

WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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The popular plant for April, (right) was Neost Lou Sneary, grown by Grahame Leafberg.

Well grown and very spectacular!



C Slim Warner won the popular plant vote at our March meeting. Beryl Calder is the lucky owner of this stunning orchid.

MESSAGE OF THE MONTH

ANZAC DAY..... has now passed. Are your plants now situated where they will be able to tolerate the colder nights and days ahead? If not, better get them to a warmer spot.

Be careful with watering, check that your plant foliage is dry well before nightfall. Overly watered pots during winter can end in disaster.



SUBS ARE NOW DUE.

You will have received your form for renewal of subs either by email or post. Please pay on club night or post to Jim Shaw

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday May 3rd 2011, 7.30pm
Lions Whitehouse

May program:

Our guest speaker will be Lorna Sinton from the Bay of Islands Society. Lorna is an enthusiastic club member and hobby grower as well as an accredited OCNZ Orchid judge.

She will be talking on the 'Angraecoids', including Angraecum, Jumella, Aerangis, Aeranthes, and Rangaeris. This will be an interesting and informative talk for us on a group of orchids which we don't often get to hear about - yet many of us own a plant or two.

Plants on display, trading table and library will be operating this month.

Please bring a small plate for supper which will be served during the evening.

Help will be needed to vacuum the floor after the meeting.

FROM THE APRIL MEETING

President Dennis welcomed 37 members and 1 visitor to our meeting.

Apologies: Bernadette Edmiston, Pam and Bruce Hughes and Beryl Calder.

Notices: Gary has pot hangers for 50 cents. See him during the meeting if you are interested.

Dennis asked members if they would volunteer to help with small jobs on club night. The Executive was also needing extra members to join this committee.

On our AGM night (June meeting) We have an overseas speaker, Fred Clark. We were given 3 choices of programs of which he will talk to us on one of these. Fred will also have flasks available.

Consider sharing the cost of flasks with others so that you get a variety of plants each.

Lee is looking for Agee preserving jars.

Roy gave us a short outline of a proposed overnight trip to Whangarei on 8th-9th October 2011.

INVITATION...From North Shore Orchid Society - **Sunday May 29th 1.00pm**
Guest Speaker - Gary Yong Lee
Miniature Orchid Species and exploring Ecuador and Peru

Gary is well known in the orchid world as an excellent photographer, author and speaker of high international repute and regard. His photos have appeared frequently in the Australian orchid journals and elsewhere.

He is on a private visit to NZ, but while here has offered his services to OCNZ. He will be speaking to Orchid societies in Tauranga, New Plymouth, Wellington, Palmerston North and finally at North Shore. Other orchid societies have been invited to attend.

Door charge \$2.

Milford Senior Citizens Hall
141a Kitchener Rd, Milford.

(Behind New World, adjacent to Milford Shopping Centre carpark).



Happy May birthday to....

Bernadette Edmiston, Susan Tantau, Pauline Weeks, Theo Verryt, Reg Watson, Betty Vance and Gwen Wilkinson.



Raffle Results...

Thanks to the club and Grahame Leafberg for donating plants for the raffle.

I am sorry I missed who won the raffle - but I do know it wasn't me!

Our raffle takings for the night were \$66.00 which will go to club funds for rent etc.

The club made \$157.00 from our Auction Night.

QUESTION TIME



Q. What is wrong with my cattleya's leaves?

A. Looks like slug or snail damage when it was younger, it also has sun damage.

CLUB PLANTS

We will be selling the club plants at our May meeting.

The flask is C Classic which is *walkeriana x violacea*. One of the parents was an unusual 'splash petal' form, so we hope to get champion plants from this flask!

Plants will be **\$5.00** each.

If you can't be at the meeting please phone Lee on **416 6737** to reserve a plant.

We will initially sell only 1 per person but if there are any over once everyone has a plant then those wanting another will be able to purchase extras.

PLANTS ON DISPLAY

CATTLEYA

C Ironclad *

C Red Jewel

C Red Jewel# (C Bright Angel x Tangerine Jewel)

- Bev Meredith

C *pumila* (Prev L)

- Anjo McKernan

CATTLIANTHE

Ctt Maple Land

- William and Man Lo

CYMBIDIUM

Cym Eastern Venus

- Grahame Leafberg

DENDROBIUM

Den *chrysanthum*

- Dennis Chuah

EPICATANTHE

Ett Volcano Trick 'Orange Fire'

- Barry Baxter

EPIDENDRUM

Epi Pacific Glow

- Leroy Orchids

HARELLA

Hal *retrocalla* (was *odorata*)

- Grahame Leafberg

LYCASTE

Lyc Edinensis

- William and Man Lo

MASDEVALLIA

Masd Bob Hoffman 'Lisa Jill'

Masd Tuakau Sunstrike

- Ken Morse

MILTONIA

Milt Bluntii

- Glenys MacRae

Milt *spectabilis* var. *mooreliana*

- Grahame Leafberg

NEOSTYLIS

Neost Lou Sneary

- Grahame Leafberg

PAHIOPEDILUM

Paph *helenae*

Paph Mirriam Williamson x Beeches Dark Gem

- William and Man Lo

PROSTHECHEA

Psh *prismatocarpa* (was *Encyclia prismatocarpum*)

The plant commentary was conducted by Anjo McKernan and Wolf Grausch.

- William and Man Lo

RHYNCHOLAEILOCATTLEYA

Rlc Lc Autumn Glow 'Trident'

- William and Man Lo

RHYNTONLEYA

Rly Jane Fumiye 'Hawaii'

- Dennis Chuah

STENOGLOTTIS

Sngl *longifolia*

Sngl Neptune

- Dennis Chuah

Sngl Neptune

- Barry Baxter

Sngl Neptune

- William and Man Lo

VASCOSTYLIS

Vasco Arnold's Blue

- Anjo McKernan

WILSONARA

Wils Kendrick Williams 'Rosslow'

- Leroy Orchids

ZYGONERIA

Zga Dynamo

- Ken Morse

Those members with a # beside their plant name, please correct your label.

Those with a * please correct your spelling. Plant names written in *italics* depicts it is a *species*.



MESSAGE FROM THE SHOW MARSHAL

This is your personal invitation to help at your Spring Show. We need help in the following areas;

Thursday 25th August - show set up, runners for judging.

Friday 26th August - man the door, raffles, trading table, eftpos/till, floor walkers, flower power, kitchen.

Saturday 27th August - same as Friday and also help with breaking down the show.

Please put some thought into how you can assist. Even half a day is a great help as it means someone else isn't left in the same job throughout the entire show.

Closer to the time we will be taking your names and the time you have available so that we can make up a roster.

Thank You

Glenys.