WAITAKERE ORCHID CLUB BULLETIN

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Linda Alexander won the popular plant vote with Phal Super Idol.

MESSAGE FROM THE SHOW MARSHAL

The 2013 Ribbon Show will be held on Saturday 23rd February at the Whenuapai Hall. Same venue as last year, 43 Waimarie Rd.

Set Up: 8.00am

Staging of plants: 8.30am-9.30am **Judging by members:** 10.00am Prize giving & BBO: 12.00pm Open to the public: 1.00-300pm

The cost of the BBO is \$6 ea. The club will provide the meat and soft drinks-you need to bring a salad or a dessert. We will take names and payment at the February meeting.

The club trading table will be operating. If you want to sell plants, please see Ken for sales tickets and sheets.

Linda will be running the jam and bric-a-brac table with all proceeds going towards the club. This is always an enjoyable day so please come along.

Members from other clubs are welcome to attend. I need final numbers by Wednesday 20th February to help us with our catering. Thank you,

Glenys.



NEXT MEETING Tuesday December 4th 'Golden Moments' restaurant, Westgate (next to the movie

theatres) 7.00pm Waitakere Orchid Club Xmas function. Please note the starting time.

We will be having Plants on Display so bring your flowering plants along. Don't bring gifts this year, but you may like to bring an orchid plant to donate to the raffle - but bring your money for raffle tickets. It is a BYO restaurant so you may bring refreshments.

Your partners are very welcome to join us.

For those members who are going to New Plymouth in January with us on the bus trip. we need the final payment of \$153 per person to be paid at the December meeting. We will be staying at the Carrington Motel,

61 Carrington St, New Plymouth.

Ph 0800 779 431.

Be at 6 Rata Rd, Whenuapai at 8.45am Friday January 11th.

Raffle results.....

Raffle prizes were donated by Ken Morse, Bryan Sharpe, Bert Ong and the club. Thank you. Winners were Irene Levet, Bev Meredith, Jill Mickleburgh and Jennifer McGreal

The club made \$93.10 which will be added to the coffers.

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FROM THE NOVEMBER MEETING

President Lee welcomed 45 members and 3 visitors. Lee also welcomed John Stewart, Dorothy Bowling, Jim Parker, Shirley Sidnam and Wendy Gilligan.

It was nice to see Michael Sue and Cate McCaughan again.

Cate is now a 'Westie!'

Apologies: Pam Mason, Beryl Calder, Barry Baxter, Miriam and Assid Corban.

We had no reports of any sick members.

Notices: Ken, Ann, Pauline and Glenys put up a display at the Howick Show for our club, won first prize and \$100 for us. Our display at the South Auckland O/S Charity show won us \$30.

Eden Gardens have a perennial show weekend on December 2nd. The delphiniums will be looking spectacular! Entry fee \$8.

Auckland Lily Society Xmas lily show will be held at the AHC hall, Great North Road, Western Springs December 9th. Asiatic lily show 19th, 20th January 10.00am to 3.00pm also at the AHC hall.

Bryan Sharpe won Grand Champion at the Sarcochilus show with a fabulous masdevallia and Leroy Orchids won reserve Champion with Epi stamfordianum.

Bernadette had copies of the Weekend Gardener if anyone wished to take them home.

We held a Silent Auction for the copy of OrchidWiz. Ken Morse was the lucky winner.

The Auckland Rose Show will be held on November 17 and 18.

Our club sold 64 Orchid Council raffle books. As a result we made \$320. for the club.

Next year we shall begin our Early Forum for newer growers. It will start at the earlier time of 7. 00pm. Please let us know what information you need concerning your orchids.

Roy gave Michael Sue an orchid pod to try his hand at flasking. The result was excellent for his first attempt. Well done Michael they look to be growing very well indeed!

ALASKA HOLIDAY—Lee Neale

Lee gave us a wonderful talk on her and Rov's trip to Canada and Alaska. This was a

'Bucket List' trip and one they will remember for many years.

Her photography and commentary was superb. We almost felt we were there! The cruise to Alaska viewing the glaciers and stopping off at several towns on the way showed us the spectacular scenery they enjoyed as well as the wild life.

Thanks Lee for a great talk and Power Point presentation.

Footnote:

We did notice lots of photos with Roy seated in a wheelchair and since arriving home, Lee has rather large arm muscles!

Happy December birthday to...
Faith and Wolf Grausch, Graham Marshal and Bill Johnston.

Happy January birthday to.....
Roy and Lee Neale, Diana Elfleet,

Peter Elfleet, Patrick Stepancic, Kim Young, Dennis Chuah and Hugh Fraser

PLANTS ON DISPLAY

Spelling = *
Name Change = #

Angraecum

Angcm. *germinyanum* – Don Hodge Angcm. *germinyanum* – Shirley Sidnam **Cattleva**

 $C.\ Is abelle\ Stone-Glenys\ MacRae$

Cattlianthe

Ctt. Jewel Box 'Dark Waters' – Shirley Sidnam

Cochleanthes

Cnths. discolor - Leroy Orchids

Cymbidium

Cym. Mem. Giam-tuyen Wong Cym. Richard Tauber 'Bayswater' Cym. Song of Spring # (Lady Spring x

Vogelsang) – Ross Crabb

Dendrobium

Den. Fantastic World # (Andree Millar x *jonesii*) – R. Hogan

Den. *crepidatum* 'Assamica' – Shirley Sidnam

Den.loddigesii – Don Hodge

Den. Impact 'Bicolor' – Ron Reeves

Masdevallia

A wonderful display of Massies by Ken Morse

Maxillaria

Max tenuifolia - Jim Shaw

Phalaenopsis

Phal. Super Idol (unable to confirm name) – Linda Alexander

Prosthechea

Psh. *baculus* – Dennis Chuah

Sarcochilus

Sarco. Fitzhart 'Pink Flush' x 'Red'

Sarco. George Colthup 'Rose'

Sarco Judith 'Frank Z' x Melody 'Hot Pink'

Sarco. Karla – Mary Jones

Sarco. Charm – Leroy Orchids

Sedirea

Sed. *japonica* – Ron Reeves Sed. *japonica* – Dennis Chuah

Trichopilia

Trpla. *marginata* – Leroy Orchids Trpla. *tortilis* – Dennis Chuah

Williamcookara

Wlc. Bill – Leroy Orchids

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

The plant commentary was conducted by Lee Neale and Mary Jones.

Plants on display last month was won by Ken Morse.



Dennis photographed this Thelymitra pulchella growing in Waikumete cemetery!

OCNZ RAFFLE RESULTS

First Prize: 12068 Wendy Gilligan (NZOS)

Second Prize: 4619 Jock Kershaw (Wairarapa)

Third Prize: 12002 Kelly Ikilei (NZOS)



HOUSEKEEPING!

Please wear your club badge and name tag to our meetings. This helps our newer members to get to know us!

PLEASE NOTE

This will be your final newsletter for 2012. We don't have a meeting in January, so your next Orchid Club meeting will be on Tuesday February 5th. Early Forum 7.00pm and General meeting 7.30pm.



Your President, Executive and Show Committee wish you a very Merry Xmas and a Happy New Year.