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# The Australasian Native Orchid Society Sydney Group

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We meet on the 3rd Friday of each month at 8.00pm in the  
Baulkham Hills Community Centre, 15 Conie Ave, Baulkham Hills, NSW

**Next Meeting Friday 18 January 2019**

***Our Guest Speaker: Steve Dunstan -  
'Native Cymbidium Hybrids (Part 2)'***



**Inaugural David Butler Trophy Winners  
Yin and Sau-wan Chan with David Butler**

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## Our Club Bulletin Board

### The David Butler Trophy

The David Butler Trophy is a perpetual trophy awarded to the winner of the **Champion Sarcanthinae Orchid** at the **ANOS Sydney Annual Sarcanthinae Show**. It is named in recognition of David Butler for his longstanding and exceptional support of ANOS Sydney Group and especially the Sarcanthinae (Sarc) Show.

After years of being the backbone of the Sarc Show, David advised he would not be able to exhibit at the 2018 Sarc Show due to downsizing of his collection and increasing age. 2018 was Sydney Group's 33rd Annual Sarcanthinae Show and David had exhibited at all the shows up to this year.

David has made an immense contribution to the development and advancement of *Sarcochilus* orchids, and Sydney Group has greatly benefited from this. Through David's support of Sydney Group and its members, including providing and distributing countless seedlings through raffles, donations and sales over the years, Sydney Group's Sarc Show is renowned for providing a showcase of the latest breeding of the highest quality Sarcs.

Through his innovation and consistency in breeding award winning Sarcs and in growing and showing these at their finest, David has also brought about a wide and deep appreciation of the genus *Sarcochilus* and its hybrids, further afield in other ANOS groups and across the wider orchid community.

Sydney Group wants to acknowledge David's contribution and extend its deepest gratitude to David. Without David's incredible and ongoing support over so many years, ANOS Sydney Group and its shows, especially the Sarc show, would not be what they are today. The David Butler Trophy ensures that David's contribution to Sydney Group will be remembered and appreciated each year from now on.

At the Christmas Party David Butler was presented a plaque on behalf of ANOS Sydney Group in grateful appreciation for David's years of outstanding service and commitment to the Group.



Presentation of plaque to David Butler in recognition of his exceptional contribution to ANOS Sydney Group

### 2018 David Butler Trophy Winners

The inaugural winners in 2018 were Yin and Sau-wan Chan with their plant of *Sarcochilus hartmannii* [['Red Cloud' x 'Sylvanvale Blue Knob'] x 'Red Snow']. The plant was unanimously chosen by the ANOS judges at the show as worthy of being the **Champion Sarcanthinae Orchid of the 33rd Annual Sarcanthinae Show**. Congratulations to Yin and Sau-wan!

### Guest Speaker: Steve Dunstan

#### **Topic: Australian Native Cymbidium Hybrids**

Steve will present "Part 2" of his topic on native Cymbidiums, following "Part 1" at the November 2018 Cymbidium Celebration. Steve's talk will cover native Cymbidium hybrids and *Cymbidium canaliculatum* culture.

Steve will also demonstrate how he re-pots his native Cymbidiums.

Steve is great speaker who is very passionate about and has an extensive knowledgeable of native Cymbidiums and their culture. He is also an excellent and enthusiastic grower of native Cymbidiums and their hybrids.



Steve Dunstan



*Cym. canaliculatum* 'Kenebri Rd'



**2018 Benching Competition Winners.**

1.	G. Steenbeeke .....	75
2.	B. Spurrs .....	63
3.	C. Bradley .....	53
4.	Y. & S. Chan .....	48
5.	J. & Y. Villien .....	38
6.	B. V. Williams .....	19
7.	G. Oehm .....	18
7.	R. & J. Schneidereit .....	18
8.	G. & S. Russell .....	14
9.	L. & B. Dobson .....	13
10.	C. Shaw .....	12
11.	S. Holland .....	11
12.	J. Hurst .....	9
12.	G. Lane .....	9
12.	T. Miller .....	9
13.	M. Harrison .....	7
13.	P. Murn .....	7
13.	J. Portelli .....	7
14.	W. Hoogwerf .....	5
14.	B. Moore .....	5
15.	C. Nidigal .....	4
16.	A. Locke .....	2
17.	K. Edwards .....	1
17.	J. Happ .....	1
17.	S. Wa .....	1

**2018 Annual Point Score Winners**

1.	G. Steenbeeke .....	160
2.	B. Spurrs .....	151
3.	Y. & S. Chan .....	136
4.	C. Bradley .....	100
5.	J. & Y. Villien .....	95
6.	R. & J. Schneidereit .....	50
7.	G. Oehm .....	41
8.	L. & B. Dobson .....	37
9.	G. & S. Russell .....	36
10.	J. Hurst .....	35
11.	J. Portelli .....	25
12.	C. Shaw .....	22
13.	B. V. Williams .....	21
14.	M. Harrison .....	20
15.	P. Murn .....	19
16.	T. Miller .....	16
17.	S. Holland .....	14
17.	B. Moore .....	14
18.	G. Lane .....	13
19.	W. Hoogwerf .....	12
20.	A. Locke .....	7
20.	C. Nidigal .....	7
21.	J. Happ .....	4
22.	K. Edwards .....	3
23.	S. Wa .....	1



Greg Steenbeeke



Bryan Spurrs



Clover Bradley



Yin and Sau-wan Chan

**2018 Sarcanthinae Native Orchid Show Winners**



Yin and Sau-wan Chan  
Most successful exhibitor (Sid Batchelor Sash)  
Champion Sarcanthinae Species & Champion Sarcanthinae of Show



William Hoogwerf  
Champion Non Sarcanthinae Orchid



Clover Bradley  
Champion Specimen Sarcanthinae Hybrid



Reiner Schneidereit



Greg Steenbeeke



George Oehm  
Champion Sarcanthinae Hybrid



Vince Head



**2018 Sarcanthinae Native Orchid Show Winners**



Kevin Edwards



Mike Harrison



Bryan Spurrs

**Plants from our December 2018 Meeting:**



*Sarcochilus ceciliae*  
Y. & S. Chan - Popular Vote Winner



*Den. Lime Delight* – B. Williams



*Saccolabiopsis armitii* - Y. & S. Chan



*Sarcanopsis Lavinia* 'Noelene' – Y. & S. Chan

**Meeting minutes for ANOS Sydney Group General Meeting, Friday 21 December 2018 @BHCC**

**Meeting opened:** 8.19pm by President Andrew Locke who welcomed members and visitors.

**Apologies & Visitors:** Not recorded as the sign on sheet was unavailable.

**Minutes of the previous October meeting:** The minutes were printed in the December Orchidophile.

**Secretary's and Treasurer's Report:** Not presented due to the Christmas party.

**General Business:**

The President:

1. Reminded those present that the AGM will be held in February and that several committee roles will be available including the Treasurer and President.
2. Awarded prizes for the:
  - Sarcanthinae show
  - Annual point score competition
  - Benching competition.
3. Called on David Butler to present the inaugural David Butler trophy for Champion Sarcanthinae from our Sarcanthinae show.

Meeting broke at 8.41pm for refreshments.

**Plant of the evening:** *Sarcochilus ceciliae* grown by Yin and Sau-wan Chan.

Raffle prizes were drawn.

Meeting closed: 10.09pm

**Next meeting:** Friday 18 January 2019.

**Presentation:** Part 2 of "Cymbidium canaliculatum – a 10 year love affair" by Steve Dunstan.



*Cymbidium Kuranda* – S. Dunstan

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**Late Breaking News!**

**Gerry Walsh 'The Rock Lily Man'** is now one of ANOS Sydney's sponsors! 'The Rock Lily Man' - our first call for any *Dendrobium speciosum* seedlings and divisions, as well as his newsletter for information, tips and offers on native orchids!

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**Thank you Gerry!**

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## In My Bush House

By Bill Dobson (January 2019)

So here we are in 2019 and in my bush house all things are growing with new shoots coming on all plants. I have spent some time cleaning up under the benches and removing old leaves. I have applied Blood and Bone to most potted plants and am proceeding with adding Confidor pills to all the potted plants. I have yet to start on the outdoor plants but we continue on.

I am fertilising each week as usual with Peters Excel Finisher at 1.5 grams per litre and this week added 60ml/100litres of Auxinone (Auxinone is a blend of root hormone stimulants and vitamins used to increase early root initiation in plants). **If you feed your plant more than once week divide this application by the number of times fed.**

I have encountered Dendrobium beetles and have treated plants with Carbaryl (Bugmaster) 2ml/l and EcoOil 10ml/l and applied to new growths only will treat again in 2-3 weeks and continue until the growths have hardened off.

Inside the bush house there are aphids around so watch and spray. I use Pirimor which is the best one available but only available in bulk. Get together and share.

I have treated another load of bark; I do 100 litres at a time. I'm still using Ausgrow bark after 20 years it doesn't suit everybody but when you're on a good thing stick to it. I sieve it wash it to stop the composting process, and then add the secret ingredients mainly lime, dolomite, superphosphate, and hoof and horn. Rates are here:

- 2270 gms Hoof & Horn, or Blood & Bone meal.
- 115 gms Potassium sulphate.
- 1135 gms Single super phosphate.
- 3400 gms Dolomite lime.
- 1135 gms Calcium carbonate lime

Sprinkle over the bark when wet and mix in. Anyway I have just split up a large plant that was potted on since 2010 and the bark in the centre still had hard nuggets. There are other barks available and other mixes as well. You will have to decide what suits your area and microclimate.



So just to keep an interest, some plants that are flowering now; *Dendrobium prenticei*, *Dockrillia wassellii*, *Bulbophyllum johnsonii*, *Bulbophyllum lageniforme*, *Plectorrhiza tridentata*, *Cadetia taylori*, *Sarcophilus ceciliae*, *Sarcophilus setosus*, *Liparis nugentae*, *Liparis coelogynoides*.



*Bulbophyllum johnsonii*

I walked past the *Liparis* and had to go back down to the bush house and have another look. I don't know why we don't see more of these on the benches as both are really beautiful and we grow *Bulbophyllum* which pretty much all smell like rotting meat so come- on grow some *Liparis* and put on the benches.

Well that's it from me; I hope that it's the best growing and flowering year for you.



*Sarcophilus setosus*



*Bulbophyllum lageniforme*

## Reflection on the 2018 *Sarcochilus* Season and the Future

By George Oehm

Here on the Central Coast of NSW saw a slow start of about 2-3 weeks to the season due to the colder conditions that delayed bud opening to the second week of October. The *hartmannii*s took an extra 2-3 weeks. For me though, 2018 proved to be the best season to date in 8 years of *Sarcochilus* growing.



My first sarcochilus wall – an idea copied from David Butler

My collection that numbers in excess of 800 plants is comparatively young and comprises mainly seedlings from David Butler, Lloyd Edwards/Neville Roper, Mt Beenak, Col Fitzsimmons, Baritta Orchids, suffice to say that the gene pool within the collection is excellent and has great potential.

The 2018 Season saw about 40 new seedlings flower, I'm hopeful that from the 2019 Season that I will be able to flower double that number for the next decade or so.

I find Sarcs friendly to grow once out of the 50mm pot, but, in my opinion do not give of their best until grown into a specimen plant, i.e. 120mm pot or larger and that may take 12 years plus.

My potting mix is bark (NZ), charcoal and fly ash – size of the mix is determined by the pot size. During the growing period I use a fertiliser with a NPK of 10: 10: 23 twice a week and once a month supplement it with calcium nitrate and separately an organic fertiliser such as aminogro that has seaweed added – I water heavily.

As I have a range of different growing areas, I can repot from Sept to mid-April: the summer heat does not concern me due to there being 'cool' growing areas available.

Seedlings are favoured, either flask or 50mm tubes – flask seedlings are placed into 50mm tubes then progressed upwards to a Garden City Anti-Spiral Pot of 14.3cm x 16cm or 1.6ltr.

I'm also experimenting with other larger sized anti-spiral pots for *hartmannii* up to 7.5 ltrs.

I like the anti-spiral pots because they suit my culture of heavier fertilising and watering.



Progression pot sizes and below future champions?



Good growing to all and may you have many flowers in 2019!

Some photos from the class of 2018:



*Peristerchilus* [Prschs.] Olive Grace 'Lavender Grace'





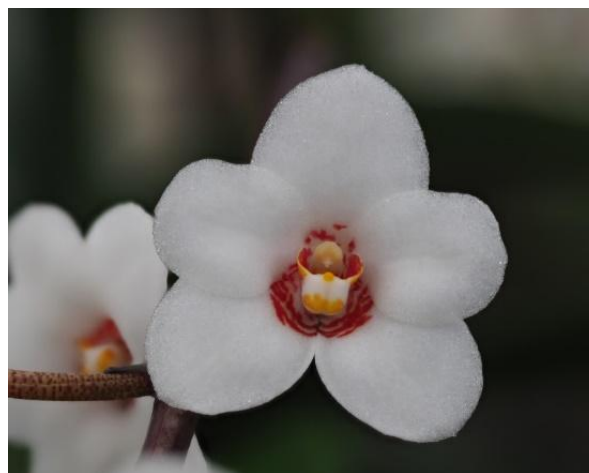
*Sarcochilus* Botanic Ridge 'Rave'



*Sarco. Duno Nicky's Twin* 'Eloise' x *NABIAC* 'Red Bull'



*Sarcochilus* Daybreak 'Spotty'



*Sarcochilus (hartmannii* 'BS' x self) 'Daisy'



*Sarcochilus* Earth's Sun

<b>Dates to Remember...</b>	
18 January 2019	<a href="#"><u>ANOS Sydney Group – Monthly Meeting 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm</u></a> Baulkham Hills Community Centre, 15 Conie Ave, Baulkham Hills <b>Guest Speaker: Steve Dunstan – 'Native Cymbidium Hybrids (Part 2)'</b>
15 February 2019	<a href="#"><u>ANOS Sydney Group – AGM &amp; Monthly Meeting 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm</u></a> Baulkham Hills Community Centre, 15 Conie Ave, Baulkham Hills <b>Guest Speaker: David Banks (Not to be missed!)</b>
24 February 2019	<a href="#"><u>Hills District Orchids Autumn Open Day</u></a> <a href="#"><u>183 Windsor Rd Northmead NSW</u></a> (Please park in Mary St. or Windermere Ave.) <b>Vendors include: Tinonee Orchid Nursery &amp; Macquarie Native Orchids</b>
15 March 2019	<a href="#"><u>ANOS Sydney Group – Monthly Meeting 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm</u></a> Baulkham Hills Community Centre, 15 Conie Ave, Baulkham Hills <b>Guest Speaker: tbc</b>
19 April 2019	<b>Good Friday</b> <b>Meeting to be confirmed</b>
17 May 2019	<a href="#"><u>ANOS Sydney Group – Monthly Meeting 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm</u></a> Baulkham Hills Community Centre, 15 Conie Ave, Baulkham Hills
21 June 2019	<a href="#"><u>ANOS Sydney Group – Monthly Meeting 8:00 pm to 10:00 pm</u></a> Baulkham Hills Community Centre, 15 Conie Ave, Baulkham Hills
28 July 2019	<a href="#"><u>Hills District Orchids Winter Open Day</u></a> <a href="#"><u>183 Windsor Rd Northmead NSW</u></a> (Please park in Mary St. or Windermere Ave.) <b>Vendors include: Tinonee Orchid Nursery &amp; Macquarie Native Orchids</b>

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