

Orchid Council of New Zealand Newsletter

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Show Dates:

Upcoming show dates can be checked on the OCNZ [website](http://www.orchidcouncil.org.nz). Two shows that are coming up in May are:

Tauranga Show - Friday 5th and Saturday 6th May 10am – 4pm \$3 entry.

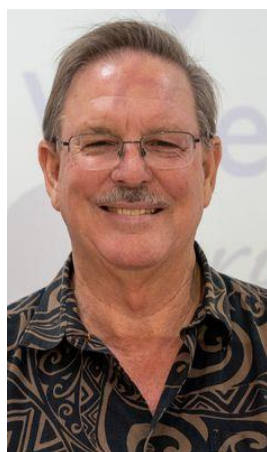
Venue: Tauranga Racecourse, Greerton (free parking).

NZOS 75th Jubilee Conference and Show - Friday 12th and Saturday 13th May.

Free entry to the conference for all – just register here before 6th May, details [here](#)

Venue: Western Springs Community Hall.

NZ Orchid Expo & More 2023 - 10th National Orchid Expo Speakers



It's with great pleasure that we can announce almost all the speakers for the registrants' programme – Fred Clarke (Sunset Valley Orchids, USA, *pictured left*), Dennis Kao (Ching-Hua Orchids, Taiwan), as well as New Zealanders Dr Torsten Kleffman, Gael Donaghy, Allan Watson, Dr Allan Rae and Maurice Bycroft.

Our overseas guests will appear on the programme more than once. Their topics and timings will be available in the forthcoming Registrant Handbook, but we'll also include it in a newsletter once it's finalised and give you some potted biographies.

Registrations are open and can be found [here](#).

One day Judging registration [form](#).

Latest newsletter No.4 click [here](#).

Nominations for OCNZ Executive Committee

Please note that nominations close on 14th May.

Yearbooks

Our Yearbook editor, Allan Rae, advises that Orchids 2023 will be available for distribution on the 22nd May.

Vale – Kath Bruce

It was with sadness that OCNZ heard of the recent passing of Kath Bruce, Patron of the Taranaki Orchid Society. Kath spent several years on the OCNZ executive and was involved in the very early days, (1976/77), with the distribution of the OCNZ bi-monthly Orchid Journal before it became a Yearbook. Kath was also heavily involved in the lead up to the HSNO act coming into force, obtaining information from orchid growers around the country. Our condolences go to Kath's family.

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

Thank you