

WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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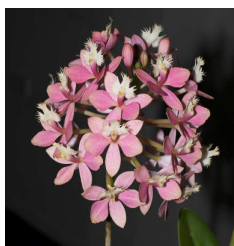
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Leroy Orchids won the popular plant this month with Epi (Snow Cocktail x Pacific Sunset) 'Lily the Pink'.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday September 3rd 7.30pm

Lions Whitehouse


No EarlyForum.

New members night, culture and potting evening. 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.

Happy September Birthday to...

Geraldine Wood, Walter Krawchenko, Averil Baxter and Jill Mickleburgh. 


We all sang Happy Birthday to Joy who turned 75 on club night - and still came to make our supper! What a girl!

Thanks to Grahame and Wolf for conducting our Early Forum this month.

The Keikei Grahame gave members is called Den Delicatum 'Apple Blossom'.

SHOW DATES TO REMEMBER

Hibiscus Coast - September 6th - 7th.

NZOS Spring Show—September 14th—15th. 

Tauranga Orchid Society - September 20th –22nd.

South Auckland Orchid Society - September 21-22.

Whangarei Orchid Society - Open to public October 4th –5th

Howick Orchid Society - October 5 (1 day show)

Bay of Islands Orchid Society - Open to Public 11 & 12 October.

7 NZIOE/Taranaki, 1-3 November.

OBITUARY

Norma Manuel, Died 28th July 2013

Norma was an Honorary member of our club. She was quietly supportive of the club and although of late she didn't attend many club meetings she generally attended the AGM and always arrived at the Spring Show bearing food and foliage for the 'flower power' table. She was the inspiration and driving force behind the club exhibiting at the Ellerslie Flower Show in 2005 and because of her enthusiasm encouraged us towards our achievement of a Gold Award and the Supreme Horticultural Award.

Norma's real love was roses; she was an active and tireless member of the Rose Society as well as being involved with the Auckland Horticultural Council which she held together during some difficult years.

Those of us who knew Norma will miss the beautiful lady that she was and will remember her with love and admiration.

Lee Neale.

FROM THE AUGUST MEETING

Apologies: Bev Meredith, Pauline Weeks, Bryan Sharpe and Dara McNaught President Lee welcomed 38 members.

We stood in silence in respect for our Honorary Member, Norma Manuel who had passed away. She will be sadly missed.

Notices: Barry Baxter has a pleonie list and is willing to send a bulk order away. If anyone is interested please see Barry during the evening

If you are wanting bark please put your name on the list.

Eden Gardens tulips will be at their best from August 31st-Sept 4th. \$8 entry, \$6 for seniors.

Glenys and her team put up a display at the NZOS Winter show and won third place for our club.

We have a flyer from Di's Plant World, 316 Henderson Valley Rd. Worth a look!

Lee presented OCNZ Awards to Beryl Calder, Grahame Leafberg and Dennis Chuah. Well done!

Glenys is retiring as Trophy Custodian so we need someone to volunteer to take over this job.

Our club will sponsor the pleurathallis trophy at the Orchid Council Show in Taranaki. If you are exhibiting at this show please get your entry cards and trading table tickets from Ken Morse. A vendor number will be needed. Ken is in charge of this table in Taranaki and would like some help from those members who will be there.

If you haven't picked up your Year Book, they are still available.

Please take some more Orchid Council raffle tickets if you have sold your books.

We have come up with a couple of suggestions for our 'after show' dinner. maybe Genji's or Te Atatu Peninsula RSA. We have yet to decide a final venue.

Bryan Sharpe has liquid fertilizer for sale.

Dennis has found some native orchids growing on the shore. See him if you are interested in having a look.

Roy is planning a Bus Trip on Sunday October 13th, leaving at 10.00am. Tour of Tuckers Nursery, Kings Plant Barn for lunch and then we will attend the Hibiscus Coast Orchid Society meeting. Bring plants to show at the meeting A show of hands for interest was asked for.

Signs for our show were available for members to take home and put out on the Sunday before the show.

Glenys has flyers for us to take and distribute.

The Kelston Hall will be open for us to set up the show on Thursday 22nd August at 8.00am. Check your Show Schedule for all other opening times.

ONCIDIUM ALLIANCE - Roy Neale

My talk is based loosely on the culture of oncidiums and odontoglossums (as they used to be called). Odontoglossums grow naturally in Central and South America, usually high up in the mountains - this is a clue to why they grow cold. Fog - mist rolling in from the sea and fresh moving air keeps them cool. At lower elevations oncidiums are more likely to be found, therefore tolerating a little more warmth.

Both oncidiums and odontoglossums have comparatively fine roots, this is another culture clue - fine roots = fine bark. Where they differ from many other orchids is that they prefer to be potted in the winter which is their active growing time. Repot if required as new growths appear. When repotting keep your plants in clumps of at least three bulbs and if you want to try and grow new plants from back bulbs keep at least two bare bulbs together. Ensure you protect plants from frost.

Through the summer, growth slows and to stop the bulbs from shriveling you should mist every day, and water and feed at least every second day. Never let them dry out completely.

Watch the colour of the leaves of your plants. if they are turning red they are getting too much light. These plants really prefer cool, shady, airy positions.

Roy Neale.

Plants On Display 6.8.12

Angraecum

Angcm. *germinyanum* – Mary Jones

Bratonia (previously Miltassia)

Brat. Morning Sky x Milt. Minas Gerais – Shirley Sidnam

Catasetum

Ctsm. Ten Dragons – Wendy Gilligan

Cattleya

C. Fire Magic ‘Solar Flare’

C. Hawaiian Splash ‘Lea’ - Leroy Orchids

C. *coccinea*

C. Port Light – Shirley Sidnam

C. Fire Magic ‘Nora’ – Kim Young

Cattlianthe

Ctt. Japanese Beauty ‘Sakura’ – Wendy Gilligan

Clowesia

Cl. *rosea* – Dennis Chuah

Cymbidium

Cym. Del’s Delight ‘Iris’ x Sleeping Beauty ‘Carmen’ – Grahame Leafberg

Cym. Little Bighorn ‘Elizabeth’

Cym. Celadon x Last Tango

Cym. Alan’s Beauty – Ross Crabb

Cym. (Pure Love x Sydney Harbour) x Happy Love – Barry Baxter

Dendrobium

Den. *goldschmidtianum* – William and Man Lo

Den. Hewitt Star ‘Red Spots’ – Ken Morse

Den. Tosca x *speciosum* (stunning first flowering)

Den. Avsun # x Grahame’s Glory (Avsun = Riversun x Avril’s Gold)

Den. Star of Gold – Grahame Leafberg

Den. un-named unfortunately – Kim Young

Dracula

Drac. *gigas*

Drac. *vampira* – Barry Baxter

Drac. *gigas* – Mary Jones

Epicattleya

Epc. Rene Marques ‘Flame Thrower’ – Leroy Orchids

Epidendrum

Epi. (Snow Cocktail x Pacific Sunset)

‘Lily the Pink’ – Leroy Orchids

Fredclarkeara

Fdc. After Dark – Leroy Orchids

Gomosteale

Gms. Autumn Tints – Glenys MacRae

Masdevallia

Masd. *tovarensis* – Shirley Sidnam

Masd. *angulata* – Dennis Chuah

Oncidium

Onc. Twinkle

Onc. Oratia Bride – Ken Morse

Onc. Niamay x Oratia Parade – Shirley Sidnam

Onc. Twinkle – Grahame Leafberg

Barry Baxter’s marvellous ‘tree’ contained -

Onc. Twinkle ‘Weston’

Onc. Twinkle ‘Fragrance Fantasy’

Onc. Gold Dust

Onc. *cheirophorum*

Onc. *sotoanum* (was *ornithorhyncum*)

Paphiopedilum

Paph. Faire-Maude * - Shirley Sidnam

Pleurothallis

Pths. *truncata* – Dennis Chuah

Restrepia

Rstp. *elegans* – Dennis Chuah

Rhyncattleanthe

Rth. Lee’s Ruby ‘Cherry Ripe’ – Leroy Orchids

Sarcochillus

Sarco. *aequalis* – Linda Alexander

* = Spelling correction needed on label.

= Name Change. Cross now registered, please update your label.

? = Unable to confirm name on OrchidWiz.

Plant names written in *Italics* depicts it is a *species*.

The plant commentary was conducted by Roy Neale, Dennis Chuah, Barry Baxter, Grahame Leafberg, Ken Morse and Lee Neale.

Ross Crabb won the Lucky Draw last month.

When returning your Orchid Council raffle money with a cheque. Please make sure the cheque is made out to Waitakere Orchid Club Inc.

We still have more tickets to sell!



Raffle results....

Winners this month were Anne Bernard, Mary Jones and Jim Shaw. Thanks to the club, Grahame Leafberg and Ross Crabb for raffle donations.

The club made \$59 which will help pay our expenses.