

Orchid Council of New Zealand Newsletter

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President's Message - Glenys MacRae

Welcome back to another year of orchids. I'm looking forward to a full year of society meetings and orchid shows and of course Expo 23 at Mystery Creek where I hope to see many of you. If your society hasn't booked your display space yet please contact the organising committee, they would love to hear from you.

Show Dates for Website

Please don't forget to share your 2023/2024 show dates so they can be added to our website listing. Send details to webmaster@orchidcouncil.org.nz

Thanks to those who have already updated us.

Orchids & More

Planning for the 10th National Orchid Expo at Mystery Creek is coming along well. Dates for your diaries are: Set-up Wednesday, September 27; judging Thursday, September 28; open to the public and registrant's programme, Friday-Sunday, September 29-October 1. We hope to have registrations open in March. Our first newsletter has appeared and been circulated to all societies and clubs. It's also available on our website, orchidsandmore2023.wordpress.com

We're seeking volunteers for various light work during the public hours of the show and physically active volunteers to be runners on judging day. If you're going to be a registrant, we don't want you missing out on the programme so maybe you have a spouse / partner / friend that isn't an 'orchid person' who could be a volunteer? Please let us know by email, orchids23more@gmail.com, and many thanks to those who have already put their hand up.

Year Book 2023

We are now into the final month for requesting articles for submission prior to the end of February 2023. Please contact Allan Rae (A.N.Rae@massey.ac.nz)

Reminder: New Incorporated Societies Act - Financial Reporting Requirements. From October 2023, societies that are not registered charities will also be required to use the External Reporting Board when preparing their financial statements, unless they qualify as a 'small society'. To find out more visit the link for [Incorporated Societies Act 2022](#).

Vale - Chris Hubbert

It was with sadness that OCNZ heard of Chris' passing on the 17th December. Chris was the OCNZ Treasurer from 2015 to late 2022 and was the COA Chair in 2021 and 2022. Chris was a much valued member of the Nth Shore Orchid Society, NZ Paph Alliance, NZ Odontoglossum Alliance and judge in three systems, OCNZ, NZOS and the NZ Branch of the CSA. Chris' funeral service was held on the 23rd December which was well attended by his orchid friends both in person and via live stream. Chris will be greatly missed.

To all Society Secretaries please forward this newsletter onto your members. We would like to reach as many orchid growers as possible.

Thank you