

# WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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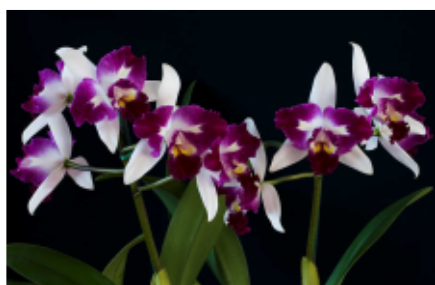
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The popular vote this month was this magnificent C Mari's Magic 'Jordan' AM/OCNZ grown by Beryl

## MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

My thanks to all those who braved a miserable evening and attended the AGM this month. Although we had the smallest turn-out in 5 years I am very pleased to be able to report that all executive positions were filled, which helps to ensure the smooth running of the club. I am grateful to your vote of confidence which sees me in this position and I hope I can do it justice.

I apologise in advance for having to miss my first club meeting as we have had a trip booked to Alaska for some time and changing this is not really an option, it has been on my 'bucket list' for many years. I would like to thank Dennis for filling this breach for me and for the commitment he has given the club during his time as president. To all members of the executive I thank you in anticipation for being there for me and supporting me during my term of office. To all club members I look forward to our time together and many happy orchid hours.  
Lee.

## NEXT MEETING

Tuesday

July 3rd, 7.30pm, Lions Whitehouse

Our guest speaker this month is Graeme Hill from Taranaki. He will be speaking on growing disa.

Please bring a small plate for supper which will be held during the evening. Plants on display, trading table and library will be operating this month.

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

## Proposed Bus Trip to Taranaki Summer Show January 11th -13th 2013

The Social committee is in the planning stage at present.

This is what we have so far:

The bus will leave at 9.00am on Friday 11th and depart New Plymouth Sunday 13th at 12.30pm.

An **approx** cost per financial member is \$200. Fred Clarke will be speaking at the show.

Mary will take names of those who are expressing interest at the July club night.

## FROM THE JUNE MEETING

President Dennis welcomed 30 members and 2 visitors to our meeting.

**Apologies:** Apologies were received from Irene Levet, Joan Wood, Ross Crabb, Pamela Mason, Reg Watson and Chris Whitby.

**Notices:** Wanganui Orchid Society Show October 6th & 7th.

Bernadette brought along some gardening magazines, 'free to a good home'.

The year books have arrived, members were invited to collect their copy.

Dennis then read the president's report. The General Meeting was closed and the AGM opened with the election of officers. The results are as follows:

**President:** Lee Neale.

**Vice President:** Ken Morse.

**Secretary:** Pauline Weeks.

**Treasurer:** Ken Morse.

**Auditor:** Alan Levet.

**Committee:** Roy Neale, Dennis Chuah, Mary Jones, Jill Mickleburgh, Bev Meredith, Melvin Alexander, Barry Baxter, Hugh Fraser, Bryan Sharpe, Glenys MacRae, Ross Crabb.

**Publications:** Mary Jones, Lee Neale and Pauline Weeks.

**Social:** Roy Neale, June Sutton, Joy Intveld, Jill Mickleburg, Jim and Margaret Shaw,

**Library:** Bernadette Edmiston, Irene Levet, Robert Wickham.

**Membership Secretary:** Jill Mickleburgh.

**Programme:** Dennis Chuah, Bryan Sharpe.

**General Business:** Dennis was thanked for his leadership over the past 3 years.

It was agreed the following members would be signatories for the bank: Lee Neale,

**Question:** Why do we have a plant commentary?

**Answer:** It is used as a learning exercise. Members are keen to show what they have achieved with their plants and enjoy the comments of fellow members.

**Ribbon Show catering:** Is there too much food?

Some members feel that the kitchen girls are doing far too much and deem this as unfair as they are missing out on the enjoyment of the show.

It was suggested that food for the show needs to be discussed further.

**Xmas function:** The executive committee will review the raffle for this year's meeting.

**Newsletter:** Do we need to look at another way to distribute the newsletter as postage is rising in cost in July?

It was decided to leave things as they are for the present.

## MESSAGE FROM THE SHOW MARSHAL

Only two months to show time! Hopefully your plants are co-operating and will flower at the right time.

Have you given some thought as to how you can help at the show? I will be taking names on club night.

**Working Bee** - there will be a working bee at Roy & Lee's on **Saturday 11th August at 9.00am** to update and put up signs. We'll need some men for this so please let us know if you can help, we would like to have two teams working on this.

**NZOS Winter Show** - this will be held on 21st & 22nd July with set up on Friday 20th July. The club will be mounting a display. If you have show quality plants available please let me or Ken know by Thursday 19th July **at the latest**.

Thank you  
Glenys.

## PLANTS ON DISPLAY

### CATTLEYA

C Mari's Magic 'Jordon' AM/OCNZ

C Dorothy Warden x Living Flame  
(unable to confirm names)

- Beryl Calder

C unnamed

- Ray Hogan

C (L.) *kettieana* \*

- Grahame Leafberg

C (Slc.) Fire Magic 'H & R'

C Quinquecolor 'Parent Trap'

- Leroy Orchids

### CYNOCHES

Cyc *barthiorum* 'Pink Dove'

Dennis Chuah

### CYMBIDIUM

Cym *goeringii* x Pure Love' - 6 very  
interesting first flowering seedlings

- Phillip and Gangli Zhou

### DENDROBIUM

Den *cassiope*

- Dennis Chuah

Den *teretifolium* x Green Gem

- Wolf and Faith Grausch

Den White Grace

- Leroy Orchids

### DENDROCHILLUM

Ddc *cobbianum*

- Dennis Chuah

### LAELIA

L *albida*

- Grahame Leafberg

### MASDEVALLIA

Masd Tuakau Goldstrike

- Glenys MacRae

Masd Eloise Harper 'Jill'

Masd Bob Hoffman 'Lisa Jill'

- Ken Morse

### ONCIDIUM

Onc Twinkle

- Linda Alexander

Onc (Oncda) Volcano Hula Halau  
'Volcano Queen'

- Leroy Orchids

### PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph *insigne*

- Linda Alexander

### PROSTHECHEA

Psh (E) *calamaria*

- Don Hodge

### PLEUROTHALLIS

Pths *truncata*

- Grahame Leafberg

### STENOGLOTTIS

Sngl *longifolia*

- Dennis Chuah

### ZYGOPETALUM

Z Memoria Grace Drewry# =

(Brookside x Kiwi Magic)

- Ray Hogan

Plants on  
display from last  
month was won  
by Ken Morse.

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

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

The plant commentary was conducted

***from behind the shadehouse.....***

Dennis gave a presentation on  
photographing orchids at the OCNZ  
Judges Seminar. his advice was:  
'Full frontal with no flashing!'

In her haste to get to our AGM  
Pauline destroyed the minutes  
accidently. We know you are shy  
Pauline but this is taking the fear of  
public speaking a bit far!

### **SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE DUE**

Single membership \$17.00

Family (max 2 adults per household) \$22.00

Those who have not paid your membership  
fee, this will be your final newsletter.

## PRESIDENT'S REPORT 2012

The club has had a successful twelve months. The spring show was a great success, with a record number of entries and a happy, buzzing show committee making sure everybody had a good time. We even had people join the club because they enjoyed the show so much.

The ribbon show was held at a new location because we had outgrown Hobsonville Hall. Once again it was a successful show with a lot of plants, excellent participation and great food.

On the subject of food, I must say that our club has led the way and excels way above the others. Perhaps Joy and her team should contemplate joining the next New Zealand Masterchef competition! A compliment to them for many jobs well done.

The fortunate who got to go on the bus trip to Whangarei enjoyed themselves tremendously, thanks to the hospitality of members of the Whangarei and Hibiscus Coast Orchid Societies, and to the social committee for great organisation. As I present this report, there are plans for another bus trip.

In the face of reducing memberships in clubs across the country, I am happy to report that we have held steady and welcomed a number of new members to the club. I am sure that with friendship and fellowship, together with our passion for growing and studying orchids, these and future members will find themselves at home in this club, for they are our future.

On a sad note, I regret the loss of a few long-time members. Heather Cooke served as president when I first joined the club. Heather was also a senior judge, manned (or some would say 'womanned' ) the trading table and served on the committee until her passing. Gary Cooke was renowned for the numerous publications that he produced. I will always remember my first visit to the club. Gary sat next to me and spoke to me. The contributions from the Cooke's to the orchid growing community and to our club are immeasurable.

Peter Elfleet (senior) was also a senior judge, and pioneered doing flasks as a hobbyist. He was never shy to provide guidance and advice.

The lovely Lottie Hogan is best remembered for her cheerful demeanour and baking prowess.

We send our condolences to their families.

This is my final term as president. As I looked back at 3 years in office, I find myself thinking about those who have helped make my life as president easier. There are far too many names to list in this report and I thank you all. My final words are to wish the new president all success and the club to continue to grow from strength to strength.

Regards  
Dennis.