

AUCKLAND ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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We had a three way draw for the popular vote this month.

Left: Sc Susie's Valentine 'Te Puke' - Burt and Evelyn Ong. Centre: Sc Lana Coryell x Lc (Neon x Arunta) - Leroy Orchids. Right: Cal vestita -Ron Reeves. Well done winners!

Notice of AGM of Auckland Orchid Club Incorporated June 3rd 2008

REMIT for AGM

Remit for consideration of AOC 2008
AGM .

Submitted by AOC Executive Committee.

That the name of the club as specified in
rule 1 shall be changed to.....

'Waitakere Orchid Club Incorporated'

...and that this change shall take effect
from the 2008 AGM.

Explanation: This name would clearly
identify the area we serve and from which
the majority of our members who identify
the AOC as their parent club, attend.

NEXT MEETING

Tuesday June 3rd 7.30pm

Lions Whitehouse

Annual General Meeting and DVD of the Tokyo
Show.

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

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

Volunteers will be needed to help vacuum
the floor after the meeting.



Happy May birthday to.... Bernadette
Edmiston, Susan Tantau, Pauline Weeks,
Merilyne Brown, and Theo Verryt.

June.... Gary Cooke, Mary Jones, Gra-
hame Leafberg, June Sutton, Beryl Finlay, Peter
Elfleet Snr, Margaret Maagdenburgh.

To those members who have not paid their sub-
scription, this will be your last newsletter and
you will therefore be unable to vote at the AGM.

Please pay Jim Shaw as soon as possible.

FROM THE MAY MEETING

President Roy welcomed 37 members to the May meeting.

Apologies: Mary Jones, Beryl Calder, Miriam and Assid Corban, Merilyne Browne, Pam and Bruce Hughes and Jean Treadwell.

Notices: Members were advised the Executive were unable to make a decision on the name proposed for the club as they had a split vote. Members were asked to consider the two options presented and a show of hands vote would be undertaken after the break.



The names presented for consideration were:
Waitakere Orchid Club or **Waitakere City Orchid Club.**

Members were advised that a remit proposing the name change would be presented at the AGM and the Bulletin for May would arrive early to comply with the rules of this notification.

A liquor license would be procured to enable us to supply alcohol at our birthday celebration in August.

We were requested to consider selling any surplus flowering plants we had at show time to be used in the display featuring \$250.00 of plants, sponsored by Bark Products Taranaki, which would be won by ballot at the end of the show. All show attendees will be able to enter the ballot.

The club is going to purchase new cupboards to contain our library.

Volunteers were requested to help with a working bee to set up the library and make it more practicable-please phone Roy if you can help.



Two of our members, Assid and Miriam Corban were about to celebrate 60 years of marriage on May 15th. Congratulations were shown by a round of applause.

The Cymbidium Society of America NZ Branch (CSA) are holding a one day meeting and seminar on Sat 24th May. There will be a guest speaker and lectures from two of the newer judges. Anyone is welcome to attend, the cost for the day is \$5.00. Please phone Lee or Roy for further information.



Do you have any flowering plants which you would be prepared to lend to the club to stage a display at the OCNZ AGM to be held Queen's Birthday weekend in Whangarei? Please call Roy.



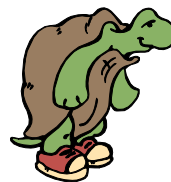
Roy welcomed Heather Cooke back following major surgery-this was also greeted with a round of applause.

Next meeting is our AGM and all members were asked to consider their name being submitted for an Executive position. Unfortunately one of our long standing and valued members, Glenys MacRae, is unable to continue on the committee.

Following the supper break the vote for our potential new name was undertaken and **Waitakere Orchid Club** won by a large majority. This is the name which will be submitted with the remit at the AGM.



from behind the shade house.....



Our past President Glenys is at present in South America on holiday and will also be visiting the Galapagos Islands. We are all very keen to hear of her experiences, especially with the tortoises

It is very quiet behind the shade house this month! If you have anything to report, please let me know. We don't mind if you 'dob' yourself in! ED

Raffle winners this month....Mike Mason but Pam was quick to claim the ticket and choose the prize! Winners also were Peter Elfleet and Faith Grausch.



Thanks to the club and Margaret and Jim Shaw for donating a basket of goodies for Mother's day.
The raffle takings were \$75.00.

GUEST SPEAKER

Russell Hutton of K & R Orchids Tuakau

It is impossible to scribe these feature evenings especially when you are the 'stand in shorthand note taker!' I will endeavour to relay some of Russell's hints and to remind you all that you need to attend to get the very best out of guest speakers and to take notes that are relevant to your own conditions.

Russell as usual wowed us with his knowledge, how he remembers all the different genera and their individual growing conditions is amazing. His format tonight was a slide show with a running commentary about the flower on screen and hints for growing, a few of which appear below.

African species flower better if grown cooler in winter, down to 4-5 °C. They will grow well at warmer temperatures but don't flower. This applies to *angraecum* and other Madagascan species.

Look at your leaves to determine conditions. Small leaves with a 'bubbly' surface on the leaves need high light.

Restrepias grow at higher altitudes and require bright light to enhance flowering, but in NZ they don't like the heat associated with our bright light which makes providing ideal conditions difficult. Catasetums produce both male and female flowers on the same plant but often at different flowering times so they are hard to co-ordinate for pollinating.

Russell, ably assisted by Kimi also brought a selection of plants for sale. As usual, we purchased new and interesting species for our collections.

Thank you Russell for an interesting and informative evening.

Lee

Footnote: The Editor would like to thank Lee for all the hard work she put into this month's Bulletin due to me being unable to attend the meeting. As if she hasn't got enough to do at present!

Mary

PLANTS ON DISPLAY

ANGRAECUM

Angcm *germinyanum*
William and Man Lo

BARKERIA

Bark *scandens*
-Leroy Orchids

BRASSIA

Brs Unknown
-Ken Morse

CALANTHE

Cla *vestita*
-Ron Reeves

CATTLEYA

C *percivalliana* Var Alba#
-Ron Reeves
C Queen Sirikit
-Anjo McKernan
C Little Angel x Mary Turner Whitney
-June Sutton
C Amy Crispin #
-Ken Morse

CYMBIDIUM

Cym *erythrostylum*
-Burt and Evelyn Ong

LAELIA

L *gouldiana* #
-Ron Reeves
L *superbiens*
-Leroy Orchids

MASDEVALLIA

Masd Marguerite #
Masd *coccinea*
Masd *imposter*
-Dennis Chuah

MAXILLARIA

Max *picta*
-Burt and Evelyn Ong

MILTONIDIUM

Mtdm Bluntiosum #
-Dennis Chuah

PAPHIOPEDILUM

Paph *insigne* Var Sanderiana #
Paph *purpuratum* #
Paph *charlesworthii* #
-Ron Reeves
Paph *tonsum* #
-William and Man Lo
Paph Rosy Dawn
-Anjo McKernan

ODONTOGLOSSUM

Odm *harryanum*
-Leroy Orchids

PHALAENOPSIS

Phal *vernosa* #
-William and Man Lo

PLEUROTHALLIS

Pths *corduthallis*
-Dennis Chuah

RESTREPIA

Restrepia *striata*
-William and Man Lo

SOPHROLAELIOCATTLEYA

Sc Susie's Valentine
-Burt and Evelyn Ong
Slc Patricia Taaffe #
-Faith and Wolf Grausch
Slc Red Jewel
Slc Damson Queen 'Coburgh'
-Bev Meredith
Sc Lana Coryell x Lc(Neon Light x Arunta)
-Leroy Orchids

STENOGLOTTIS

Stenoglottis Neptune
-Jim Shaw

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

The plant commentary was conducted by Russell Hutton and Diana Elfleet

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

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