Perth?
15. What park does Yogi Bear the comic strip character live in?
16. What happens when you put a blue hat in the Red Sea?
17. Who was the first man on the moon?
18. Which team won this years V.F.L. Grand Final?
19. Which engineer was responsible for the pipeline to Kalgoorlie?
20. Which three W.A. Labour Premiers entered Parliament on the same day?
21. Who was the second Govenor of W.A.?
22. Which ship brought the first settlers to Albany?
23. When did the first convicts arrive in W.A.?
24. When did W.A. first receive self government?
25. Who started New Norcia?
26. Which Australian states were founded after W.A.?
27. What is the common name of Nuytsia florabunda?
28. What is the common name of Eucalyptus marginata?
29. Which is our tiredest orchid?
30. Which orchid has big ears?
31. Which orchid would you not want to break?
32. Which group of orchids would have been useful in Sherwood Forest?
33. When is the new Federal Parliament due to open?
34. Which boat was first across the line in the Parmelia race?
35. How many advertisements were on the back page of our last bulletin?
36. What is the newspaper in London that has just recently restarted after a long industrial dispute?
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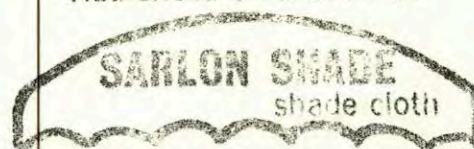
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