# WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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Barry Baxter won the Popular Plant vote with his Miltoniopsis Lawless Falls.

Well done!

## MESSAGE FROM THE SHOW MARSHAL

Preparations are ticking along nicely for the Spring Show. Don't forget the working bee at Lee & Roy's to work on signs, ribbons for posy bowls and any other bits and pieces we need for the show. It will be held on Saturday 5th July at 1.00pm. Please come along and help if you can.

We will need helpers on set up day and during the show. The areas we need help with are:

Set up – Thursday morning (28th August) Runners for judging - Thursday afternoon (28th

Floor Walkers, Raffle Table, Trading Table, Flower Power, Kitchen, Information Desk -Friday and Saturday (29th & 30th August) Show Break Down – Saturday afternoon.

Please let me know how you can assist even a couple of hours is a great help.

For those who are interested we will be going to Genghis Khan on Lincoln Road for dinner on Saturday evening at the end of the show.

Thank you Glenys

# **NEXT MEETING** Tuesday July 1st 7.30pm (7.00pm Early Forum for newer members). **Lions Whitehouse**

Early Forum: Will be held on club night. Guest Speaker: Barry Curtis from Tauranga will be speaking on cymbidiums.

Please bring a small plate for supper, on a disposable plate and cut any cakes at home to help out the kitchen staff.

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

Please wear your name badge on club night.



#### **SUBSCRIPTIONS**

Subscriptions are now overdue!

If you have not paid your yearly subscription, we are sorry - this will be your final newsletter.



Happy July birthday to....

We have no birthdays this month!



## FROM THE JUNE MEETING

President Lee welcomed 41 members and 1 visitor

**Apologies:** Pam Mason, Mary Jones, Ray Hogan and Bev Meredith.

**Notices:** July 5th-working bee for Show signs and ribbons at Lee and Roy's.

Postage is going up next month. Is there anyone that would like to receive their newsletter by email?

Barry Baxter is happy to coordinate orders for pleonies - catalogue will be available soon.

Bus trip to Waikato is not going ahead as it clashes with 2 Auckland shows that we should support.

Next month raffle tickets for OCNZ are available and members are asked to take at least 1 book to sell. 50% of sales goes to our club.

Year books are available to those whose parent club is Waitakere.

Special Happy Birthday sung to June.

Napier Orchid Council AGM.

Lee encouraged us to look at attending a weekend away in the first week of December at Iwitahi Native Orchid Reserve to help maintain it

Dennis gave a brief book review on 2 books. 'Asian Orchids' and 'How Orchids Grow'.

Lee brought to our attention a book that was given to Dennis and gifted on to the club. 'Orchid Conference 1999 Proceedings.'

AGM 8pm-8.30pm.



Ann Bernard Svetlana Parsons, Roy Neale and Robert Wickham.

Thanks to the Club, Irene Levett and Ken Morse for donating raffle prizes.

Our raffle made \$78.00 which will be a great help towards our expenses.

## **Passive Hydroponic Orchid Culture**

(Plastic Brochure Holder Method) - Burt Ong Guest Speaker 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2014

If you missed this meeting you need to feel sorry for yourself as this was one of those nights not to be missed. Burt took us on a journey to another method of orchid growing which he and Evelyn have designed particularly for older people and it was an enlightening and entertaining talk.

The 'Plastic Hydroponic Orchid Culture' (PHOC) method of growing orchids is ideal for smaller plants and the ease of watering, fertilising and maintaining a collection makes it possible to grow orchids in a confined space and well into your dotage!

Burt and Evelyn have been perfecting the technique for many years now. Burt highlighted 20 advantages to this method but also admitted there were 7 disadvantages and the wonderful power point presentation and photography involved helped us understand this method. Burt and Evelyn have even produced a booklet on this topic and kindly donated one to the library.

By popular demand they will again be our 'Guest Speakers' at the August Meeting where they will demonstrate the construction of their orchid mounts

Don't miss it!

Lee Neale





Brochure holders with plants growing very happily!

## PLANTS ON DISPLAY 03 06.14

Spelling = \*

Name Change = #

No record on OrchidWiz = ?

#### Brassocatanthe

Bct. Little Mermaid 'Janet'

- Leroy Orchids

## Calanthe

Cal. Vestita

- Dennis Chuah

#### Cattleya

C. Memoria Frank Gronwall (reg 2003)#

= C. (California Apricot x Pumila)

C. (Bright Angel x Jillian Lee) x Tangerine Jewel

C. Michelle's High Bid (reg 1998) #

= C. (Mini Purple x Sierra Doll)

- Wolf Grausch

#### Cattlianthe

Ctt. Ruby Embers

- Wolf Grausch

## Ceratostylis

Css. Retisquama

- Dennis Chuah

#### **Dendrobium**

Den. Paradise Lorna x glomeratum

Den. Tomoflake

- William and Man Lo

## Dendrochillum

Ddc. cobbianum (21 Spikes!)

- Dennis Chuah

#### Isabelia (was Neolauchea)

Isa. Pulchella

- Barry Baxter

#### Laelia

L. anceps 'Alba'

- Dennis Chuah

L. gouldiana

- William and Man Lo

## **Miltoniopsis**

Milt. Lawless Falls

-Barry Baxter

#### Oncidium

Onc. Good Day 'Alfie' AM/OCNZ # (reg 2014)

(Awarded at Queen's Birthday)

= Onc. (Dorothy Wisnom x Crowborough)

Onc. Anklet

- Leroy Orchids

Onc. Pui Chin 'Flying Tiger'

- William and Man Lo

#### **Phaleanopsis**

Phal. Birmingham?

- Anne Bernard

# Rhyncolaeliocattleya

Rlc. (Elegant Dancer x Always Dream) 'Titanic'

- Leroy Orchids

Rlc. Memoria Rose Graham (reg 2012)#

= C. Angel Eyes x Rlc. Lisa Taylor Gallis

- Wolf Grausch

Rlc. EZO Robin's Magic \*

- Barry Baxter

## Sarchochilus

Sarco. Beverley Joan x hartmanii

- Svetlana Parsons

#### **Trichoceros**

Tc. antennifer

- Dennis Chuah

## Vanda

V. Fuch's Delight AM/OCNZ; AM/NZOS

- Dennis Chuah

Plant names written in *italics* depicts it is a *species*. Plants on display commentary was conducted by Lee, Anjo and Dennis.

# from behind the shadehouse.....



Jill's pet ducks were waiting for their dinner and making lots of noise. She threw the food to them off the deck and forgot to let go of the bucket!



Barry Baxter has a new hobby. A Laminar Flow Cabinet has recently joined the household!



Jim Shaw is in Hospital. We all wish him the best...... I wonder if he is trying to sell raffle Tickets to the nurses?

# SHOW DATES TO REMEMBER

North Shore O/S Show: June 29th NZOS Winter Show: July 12th-13th

Waikato O/S Show: July 27th CSA Show: August 16th

Whangarei O/S Show: August 22nd-23rd

Waitakere Orchid Club Show: August 29th-30th

Set up August 28th

Hibiscus Coast O/S Show: September 12th-13th Tauranga O/S Show: September 12th-14th NZOS Spring Show: September 5th-7th Bay of Islands Show: September 19th-20th North Shore Spring Show: September 27th-28th South Auckland Charity Show: September 27th-28th

Waikato Spring Show: September 28th Howick Spring Show: October 4th