

WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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Our past Lady Presidents Heather Cooke and Glenys MacRae cutting our 25th anniversary cake and celebrating our club name change.

MESSAGE OF THE MONTH

Isn't it great to have our new name? It was not a spur of the moment decision to change our name-it has been going to and fro across the executive meeting table for a number of years and this year seemed the right time as we are celebrating 25 years as a club, and are proud to say that we have many of the founding members still coming each month to the meetings. Our membership stands at 76 plus 5 associated members. We are financially secure thanks to donations from members who regularly buy our raffle tickets and help out in other ways as well. Your executive and show committees have worked very hard over the years to bring us where we are today. If you haven't yet experienced one of these committees please do as most of the standing members have done well over 10 years service or more and could do with some help-it's not hard and more help lightens our load.

We hope you have supported and enjoyed our show this year and have had success with your carefully tended plants. It is quite a 'buzz' to have a winner and received a trophy isn't it?

Best of luck Waitakere Orchid Club.
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NEXT MEETING Tuesday September 2nd 2008 Lions Whitehouse

Beginners night and culture questions. This meeting is especially for newer members and does not mean the rest of us don't attend!. Those of us who think we know all about orchids will no doubt have lots of questions to ask and also have lots of answers to offer as well!

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

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

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



Happy September birthday to....

Margaret Le Sueur, June Hogg and Geraldine Wood, Walter Krawchenko.



Raffle results...

Winners this month were June Sutton, Roy Neale and Pamela Mason. Thanks to the club, Evelyn Ong and Leroy Orchids for donating raffle prizes. We made \$66 towards our club funds.



FROM THE AUGUST MEETING

President Roy welcomed 40 Waitakere Orchid Club members and friends.

Apologies: Mike Mason, Irene Levet, Bev Meredith, Betty Major, Jean Treadwell, Betty Ashby and Wolf Grausch.

Notices: The Auckland Orchid Club is now officially known as the **Waitakere Orchid Club**. We have at last received our registration from the Incorporated Societies.

Bev Meredith has been in hospital and we wish her a speedy recovery.

Don Hodge recently lost his wife Shirley. Our condolences have been sent to Don.

Hans and Anita Van de Ven from Bark Products Taranaki have sent us a cheque for substantial sponsorship for our show weekend. Thank you Hans and Anita.

Members were asked to take flyers for the show and distribute them. Small signs were also available to place in strategic places.

Our club has submitted a design ('Gone But Not Forgotten') and it has been accepted for the **Auckland Flower Show** to be held at Alexander Park in November 2008. We will be needing live moss, NZ native orchids, cascading orchids and tiny flowering orchids for this display.

The OCNZ will be hosting the 2010 International Orchid Extravaganza in Palmerston North in early September.

Our new club badges will be presented to those members attending our celebration dinner at the Spring Show. Tickets are \$25 each and the dress is informal as we will be starting the celebrations soon after the show is closed for the day. Those who have not yet paid, we need to know by Wed 17th for final numbers.

Trading Table chits are with Heather Cooke—please fill them out correctly.

Flower Power needs filler flowers and greenery for the posy bowls.

The Whitehouse is to be upgraded and for 1 meeting we will have to find an alternate venue. We should be able to inform all members where and when this happens.

In the Bark Products display we will need some orchids for the \$250 worth of orchid plants as the winning prize. The club will purchase plants from you—they must have a flower on them and be in good condition. Please let Lee know what you have to offer. Beryl Calder has volunteered to supervise the display with some young budding horticulturists!

There are plants for \$5 (Sc Fire Magic Magic 'Nora') available tonight. The club has another 2 flasks that will be available to sell to us when they

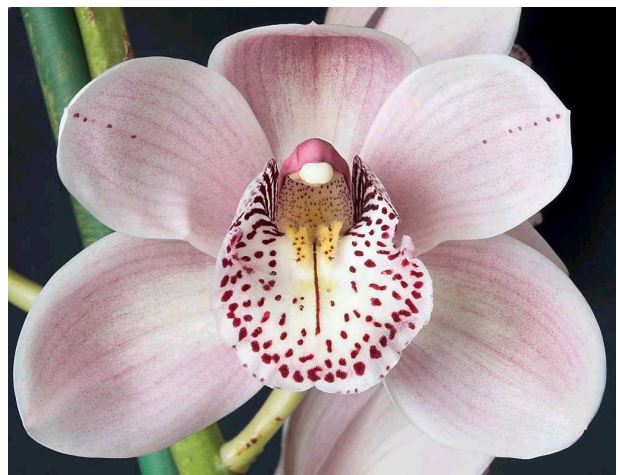
are ready.

Chris Whitby was presented with 3 award certificates for his Phallies. We also had some miniatures from last year's show to present to him.

Dennis talked to us about specie name changes in the orchid world and do we change our labels? The short answer is no—keep the old labels in your pot as well.

Peter C Elfleet gave us a talk on show schedule changes and went to a great deal of trouble to have printed sheets for each of us describing orchidaceae family. His short talk was most interesting.

Roy outlined the programme for the show weekend. Volunteers were asked (no-begged for), as runners and helpers on judging day at the show. We hope to have a lot more than the 4 we had last year!



Congratulations to Joe and Betty Vance, winning Grand Champion at our Spring show.

Not only did they win the top prize with Cym Barbara Vance 'Catherine' the Reserve Champion also went home with them!

A great result for the Vance family—well done!

We have just heard that Annette Scott has had a spell in hospital. She is now at home and we hope that you are progressing and getting some energy back again Annette.

Our love to you from all at the Waitakere Orchid Club

PLANTS ON DISPLAY

CYMBIDIUM

Cym Sarah Jean 'Ena Langdale'

-William and Man Lo

DENDROBIUM

Den Cheryl's Glory (keikei 4 years ago!)

- Leroy Orchids

Den Riversun x Avril's Gold 'Super Gold'

Den *moniliforme*

- William and Man Lo

ENCYCLIA

Enc Gold Stem

- Dennis Chuah

LAELIOCATTLEYA

Lc Mabarina 'Lowonice' x Katy True 'Coburg Sunset'

-Dennis Chuah

MASDEVALLIA

Masd *tovarensis* #

- Ken Morse

NEOLEHMANNIA

Neolehmanna *porpax*

- William and Man Lo

ONCIDIUM

Onc Unknown

- Pauline Weeks

PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph Herbie Poole 'Sundance'

- Ken Morse

Paph Kimberly Szabo '2001'

Paph Primrose Lady x Valwin#

Paph Po Tree

- William and Man Lo

PHAIUS

Phaius Tankervilliae #

- Ron Reeves

PLEIONE

Pln *formasana* var alba

- Ron Reeves

PLEUROTHALLIS

Pleurothallis *truncata*

- William and Man Lo

ZYGOPETALUM

Z Louisendorf

- Anjo McKernan

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

The plant commentary was conducted by Ron Reeves and Heather Cooke.

Thanks to the members who brought in plants to show.



from behind the shade house.....

Some one who usually sits behind Ron at the meetings decided not to come to the meeting as he said it would be too boring. Sorry you couldn't come as we had a great meeting- you don't know what you missed!



All's quiet behind the shade house this month – I guess everyone is concentrating on being very good or otherwise they are just not telling!

Did you know.....

The Flower Power ladies worked their fingers to the bone!

Thank you ladies for your hard work.

Pauline.



Editors comment: Not quite to the bone-but lots of cracks in the fingers and several Band Aids and rubber gloves were needed – it was a lot of fun though! Kim and I would like to thank Ann, Evelyn and Norma for their help with the posy bowls and also our faithful greenery and filler suppliers who never fail to deliver each year.

Thank you kitchen staff for the sustenance you supplied to keep us going.

The biggest thank must be to the Corban and Van der Linden family for supplying all the orchids for the posy bowls – we couldn't have done it without the flowers!



Ron Reeves won the popular plant vote for August with this beautifully grown Phaius Tankervilliae

Plants on display for July was won by William and Man Lo Congratulations!

**Please note:
I need your post code. If you have not already given it to me, please do so at the next meeting. Without your code your mail may take longer to reach you.
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