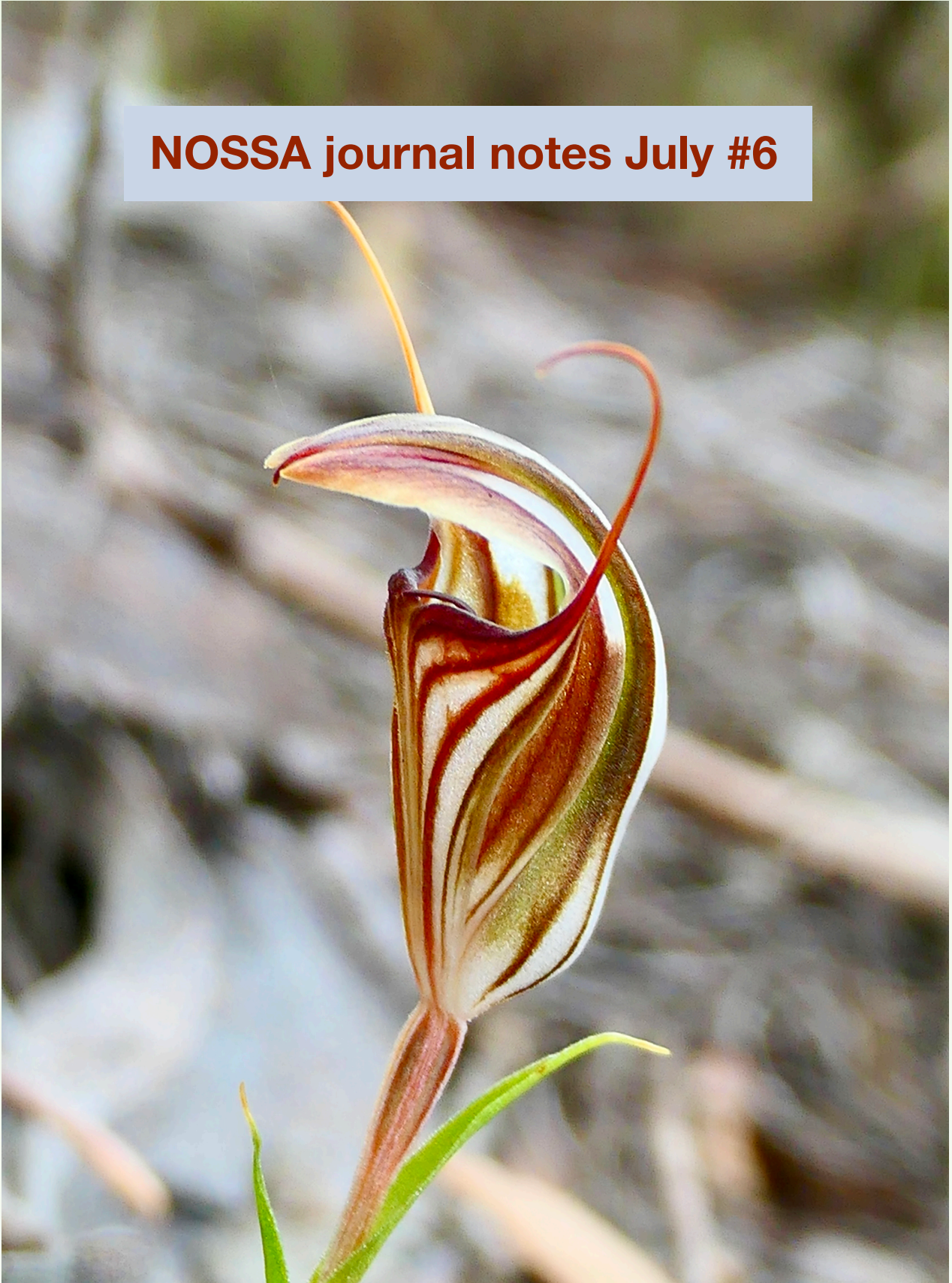


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Cindy Anderson's photo of
Diplodinium dolichocheilum.
There was quite a variation
in colour in groups and
locations.

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NOSSA Field trip Report for Monarto 27 June 2026 by Kathryn Brown.

On a misty, moist morning, when cloudy was the weather forecast... a hardy band of fourteen orchid hunters gathered at Monarto Conservation Park. The target species for the day was *Diplodium dolichochilum*, the Mallee Shell Orchid, affectionately nicknamed 'dollies'. Field trip leader Cindy welcomed the group, thanked Greg for helping scout the area beforehand, and advised that a post-lunch visit to Ferries McDonald was unnecessary, as all the species found there were expected to be seen at Monarto.

Before long, we found orchids in flower. Although some species on our search list were present only as leaves, we were delighted by the number of *Diplodium dolichochilum* and *Urochilus sanguineus* flowering along the track. *Diplodium dolichochilum* were everywhere: we would find a small cluster, turn around, and spot several more. One group of *Diplodium dolichochilum* had noticeably redder veins than the others and several 'doubles' were also found.

Both *Cyrtostylis robusta* and *Diplodium linguella* were found in leaf and flower, while *Corunastylis* sp. seed pods were seen throughout the park.

Acianthus pusillus also appeared in multiple clusters, with leaves, flowers and buds on display.

It was pointed out that some of the *Acianthus pusillus* leaves showed the typical red colouring underneath and in other parts of the park the underneath of the leaves were predominantly green with red veins.

We often found ourselves clustered too, photographing the orchids.

Many thanks to Cindy for organising such an enjoyable trip, despite the very chilly weather.

Cindy Anderson note:

The very small *Linguella* sp. with tiny rosettes was probably *Linguella* sp. dwarf mallee.

The other *Linguella* sp. seen was probably *Linguella tenuis*

SPECIES LIST FOR SATURDAY 27 JUNE 2026 FIELD TRIP AT MONARTO CP

Botanical Name	Common Name	Growth Stage
<i>Acianthus pusillus</i>	Small Mosquito	leaves, buds, flowers
<i>Bunochilus prasinus</i>	Limestone Greenhood	non-flowering rosettes, buds, flowers
<i>Caladenia</i> sp.	Spider Orchid	leaves
<i>Corunastylis</i> sp.	Midge	seed pods
<i>Cyrtostylis reniformis</i>	Small Gnat Orchid	leaves
<i>Cyrtostylis robusta</i>	Large Gnat Orchid	leaves, flowers
<i>Diplodium dolichochilum</i>	Mallee Shell Orchid	non-flowering rosettes, flowers – doubles too!
<i>Diplodium linguella</i> sp.	Snail and Dwarf	leaves, flowers
<i>Eriochilus collinus</i>	White Hills Bunny	leaf
<i>Glossodia major</i>	Purple Cockatoo	leaves

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<i>Hymenochilus</i> sp.	Swan or Slender	leaves
<i>Pyrorchis nigricans</i>	Fire Orchid	leaves
<i>Urochilus sanguineus</i>	Maroon Banded Greenhood	non-flowering rosettes, flowers



Left: Cindy Anderson's photo of a double *Diplodium dolichocheilum*.



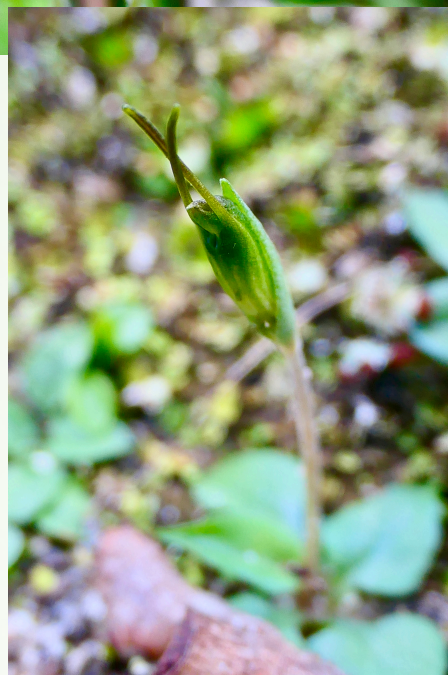
Above left: Cindy Anderson's photo of a double *Diplodium dolichocheilum*.



Above right: Cindy Anderson's photo of *Diplodium dolichocheilum*.

Right: Cindy Anderson's photo of *Diplodium linguella* sp. bud

Left: Cindy Anderson's photo of *Diplodium dolichocheilum*.





Above right: Cindy Anderson's photo of some of the group just before lunch.

Left: Cindy Anderson's photo of *Bunochilus prasinus* seen after lunch*



Above right: Cindy Anderson's photo of *Hymenochilus* sp. leaf.

Left: Cindy Anderson's photo of *Diplodium dolichochoilum*.

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Left: Cindy Anderson's photo of *Diplodinium dolichochoilum*.



Left: Cindy Anderson's photo. This *Acianthus pusillus* had the normal red colouring on the underside of the leaf.



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Above left: Katherine Tyrrell's photo of *Diplodinium dolichochoilum*.



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Katherine Tyrrell's photo of *Pterostylis sanguinea**.

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Left: Cindy Anderson's photo of *Corunastylis* sp.



Left: Cindy Anderson's photo of *Diplodium dolichochoilum*.



Far right: Cindy Anderson's photo of a very short *Urochilus sanguineus*.

Below: Katherine Tyrrell's photo of *Pterostylis sanguinea*.



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Left: Cindy Anderson's photo of the underside of the *Acianthus pusillus* leaf at a different location which was green with purple veins.

Right: Katherine Tyrrell's photo of *Diplodium* sp., Mallee.



Left: Cindy Anderson's photo of a nice group of *Urochilus sanguineus*.

Conservation Newsletter by Ky Wadmore.

Friday 18th September: Field trip to Jenkins Scrub for the Collect & Classify diploma course. We have also been invited to set up a gazebo at TAFE's Campus Alive event on the 27th of August which we will need to confirm if we can be available with the current schedule of TAFE events. We could use volunteers for this event if possible. So if you're interested in chatting with students for the day at TAFE, Urrbrae, let me know.

NOSSA Conservation Survey 2026 – Have you completed the survey emailed out? It will help with a lot of planning and coordination of future events, so if you have 5 minutes to complete the survey, please use this link: <https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdo7ELZcbC-B4CIK8jZhbQdN1uLrslDxdnYsJ1cAr2Kg8ixSQ/viewform?usp=dialog>

Conservation Event Dates:

August 01/02, 2026: Sevenhill

A weekend involving bushcare works and surveying of the **endangered** *Caladenia argocalla* (white beauty spider orchid). This event is currently open for members to come along, dates are proposed and a confirmation email will come out in the next few days.

Member Spotlight:

I would love to know more about you, yes you reading this! For our next newsletter I would love to put you on focus, learn about your interests in conservation, why and when you joined NOSSA and some of your interests outside of orchids perhaps!

If you want to help connect with this community, please reach out and we can have a little chat and feature you in the next newsletter... I would love some volunteers for this.

LNOFF Report July 2026 by Lindy McCallum



Lindy McCallum's photo of along The Trunkway, Torrens Island.

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I do like the slower pace when I drive from the gate on Torrens Island and our NOSSA site. The speed limit varies between 10km – 40km/hr and there is always something to look at as I drive through. On Wednesday 15th July we encountered fog along The Trunkway, thick enough to make it hard to see the white road lines. The fog thinned just as we started to cross the bridge but was still hanging around as we made our way along the Island at 7am. The glow of light in the distance is from a light at Origin.

As we were unpacking our cars we noticed the spider's web (Left) in the corner of the shade frame. The fog is still evident but the little drops on the spider's web showed how much moisture was in the air in a beautiful way.



Significant progress has been made in that we now have a Building Certifier who is going through the building side of the Development Application – this means we are off the pause phase. Julie has a contact who is doing a required CAD drawing of the building – something we will use in other DA and grant applications.

We have finished painting the corridor ceiling and the walls have been started. The kitchen ceiling is the next in line. The office space has had the mats put into place and we

are costing putting down carpet tiles over plastic versus lino which will be replaced in the kitchen.

We plan to furnish the office and then pack what we can in the same furniture so that we can clear the common room so that it is ready to scrape the ceiling and then the walls. We have a basic kitchen donated to us by Matt, via Steve, which will be used to furnish the Prep Room and be ably installed by Rod and Matt. The small laminar flow is in its room – just need muscles to move it into its final position and electrical power! On power; would anyone know of an under-utilised generator that NOSSA could use until we have power connected, or until it needs to be returned. 😊 For how long will NOSSA needs it is hard to determine, but with a generator we could put orchid seed onto agar to germinate. NOSSA TI is happy to discuss terms. If you could assist us with a generator, please contact nossa.seeds@gmail.com. We are keen to get some orchid seed growing. Thank you for your generator considerations 😊 Lindy.

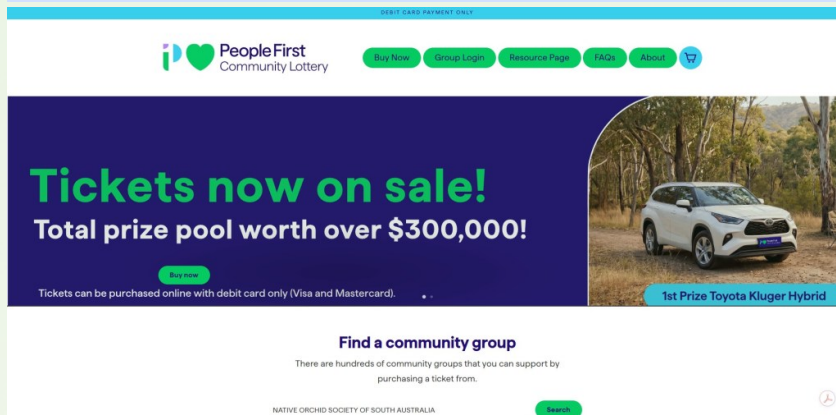
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GREEN ADELAIDE had a webinar available for NOSSA members to join last Thursday, 30th July and titled 'Planning for biodiversity to cool cities and strengthen food systems'. The recording is on YouTube at:

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=obolbRE8juk&list=PLInk2nMrLuvnUB2uQbHJSAcGD8ieNod0Z&index=1)

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The People First Community Lottery to raise funds for NOSSA:



Visit nossa.org.au and scroll to **People First Community Lottery** - type in NATIVE ORCHID SOCIETY and select the number of tickets your wish to purchase. All funds go to NOSSA (or your nominated group). The main lottery closes 8th October 2026.

There are heaps of good prizes starting with cars, cruises, with the last prize having a value of \$600. https://www.communitylottery.com.au/products/native-orchid-society-of-sa?_pos=1&_sid=c0f702444&_ss=r

DONATE to NOSSA:

NOSSA is now able to receive donations via the website. There is a 'Donate Button' which directs people to the donation page - <https://nossa.org.au/how-to-donate/>

Choose a recurring or one-time donation and nominate an amount. The new Les Nesbit Orchid Propagation Facility on Torrens Island has many costs associated with setting it up. It is also costly in man-hours. NOSSA relies heavily on grants which aren't assured. Donations will be gratefully received.

Membership payments:

It is now possible for members to have recurring debits for their membership. Go to the Membership Renewal page, scroll down to the Recurring Direct Debit and select the appropriate button and follow instructions. Transactions are solely between the banks. NOSSA will not receive any personal data. See page 11.

Future Meetings and Activities:

Meeting / Activity:	Date
Field Trip	Saturday 1st August 2026
LNOPF Open/Working Day at Torrens Island	Saturday 1st
COOTS/APS Gathering at The Shed	Sunday 2nd
LNOPF TI	Wednesday 5th

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RECURRING DIRECT DEBIT ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP PAYMENTS

To set up recurring membership payments, select the type of membership and follow the instructions. Payments will be deducted annually.

New members, please ensure that you have filled out the Membership Application form (above) before starting payments.

SINGLE MEMBERSHIP

FAMILY MEMBERSHIP

LNOPF TI	Wednesday 8th
Committee Meeting	Tuesday 11th
LNOPF TI	Wednesday 12th
Admin Focus Meeting	Friday 14th 10:00am
LNOPF TI	Wednesday 19th
LNOPF TI	Saturday 22nd
General Meeting 7.30pm	Tuesday 25th

If you have dates/events that you would like to circulate to the NOSSA membership you are welcome to let us know at nossa.seeds@gmail.com.

*** The NOSSA 2026 Show is on Saturday 12th September. ***

Please consider putting some **orchids in the display** and the **popular vote category**, or **sell excess healthy orchids**, or **HELP** for an hour or two either Friday afternoon to set up or any time over the Saturday including cleanup.

More information will be arriving in your inbox soon. We would love to have your involvement at the NOSSA show.

Invitation to Join Orchid Species Society of Victoria (OSSV) Zoom Meeting

GENUS NAME CHANGES? (Check the 'latest REFRESH')

OSSV (Victoria) has secured **Dr. André Schuiteman** to give a **Zoom talk** to address this topic. The title of his talk is: **"Are they mad? Why do taxonomists keep changing genus names and will it never stop?"**

This talk will be of interest to all orchid growers who want to know why this change has been suggested and it will address all the concerns, objections and misunderstanding which persist today.

The Zoom meeting is scheduled for Monday 10th August at 8.30 pm Eastern Standard Time (East Coast of Australia)

To join the Zoom meeting, you will need to register with me so that I can send you the Zoom link prior to the meeting. Please send me: your name, email address and orchid society to which you belong to:-

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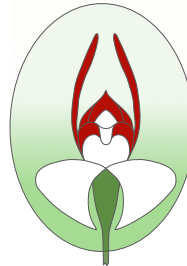
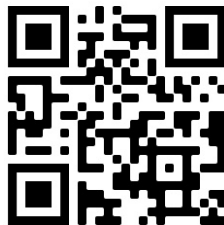
SPRING SHOW

SATURDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 2026
10:00am - 4:00pm

Marion-Warradale Uniting Church Hall,
Township Rd. Marion.

ENTRY: \$2:00
All donations accepted

Native Orchids for display & sale
DVDs, Books
Advice on identification, growing
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