

Upcoming Events

2016

1-4 Sept - GOS Show
2-4 Sept - ZOS Show
2-4 Sept - Rustenburg Orchid Society Show,
3 Sept - ACOS Day Display
3-4 Sept – EROS Show
9-11 Sept - National Conference & Show, Pietermaritzburg
17-18 Sept – NOS Show
17-18 Sept– COS Show,
30 Sep & 1 Oct – WBOS Show
30 Sep - 2 Oct - EPOS Show,
7-9 Oct – WOS Show
27-30 Oct – TOG Show

2017

19-22 Nov– 22nd World Orchid Conference, Guayaquil, Ecuador



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AUGUST 2016

August Meeting: 28th August 2016

TOPIC: **Botanical Gardens around the World**
SPEAKER: **Frans Waanders**
TIME: **13h00:** Tea, coffee and eats
14h00: General Meeting.
VENUE: The Floreum, Johannesburg Botanical Gardens, Oliphants Road, Emmerentia Dam

TEA DUTY

The members on Tea Duty at the August meeting are:

Mandy & Marinus Kort

Please volunteer for Tea Duty (2 members per month). It is very social and no skill is needed for this duty.

RAFFLE

A Rlc. Nacouchee was won by Marinus Kort, the plant having been donated by Lynette & Fred van As.



Phrag Living Fire 'Glowing Embers' HCC/SAOC

WHAT IS IN A NAME?

(With acknowledgment to "ORCHIDS", the official publication of the American Orchid Society { AOS})

This pronunciation guide has been prepared by representing each syllable through easily recognisable sounds, to enable members to correctly pronounce the scientific names of our orchids. The emphasis in the pronunciation is indicated by Capital letters.

Not all scientific names are in Latin. Some use Greek words, others use the names of localities where they were discovered and others are "latinised" names of people. The correct pronunciation depends on the original "root". – e.g. the genus *Cattleya* is named after Mr Cattley and the genus *Clowesia* is named after Mr Clowes.

Over the next few newsletters, I will list the accepted pronunciations of various Genera and then Specific names.

Aerides (ay-air-EE-dees)
Bletilla (bleh-TILL-ah)
Calanthe (kal-AN-thee)
Calopogon (kal-oh-POE-gone)
Catasetum (cat-ah-SEE-tum)
Cattleya (CAT-lee-ah)
Coelia (SEE-lee-ah)
Cymbidium (sim-BID-ee-um)
Cypripedium (sip-rib-PEE-dee-um)
Epidendrum (eh-pee-DEN-drum)
Guarianthe (gwar-ee-AN-thee)
Isochilus (eye-so-KYE-luss)
Laelia (LAY-lee-ah)
Lycaste (lye-KAS-tee)
Miltoniopsis (mil-ton-ee-OP-sis)
Mormodes (more-MO-dees)
Oncidium (on-SID-ee-um)
Phalaenopsis (fail-eh-NOP-sis)
Pleione (play-OH-nee)
Prosthechea (pros-THEK-ee-ah)
Rhynchostylis (rink-oh-STY-liss)
Thunia (TOO-nee-ah)
Trichocentrum (trih-ko-SEN-trum)
Vanda (VAN-dah)

THE PLANT TABLE – JUNE 2016

By Allan Abel

(PLEASE COMPLETE THE FORMS WITH AS MUCH INFORMATION AS POSSIBLE - Thanks.)

This month, the plant table consisted of 8 orchids belonging to 4 members, one of the smallest plant tables we have had for many years. This was probably due to the SAOC Orchid Lovers Fair being on the same day.

The African/Mascarene section comprised only 1 plant and that was Erhard Schmid's **Polystachya Green Mamba** (*Pol. galeata* x *Pol. bennettiana*).

The Laeliinae consisted of 3 plants. Erhard tabled an **Epicattleya René Marqués 'Tyler'** (*Epi. pseudepidendrum* x *C. Claesiana*) and Allan Abel brought along his **Rlc. Duh's Fantasy 'Mellow' FCC/AOS** (Rlc. Sally Taylor x Rlc. Duh's Orange). Ancabeth Grobler is a new member (Welcome Ancabeth) who showed her **Rlc. Lucky Strike 'Mongkultakul'** (Rlc. Memoria Crispin Rosales x *C. Bonanza*).

The other 4 plants covered a wild variety of orchids. Erhard exhibited a nicely flowered **Masdevallia Copper Wing** (*Masd. veitchiana* x *Masd. decumana*) and Sheila Davis displayed **Zygopetalum Everspring** (*Z. Necessity* x *Z. Skippy Ku*). Allan's 2 plants completed the display – these were **Phragmipedium Living Fire 'Glowing Embers' HCC/SAOC** (*Sorcerer's Apprentice* x *besseae*) and **Cymbidium (Edith Piaf 'Bananarama' x Khairpour 'Symmetry')**

The favourite orchids, as selected by the members, were;

BEST AFRICAN / MASCARENE



Polystachya Green Mamba owned by Erhard Schmid

BEST SPECIES

No species tabled

BEST HYBRID



Epicattleya René Marqués 'Tyler' owned by Erhard Schmid

BEST NOVICE



Rlc. Lucky Strike 'Mongkultakul' owned by Ancabeth Grobler

The Plant Table was so small this month that I can take the opportunity of showing a couple of the other plants on display.



Left: *Cymbidium* (Edith Piaff 'Banarama' x Khairpour 'Symmetry')

Below: *Masdevallia* Copper Wing



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