

2109 Spring Meetings

May 27th – General Meeting will feature Sasha Kubicek, speaking on Orchid Conservation.

The Conservation of Orchids, Worldwide and local – What you can do.

Sasha has spent most of his life following orchids around the world. He has seen conservation activities in many countries and is passionate about preserving orchids in their natural habitats. He is currently studying to be an orchid judge and has a wide knowledge of many species.

Sasha will be bringing this knowledge to our doorsteps. There are many resident orchids in Victoria and around the mainland, such as the *Calypso bulbosa* shown in the photograph to the right taken by Leslie Lord on Pender Island last spring.

How to find them and how to preserve them safely in their natural habitat, will be the focus of the Sasha's presentation.

In the pre-meeting workshop, Joe Chow, will discuss fertilizing orchids. There are many myths about how orchids should be fertilized, such as “water weakly, weekly” and Joe will help to clarify exactly what this means and how it can be applied, or not, to various orchid species.

