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President's blurb

Hi everyone

I hope that you were able to come along to our Show in September We had a great display with many varieties of orchids - it was lovely to see flowers of all shapes, sizes & colours. The weather again was unpredictable but did not appear to stop people from going to the gardens or coming to see us.

Congratulations to Rob Verschoor who was awarded the Show trophy for his beautiful Lycaste.

My thanks to the committee and to the members who volunteered their time to help out over the Show weekend. Another successful show!

And I hope we have given some thought regarding climate change and what we can do towards our bit for the environment after listening to our guest speaker, Dr James Renwick from NIWA.

Climate change is certainly one of the most discussed topics around the world and we thank Dr Renwick for his presentation to us.

I hope to see you at our next meeting.

Cheers
Debs.

***Main Meeting: 8pm, Monday,
19 October 2009 Johnsonville
Uniting Church, 18 Dr Taylor
Terrace, Johnsonville***

This month we will probably be showing another instalment from the David Attenborough DVD "The private life of plants".

Supper roster

Phyl and Roy are on supper duty this month.

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.

Committee meeting

The next committee meeting date is still to be decided.

Plants on display: September 2009

- Aileen Broughton. Sarco. hartmannii. Den. kingianum. ‘Glenbrook’ Den. Tania’s Pride.*
- Paul Cable. Den. falcorostrum. Bc. Daffodil. Oda. Saint Mary’s Peak. Blc.(Bc. Pastoral. ‘Innocense’ x Lc. Persopolis. ‘Splendour’).
- Lois Dougherty. Sarco. falcatus. Den. Green Gem. Aerangis. ugandensis.
- Merv. Dougherty. Pln. Rakata ‘Shot Silk’. Pln.Surtsey ‘Joshua’ Pts.curta.
- T&E. Ferrige. Den. Gundy Sun.* Masd. Ignea ‘Brighton Belle’. Sarco. aequalis ‘Alba’. Masd. Monarch. Den. Virginia Jupp. Masd. Karen Eleanor.(orange). Masd. Karen Eleanor (yellow). Enc. polybulbon. Dendrochilum. glumaceum.
- Michelle Glogau Cym. (Kabuki Legend x Tamatea).
- Chrissie. Den. falcorostrum.
- Debbie Rodley. Den. kingianum.
- Margery Smith. Oda. (Marispum x Red Rum). Den. kingianum. Vuyl. Cambria. ‘Plush’. Den. ‘Pukekura’. Coel. cristata. Masd. Lemon Meringue.
- Merle Stevenson. Den.(Aussie Sandy x speciosum.Den. Kingrose. Den. Sophie. Den. speciosum x ?
- Rob Verschoor. Max. variabilis.
- Roy Walker. Gongora truncata.
- Lenaire Witham. Coel. cristata. Slc. Ruby Love.

Library books

Please check for any library books which should be returned.

E-mail addresses

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

- CHECK LABELS:
- Den. Zip Imperial x Den. Bardo Rose = Den. Tania's Pride.
- Den. Burgundy Cream x Rutherford Sunspot. = Den. Gundy Sun.

Message from Orchid Council

Hi Everyone

Looking forward to some warmer weather? We have had enough of the rough stuff really! Hope your orchids are coping well and rewarding you with some flowers to show off. OrchidWiz Licence: Council has an amazing offer for the purchase of OrchidWiz, but we only have until the end of December to sell the licences, of which we have 19 available. The cost will only be NZ\$150 (including P&P). This is a huge saving as the current purchase price for personal use is USD259, or USD181.30 if you are involved in a Judging centre or Club (shipping USD15), so here is a fantastic opportunity for people who are interested in what is happening around the world with the awarding of quality plants and a great chance to compare your own 'treasures' with the awards. OrchidWiz is a very interesting program and has lots of information, including, just recently added, several years' of Orchid Council of NZ Awards. The OCNZ award photos will be added in next year's update to Version 7 (June). Many thanks to all the work that Margaret Lomas (Chair COA) has put into this project to get the information to OrchidWiz.

Anyone interested? Please send your payment to the Treasurer, Grahame Hill, PO Box 635, New Plymouth 4340, Ph: (06) 759-1606, email:

hillcroft@xtra.co.nz

National Raffle: Ticket sales have now concluded. Please could you all get your butts back ASAP to Roy and forward cheques as well. Results will be as per advertisement and also announced in our next news brief. Thanks to all involved.

Iwitahi: Council is still waiting for the Minister's signoff on Iwitahi being signed over to our HPA. In the meantime, we have had notification of the NZ Native Orchid Group organising a weekend on 13/14 November, accommodation available at Sika Lodge, near Iwitahi. Anyone interested? Please contact President, NZNOG, David McConachie, at email:

pleione@orcon.net.nz

Charitable Status. There is a possibility that not many clubs have applied for this ... may we remind clubs that even though they may be incorporated societies, they still need to register with Inland Revenue or will have to start paying tax.

Trust the show season is going well for you all. Not long now and they'll all be over for another year.

To all those people who are on the sick list, having operations or recovering from one, or just not feeling as well as you could, we wish you all a speedy recovery and look forward to meeting up at some time in the near future.

Cheers and good orchiding
from the Executive, OCNZ