

Upcoming Events

2017

17 Jun - 13th *Paphiopedilum* Symposium, Pretoria

13-21 Sep - COS Spring Show

29 Sept - 1 Oct - WOS Spring Show

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



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Fun & Friendship Through Orchids

JUNE 2017

Meeting: 25TH June 2017

TOPIC: **Alan Bluff**

SPEAKER: **Effective microbes**

TIME: **13h00: Tea, coffee and eats**

14H00: Main Meeting

VENUE: The Floreum, Johannesburg Botanical Gardens, Oliphants Road, Emmerentia Dam

TEA DUTY

The members on Tea Duty in June are:

Mark & Maggie Peters

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

RAFFLE

The winner of the *Paphiopedilum insigne*, donated by Chris Steckner, was **Irene Mann**

The winning plant at the 13th Paphiopedilum Symposium held in Pretoria las Saturday



Paphiopedilum godefroyae

Photo by Albert van Lingen Photography

THE PLANT TABLE – MAY 2017

By Allan Abel

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

Please check that the names of your plants are spelt correctly. Wrong names mean I have to spend extra time looking up the correct spelling / names

This month, the plant table consisted of 21 orchids belonging to 8 members. The plants on the Table were brought by the following members;

Mandy & Marinus Kort

Cym Lerwick 'Chailey'
Ctt. Tristar Bouquet
Mtdm. Melissa Brianne
Brstdm. Shooting Star

Chris Steckner

Paph *gratrixianum*
Leomesezia [Lsz.] Lava Burst
Psychopsis Kalihi
Phrag Saint Ouen
Paph *insigne*

Sheila Davis

Epicattleya Veitchii
L. ostermayerii x *C aclandiae*
Phalaenopsis unknown hybrid

Heleen Giesel

Cymbidium (?) Rachel

Margaret Peters

Cym unknown hybrid

Bill Mincher

Mystacidium *venosum*
Cym Dinky Di 'Miss World'
Alcra. Peggy Ruth Carpenter 'Morning Joy' AM/AOS
Dendrochilum (?) *aureum*
Rlc. Plinlimmon

Jan Grobler

Oncidium Pacific Panache 'Dorothy Jean'

The favourite orchids, as selected by the members, were

BEST AFRICAN / MASCARENE



Mystacidium venosum owned by Bill Mincher

BEST HYBRID



Leomesezia Lava Burst owned by Chris Steckner

BEST SPECIES



Paph gratrixianum owned by Chris Steckner

BEST NOVICE



Cym unknown owned by Margaret Peters

SOME OTHER PLANTS ON THE TABLE



Mtdm. Melissa Brianne



Psychopsis Kalihi

A very rare and endangered Cymbidium Species.

(acknowledgements to The Orchid Review June 2015)

Cymbidium wenshanense was described in 1990 by the Chinese botanist Ys WU and FY Lin, based on a plant found near Wenshan, China, not far from the Vietnamese border. It is similar to another species, the well-known *Cymbidium erythrostylum* but differs in its lip and column. It is a small plant with large flowers, and grows as an epiphyte in broadleaf forests at about 1500m.

It can be grown in the usual cymbidium mix in intermediate, shaded conditions. Water should be given year-round, although a reduction in watering in winter is necessary.



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