

WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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The popular vote for June was *Ctsm pileatum* displayed by Chris Whitby. Well done Chris!

MESSAGE OF THE MONTH

Show time is approaching rapidly and we hope you are planning your calendar to make time to attend and help your show committee to make this a show to remember.

We are always grateful for any help you may be able to give. A few hours each day of the show and **loads of help** on set up day, **Thursday August 20th**. We are always looking for help that day as there is so much to do.

Baking for morning, afternoon teas and lunch is much appreciated and helps out our marvelous kitchen staff who work so hard to keep us, and the public who attend our show, supplied with tea, coffee and food. The kitchen staff also need help from our members - in the kitchen assisting them.

The Flower Power girls also could do with some help and lots of filler flowers and greenery. Each year you give us a wonderful supply of fresh material. Don't forget us this year!

Last year we were very short on runners. I know this - because I was one of them that had to rush around like a hurricane simply because nobody volunteered to help! Please ask about being a runner at the next meeting. We need you on **Friday 21st August**.

We are not forgetting plants! We need everything you have in flower for the show benches. Look after them now and have your winning entry ready to take on everybody else! ED

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday July 7th

7.30pm

Lions Whitehouse

Our guest speaker will be Rodney Draper who will talk to us on Stenoglottis. This will be a very interesting evening as not many of us grow Stenoglottis.

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

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

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



Happy July Birthday to....

Heather Cooke.



Raffle results...

The raffle was won by Pauline Weeks. I am sorry I missed who won second prize!

Thanks to Diana and Peter Elfleet and the Club for raffle donations.

The Club made \$62.00 from the raffle.

AGM WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB 2009

Apologies: Patrick Stepancic, Sue Crabb, Peter Elfleet Snr. Mike and Pamela Mason.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2009

The year started with the club changing its name to the Waitakere Orchid Club.

Although we had a name change the objectives of the club remain the same. To provide a meeting place for anyone interested in orchids and to exchange ideas and information on their culture,

In August last year the club held its 25th birthday with a very successful show at the Kelston Community Centre. You will see from the balance sheet the surplus for the show was down compared to the previous year, this was due to the extra expenses incurred by our birthday celebrations. The executive debated long and hard about a venue for our up and coming show in August. We have decided to return to Kelston in spite of the cost. The Waitakere City Council wanted \$4200.00 – that is after a \$700.00 discount, so to keep costs reasonable we have had to adjust our show plans accordingly.

Visiting speakers the club hosted this year started with Murray Shergold at our show. Murray and his wife Jean were part of our very successful weekend. George Fuller came home to both entertain and educate us and Dr Keith Hammett provided a very different slant on growing, showing and club culture.

My tenure as President has come to a premature end due to my anticipated role as President of the Orchid Council of NZ.

I would like to thank all members of the executive for the time and effort you have put into your roles. To all members 'Thank you for your support and assistance' and I hope you will continue to support the club in the future.

Roy Neale.
President.

Remit published in last month's newsletter was read out and passed.

The Presidents report was read, last AGM report read, Treasures report presented. All were passed.

ELECTION RESULTS

President: Dennis Chuah

Vice President: Position Vacant

Secretary: Pauline Weeks

Treasurer: Lee Neale

Trustees: Dennis Chuah and Lee Neale

Chairperson Publications: Mary Jones

Committee: Lee Neale and Pauline Weeks.

Chairperson Library: Irene Levet

Chairperson Social: Roy Neale

Committee: Joy Intveld, June Sutton, Jill Mickleburgh, Margaret Shaw (Raffles)

Chairperson Membership: Jim Shaw

Chairperson Program: Melvin Alexander

Committee: Burt Ong, Linda Alexander.

Chairperson Trading Table: Anjo McKernan

Committee: Heather Cooke

Auditor: Allan Levet

Executive Committee: Ross Crabb, Diana Elfleet, Peter C Elfleet, Ken Morse, Heather Cooke, Bev Meredith.

General Business: Discussion on a proposed bus trip to Palmerston North 2010.

AGM closed 8.35pm.

FROM THE JUNE MEETING

Apologies: Patrick Stepancic, Peter Elfleet Snr, Pamela and Mike Mason, Sue Crabb.

Notices: Jimmy James has been awarded a QSM
We need a co-ordinator for the Orchid Council Raffle book distribution.

Culture: Dennis gave a demonstration showing a calanthe spike emerging.

Q. Masd *rolfeana*.- although it is a large plant growing well it is not flowering. Why?

A. It is shy at flowering. Ken Morse has offered to have a look at the plant.

Q. Miltoniopsis is dropping its leaves. It has recently been divided.

A. The old leaves will drop, expect new growths in the spring.

PLANTS ON DISPLAY

ASCOCENDA

Ascda Summer Delight 'Susan'

- Bert and Evelyn Ong

BARKERIA

Bark Erika (First flowering seedling)

- Leroy Orchids

CATASETUM

Ctsm *pileatum* #

- Chris Whitby

CALANTHE

Cal *vestita*

- Dennis Chuah

CATTLEYA

C *amethystoglossa*

C Norman Bay

- Anjo McKernan

C Unknown (Janet Clay plant)

- Dennis Chuah

C Unknown (Janet Clay plant)

- Ken Morse

CYMBIDIUM

Cym Zig Zag 'Kiwi'

- Ross Crabb

DENDROBIUM

Den My Song 'Purple'

- William and Man Lo

Den *glomeratum* (first flowering)

- Dennis Chuah

Den Snow Jump

- Bev Meredith

DORITIS

Dor *buyssoniana* #

- Ray and Lottie Hogan

LAELIOCATTLEYA

L *briegeri* x C *aclandiae*

- Glenys MacRae

MASDEVALLIA

Masd Bob Hoffman 'Lisa Jill'

Masd Fleur 'Congratulations'

- Ken Morse

Masd Harlequin #

- William and Man Lo

MEDIOCALCAR

Mediocalcar *decoratum*

- Ray and Lottie Hogan

MILTONIOPSIS

Milt Newton Fall 'Waterfall'

- Bert and Evelyn Ong

Milt Moir Moir 'Golden Holiday'

- William and Man Lo

MILTONIDIUM

Mtdm *Bluntiosum* #

- William and Man Lo

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

ODONTIODA

Oda *charlesworthii*

- Wiiliam and Man Lo

PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph *haynaldianum* x Lady Isabel

(now Paph Stone Eridans Reg 2001) #

- William and Man Lo

PHALAENOPSIS

Phal Anthura 'New Delhi' #

- Pauline Weeks

SOPHROCATTLEYA

Sc Lana Coryell x S *coccinea* #

- Bert and Evelyn Ong

TOLUMNIA

Tolu Loke Lani x Susan

Perreira #

- Bert and Evelyn Ong

WILSONARA

Wils Unknown

- Leroy Orchids

Wils Tiger Glow

- Ken Morse

ZYGOPETALUM

Z *mackyi*

- Bev Meredith

The plant commentary was conducted by Roy Neale and Dennis Chuah.

Plants on display for May was won by Ray and Lottie Hogan. Congratulations!

CLUB SEEDLINGS FOR SALE

Mini cats-Lee

We were offered small plants now in root trainer pots. Lee suggested we not repot them too soon and be very careful watering them, (approx every 2 weeks), and not on a frosty day. Don't feed them until spring.

Tip: When buds are evident within the sheath, peel down the sheath to allow the buds to emerge as sometimes water can accumulate within the sheath and rot the buds. Watch for scale. Use *Confidor*.

Phallies -Dennis

The seedlings presented were in small pots. Dennis advised us to leave them until warmer weather to repot. Use bark with good drainage. Water carefully during the winter. After about 12 months pot them on. When repotting take note of the roots rather than the leaf size. Phallies require less light than cattleya's.

We were very sorry to hear that Beryl Calder is on the sick list. Hope you are feeling better and will soon be out side playing with the orchids Beryl!