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After a week of really beautiful weather it is a shock to come back to wet windy weather but that is early spring when one has to go and rescue half frozen calves and lambs from the mud. At least the ground is starting to warm and I have flower buds moving all over the place. I have never seen them just stop before. At least I do not seem to have many unexpected losses, so my thoughts on cold growing plants are working. The met service say this is the coldest winter they have ever recorded in Tauranga since the R.N.Z.A.F. started it in 1944. I find it hard to match it to the definite warming in the Antarctic areas.

Last Meeting. This was attended by 24 members, the speaker and his wife. It was a similar number to our auction and birthday.

Our sales table at the show in Tauranga was discussed and a call made for helpers, show plants for our display and of course sales material. Like our own show we are looking not only at orchid plants for sale but any other good quality related materials.

If anyone still has any O.C. N.Z., raffle books this will be your last chance to return them. The O.C.N.Z. Newsletter had a reminder about their web site at www.orchidcouncil.co.nz which has club news, award photos, show dates plant sales, etc.

The meeting was done by Alex Roy, who showed how to make a pottery wall pot and a pottery mount for pendent plants. Judging by the chatter it was enjoyed by everyone and appeared to take them back to a cross between play dough, plasticine and mud pies!!! This is always an act not to be missed. It will be interesting to see what the results are like after they are fired.

Next meeting. This will be at Te Puna Quarry Garden on Sunday September 13th at 12.00. There are 2 shelters to eat our lunch under, and Wilma is totally confident it will not be wet!!!

The orchids should have plenty of flowers still. There will be a committee meeting sharp on 11.30 to look at anything arising urgently and pay any accounts.

October Meeting. Andy Price has been contacted and details will be in the next newsletter.

Shows. Tauranga Show 18th to 20th of September. (Remember we will need help on the sale table and Plants to Display and Material for the sale table)

Waikato Spring Show. On 26th 27th September.

N.Z. orchid Society on 18th to 20th September.

Competition Plants

Phal. Exclusive Stars	R.Henshaw.	1
Den. Zepelin	R. Henshaw	2
Mas. Falcate Cliffys	R.Harris	2=

Exhibition Plants

E. Bailey	W. Fitzgibbons
Mas. Rice Queen	Den. tetragonum.
Mas.Southern Sun	Restrepia stricta
Mas.Paradise Sunset.	Restrepia sanguinia.
Den. Tolga Cushla	Mas. Decumana.
	Onc unknown Grex.
T.Harris	
Cymb Cherry Cola.	M. Feist.
L Anceps	Den. Warrambool
	Cmb Unknown Grex
I Clotworthy	Paph Hellera
Restrepia hemsleyana	Paph Delight.
Restrepia elegans	
Mas. Whiskers x Barleana A	R, Harris
Mas. Caloptra	Dendrochilum uncatum.
Den. Rutherford Starburst	Den. Berry X Ranger Fiestefal
X Ellen Deloraine	Mas. Heathii X schuteriana.
S.L. Psyche.	Mas. Beanak Vintage (Roy A.M.)
Dianema Polybolbum.	Mas. Funky X Pixie Leopard.
Phal. Timothy Christopher	Mas. Falcata Cliffys.
X Dtps Chialin.	Mas. Pat Akehurst .
	Mas.Sunny Angel Sunshine.
D. Hintz	Den. Candice Ace
Laelia anceps Alba.	X Lusty Bobs
Laelia Anceps var Ashworthianum	Den. Black Pam X aureum.
Den. Graeme Banks.	
Den. Lustrous Royal Flame X Vivid Windsong.	
Paph Silvara Selwyn.	

Now spring is here it is time to increase the watering and feeding to get good growth for next year and the National Show next spring.