

WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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Popular Plant

Chris Whitby won this month with Ctsm Davie Ranches. A stunning spike of waxy flowers, beautifully grown. Well done Chris!

MESSAGE FROM THE SHOW

MARSHAL

It's roughly four months to our Spring Show. In case you have forgotten, the dates are:

Set Up and Judging: Thursday August 22nd.

Open to Public:

Friday August 23rd and Saturday August 24th.

Your show committee has been working hard behind the scenes but closer to the time we will need your help with putting up signs, distributing flyers and the show itself. I will give you more details as they come to hand.

Also, don't forget the Taranaki Expo at the end of October. Committee members are working on the club display but as well as your plants we do need some help with truck driving to transport plants and props, display set up and breakdown.

The Taranaki Expo committee also need volunteers to assist at the show. I have a list of jobs they need help with if you are interested.

Please consider visiting the Expo and getting involved.

It's a great experience.

Thank you

Glenys.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday May 7th 7.30pm

(7.00pm Early Forum for newer members).

Lions Whitehouse

Early Forum: Ken Morse will be conducting Early Forum this month. He will talk on Masdevallias.

Guest Speaker will be Roy Walker from Wellington. His talk will be 'Growing Orchids With Ease'.

Please bring a small plate for supper, which will be held during the meeting.

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

Please wear your name badge on club night.



FROM THE APRIL MEETING

Apologies: Bernadette Edmiston, Barry Baxter and Beryl Calder.

President Lee welcomed 39 members and 3 visitors. A special welcome to Norma Manuel, Anjo and Ian McKernan and Irene Levett.

Lee also welcomed new member John Stewart to our club.

Notices: Roy Tokunaga will be speaking at NZOS Autumn Show on Sunday May 5th. If you are interested please contact Noel Townsley as he has a list of flasks available for sale.

The bus trip Roy was looking into for us is on hold as there are dates that are clashing. We will try and organize something later in the year.

Lee thanked Grahame for his informative talk on sarcs at our early Forum.

Expo Taranaki: Our accommodation has been booked. We have a family unit we could let members have if they were interested in traveling to New Plymouth for the show.

SHOW DATES TO REMEMBER

NZOS Autumn Show - May 5th (1day Show)
Roy Tokunaga will be Guest Speaker.

NZOS Winter Show - July 13 - 14


Waitakere Orchid Club - August 23 –24

South Auckland Orchid Society - September 21-22

Howick Orchid Society - October 5th (1 day show)

7th New Zealand Orchid Expo - New Plymouth
October 30th –November 3rd

Raffle results....

 Thanks to the club and Bryan Sharpe for donating prizes.

Winners this month were: John Stewart, Robert Wickham and Ross Crabb.

The raffle made \$69 which will be added to the club coffers.



Happy May birthday to....

Bernadette Edmiston, Susan Tantau, Pauline Weeks, Theo Verryt, Betty Vance, Gwen Wilkinson and Karen Toews.

SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE NOW DUE

Please pay Jill on club night . If you have lost your pay slip, Jill has plenty and will supply you with another.

If you wish to have your newsletter emailed make sure that Dennis has your email address.

FROM THE APRIL MEETING

We all love auction night! You can almost hear the money jangling in pockets waiting to purchase a bargain!

This year we had a great selection of genera on offer. Dennis and Roy did a great job trying to keep up with the bids. Some of our members are becoming experts at spotting a bargain.

Lee, Glenys, Pauline and myself were flat out trying to keep up with 'who sold what and who bought what' - loads of fun!

We were all very pleased to stop for a cuppa half way through the evening.

Bring it on again next year!

PLANTS ON DISPLAY

Angraecum

Angcm. *eburneum* var. *giriyamae* * - Ron Reeves

Arpophyllum

Arpo. *spicatum* – Dennis Chuah

Brassia

Brs. Mem. Fritz Boedeker 'Witch Doctor' – Bev Meredith

Brassocattleya

Bct. Little Marmaid 'Janet' – Leroy Orchids

Catasetum

Ctsm. *pileatum* x Brent's Black Hawk – Leroy Orchids

Ctsm. Davie Ranches – Chris Whitby

Cattleya

C. Jewel Chest # = C. Precious Jewel x Chester

C. Lana Coryell, 2 plants sibling cross

C. (Bright Angel x Jillian Lee) x Tangerine Jewel

C. Elusive Dream # 2 plants = C. Lana Coryell x Mini Purple

C. Dream Walker! (could this be meant to be C. Dream Walk ?) – Wolf Grausch

C. Janet x Tokyo Magic

C. Mona Pink 'Hiromi' – 2 plants – Leroy Orchids

Cynoches

Cyc. Swan Cascade # = (*cooperi* x Jean E Monnier) – Chris Whitby

Dendrobium

Den. Highland Rose

Den. Colonial Maid – Grahame Leafberg

Den. Valley Isle – Shirley Sidnam

Doritis

Dor. *pulcherrima* – Wendy Gilligan

Epilaeliocattleya

Eplc. Volcano Trick 'Orange Fire' – Leroy Orchids

Laeliocattleya

Lc. Miss Wonderful – Leroy Orchids

Masdevallia

Masd. Mary Ann

Masd. Eunice

Masd. Heathii 'No 7'

Masd. Bella Donna x *coriacea* – Ken Morse

Miltonia

Milt. *spectabilis* – Shirley Sidnam

Oncidium

Onc. Tiger Wyld x *laeve* – Walter

Onc. Sugar Babies – Don Hodge

Onc. Ruth's Rainbow – Leroy Orchids

Paphiopedilum

Paph. Maudiae x Grand Illusions – Chris Whitby

Phalaenopsis

Phal. Kahurangi – Dennis Chuah

Phal. Kenneth Schubert 'Blue' – Ross Crabb

Phragmipedium

Phrag. *bessae* – Shirley Sidnam

Prosthechea

Psh. *fragrans* – Dennis Chuah

Psh. *prismatocarpum* – William and Man Lo

Psh. *garciana* – Leroy Orchids

Psychopsis (previously Oncidium)

Pyp. *Papillio* 'YB' – Shirley Sidnam

Rhyncholaeliocattleya

Rlc. Elegant Dancer x Always Dream – Leroy Orchids

Rhyncattleanthe

Rth. Lee's Ruby – Leroy Orchids

! = unable to confirm name on OrchidWiz

= Name Change, cross now registered, please update your label

* = Spelling Correction needed on label.

Names written in *italics* depicts it is a *species*.

The plant commentary was conducted by Dennis Chuah and Glenys MacRae.

Plants on display from last month was won by Beryl Calder.

From behind the shade house



The Editor made an unscheduled trip this month to North Shore Hospital to have her Gall Bladder removed! I am finding it very hard not being allowed to get out and mow the lawns and do the garden. Thanks to Lee and Roy and Pauline for taking care of my orchids for me. Feeling great now that I have got rid of that pesky Gall Bladder!



Lots of fun at our Auction night last month. Vincent brought Faye along to the meeting. She had a great time bidding - sometimes against Vincent!