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NEXT MEETING

Tuesday May 6th

Lion's Whitehouse

Guest Speaker will be Russel Hutton. Hopefully Russel will be bringing along plants for sale.

The trading table, library and plants on display will all be operating.

Please bring a small plate for super which will be held during the evening.

Volunteers will be needed to help vacuum the hall after the meeting.



Grand Champion of our Ribbon Show
Dendrochilum magnum exhibited by A Gillan.
Congratulations!

MESSAGE OF THE MONTH

Anzac day will have passed by the time you receive your newsletter.

As our thoughts have been on our forebears who fought for freedom for us all we also remember Anzac Day as a reminder to slow down, or in some cases, stop watering some of our orchid species. It is also the time to remove the extra shade cloth that has been on the green house or glass house over the summer months. What a summer! Wasn't it great weather – wise! It did mean a lot more watering for us in Auckland and the fans were busy keeping the plants cool, and even though my plants are 'thriving on neglect' at the moment, they have been very forgiving and look very happy - goes to show that orchids are tough critters!

I promise to be a better mother to them when I get settled in my new house!

Now that the weather is cooling we must be aware that frosts are the next hurdle to get over. Keep the floor of the orchid house free of debris as you will not be wanting chewy bugs living down there! ED



Happy April Birthday to.... Pam Hughes, Margaret Shaw. Irene Levet and Jim Gilchrist.



Raffle results...

Winners were...

Beryl Calder, Pam Hughes and Irene Levet.

Thanks to Rai and Lottie Hogan, Sunrae Orchids and the Club for raffle donations. The Raffle made \$64.00.

JAM JARS!

Has anybody got any spare jam jars as the Treasurer has been busy making jams and pickles and is scratching around for jars. Please give Lee a call at 4166 737 if you can help,

Don't forget that subscriptions are now due. Please post your payment to Jim Shaw - otherwise pay him on club night.

FROM THE APRIL MEETING

President Roy welcomed 39 members and friends to our meeting. Yvonne Etherington was visiting our club for the first time tonight, hope you enjoyed the auction Yvonne!

Apologies: Bernadette Edmiston, Jean Treadwell, Betty Ashby, Assid and Miriam Corban.

Sick: We have heard that Lucille Rowe, Honey Denyer, Dudley Eyes and Sheila Peet have all been unwell. We send them our warmest wishes for a speedy recovery.

Notices: We were asked to do some serious thinking on the name change for our club.

Roy asked for a show of hands as to how many members think they would be attending our birthday dinner to be held on the weekend of our Spring Show.

Members were asked if they were interested in another bus trip sometime during the year. We were disappointed that we did not have enough support for a trip to Te Puke this month.

AUCTION NIGHT

Auction night at our club is always a lot of fun. Roy and Ken did a great job as auctioneers and managed to sell almost every plant that was offered for sale.



The plants were of a high quality and everyone bidding went home with some very nice plants to add to their collections. Thank you all members who brought along plants to sell. A big thank you to those who donated plants to the club for auction. We are pleased to be able to tell you that the club is now \$135.00 better off financially, this is including \$62 from books donated by Honey. Well done AOC!



Lee and I were inundated with people offering us money at the end of the night, and somehow we managed to sort out the chaos then vowed to try and work out a better system for next year. We will eventually get it right! But hey-it was loads of fun!



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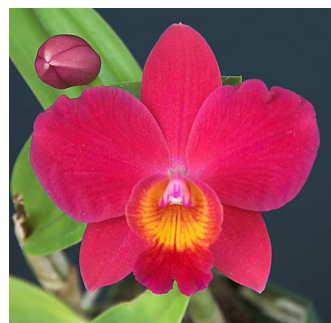
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Please let me know if you have changed your address.



Slc Mahalo Jack was awarded an HCC at our Ribbon Show. This orchid is proudly owned by Grahame Leafberg.

William and Man Lo won best Phally with Phal Leopard King at the Ribbon Show



