



**BULLETIN**  
*OF THE*  
**WESTERN AUSTRALIAN NATIVE ORCHID  
STUDY AND CONSERVATION GROUP  
(INC)**  
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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 habitats and keep records.
- d) To have field days and learn to recognise 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 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 this group.

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### **EARLY BULLETIN**

Once again I am sending the Bulletin out early to advise members of the field trip on 17 June. See page 4 for details.

### **NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING**

Wednesday, 21 June 2001 at 7.00 p.m. at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Administration Office.

### **NEXT GENERAL MEETING**

Wednesday, 21 June 2001 at 8.00 p.m. at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Administration Office.

### **GUEST SPEAKER**

Members slide night. As we have speakers for the rest of the year, this is the opportunity for members to show their slides.

### **FORTHCOMING MEETINGS**

17 June	Field trip to Jurien
20 June	General meeting
18 July	General meeting
15 August	General meeting
19 September	General meeting
17 October	General meeting
21 November	General meeting

### **ANNUAL GROUP MEMBERSHIP FEES** **MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE NOW DUE.**

*The Groups financial year commences on 1 February. The Group membership fees are as follows:*

*Single Membership \$20.00 pa.*

*Family Membership \$20.00 pa.*

**The digit after your name on the address label is the year for which you are financial and is updated to the last meeting.** *If you have paid since then please make the allowance.*

**Please send fees to The Treasurer, P.O. Box 323, Victoria Park, 6979.**

### **RED DOT ON YOUR BULLETIN**

**Do you have a red dot on your bulletin?**

**This means that by our records you are an unfinancial member and as such cannot vote at the meetings.**

If you have paid since the last meeting please ignore the red dot.

### **NAME BADGES**

Group name badges can be ordered from the Treasurer. The cost is \$10.00 each.

### **BULLETIN CONTRIBUTIONS**

Contributions are needed for every edition of the Bulletin. Articles should be sent to Noel Clarke [redacted] The article submission deadline for the next issue is

*1 July 2001.* Country members, we would love to share your orchid adventures (or misadventures). Many private field trips are undertaken, how about sharing them with the membership via the Bulletin.

### **SUPPER COST**

Each month our supper is generously donated by group members (per list on the back of the Bulletin), while the group supplies the tea, coffee, sugar and milk. To recoup some of the cost of these supplies, a modest fee of 50 cents applies. This can be left on the supper table and will be collected by the Treasurer at the end of the evening.

***Also please rinse out your cups when you have finished with them.***

### **WANOSCG ORCHID SIGHTING FORMS**

These forms are now available from the Secretary. Steve Phillips is eagerly awaiting your sighting reports.

Please help get our database off and running.

### **FOR SALE**

Rufa Trip Report \$10.00.

Caladenia flava Badges \$4.00 members, \$5.00 non-members.

Name Badges \$10.00.

Orchids of WA (2<sup>nd</sup> Ed) \$9.00.

Orchids of SW Australia \$45.00.

Orchid Flowering Times \$5.00.

Colour guide to Spring Wildflowers by Eddie Wajon \$ 18.00 each.

Part 1: Kalbarri & The Goldfields.

Part 2: Perth & The Southwest.

Car Stickers \$1.50.

Pat Dundas Cards \$8.00.

Bush Survival Kit \$4.00.

History of WANOSCG \$3.00.

### **PHOTO BOARD**

Photo boards consisting of plastic envelope sheets to take your orchid prints is being provided curtesy of Eddy Wajon. Many of our members use print film. This is a chance for you to show other members your masterpieces. No longer will the slide brigade have it to themselves.

### **SICK PARADE**

Kate Ward is home and slowly recovering.

Joni Eaton has had temporary work done on her knee and is waiting for a replacement operation.

John Eaton is having his knee replacement done the day before our next meeting.

Bill Jackson is waiting for a hip replacement.

We extend our best wishes to all 4.

Should the group approach the medical profession for a bulk discount?

## FIELD TRIPS

**Please ensure you have sufficient fuel to get you through the field trips.**

Please advise the Field Trip Coordinator; phone [REDACTED] if you intend participating.

The field trips listed are proposed and are subject to change if needed.

Please consider car pooling, particularly on metro trips.

## FIELD TRIP SUNDAY 17 JUNE TO JURIEN BAY

Hi everybody, I am back from 10 weeks tripping around the Eastern States.

Just a quick trip to get into the June Bulletin while I sort out the rest of the season. The next one will be towards the end of July.

Meet at the Jurien turn off 23km North of Badgingarra at 13.30 a.m. on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> June, weather permitting. We should see *T. apiculata* and other early orchids at 2 sites, Jurien Bay Rd and Alexander Morrison National Park. Remember to advise Stuart Harris if you are attending.

## RECORD KEEPING by NOEL CLARKE

Most of us, particularly when we are young with a good memory and before the old timers disease gets to us, maintain records of events in the computer called the brain. Unfortunately as time progresses some memory gets lost and others get mutilated.

Like a lot of us I realised this rather late and endeavoured to save what was left in that marvel for record keeping, the computer. I started with a program called Dbase. Setting up the program was hard but the result was a flexible system for retrieval of data.

I progressed to a new computer in 1997 with Windows 95 and added Microsoft Access for a multilevel data base system. Setting up the tables and joining them using Access is very easy. Retrieval of the data in the various forms that I wanted required a bit of research. Using several expressions I can now present my orchid sighting list in many different ways, the hardest to set up being to sort by the day of the month, month of the year (regardless of the year), district, location and orchid name.

The system I set up consists of six tables: -

1. Orchid Name Table consisting of ID number field and orchid name field. The ID number is the key field and is labelled NID. I use any number, others use H & B page numbers. It makes no difference. This system allows for a change of orchid name to be done in one place only to be effective to the whole database.
2. Site Table consisting of ID number field (key field) labelled SID, Shire field,

District field, Location field and Map reference or GPS field. If using a map book such as The Western Australian Travellers Atlas it is important to stay with the one issue.

3. Orchid Sighting Table consisting of ID number field (key field) labelled LID, Date field, Orchid name field NID and site information field SID.
4. Photo Table consisting of ID number field (key field) labelled PID, Date field, orchid name field NID and site information field SID.
5. Hybrid Orchid Table consisting of ID number field (key field) labelled HID, hybrid name field HNID and parentage field labelled PARENTS. I use abbreviations for the genus name to restrict the data to 50 characters.
6. Hybrid Orchid Sighting Table consisting of ID number field (key field) labelled HSID, date field, hybrid name field labelled HNID and site information field labelled SID.

Hybrid orchids can be included in the orchid name table removing the requirement for tables 5 & 6. The penalty is that using full genus and specie names, if a full database print out is required landscape format is needed against portrait format with 0.5mm margins.

The system allows for the insertion of photographs as well.

By using this system I can view all locations and dates for any orchid, all orchids and dates for any location, all orchids and locations for any month or fortnight or most combinations desired.

A report format is also available. I have set up 2 report formats, orchid name with all associated sites and site with all orchids seen there. This is the ideal area to insert the pictures.

My record of sightings contains 3690 entries.

The whole orchid database is 1.47mb.

I would be happy to help any members wishing to set up this system for themselves. The tricky part is the expressions required to provide the various query results.

## WANOSCG – MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 16<sup>th</sup> May 2001

Meeting commenced at 8.10pm

### ATTENDANCE:

**28 members and 4 apologies as per the attendance book.**

**NEW MEMBERS: Nil**



VISITORS: Pamela Taylor and Ian Hall

**MINUTES**

*Moved. Joan Greeve /Virginia Bird Minutes of General meeting of 18<sup>th</sup> April 2001 as presented in the Bulletin be confirmed.*  
**CARRIED.**

**Matters Arising: Nil**

CORRESPONDENCE:

As per attached list

Matters arising from correspondence:

Nil

TREASURERS REPORT:

Treasurers report as presented to and endorsed by the committee meeting was circulated with the attendance book.

Matters Arising:

Nil

FIELD TRIPS:

Members made verbal reports on private field trips to Pinjarra and Mandurah.

Species in *Praecoxanthus*, *Eriochilus* and *Pterostylis* were reported.

PLANT TABLE:

*Caladenia drummondii* and *Pterostylis vittata* were presented by members.

GENERAL BUSINESS:

1. Kings Park Display. Members agreed that the group should make a display at the Kings Park Wildflower event and members were requested to make available specimens and time to man the display. Kings Park has offered to make available reasonable resources for the display. Secretary has groups framed photographs.
2. Photographic Competition for Conference. Members were advised of this competition and entries would be on an individual basis. Members will be advised, as more information is available.
3. Change of Name: Members were advised from committee of a proposal to change the name from "group" to something reflecting the current status, such as "Society or association" and were asked to consider this with comments to the next general meeting.
4. Delegate Wayne Merritt reported from Conservation Council on topics of Forestry and land clearing and asked members to be aware of illegal clearing activities. CC is also reported to be

considering changes on road verge policy, which affects many orchid populations.

5. Typographical errors in the groups Objectives, listed on page 2 of the bulletin were brought to the meeting attention.
6. The President reported attending Asbestos Workshops and proposed changes to the legislation regarding disposal of asbestos waste which may result in yet more waste of this nature being dumped illegally in our remnant bushland. Members were requested that current asbestos dumping be reported to the group so monitoring of future problems can be assessed.
7. Rhizanthella Trip. The meeting was advised that a further field trip to the more southern populations, as part of the Kings Park research project, was proposed for about the third week of June. Interested members to contact the Secretary.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Eddy Wajon, WANOSCG member and orchid photographer presented his delightful photographic skills to the meeting, photographs destined to be published in a Japanese book on orchids of the world. Eddy is widely known for his orchid calendars, books on WA wildflowers and many contributions to wildflower journals.

RAFFLE:

The raffle prize was donated by Ross Fox, drawn by our guest speaker and won by our meeting visitors, hopefully soon to become members.

SUPPER:

Thanks to Margaret Fox who provided supper following the meeting.

The meeting closed at 9.25pm.

	<b>SUPPER ROSTER</b>	<b>RAFFLE ROSTER</b>	<b>SPEAKER</b>
<b>MARCH</b>			
<b>APRIL</b>			
<b>MAY</b>			
<b>JUNE</b>	Wendy Spencer	Helen Furness	Members slides
<b>JULY</b>	Kate Ward	Joe Ward	Chris French
<b>AUGUST</b>	Delyce Hayward	Eva Smith	Bill Jackson
<b>SEPTEMBER</b>		Mike Harper	Mike Duncan
<b>OCTOBER</b>	Sarah Atkinson	Ian & Joan Greeve	
<b>NOVEMBER</b>		Gary Brockman	Andrew Brown

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**FORTHCOMING FIELD TRIPS**  
 17 June – Jurien Bay