

# WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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**Sorry we haven't got our winning plant from last month featured here. Beryl's lovely cattleya will be on the front page next month. ED**

## MESSAGE FROM THE SHOW MARSHAL

A big thank you to everyone who helped and participated at our Ribbon Show.

We had a fantastic day with 65 people attending the BBQ lunch. It was great to see a good attendance from the Waitakere club as well as from the North Shore and Howick Orchid Societies. We hope you enjoyed yourselves and that we will see you again next year.

We had a marvelous display of orchids and at one point thought that we were going to run out of room and have to use the stage!

Congratulations to all the Ribbon and Rosette winners and especially to Beryl Calder who won Grand Champion with her beautiful cattleya.

Lunch was a gastronomic delight with a good range of salads and deserts. Once again Pete Meredith did a great job on the

BBQ. Thank you Peter.

By the time you read this it will be less than six months to our Spring Show which will be held at the Kelston Community Centre. Mark these dates on your calendar and in your diaries.

**Show set up & Judging:** Thursday 25th August

**Show open to Public:** All day Friday 26th & Saturday 27th August.

Please note we will not be operating the show on Sunday. The show ends at the close of business on Saturday.

I will give you more details in the next Bulletin.

**Glennys MacRae (Show Marshal)**

## NEXT MEETING

Tuesday April 5th 2011, 7.00pm

Lions Whitehouse

**April program:** Auction Night. Bring those plants along to sell. Remember, for every 5 plants you bring, 1 must be donated to the club for sale.

Members don't forget your money!

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

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

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

FROM THE MARCH MEETING

President Dennis welcomed 50 members and 3 visitors to our meeting.

**Apologies:** Bev Meredith, Allan Darlow, Miriam and Assid Corban and Pam and Bruce Hughes.

**Notices:** A very big thank you was given to the Kitchen workers at our Ribbon Show. They did a marvelous job with no stove or oven for heating food.

**A reminder to members selling plants at our shows:** Please phone Heather Cooke to get a personal number which goes onto the till database. You must have the correct tag with your number on it. The till is a bit fussy! It likes to have a '\$' sign in front of your price. Please, would you also fill in your master sheet of plant names and prices. These are also available from Heather.

We have a bid above the starting point of \$150 already for the OrchidWiz programme, so if you are interested, the bidding is going to be 'hot' on auction night! Bring lots of money - this is a bargain!

**Question Table:** We are introducing a question table at our meetings each month. A table will be available for you to place either a problem plant or a question. You may remain anonymous if you like, or put your name with the plant or question. We, as a club will offer advise.

Our meeting continued with a very interesting discussion on the breeding and growing of our Ribbon Show winning plants. Thank you to the members who brought them back to show us.



**SUBS ARE NOW DUE.**

You will have received your form for renewal of subs either by email or post. Please pay on club night or post to Jim Shaw



***Happy April birthday to....***

Pam Hughes, Margaret Shaw, Irene Levet, Jim Gilchrist, Beryl Calder and Yanos Capo.

***Raffle Results...***



Congratulations to Irene Levet and Robert Wickham, who were the lucky winners

Thanks to the club and Grahame Leafberg for donating prizes.

Our raffle takings for the night were \$90.00, which will go to club funds for rent etc.

**QUESTION TABLE**

Does this barkeria need to be separated from the stem, it has roots hanging down

**Answers:**

1. If you really want to.
2. Leave it alone.
3. It would be very happy on a raft.

Hope we could help you decide!



**Anzac Day**

We use this day as a guide to removing extra shading used on your greenhouse or shade house during summer and to move plants to a warmer spot if necessary. (Newer growers please take note).

It is also the time to start reducing the water to some of your plants that need a rest over the cooler months

**EASTER SALE**

To be held at Villa Orchids, 76 Mile Road, Bombay, Auckland.

Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th April  
10am to 4.00pm.

**Lots of bargains.**

New Seedlings and Mericlones available  
All genera

Potting demonstrations daily 1.00pm

**Hosts: Joe and Betty Vance**

**Phone (09) 236 0225**

## PLANTS ON DISPLAY

### ANGRAECUM

Angcm *gerinyanum* \*

- Barry Baxter

### CATTLEYA

C Dendi's Song

C Slim Warner x (Coquina x Barbantiae)

-Beryl Calder

C *loddigesi*

- Dennis Chuah

(C Bright Angel x Jillian Lee) x Tangerine Jewel

C Brandywine x *sincorana*

- Wolf and Faith Grausch

C Mahalo Jack 'Grahame'

- Grahame Leafberg

C Mona Pink 'Hiromi' AM/AOS

C Fire Magic

C Dendi's Fantasy

- Leroy Orchids

### CATTLIANTHE

C Mini Purple x Ctt Chocolate Drop

- Wolf and Faith Grausch

### CYMBIDIUM

Cym *dayanum*

- Grahame Leafberg

### DENDROBIUM

Den *lasianthera* \*

- William and Man Lo

Den Lori's Star

- Barry Baxter

### LAELIOCATTLEYA

Lc Miss Wonderful

- Leroy Orchids

### MASDEVALLIA

Masd Maryann \*

Masd Eunice # =(Cuzco Gold x *peristeria*)

Masd Falcata 'Aztec Gold'

- Ken Morse

### MILTONIA

Milt Rio's Tropical

- Dennis Chuah

### PAHIOPEDILUM

Paph Utgard

- William and Man Lo

Paph *dianthum*

- Ron Reeves

Plants on display from the February meeting was won by Barry Baxter

Some of you would have received an Auction plant sheet with your newsletter. If you are selling plants it would be a help if you write your plants for sale on it at home and return it to Lee or myself on club night. Let me know if you need extra sheets.  
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## ROSSIOGLOSSUM

Ros *grande*

- Dennis Chuah

## STENOGLOTTIS

Sngl Durban

- Dennis Chuah

## TOLUMNIA

Tolu Susan Perriera x (Love That Red x Deborah le Monde)

Tolu Red Susan # = (Susan Perriera x Robsan)

- Dennis Chuah

## VUYLSTEKEARA

Vuyl Mary Kavanaugh

- Grahame Leafberg

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*.



### ***from behind the shade house.....***

Pauline was at the Ribbon Show to help at 8.00am. She had her daughter's wedding the day before and was exhausted - but still showed up to support her club. Three cheers for Pauline everyone!

And that Jimmy Shaw won the lucky door prize! We joked before the number was drawn that he would win it!

Thanks to Joe and Betty Vance for donating a plant for the raffle prize at our Ribbon Show.

I had a little dig in my garden and created a fountain (water pipe)! Nice Council man came and fixed it! He had to re bury it as it was only a few cm's under the ground. He told me very nicely where the power and gas were!! As if I would do it again - yeah right!

**NOTICE!**

At our very popular auction in April we will have available a copy of OrchidWiz kindly donated to the club for auction by the OrchidWiz producers. The proceeds of this will be donated to club funds. The current price if you were to purchase it is US\$295. The minimum starting bid will be NZ\$150 so start saving now! This is a fantastic program showing the breeding, progeny, awards (including OCNZ), with thousands of photos.

Following her talk last month, Lee gave a demonstration on OrchidWiz. If you have plant names you would like to check, please bring them to the show on Sunday or to the March meeting and she will demonstrate the program to you 'one on one'.