

AUCKLAND ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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Phragmipedium Rosy Gem was voted first for the popular plant on display for June. Congratulations to Burt and Evelyn Ong.

SPRING SHOW BIRTHDAY PARTY

**Saturday August 23rd 2008
Kelston Community Centre**

At the closure of the show at 4.00pm on Saturday afternoon, we will adjourn to the room next door and commence our celebration with wine and nibbles.

Our Australian guest Murray Shergold will be present and will give us a talk on: 'The land, The people, The plants and The animals of Madagascar'. This will be followed by dinner.

All club members, friends and past members are very welcome to attend. The total cost for the evening will be \$25.00 per person.

NEXT MEETING **Tuesday July 1st 7.30pm** **Lions Whitehouse**

Guest Speaker will be Glenys MacRae who will be talking on her very recent trip to South America and the Galapagos Islands.

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

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



Happy July birthday to....

Heather Cooke and Christien Griffith.



The raffle was won by Rai Hogan and Bev Meredith. Thanks to the club and Ken Morse for donating raffle prizes. The club now has an extra \$63.50 in the bank.

We hope you are looking after those show plants!
Stake those spikes and make sure there are no 'greebies' chewing the buds! We need every plant with a flower on it for the show benches!

Pauline will be bringing along the OCNZ 2008 Yearbooks to the next meeting. Be sure to pick up your copy from her.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2008

The decline in membership over the years has coincided with the number of members willing to give their time and to serve the club on the executive committee. The executive now has only 1 vice president, no chairman of programs and therefore no program committee, and no representative from the social committee. Not too many years ago we also had a representative from the library and a membership secretary all serving on the executive. The workload to maintain the smooth running of our club has had to be absorbed by a willing few and to those who have served this year - thank you very much.

A very special thanks to Glenys MacRae, an ex president and very experienced member of the executive, who is standing down this year. Glenys, an ideas person will be sorely missed but I know she will continue to support us in any way she can.

On a lighter note it is good to see so many of our members attending our monthly club night and supporting the club via the trading table, raffle and plant auction. The quality of plants on display each month has been heartening.

A brief mention of our shows:

A very successful Spring Show was held at the Kelston Community Centre where ample vehicle parking was appreciated and the extra profit the show made was a welcome bonus.

Our Ribbon Show at Hobsonville is certainly a fun day and I hope it will always remain that way. The lunch time BBQ is proving very popular with members and visitors alike.

Showing our plants brings a lot of enjoyment to our hobby and I would like to congratulate those of you whose plants have achieved awards during this year.

You will see in the Treasurers Report that the club is in a sound financial position. It is the intention of the executive, in conjunction with the show committee, to celebrate this club's formation 25 years ago and to assist with the funding of the weekend's activities which we hope as many members as possible will enjoy.

We are fortunate to have secured a sponsor for our Spring Show in August 2008 - Bark Products Taranaki. We will also have a guest speaker from Australia - Murray Shergold of Easy Orchids. I mention the upcoming show in this report because of the work the executive has done this year in arranging all the extra's.

I would like to mention some of the activities that happened during the year, such as the bus trip to South Auckland during Labour Weekend which was well supported and thoroughly enjoyed.

The Ellerslie Flower Show was a new venture for us and the effort that our members put into it was well rewarded by the interest in orchids that it created. The display itself was spectacular and will be long remembered both for it's design and for the awards that it received - A Gold Award and the Supreme Award for Horticulture - I congratulate the Auckland Orchid Club and the outside orchid enthusiasts who supported us.

Unfortunately this past year has not been kind to some of our members, with declining health being the reason for many of you not being able to attend meetings or shows and I note are unable to renew your membership this year, I thank you for your past service.

I wish you all well for the coming year and look forward to your ongoing support.

Roy Neale
President

VALE

We were very sorry to hear that Del Chandler has passed away in Whangarei. Del was a long time member of our club and an excellent grower of mixed orchid genera. She had a vast knowledge of orchids and their culture and was willing to share this knowledge with any who asked for advice. She was also a very experienced orchid judge. Del will be sadly missed by all who knew her.

FROM THE JUNE MEETING

President Roy welcomed the 39 members and 4 visitors from the Philippines to our club meeting.

Apologies: Betty Major, Betty Ashby, Assid and Miriam Corban, Jean Treadwell, Merilyne Brown, June Sutton, Glenys MacRae.

Notices: Roy thanked Ross Crabb for transporting plants to Whangarei for our club display at the Orchid Council of New Zealand's AGM and Whangarei show

The Orchid Council awarded one of our members plants that were displayed.

Certificates were awarded to Beryl Calder. Lc Mari's Magic 'Jordan' an HCC/OCNZ and also best cattleya in the show.

Philip and Gangli Zhou were also presented with a certificate for Cym *kanran* - best cymbidium in the show. Congratulation from us all.



Onc forbesii. Photo taken at the OCNZ weekend in Whangarei. Dennis was the photographer.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AUCKLAND ORCHID CLUB 2008

Remit: Proposed by Lee Neale and seconded by Heather Cooke. Regarding the proposed name change of the Auckland Orchid Club.

Scrutineers were appointed for vote counting: (Rai Hogan and Beryl Calder).

There was an overwhelming majority in favour of the name change to Waitakere Orchid Club Inc.

The procedure will be started to change the name as it has to be recognized by the Incorporated Societies.

The President's Report was read and passed.

The Treasurer's Report was read and passed.

Minutes of the last meeting were read and passed.

Election of officers:

President: Roy Neale

Vice President: Dennis Chuah

Treasurer: Lee Neale

Secretary: Pauline Weeks

Chairman Bulletin: Mary Jones

Bulletin Committee: Lee Neale and Pauline Weeks

Chairman Social: Joy Intveld

Social Committee: Jill Mickleburgh, Sue Crabb, Margaret Shaw (raffles)

Membership Secretary: Jim Shaw

Chairman Library: Irene Levet

Chairman Program: Melvin Alexander

Program committee: Linda Alexander, Burt Ong.

Trading Table: Anjo McKernan and Heather Cooke

Executive members: Peter C Elfleet, Diana Elfleet, Heather Cooke, Bev Meredith, Melvin Alexander.

AUCKLAND ORCHID CLUB SPRING SHOW

Kelston Community Centre

Set up and staging: Thursday August 21st

Open to the public: 22nd-24th August

Remember it's the birthday show so there will be lots of exciting things happening!

NZOS WINTER SHOW

Mt Albert War Memorial Hall

Set up and staging: Thursday July 17th

The show will be open from 18th-20th July

Our club will be putting on a display so we will be needing your plants.



Joy Intveld is chairman of our social committee and one of her jobs is to make sure that any member who is ill receives a nice card from us all.

She doesn't always know who is 'poorly' so please contact her at 837 0899 if you have anything to report.

PLANTS ON DISPLAY

ANGRAECUM

Angcm *eburneum x superbum* #

- Rai and Lottie Hogan

CALANTHE

Cal Pink Glory (First flowering seedling)

Cal Pink Glory 'N0. 2'

- Peter C Elfleet

CYMBIDIUM

Cym Giselle 'Tainui' #

- Rai and Lottie Hogan

Cym High Plateau 'Pink Chiffon'

- Dennis Chuah

Cym *kanran* #

- Philip and Gangli Zhou

DENDROBIUM

Den Hilda Poxon

- Dennis Chuah

DENDROCHILUM

Dendrochilum Unknown

- Dennis Chuah

DORITIS

Dor *buyssoniana* #

- Rai and Lottie Hogan

Dor *pulcherrima* (Sibling Cross)

Dor *pulcherrima*

- William and Man Lo

LAELIOCATTLEYA

Lc Mari's Magic 'Jordan'

Lc Mari's Magic 'Triumph'

- Beryl Calder

NEOLAUCHEA

Neolauchea *pulchella* #

- Pauline Weeks

ONCIDIUM

Onc *ornithorhynchum*

- Leroy Orchids

MASDEVALLIA

Masd *coccinea* 'Red Glow'

Masd Blushing Belle

- Dennis Chuah

Masd Angel Frost

- William and Man Lo

Masd Tasmanian Devil x

Southern Sun (own cross)

Masd Marguerite x *strobelii*

- Diana and Peter Elfleet

PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph Yerba Buena x Harry Stage

Paph *tonsum*

Paph King Arthur

Paph *gratrixianum* #

Paph Krishna

- William and Man Lo

PHRAGMIPEDIUM

Phrag Rosy Gem

- Burt and Evelyn Ong

PHALAEENOPSIS

Phal *fasciata* #

- Rai and Lottie Hogan

Phal *venosa*

- William and Man Lo

PLEUROTHALLIS

Pths *cardiothallis* #

- Dennis Chuah

SOPHROCATTLEYA

Sc Cherry Chip x Lana Coryell

Sc Red Jewel 'Kumeu'

- Beryl Calder

SOPHROLAELIOCATTLEYA

Slc Tiny Titan

- Heather and Gary Cooke

SCHOMBOCATTLEYA

Smbc Splendid Drop

- Wolf and Faith Grausch

Those members with a # beside their plant name, please correct your label. Plan names written in *italics* depicts it is a *species*.

The plant commentary was conducted by Lee Neale and Bev Meredith.

DORITIS

Dor *buyssoniana* #

- Rai and Lottie Hogan

Dor *pulcherrima* (Sibling Cross)

Dor *pulcherrima*

- William and Man Lo

LAELIOCATTLEYA

Lc Mari's Magic 'Jordan'

Lc Mari's Magic 'Triumph'

- Beryl Calder

NEOLAUCHEA

Neolauchea *pulchella* #

- Pauline Weeks

ONCIDIUM

Onc *ornithorhynchum*

- Leroy Orchids

MASDEVALLIA

Masd *coccinea* 'Red Glow'

Masd Blushing Belle

- Dennis Chuah

Masd Angel Frost

- William and Man Lo

Masd Tasmanian Devil x

Southern Sun (own cross)

Masd Marguerite x *strobelii*

- Diana and Peter Elfleet

PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph Yerba Buena x Harry Stage

Paph *tonsum*

Paph King Arthur

Paph *gratrixianum* #

Paph Krishna



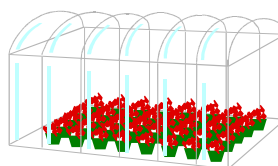
The Editor is still having trouble reading your terrible writing!

Please spare a thought for the extra time it takes Diana, Lee and I to decipher your scrawl!!!



from behind the shade house....

It was lovely to see Margaret Shaw 'on deck' again after her hip replacement operation.



Kim is dismantling a large glass house. If you need spare glass please call her.

We put the Bulletin out a week early last month so Bernadette came to the meeting a week early to find she was the only one there – standing outside with her plate of supper!



After many long, tiring months of hard work and renovations I am pleased to announce that Lee and Roy are in their beautiful new home. Happy days, months and years to you both! Leroy Orchids are still open by appointment.



Sorry to hear David Forsyth has had a visit to hospital. Best wishes to you from us all.