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STUDY AND CONSERVATION GROUP
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THE WESTERN AUSTRALIAN NATIVE ORCHID STUDY & CONSERVATION GROUP

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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 environments.
- c. To learn their habitats 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 Western Australian orchids.
- f. To affiliate with kindred organisations.
- g. To make rules for the governing of the Group's domestic affairs.
- h. To do all such other 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 the group.

NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, 16th May, 1990 at 7.00 pm at the Kings Park Board Administration Centre.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, 16th May, 1990 at 8.00 pm at the Kings Park Board Administration Centre.

Ray Stapleton and Wayne Merrit will talk speak on growing native orchids.

BULLETIN CONTRIBUTIONS

Contributions are needed for every edition of the Bulletin. Articles should be sent to [REDACTED] The article submission deadline for the next issue of the Bulletin is 7th June 1990.

Notes from orchid growers regarding their own experiences would be welcomed.

SUPPER AND RAFFLE ROSTER 1990

MONTH	SUPPER	RAFFLE
MAY	M.George/J.Rogers	A.Harrington
JUNE	A.Evans	B.Yates
JULY	J.Eaton	J.Eaton
AUGUST	M.French	D.Burdinat
SEPTEMBER	K.Bolin	J.Greeve
OCTOBER	M.Collins	B.Buirchell
NOVEMBER	?	?

It can be seen from this that we still need volunteers for November. Anyone who is able to help with this please contact a committee member.

WANTED

Club members interested in forming a subcommittee in relation to setting up a tuber bank, please contact the committee.

1990 FIELD TRIPS

JUNE

Sun 17th

MOGUMBER -to find Caladenia aphylla and Eriochilus dilatatus. Meeting at the first service station into Roelands at 10.00am.

Wynne Ford

Sun. 24th

BUNBURY - to find Pterostylis rogersii and Pterostylis angusta. Chris French is the trip leader. Meet at the Australind Garage opposite the Australind Shopping Centre at 10.00 am.

AUGUST

→ Sat. 18th

BINDOON - Julimar area, Caladenia ixiodes and other early flowering orchids.

Sun. 19th

AUSTRALIND, YARLOOP - Corybas, T.spiralis, etc.

21-26th

KALBARRI. Bill Jackson will be leading this trip. More details later.

HORSE DRAWN CARAVAN TRIP 6-7th OCTOBER. If anyone intends taking this trip, please advise the Field Trip Coordinator immediately.

We still need trip leaders for October/November trips and the Mt. Jackson trip. So come on old and new members - volunteer your time for one day! You'll have a great time we promise you.

If you wish to go on a future field trip, please notify the field trip leader or coordinator prior to the trip, particularly for weekend trips so that we can arrange accomodation and no one gets left behind. Please OBSERVE CONVOY PROCEDURE, i.e. always keep your eye on the vehicle behind you.

AOC ORCHID CONSERVATION POLICY

The Australian Orchid Council wrote to WANOSCG earlier this year regarding the development of an orchid conservation policy. The following summaries of the letter and attached reports are included for member's information and comments.

AOC has agreed to fund an interstate telephone link up of State Coordinators, in June/July to help develop a conservation policy. Prior to this Coordinators need to have firm ideas on what their requirements are from grower and conservation groups within the State. Reports produced by ANOS groups and the WANOSCG are included, and may be used as a starting point for policy formation. The inaugural Australian Native Orchid Conference will be held this September and it is hoped AOC will have a draft policy for presentation and comment.

INTERIM REPORT OF THE CONSERVATION SUB-COMMITTEE OF ANOS

Some important steps that can be taken by each affiliated Society of A.N.O.S. include:

1. The establishment of a TUBER BANK by those societies that at this moment do not have one operating. Tuber banks should be organised at two levels.
Firstly the aim of a tuber bank should be to supply tubers of terrestrial orchids to meet the internal demands of growers within that particular society.
Secondly, a long term aim of tuber banks should be to provide tubers to meet external demands around Australia. If such tuber banks were established throughout the states of Australia, pressure on wild populations of orchid species would be greatly reduced. The Conservation Sub-Committee of A.N.O.S. will be supplying information as to how to establish and organise tuber banks within societies.
2. A Conservation Officer needs to be elected by each A.N.O.S. affiliated society to monitor conservation activities within their own society or area. Each officer would act as a contact with the Conservation Sub-Committee of A.N.O.S.
3. All affiliated societies need to monitor the behaviour of their members in matters of conservation and to also monitor the plants brought into monthly meetings.
4. Members of societies need to be involved in "hands on" approach to conservation in matters such as rescue digs and relocation of plants to "safer" areas.
5. All affiliated A.N.O.S. societies should be encouraged to become more self-reliant in matters of conservation within their own state or local area.
6. Discretion should be used by societies and their members concerning information about the location of rare and endangered species of orchids.
7. People with access to rare and endangered species should be encouraged to make seed of those plants available to those with the ability and resources to use the seed for conservation purposes.
8. To encourage people with expertise to make their abilities available for the purposes of conservation.
9. The establishment of a SPECIES BREEDING PROGRAM to mass produce seedlings that can be made available to members and other affiliated societies.
10. All affiliated A.N.O.S. societies should inform other societies of their actions and achievements regarding conservation.
11. Societies should encourage and foster members interested in researching improved methods of growing and multiplying our native orchid species.

12. Societies should compile a list of the orchid species of their state or area, that are most critically endangered through exploitation and changes in land usage. Local bodies should be informed of the seriousness of the situation.
13. We should work towards having more native orchids placed on the Protected Flora Lists.
14. Make accurate slide programmes available for use by A.N.O.S. affiliated societies, showing the species available from the particular group, so as to motivate and encourage interchange of tubers and seedlings.
15. Constantly improve the education of our members in matters regarding native orchid species, which should lead to an increase in the desire to conserve those precious botanical resources still left in Australia.
16. Affiliated societies with problems or suggestions in matters of conservation should contact the CONSERVATION SUB-COMMITTEE regarding these matters.

Remarks on the above suggestion should be forwarded to :
CONSERVATION SUB-COMMITTEE OF A.N.O.S.

ANOS CONSERVATION SUB-COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT 1989

ANOS developed a conservation policy which was adopted at last year's AGM. The Conservation Sub-Committee has endeavoured to keep in contact with all ANOS groups and associated societies through a Conservation Newsletter. It has created a Conservation Fund which will be used to promote conservation. To help raise funds the first of the annual conservation badges was released and was well received.

Diuris purdiei from WA was the subject of the first badge. It is also proposed to run NSW tuber bank to increase the availability of terrestrial orchids from legitimate sources and raise funds for the conservation fund.

The Sub-committee has over the year written to the NSW and WA governments concerning Diuris purdiei and Pterostylis gibbosa.

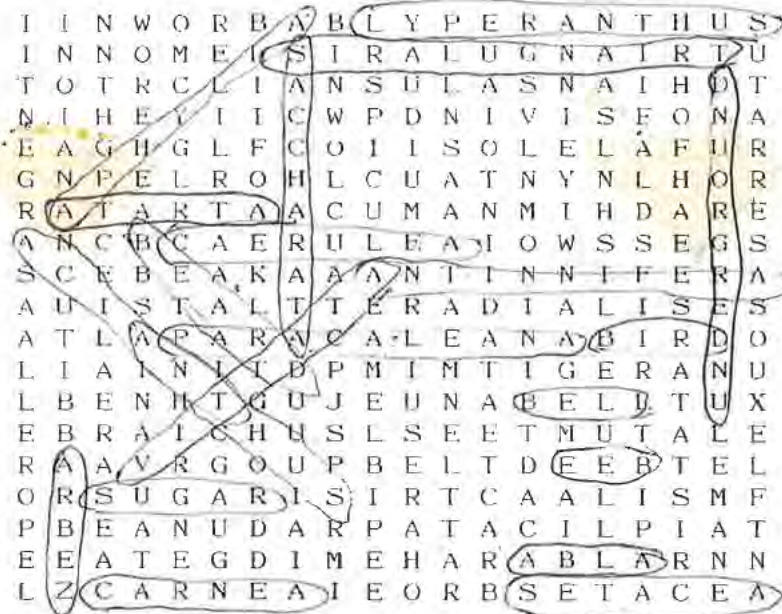
This year's conference has a conservation emphasis and we are working towards making it a vehicle for increasing public awareness and support. The Sunday is being devoted to the issue of conservation and hopefully from this will come the guidelines which will give this Sub-committee its future direction.

The most pleasing aspect of this year has been the significant increase in the involvement of individual societies in conservation matters. Almost all societies now have conservation officers while some have even their own committees and group meetings.

NOTE: Full copies of these reports are available from the WANOSCG Committee.

ORCHID WORDS

This puzzle is based on the names of WA orchids. To complete find the words from the list in capitals below. Words may run in any direction including diagonally. Letters may be included in more than one word, but none of the words is completely enclosed in another. The words used can be found in the index of a book which is familiar to most of us - the title of the book is revealed when the puzzle is complete.



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| ACTANTHUS | - CARNEA | LILY | RUFIA |
| ANT | CLOWN | LYPERANTHUS | SACCHARATA |
| ALBA | CRISTATA | MAN | SARGENTII |
| ANTENNIFERA | ELATUM | MIDGET | SEPAL |
| APHYLLA | EMARGINATA | NANA | SERRATUS |
| ATRATA | ENAMEL | NUDA | SETACEA |
| BEARD | EPIBLEMA | PARACALEANA | SHY (spider) |
| BEE | ERIOCHILUS | PIANO | SNAIL |
| BELL | FLEXUOSA | PLICATA | SPICULAEA |
| BIRD | HARE | PLUM | SUGAR |
| BRACTEATA | HIANS | PUSILLA | THELYMITRA |
| BROWNII | HIRTA | RABBIT | TIGER-in twice |
| BRUNONIS | INTEGRA | RADIALIS | TRIANGULARIS |
| CAERULEA | JUG | RATTLE | UNDERGROUND |
| CAESAREA | LAVENDER | BEAK | VITTATA |
| CALADENIA | LEMON | ROEI | ZEBRA |
| CALLI | LEPORELLA | | |

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Forthcoming Field Trips:

17th June MOGUMBER

24th June BUNBURY

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