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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 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 this group,

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NEXT COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, 15 May 2002 at 7.00 p.m. at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Administration Office.

NEXT GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, 15 May 2002 at 8.00 p.m. at the Lecture Theatre, Kings Park Administration Office.

GUEST SPEAKER

Alex George - topic 'Herbaria'.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

15 May	General meeting
19 June	General meeting
17 July	General meeting
21 August	General meeting
18 September	General meeting
16 October	General meeting
20 November	General meeting

ANNUAL GROUP MEMBERSHIP FEES MEMBERSHIP FEES ARE NOW DUE.

The Groups financial year commences on 1 February.

The membership fees are as follows: Single membership \$20.00 pa. Family membership \$20.00 pa.

New membership \$10.00 joining fee and if joining after 30 June membership fee for the year adjusted prorata.

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, PO Box 323, Victoria Park, 6979.

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

The article submission deadline for the next issue is 1 June 2002. 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. Please help get our database off and running.

When you fill in the form please provide as much information as you can. If you can only provide the location as District or Shire and road name this will suffice. The vegetation and land details are for historical records and need not be filled in.

Chris French is waiting with his fingers poised over the keyboard to enter the data you provide into the computer.

FOR SALE

Rufa Trip Report \$10.00. Caladenia flava Badges \$4.00 members, \$5.00 non-members. Name Badges \$10.00. Orchids of WA (2nd 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. Part 3: Esperance & The Wheatbelt Car Stickers \$1.50. Pat Dundas Cards \$8.00. Bush Survival Kit \$4.00. History of WANOSCG \$3.00.

APRIL BULLETIN

The supper & raffle rosters were reversed in the April Bulletin. It has been corrected in the May Bulletin. The two vacancies now apply to the supper

roster.

FIELD TRIP PROCEEDURES

Remember the rule, keep the following vehicle in sight. If it falls behind then slow down till it catches up.

Most importantly when you turn, stop at the turning point till you are sure the following vehicle is going to turn.

No participant in a field trip is exempt from these two important rules.

FIELD TRIPS

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

Please advise the Field Trip Coordinator; phone if you intend participating. It is important that you advise the Field Trip Coordinator because then you can be advised of any change of plans, etc.

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

Please consider car pooling, particularly on metro trips.

2002 FIELD TRIPS

Christine Lock outlined her proposals for this year's field trips. The majority of the trips will be close to Perth and as she will not be able to attend all field trips she is looking for trip leaders.

To this end she hopes members will volunteer (dirty word) to lead a trip in their local area, either as whole day or half day trips.

Please ring Christine; phone , if you can assist her. This includes country members. To further assist several members at the meeting provided their email addresses so that urgent contact could be made easily in the event of a special trip being arranged. Following on from the request for email addresses of members in the April Bulletin, all members who have an email address are urged to participate.

Christine's email address is: -

EARLY ORCHIDS

Bill Jackson advised that *Eriochilus* are flowering at Walpole. You can find 5 species there at this time. *Leporella fimbriata* will also be in flower there.

Eric Swarts advised that *Praecoxanthus* aphyllus is flowering at Albany.

CALADENIA & OTHER GENERA RECLASSIFICATION

The South Australian Native Orchid newsletter contained an article from the SA Herbarium stating that they would not be recognizing the changes till the scientific community accepts them at large.

Like them I propose to stick with the old names till the dust settles.

CALADENIA HUEGELII - FRASER RD

We have received a letter from CALM re the site. CALM is negotiating with the owners, Rocla, to organize appropriate fencing for the population. If this is unsuccessful alternative funding will have to be found.

Regarding woodcutting activities, if you see such activity taking place please note down any details including vehicle licence plates and pass the details on to Stefan de Haan at the Department's Swan Coastal District office on 9405 0734.

TALK BY RON HEBERLE

After some false starts Ron got the two projectors working. He spoke on the sides as he showed them – he had some very good slides.

There were several slides of *Eriochilus* illustrating the various faces you can see in them – happy, grumpy, clown, etc. Another close up of *Epiblema grandiflorum* illustrated how it got the name of 'babe in the cradle'. They also get the blue form at Albany. The slides covered most of the genera, so why go elsewhere when you can see them all round the Albany area.

WANOSCG – MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 17th APRIL 2002

Meeting commenced at 8.04pm

ATTENDANCE:

32 members were present and 8 apologies as per the attendance register.

NEW MEMBERS:

Nil

VISITORS:

Ray Craddock

MINUTES

Moved. Chris French/Alex George. Minutes of General meeting of 20th March 2002 as presented in the Bulletin be confirmed. CARRIED.

Matters Arising:

Eddy Wajon reported on the Bullcreek Leeming Fair and despite reasonable attendance and interest, no sales had been made for WANOSCG produce.

CORRESPONDENCE:

As per list circulated with attendance book. President advised the meeting:

1.Letter in SA bulletin regarding review of Caladenia complex will be reprinted in our bulleting for members information.

2. A reply from CALM regarding the DRF site appeared matters regarding an upgrade of fencing were in hand.

TREASURERS REPORT:

The treasurer's report for the past month was circulated for members with the attendance book.

This report has previously been tabled to committee and matters arising attended to at that meeting.

Matters Arising: Nil

FIELD TRIPS:

Christine Lock (field trip co ordinator) addressed the meeting with her concepts for field trips for the forthcoming year. Due to her commitments later this year she is hoping, with plenty of help from group members to have the program sorted out in the near future.

PLANT TABLE:

Nil

GENERAL BUSINESS:

- The president advised that we are looking for a photo of group members on a field trip to be used in a public information article. Members are asked to contribute if they feel they have a suitable photo to the editor.
- Members are advised that we have 2 copies of Hoffman and Brown Volume 2 (without supplement) for sale from the treasurer for \$30.00 each.
- Eric Swarts presented a personalized calendar of orchid photos. For further Information contact Eric.
- 4. The registrar reports that he is receiving and imputing sightings forms, and that the computer and scanner are all set to go. As yet the website connection has not been established however he is to liase to have that up and running as soon as possible.
- Ron Heberle advised the meeting that his photo collection was being placed on
- a website with the species group.

 6. Alex George presented 2 publications for the meeting:

 The first "Wildflowers of WA" with illustrations by Edgar Dell, who incidentally is

 100 years old and still a keen gardener.

The second "Western Roads" and the associated story of the Muir Highway relocation to protect the orchids at the old Frankland River bridge.

GUEST SPEAKER:

Ron Heberle presented an amazing display of photography and orchids, many of which are now lost to housing and other developments in and around the Albany area. These included a unique array of variations, color forms and hybrids which have to be seen to be believed.

RAFFLE:

The raffle was presented by Alex George, a copy of his recently released book "The Long Dry", was drawn by Ron Heberle our guest speaker and won by Beth Kinsey.

SUPPER.

Virginia Bird provided supper. Thanks Virginia from all whom attended.

The meeting closed at 9.22 pm.

	SUPPER ROSTER	RAFFLE ROSTER	SPEAKER
MARCH			
APRIL	Virginia Bird	Ross Fox	Ron Heberle
MAY	Margaret Fox	Tom Blinco	Alex George
JUNE	Noel Clarke	Noel Clarke	They delige
JULY	Matz Dahlkamp	Stuart Harris	
AUGUST		Sarah Atkinson	
SEPTEMBER		Jeff Spencer	Members Slides
OCTOBER	Stack Family	Don & Eva Smith	Andrew Brown
NOVEMBER	Beth Kinsey	Len Stewart	Members slides & Awards Night

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FORTHCOMING FIELD TRIPS