

Capital City Orchid Society

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President's blurb

Hi everyone.

I was sorry to miss last month's meeting on Roy's trip to Japan but I hear it was enjoyed by those who attended!

How are we all coping with the changing of seasons? I'm not liking the frosty mornings Upper Hutt is getting. My poor cymbidiums are hiding out under a tree and I will need to spend some time to give them some maintenance and move them out of the way of Jack Frost.

I am hoping that I will have some flower spikes on the ones that didn't flower last year, we shall see!

And keep in mind that there are not too many months until September when we are putting on a display at the **6th NZ International Orchid Show** in Palmerston North. So now is the time to be giving some extra love and attention to those plants that you hope will be in flower for the show.

Hope to see you at our next meeting.

Cheers.
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Main Meeting:

8pm, Monday, 17 May 2010,
Johnsonville Uniting Church,
18 Dr Taylor Terrace, Johnsonville

“Odonts”

This month, our very knowledgeable Paul Cable will be telling us everything you ever wanted to know about growing **Odontoglossum** orchids. So bring along your plants and don't be afraid to ask questions.

Last month

Our thanks go to Roy Walker who gave us a very interesting talk about his trip to the Tokyo orchid show. He also showed some of the photos he took while there. They gave us an insight into what the Japanese like in the way of orchids and the colour combinations that they grouped them in. Some of the orchids even had bling stuck on them, which was rather odd.

It seems that **John Anderson** is the first person to flower (well, almost) the **Coelogyne mooreana** that was split up about this time last year. Well done John!

Other Society's Upcoming Shows

Hawke's Bay Orchid Society:

Invite you to their 40th Birthday Dinner & Celebrations, being held on July 3rd 2010 at the Taradale Town Hall in conjunction with their Winter Show which will be open from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. The dinner is \$30 per head, BYO, starting with nibbles at 6:30, dinner at 7 p.m., with punch and fruit juice supplied.

If you are going to attend, please let Lenaire know so she can make the rsvp by June 14th.

Wellington Orchid Society:

Invite you to their show on 16-17 October, 2010 at the Horticultural Hall, Lower Hutt.

The theme for their show this year is "A Kind of Magic".

Orchid Extravaganza, Palmerston North

6th NZ International Orchid Extravaganza
Palmerston North
9 September 2010 – 12 September 2010

Yes, we are putting on a display at this show, and as we are representing the Capital, the committee are thinking of including "things" to show it off under the theme "Absolutely Positively Wellington".

If you have any items or memorabilia that you think might be useful, please let your committee know.

Committee meeting

The next committee meeting will be at 7.30pm on Monday, 24 May 2010 at Anya's house, 25 Sunrise Boulevard, Tawa. Any members are welcome to attend a committee meeting.

Subscriptions reminder

Subscriptions for April 2010/March 2011 are now due for those who have yet to pay, and a form for you to fill out is in this newsletter. Please make sure you tick the option regarding your primary club as this impacts on the OCNZ capitation fees we have to pay.

Note that there has been a small increase in the family membership, as agreed by members at the AGM.

Supper roster

Christina is on supper duty this month, and we need a volunteer to help her, please.

Library books

Please check for any library books which should be returned.

Raffle

As usual, please remember to bring plants or any other items for the raffle (eg chocolate, tinned goods, etc – anything). The proceeds from the raffle help with the cost of the hall hire, so the more prizes the better

Plant display cards

Remember to leave your cards on the tables or give them to Paul Cable so that he can do the plant list.

E-mail addresses

If you receive your newsletter by post, but are able to receive it by e-mail, please let Aileen know. This saves considerably on postage and photocopying costs over the period of a year.

Plants on display: April 2010

John Anderson. Paph. T.B. Beryl's Choice. Coel. mooreana.
Paul Cable. Lemb. Uro-Day. Hknsa. Ian Kobayashi x C. Lulu. Max. grandiflora.
T&E. Ferrige. Stenoglottis Neptune. Masd. Redwing.
Cym. Portuguese Passion 'Rastafarian'.
Masd. Monarch. Masd. Swallow. Phal. unknown. Masd. Paul Martinod.
Phyl. Purdie. Max. variabilis. Phal. unknown.
Margery Smith. Milt. Moir Moir 'Moxham'. L. dayana. Bllra. Tahoma Glacier. 'Ithan'.
Z. Blue Eyes 'Purple Thunder'. Masd. barlaeana x Whiskers.
Max. grandiflora.
Merle Stevenson. Slc. Coastal Gold 'Geyser Gold'.
Roy Walker. Lc. Carrie Johnson.
Lenaire Witham. Paph. Vanilly.

* Check Labels: Paph. London Wall x Paph. Honda Gold = Paph. T.B. Beryl's Choice

SUBSCRIPTIONS

Subscriptions are now due for 1 April 2010 – 31 March 2011.

Single \$25.00 Family \$35.00

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Telephone number.....

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