



THE AUSTRALASIAN CARNIVOROUS PLANTS SOCIETY INC.

CARNIFLORA NEWS

June 2016

UPCOMING EVENTS

10th June 2016
AUSCPS Meeting
Plant theme - Catopsis,
Brocchinia

8th July 2016
AUSCPS Meeting
A.G.M.
Plant theme - Tuberous
Drosera

12th August 2016
AUSCPS Meeting
Plant theme - Heliamphora,
Cephalotus

9th September 2016
AUSCPS Meeting
Plant theme - Roridula,
Drosophyllum

14th October 2016
AUSCPS Meeting
Plant theme - Nepenthes

11th November 2016
AUSCPS Meeting
Plant theme - Sarracenia,
Darlingtonia

9th December 2016
AUSCPS Meeting

13th January 2017
AUSCPS Meeting

10th February 2017
AUSCPS Meeting

Welcome to *Carniflora News*, a newsletter produced by the Australasian Carnivorous Plants Society Inc. that documents the meetings, news and events of the society.

The current Executive for the ACPS comprises:

President & Public Officer - Wesley Fairhall

Vice President – Robert Gibson

Treasurer, Secretary – Kirk 'Fuzzy' Hirsch

Publicity Officer – Kirk 'Fuzzy' Hirsch

Committee Member 1 – Marina Chong

Committee Member 2 – David Colbourn

Committee Member 3 – Glen Moss

Committee Member 4 – Position vacant



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NEWS

JOURNAL UPDATE

The March 2016 edition of *Carniflora Australis* is out now. Members will be authorised to access electronic editions of the journal via an emailed password and link to our Blog site. If you have not received the password, and you are a financial member for 2016, please email the Secretary.

The September 2016 edition is currently under construction. Submission of articles and photographs for inclusion in *Carniflora Australis* is welcome. Articles on your collection, growing set-up, cultivation guides, discoveries of plants in nature, CP exploration trips and photographs of trips make great reading. Please send text and photographs as separate files to auscps@gmail.com.

MEMBERSHIP

The Australasian Carnivorous Plants Society Inc. is now offering two forms of membership to cater for those who want to receive electronic versions of *Carniflora Australis* (\$25) and those who still prefer the printed version (\$35). The difference in cost is to cater for the increase in postage and printing fees of the journal.

Over the past year the Society Executive has been busy reviewing, updating and implementing existing services to reach a broader range of enthusiasts and provide value for money for your membership fee.

New memberships and renewals may be obtained by attending our monthly meetings or by completing the membership form attached to this newsletter.

Without a strong and committed membership the Australasian Carnivorous Plant Society Inc. will cease to exist, so if you love carnivorous plants, love to read *Carniflora Australis* and love to meet other growers and collectors, then NOW is the time to join.

PHOTOS

If you have any C.P. related photos that are suitable for publication in this newsletter, please email them to davecolbourn@gmail.com

VIDEO OF THE MONTH

Thilo Krueger has published a series of YouTube videos documenting his recent trip to Australia in search of Carnivorous Plants. This video features Carnivorous Plants of Litchfield National Park in the Northern Territory.

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EBAY WARNING

For a few months now Chinese sellers have been selling Carnivorous Plant seed on eBay for low prices. Most often *Dionaea* and *Drosera* seed is listed for \$1.00 from sellers in China and Hong Kong. These sellers are fraudulent in their activities with purchased seed being anything but the seed selected. Two sample ads are depicted below to give you an idea on what the ads look like. The following link has more information about this scam:

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10pcs Venus Fly Trap Flower Seeds *Dionaea Muscipula* Giant Clip Garden Plant

AU \$1.01

Buy It Now

Free postage

01-Mar 18:03

From China



100pcs/bag Wholesale Venus Fly Trap Carnivorous Plant Seeds *Dionaea Muscipula*

AU \$1.00

Buy It Now

Free postage

27-Feb 18:32

From China

 eBay Premium Service



100 sundew seeds Blue enchantress Carnivorous plant table Pot *Drosera peltata*

AU \$13.25

Buy It Now

Free postage

16 sold

13-Mar 23:38

From China

The Australasian Carnivorous Plant Society is currently selling seed on eBay Australia. Our seed comes from our members and friends and is guaranteed to be authentic and legitimately collected.

THE KOI PET AND GARDEN SHOW

The AUSCPS hosted a stall at the Koi Pet and Garden Show on Sunday the 15th May 2016 at the Fairfield Showground. The society has participated at this show for a number of years, with significant interest and plant sales. The stall promoted the society and allow members to sell Carnivorous Plants. \$635 worth of plants were sold, generating over \$100 for the society. Thank you to those who sold plants and assisted in the set-up, presentation and promotion of carnivorous plants and the society.



COMMITTEE MEMBER POSITION VACANT

The society currently has a vacancy on the committee. If you are interested in assisting the society promote the protection and cultivation of Carnivorous Plants, organising market stalls etc., please contact Wesley Fairhall or Dr. Robert Gibson at auscps@gmail.com.

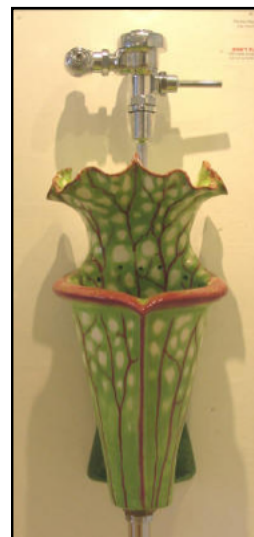
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AUSCPS A.G.M. will now be held on Friday the 8th of July. This meeting will be a great chance to hear about the transformation of the society over the past 16 months and share in the future direction and plan for the future.

SOMETHING DIFFERENT

Need to update your bathroom? Consider a new urinal from Clark Sorensen. For a lazy \$14,500 you can buy a Venus Fly Trap urinal. This piece of functioning art is the latest addition to Sorensen's line up of whimsical urinals. This carnivorous plant comes with a full set of spikes. They look dangerous but are made of friendly silicone rubber. Pedestal is included. I'm not sure about you, but I think I might get a case of stage fright when using this urinal.

Clark Sorensen also have a Pitcher Plant edition for \$8,900. One of the most exotic and mysterious plants, the pitcher plant features stunning greens and reds in nature. This urinal sculpture is designed to capture what it needs to (as it does in nature).



PHOTOS



Above & Left - *Nepenthes X Nakacho* (*N. alata x khasiana*) grown by Ross Rowe



Below Right - *Pinguicula gigantea* 'alba' growing epiphytically on the side of the 'mother' pot. This plant has presumably grown from a natural leaf cutting.



MEETING SUMMARY

The May meeting was well attended with 15 members and visitors in attendance, including the attendance by two of the Society's founding members. David Colbourn presented a talk on the cultivation of pygmy *Drosera*.

Discussion was held on the financial results of the Collectors' Plant Fair and the Koi Society of Australia Koi Pet and Garden Show. The society held a stall at both of these fairs to promote Carnivorous Plants and the society.

The Society's postal box will remain at Kingsway West for the time being with an aim of locating it near our meeting place of Burwood. Keep a look out for this new address in the coming months.

Our next meeting will be held on Friday the 10th of June 2016 in the Ralston Room at the Burwood Community Hub. The plant theme for this month is *Catopsis* and *Brocchinia*. Bring along your plants for show and your excess plants for sale. Other genera are welcome.

Plants sales are reserved for financial members only with 10% of sales from meetings returned to the society. Sales from other events may have a higher percentage. This "levy" helps finance the meeting rooms and stalls held by the society.

Monthly Meeting Venue

Renovations of the Woodstock Community Centre continue. Meetings will be held at the RALSTON ROOM, Burwood Library and Community Hub, 2 Condor Street, Burwood (3 blocks West of Burwood Station: on the corner of Railway Parade and Condor Street). This room is immediately above the library and is accessed from stairs and a lift located by the southern door to the library. The library closes at 7.30 p.m. After this time you will need to phone through so that someone in the meeting will come down and let you in via the door that faces Hornsey Street. If you are running late and can't get access to the Community Hub, you can contact Kirk for entry on 0421271888

Below - *Sarracenia purpurea* ssp *purpurea* f. *heterophylla*. A spectacular specimen grown by one of our members.



IN THE GREENHOUSE

Aldrovanda

Plants will now be entering dormancy if grown outside. *Aldrovanda* survive the Winter chills by producing a turion, which either floats on the water surface or sinks to the bottom of the pond. Keep an eye on them so they don't get washed away or eaten by birds and animals.

Brocchinia* / *Catopsis

Maintain high light levels and humidity. Pups will be produced and may be divided when mature enough.

Byblis

Byblis gigantea and *lamellata* will be in active growth. Keep the soil moist to wet. The northern species of *Byblis* should be nearing dormancy if grown outside. Harvest and store the seed.

Cephalotus

Keep the soil moist and cool. Winter leaves should be produced now. Plants also colour up nicely with the cold nights.

Darlingtonia

Darlingtonia is now dormant. Keep moist and cold as long as possible to ensure a full dormancy is achieved.

Dionaea

All VFTs will slow their growth and begin to enter dormancy. Sow seed onto your preferred medium. Seed will germinate in Spring.

Drosera

Tuberous *Drosera* are now in active growth. Keep the pots moist.

Pygmy *Drosera* will begin to transform from gemmae production to leaf production. Keep plants moist to wet in full sun.

Other Winter growing species such as *D. ramentacea*, *cistiflora* and *pauciflora* will be in full growth. Keep the pots moist to wet.

Tropical and sub-tropical species need to be kept warm to keep them alive. Species such as *D. burmannii* will begin to die. Harvest the seed and sow in Spring.

Petiolearis-complex species may need artificial heating to keep them alive. Keep the pots dry if you want them to enter dormancy.

Temperate *Drosera* such as *D. filiformis*, *D. intermedia* and *D. rotundifolia* are now dormant. Keep cold and moist.

Drosophyllum

Drosophyllum will be in active growth. As temperatures begin to cool, watering may be reduced. Stratify and soak seed now. Germination may be from 2-8 weeks.

Genlisea

Genlisea should be in flower and active growth. Keep the water levels high with these species. Leaf and trap production will improve when the water level is at soil level. Artificial heating may be required. Avoid exposure to frosts and ideally keep plants above 10°C.

Heliamphora

Keep plants in a bright but cool location. Mist regularly to help keep the pots cool. Light levels may be increased with the cooler nights.

Nepenthes

June is a good time for highland *Nepenthes*, with cooler days and nights. Lowland species may need extra heating. Aim to keep the lowland plants above 15°C. Spotting of the leaves is a sign of temperatures being too low.

Pinguicula

Mexican species/hybrids are entering dormancy. Most species produce smaller fleshier leaves (heterophyllous). Some species such as *P. gigantea* will produce smaller typical leaves (homophyllous). Keep humidity high but the soil drier.

Warm-temperate species such as *P. primuliflora* and *lusitanica* will have mature seed. Collect and sow on moist peat or dead sphagnum. Keep the water up to *P. primuliflora* and take leaf cuttings.

Roridula

Roridula growth rates should increase with the cooler nights. Seed may be harvested now. Sow onto moist peat/sand. Germination may take 3-8 weeks. Keep the soil moist and ensure good air circulation.

Sarracenia

All *Sarracenia* species/hybrids will stop producing leaves/phyllodes and enter dormancy. Keep the existing pitchers/leaves in the plants until late Winter. Harvest seed and sow onto your preferred mix. Germination will occur in Spring.

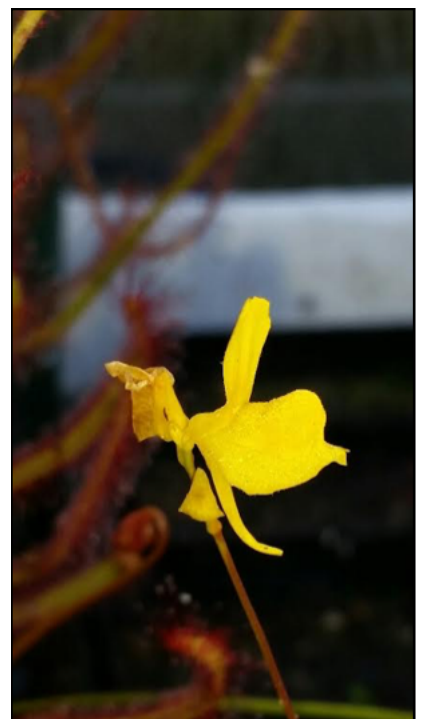
Utricularia

Most terrestrial *Utricularia* will be in active growth and flower. Keep moist to wet.

Aquatic *Utricularia* will slow in growth and may be dormant. Keep an eye out for *U. australis* turions floating on the water's surface.

Winter growing species, such as *U. multifida* and *U. menziesii* will be in active growth.

Tropical *Utricularia* will be in active growth. Maintain high humidity and air movement. Keep soils moist.



Right - *Utricularia juncea* grown by Ross Rowe in Canberra.

MERCHANDISE

SEED BANK

There currently is a good range of seed available in the seed bank. New arrivals are *D. dielsiana*, *collinsiae*, *venusta*, *nidiformis*, *capensis*, *binata* v. *multifida*, *X Tokaiensis*, *burmannii* and *filiformis*. Thank you to Renee Smith for your kind donations.

Seed packets are \$1 for members. Excess seed is now being sold on ebay. Donations of seed are welcome. Please supply location data if available. Your Seed Bank Officer is David Colbourn. Email: davecolbourn@gmail.com.

The seed bank list is contained at the end of this newsletter.

T-SHIRTS

The Australasian Carnivorous Plant Society is now offering T-shirts printed with our logo on the front. These T-Shirts are a great way to promote and support the society at functions and shows.



These high quality T-Shirts are being offered for \$35 each. T-Shirts come in white and black, and are available in sizes Small to XXL.

To order the T-Shirts, contact David at davecolbourn@gmail.com with your size request and payment receipt. Payment can be made to the society by:

Cash, at meetings;

Direct deposit, into the society's bank account

Acc. Name: Australasian Carnivorous Plant Society Inc.,

Acc. BSB: 112879,

Acc. Number: 195074412,

Ref: Use your name, email address and 'T-Shirt'; or via

Paypal (Follow the payment instructions in the attached membership form).

An email will be sent to you when the T-Shirt is ready. Collection of the T-Shirts is at our monthly meetings or they can be posted at an additional cost. Please select the correct size of the T-Shirt as refunds are not possible.

PEAT MOSS

The society has sourced a supplier of quality Sphagnum Peat Moss and is now supplying packaged peat to members and visitors at the society's meetings and events. The packs contain 6.2L (2.3kg) of high quality Lithuanian Sphagnum peat for \$10 per box.



CONTACT CARDS

The society now produces a business sized card with all of our contact details. The cards are free and available for collection from our meetings. Members and visitors are welcome to take a hand-full of cards to distribute to other Carnivorous Plant enthusiasts.

CLASSIFIEDS

The society has one black XXL T-shirt, pictured above, for sale at \$35. Contact David at auscps@gmail.com to purchase this shirt.

Advertising in this newsletter is permitted. Place all classified enquiries with the society's email address auscps@gmail.com.

SPONSORS

Sponsorship of *Carniflora Australis* and *Carniflora News* is welcome. \$40 will get you a business card sized ad included in two *Carniflora Australis* journals; and 12 x *Carniflora News* issues. Contact Dr. Gibson at auscps@gmail.com for further details.

A logo for 'TECH 2U Internet Services'. The text 'TECH 2U' is in a large, bold, blue sans-serif font. Below it, 'Internet Services' is in a smaller, blue sans-serif font. The entire logo is set against a white background with a subtle drop shadow.

TECH 2U can be contacted via any of the following means:

Address:

Suite 19, 924 Pacific Highway
Gordon NSW 2072

Postal Address:

Suite 19, 924 Pacific Highway
Gordon NSW 2072

Tel: 1300 36 36 41 or 9499 7602

Fax: +61 2 9499 7603

Technical Contact:

support@tech2u.com.au

A logo for 'LITTLE POT OF HORRORS'. It features a cartoon illustration of a green, plant-like creature with a large, open mouth showing sharp teeth and a single eye. The creature is sitting in a small brown pot. Below the illustration, the words 'LITTLE POT' are in a green, blocky font, and 'HORRORS' is in a large, red, blocky font with red liquid dripping down from the letters. Below the main text, the email address 'littlepotofhorrors@gmail.com' is written in red. At the bottom, in green text, it says 'SUPPLIERS OF HUNGRY LITTLE CARNIVOROUS PLANTS. EMAIL FOR OUR CURRENT MAIL ORDER CATALOG, CULTIVATION GUIDES OR POINT OF SALE ENQUIRIES.'

MEMBERSHIP FORM

The Australasian Carnivorous Plant Society INC. is a non-profit organisation formed in December 2002 to promote the cultivation, conservation and knowledge about carnivorous plants. The Society formed from the New South Wales Carnivorous Plant Society Inc. which was established in 1986 and produced the journal *Flytrap News*.

Yearly membership entitles you to attend monthly meetings, access to our seed bank, ability to sell plants at official stalls at which the society participates, monthly E-newsletters, and two editions of ***Carniflora Australis***, our high quality 1/2 yearly journal. Membership is \$35 per year, however if you wish to receive electronic versions of the journal, membership is only \$25 per year (valid e-mail address is required). Payment options are contained below.

MONEY ORDER OR CHEQUE

Please send your money order or cheque, made out to AUSTRALASIAN CARNIVOROUS PLANT SOCIETY INC., along with the completed form below to:

Membership Secretary
Australasian Carnivorous Plant Society Inc.
PO Box 4009,
Kingsway West,
NSW 2208 AUSTRALIA

DIRECT DEPOSIT

Banking details are below. Please add your email address and name as payment reference. Alternatively, email the Membership Secretary at auscps@gmail.com to advise of your payment and attach the completed form below.

Acc. Name: Australasian Carnivorous Plant Society Inc.
Acc. BSB: 112879
Acc. Number: 195074412
Ref: Use your name and email address

PAYPAL

Use the "Send Money" tab to make your payment. Use the current Paypal email address "auscps@gmail.com". Set your fee (depending upon membership option). Add your name, mailing address, email address and phone number in the notes tab. You will receive an automatic receipt from Paypal.

AUSTRALASIAN CARNIVOROUS PLANT SOCIETY INC. MEMBERSHIP FORM



Membership Type (please circle):	New	Renewal			
Journal Type (please circle):	Printed - \$35/yr	Electronic - \$25/yr			
Membership Period (please circle):	2016	2016-17	2016-18	2016-19	2016-20

Name:

Postal Address:

Suburb: State:

Postcode: County:

Email Address:

AUSTRALASIAN CARNIVOROUS PLANT SOCIETY

SEED BANK						
GENUS	SPECIES	Sub-Species	Variety / Form	QUANTIT Y	LOCATION DATA	Harvest Date
<i>Drosera</i>	auriculata			6	various	September 2012
<i>Drosera</i>	binata		T Form	1	Mt Compass, S.A.	December 2013
<i>Drosera</i>	binata			1	Ahipam, Nth Is. N.Z.	
<i>Drosera</i>	binata			1	Ruapehu, NZ	
<i>Drosera</i>	binata		dichotoma	1		January 2014
<i>Drosera</i>	binata		multifida	1		January 2016
<i>Drosera</i>	capensis		broad-leaf	1		February 2016
<i>Drosera</i>	coccicaulis		alba	2		
<i>Drosera</i>	collinsiae			1	Usutlu	January 2016
<i>Drosera</i>	collinsiae			2		March 2016
<i>Drosera</i>	dielsiana			2		March 2016
<i>Drosera</i>	hookeri			5	various	October 2012
<i>Drosera</i>	indumenta		"swamp Form"	3	previously <i>D. macrantha</i>	October 2014
<i>Drosera</i>	intermedia		tropical form	6		
<i>Drosera</i>	macrantha		Swamp Form	5		
<i>Drosera</i>	macrantha	macrantha		5	Various	
<i>Drosera</i>	natalensis			2		August 2014
<i>Drosera</i>	nidiformis			1		March 2016
<i>Drosera</i>	peltata			1	various	October 2012
<i>Drosera</i>	spatulata			2	Ahipara, Nth. Is. N.Z.	
<i>Drosera</i>	spatulata		var. <i>lovellae</i>	1		
<i>Drosera</i>	venusta			1		February 2016
<i>Drosera</i>	X tokaiensis			2		March 2016
<i>Drosera</i>	sp.			1	Auyan Tepui	
<i>Drosera</i>	sp.			1	Pretty Rosette, South Africa	Novemeber 2015
<i>Sarracenia</i>	leucophylla		Red -	2	open pollinated	April 2013
<i>Sarracenia</i>	purpurea	venosa		1	Hampstead N.C.	
<i>Stylidium</i>	eriorhizum			3	Mount Fox, Nth QLD	
<i>Utricularia</i>	laterifolia			2	Newcastle	December 2015