

Orchid Chat

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Masonic Hall, Centreway Road, Orewa
2nd Sunday of each month
Open 1pm for plant sales
Meeting begins at 1.30pm

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AFTERNOON TEA ROSTER

All members with surnames ranging from 'A' to those starting with 'G' are asked to bring a plate of finger food. Anything you can manage will BE enthusiastically accepted.

- October** **A - G**
- November** **H - Mc**
- December** **Bring a plate**

Next Meeting

11 October 2009

Trophy Presentations

Show Marshall's Report

Overall a reasonably successful show, with the number of plants down a bit from last year.

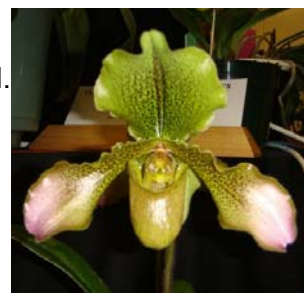
To start with I'd like to thank everybody who brought in plants for the show, as without your plants there would be no show. Also, a special thanks to Lex and Julie who have the dubious honour of storing the staging under their house and Peter & Margaret Thomas for the use of their trailer To Barbara Beale who did all the running around organising the prize certificates, and the runners during the judging.

To the sales table organisers and helpers, the floral art and posie makers and others who helped set up the staging and take it down again. A big thanks to the N.Z.O.S. judging panel for taking over the judging of the show at short notice as most of the O.C.N.Z. judges were in Australia. The takings were down a bit from last year but I think most people enjoyed it as much as I did. It was very gratifying to get an AM/NZOS for Lex & Julie's Paphiopedilum Orewa 'Clifford' awarded at the show.

Thanks again to all involved.

Theo Verryt

Well done Lex & Julie



UP & COMING EVENTS

- 3 Oct Howick OS, Fencible Lounge, Uxbridge Rd
- 10-11 Oct Wanganui OS, Wanganui Memorial Hall
- 17-18 Oct Wellington OS, Hutt Valley Horticultural
Hall, Laings Rd, Lower Hutt
- 6-8 Nov North Shore OS Sarc & Other Genera
Show, Cnr Beach & Glencoe Rds, Browns
Bay

Note: Our Show next year will be on 27 & 28 August due to the Manawatu Expo and the involvement of some of our members.

Congratulations
to Theo and Barbara Beale on their
successes at the New Zealand Show



OCTOBER RAMBLINGS

Spring

With the weather conditions warming up, increased attention to WATERING and VENTILATION will be required. Increasing frequency of water applications will be needed, although actual applications will depend on the weather, size of plants and pots and potting mix. Remember to let 25-50mm of the mix on the top of the pot dry in the larger containers before watering again. Air must be allowed to reach the roots, otherwise they will die.

SHADING should not be required yet, although towards the end of the month if there is strong sunlight, after some duller weather, the application of some thin shading may ensure no burning occurs. Under hot conditions increase ventilation. Do not put the plants outside too early as a cold snap can reduce plant growth and possibly subsequent flowering. Ensure conditions are maintained that are conducive to maximum growth.

Plants which have finished flowering and which require REPOTTING should be in their new mix as soon as possible. Once the new growth starts it is important that they grow strongly to full maturity if maximum flowering next year is to be achieved.

SLUGS & SNAILS may still affect the flowers and the new growths and with the warmer drying weather watch for RED SPIDER and FALSE SPIKER MITE which could now start to become established. Look at your plants closely; an occasional night check with a torch may even reveal some nocturnal night visitors.

Those plants which have been re-established after repotting can be FERTILISED as can those which have not been touched. The use of a fertiliser containing high nitrogen is desirable. This ensures maximum vegetative growth during the period when the plant naturally is trying to achieve this. A top dressing of a dessertspoon full per 10 litre pot of a mix of 4 parts dried blood, 4 parts super-phosphate and 1 part of sulphate of potash can be beneficial. Where manufactured inorganic compounds are utilised, especially remember to apply at $\frac{1}{2}$ to $\frac{1}{3}$ of the manufacturer's recommended rate.

Source: *Phil's Orchid World*
<http://homepages.ihug.co.nz/~tomnz/>

Over the next few issues we will explore the genus
Paphiopedilum.....

Paphiopedilum

The genus

Paphiopedilums have an almost lurid beauty which sets them apart from other orchids. Those under the spell of these plants believe that there is no other orchid quite like them. In fact they *are* different. Together with the related genera *Selenipidium*, *Cypripedium* and *Phragmipedium*, they form a subfamily of their own. *Paphiopedilums* used to be known in horticulture as cypripediums and will often be referred to under this name in popular orchid books written more than 45 years ago. The lip of the flower is in the form of a pouch, hence the common name of Slipper orchid. The *Paphiopedilum* has not yet completely yielded to the tissue-culture process. Choice cultivars must be propagated by division and not uncommonly change hands at very high prices. Happily, *paphiopedilums* can be propagated by seed. Although seed pods often do not give much viable seed, seedlings of most types are now available at much the same prices as other orchids.

There are about 60 species. The geographical range is roughly the same as for cymbidiums and dendrobiums but they do not go as far south as Australia. Most are terrestrials but some are more lithophytic and there are even a few which grow on trees. Even the terrestrials do not grow in the ground but rather on the organic litter of the forest floor. The plant has fan-like growths of leaves, the terminal flower spike coming from the middle of these. There is no pseudobulb. The leaves are thick and either plain dark green or mottled. The two lateral sepals are fused together at the bottom of the flower. This (ventral) sepal is usually not as conspicuous as the prominent dorsal sepal at the top. The column is different from that of other orchids. The most prominent part is the shield-like staminode which protects the stigma and the two anthers (other orchids only have one) with pollinia. The pouch really has to be removed to see these organs properly.

Culture

It has been traditional to divide *paphiopedilums* into two groups for cultural purposes: those with solid green leaves and requiring cooler conditions and those with mottled leaves and usually requiring a warmer temperature. This is a useful rule, although there are exceptions to it. Over 100 years of hybridizing has seen the creation of a race of largely green-leaved, winter and early spring flowering hybrids with massive flowers and bred to flourish in a greenhouse. Hybridization and selection has at least partially ironed out the differing cultural needs of the ancestral species and the hybrids can all be grown together in the same environment.

Over recent years there has been a wide interest in collecting and growing species. This interest has extended to primary hybrids and secondary hybrids and to crosses between complex hybrids and species often overlooked in traditional breeding of *paphiopedilums*. Some of these 'new look' hybrids have become very fashionable. The grower of species should seek information regarding the natural habitat of a plant so that culture can, if necessary, be adjusted to its needs. In practice many growers in NZ succeed in cultivating a range of species and hybrids under the same general conditions.

To be continued.....

Source: *The New Zealand Orchid Grower*, ID James

HIBISCUS COAST ORCHID SOCIETY

2009 ANNUAL SHOW

11 - 12 (setup 10th) September 2009

Show Marshall: Theo Verryt. Held at the Orewa Community Centre. Judged by NZOS with thanks (OCNZ Judges unavailable)

GRAND CHAMPION OF SHOW Lionel Dyer Memorial Trophy

Annette Gillan - Coelogyne Intermedia 'Northmead'

RESERVE CHAMPION Sharp Trophy

Colin & Betty Grant - Den. *speciosum* 'The King'

POINTS TROPHY Margaret Collis Memorial Trophy
Lex & Julie Sharp

BEST CULTURED PLANT Great Northern Merchants Trophy

Annette Gillan - Coelogyne Intermedia 'Northmead'

BEST CYMBIDIUM Peninsula Flooring Trophy

Tucker's Orchids - Cym. Sir Glen x Loch Lomond

BEST PENDULOUS CYMBIDIUM

Bell Trophy

Theo Verryt - Cym. Last Tango 'Geyserland'

BEST PAPHIOPEDILUM Collis Cup

Lex & Julie Sharp - Paph. Orewa 'Clifford'

Pending AM/NZOS award

BEST CATTLEYA Arkle Cup

Theo Verryt - Laelia *kautskiana* x *cinnabarina*

BEST DENDROBIUM U'Ren Cup

Colin & Betty Grant - Den. *speciosum* 'The King'

BEST MASDEVALLIA Masdevallia Cup

Barbara Beale - Masdevallia *caudata* 'Seven Oaks'

BEST SARCOCHILUS Sarcochilus Cup

Lex & Julie Sharp - Sarco. Fitzhart 'Super Centre' x Velvet 'Cool Dude'

BEST AU SPECIMEN DENDROBIUM Placemakers Trophy

Lex & Julie Sharp - Den. Duno Deerose

BEST PHALAENOPSIS Orewa Pharmacy Trophy

Tucker's Orchids - Phal. Sogo John 'Golden Sun' x Dou Dii Spot 'Mr Lin'

POINTS TALLY:

1st L & J Sharp
2nd Daisy Burrell
3rd Theo Verryt

OPEN CLASSES:

CYMBIDIUM CLASSES:

Class 1 - Standard

1. Tuckers Orchids - Cym. Sir Glen x Loch Lomond
2. Theo Verryt - Cym. Sims Vision 'Barcelona'
3. Tuckers Orchids - Cym. Khan Flame

Class 2 - Intermediate (Over 60mm)

1. Tuckers Orchids - Cym. Sir Edmond Hillary
2. Tuckers Orchids - Cym. Volcano 'Menehune'
3. Tuckers Orchids - Cym. Flaming Orange x Red Beauty

Class 3 - Miniature

1. Theo Verryt - Cym. Last Tango 'Geyserland'
2. C & B Grant - Cym. Touchstone 'Mahogany'
3. Bruce Goodall - Cym. Tuffet

Class 4 - 1st Flowering Seedling

1. Theo Verryt - Cym. Eastern Star x Sleeping Dream x Lunara
2. Theo Verryt - Cym. Pure Love x Egyptian Princess
3. Theo Verryt - Cym. Yowie Rose x Last Tango

PAPHIOPEDILUM CLASSES:

Class 5 - Species

1. L & J Sharp - Paph. *villosum*
2. V & L Prince - Paph. *Leeanum*
3. House of Orchids - Paph. *villosum*

Class 6 - Primary Hybrid Or Near

1. L & J Sharp - Paph. Orewa 'Clifford'
2. V & L Prince - Paph. *venustum* x Somers Isles
3. Bruce Goodall - Paph. Fairlady

Class 7 - Complex Hybrid

1. Daisy Burrell - Paph. Clifford Peter 'Jade'
2. House of Orchids - Paph. Paramagic *
3. Bruce Goodall - Paphiopedilum unknown

CATTLEYA OR ALLIED GENERA CLASSES:

Class 8 - Under 50mm Across Petals

1. Anjo Mckernan - Diothonea ?
2. L & J Sharp - Slc. Kawai Star

Class 9 - 60 - 100mm Across Petal

1. L & J Sharp - Sl. Hazel Boyd

Class 10 - Over 100mm Across Petals

1. Tuckers Orchids - Blc Malworth 'Orchid Glade'
2. Tuckers Orchids - Blc Mem. Isabel Keenan *
3. Anjo Mckernan - Lc Drumbeat x Land of Enchantment

Class 11 - Cluster Type

1. Theo Verryt - Laelia *kautskiana* x *cinnabarina*
2. Anjo Mckernan - Lc. Kauai Spiders *

Class 12 - Species

1. Daisy Burrell - Laelia *jongheana*
2. Anjo Mckernan - Laelia *anceps*

SARCANTHINAE CLASSES:

Class 13 - Species

1. Merle Wildman - Sarco. *hartmannii* 'Edna'
2. L & J Sharp - Sarco. *falcatus* 'Claire' x *falcatus* 'Andrew'
3. Annette Gillan - Sarco. *hartmannii* 'Yellow'

Class 14 - Hybrid ~ Predominately White

1. Annette Gillan - Sarco. First Light'
2. Annette Gillan - Sarco. Little Sparkle
3. Annette Gillan - Sarco. *falcatus* x Weinhart

Class 15 - Hybrid ~ Predominately Coloured

1. L & J Sharp - Sarco. Fitzhart 'Super Centre' x Velvet 'Cool Dude'
2. L & J Sharp - Sarco. First Light
3. L & J Sharp - Sarco. Starstruck 'Hedy'

Class 16 - 1st Flowering Seedling

1. Annette Gillan - Sarco. First Light
2. L & J Sharp - Sarco. Starstruck x *fitzgeraldii* 'Karen'

AUSTRALIAN DENDROBIUM CLASSES:

Class 17 - Species

1. Margaret Maruska - Den. x *delicatum*
2. Theo Verryt - Den. *linguiforme*
3. Barbara Sanders - Dockrillia Duffy

Class 17A - Speciosum

1. C & B Grant - Den. *speciosum* 'The King'
2. Daisy Burrell - Den. *speciosum* 'Mt Larcom' x *speciosum* 'Windermere'
3. Daisy Burrell - Den. *speciosum* 'Hunter's Gold'

Class 18 - Hybrid ~ White / Yellow / Green

1. Daisy Burrell - Den. Yondie Sunshine 'Orange' x Yondi Tina 'Goliath'
2. Theo Verryt - Den. Yondi x Black Mountain
3. Daisy Burrell - Den Aussie Green x *cruetwellii*

Class 19 - Hybrid ~ Red / Purple

1. L & J Sharp - Den. Lorikeet x Louise's Rainbow
2. L & J Sharp - Den. Elegant Heart 'Rosella'
3. L & J Sharp - Den. Dreamtime 'Port Wine'

Class 20 - Hybrid ~ Pink

1. L & J Sharp - Den. *kingianum* x Louise's Rainbow
2. L & J Sharp - Den. Kingstar x Louise's Rainbow
3. V & L Prince - Dendrobium unknown

Class 21 - Hybrid ~ Multicoloured

1. Daisy Burrell - Den. Anne's Rainbow Surprise
2. Judy Murray - Den. Zip Aywon x Gulginni
3. L & J Sharp - Den. Harold Hirsch x Louise's Rainbow

Class 22 - 1st Flowering Seedling

1. Daisy Burrell - Den. Yondie Sunshine 'Orange' x Yondi Tina 'Goliath'

OTHER CLASSES:

Class 23 - Any Other Dendrobium

1. L & J Sharp - Den. Yukidaruma 'The King'
2. L & J Sharp - Den. Toni McFarlane x Kuranda Classic

Class 24 - Odontoglossum Alliance

1. Daisy Burrell - Mclna. Pagan Lovesong
2. Daisy Burrell - Onc. *cheirophorum*
3. Barbara Sanders - Mltmsp Maui Meteor

Class 25 - Masdevallia

1. Barbara Beale - Masd. *caudata* 'Seven Oaks'
2. L & J Sharp - Masd. Peppermint Rock x *coccinea* 'Alba'
3. L & J Sharp - Masd. Firebrand 'Perfection'

Class 26 - Phalaenopsis

1. Tuckers Orchids - Phal. Sogo John 'Golden Sun' x Dou Dii Spot 'Mr Lin'
2. Theo Verryt - Phal. Anthura 'Liverpool'
3. Tuckers Orchids - Phal. (Fong Tiens Love Messenger x Fushengs Purple Gem) x Fusheng Pink Pearl

Class 27 - Species ~ Large (Excl. Au Dendrobiums)

1. Annette Gillan - Coelogyne Intermedia 'Northmead'
2. Annette Gillan - Dendrochilum *tenellum* 'Caribou Whiskers'

Class 28 - Species ~ Small (Excl. Au Dendrobiums)

1. Annette Gillan - Medicalcar *decoratum*
2. House of Orchids - Sophronitella *violacea**
3. L & J Sharp - Dinema *polybulbon*

Class 29 - 1st Flowering Seedling (Not Listed Elsewhere)

1. Anjo Mckernan - Onc. *cheirophorum*

Class 30 - Any Other Genera

1. Anjo Mckernan - Calanthe *sieboldii* 'Kaurakami'
2. L & J Sharp - Pterostylus Nodding Grace
3. House of Orchids - Ada *aurantiaca*

Class 31 - Specimen Plant

1. L & J Sharp - Dend. Duno Deerose
2. Theo Verryt - Cym. Sarah Jean 'Lime Cascade'

NOVICE CLASSES: NO ENTRIES

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SPRING SHOW 2009



Den. speciosum 'The King'



Paph. Orewa 'Clifford'



Grand Champion of Show
Coelogyne Intermedia 'Northmead'
Annette Gillan



Den. linguiforme



Masd caudata 'Seven Oaks'



C. Hazel Boyd 'Elizabeth'



Blc Malworth 'Orchid Glade'



Sarco. hartmannii 'Edna'



Cym. Last Tango 'Geyserland'



Paph. villosum



Cym. Lady Kim 'Blushing Bride'



Den. Duno Deerose



Calanthe sieboldii 'Kaurakami'