

END OF YEAR FUNCTION – 07 December, 08

APOLOGIES: Ray & Cynthia Hewson & Norma Murray.

The End of Year function, a buffet luncheon was held at the Gonubie Hotel. It was well attended by members and their families and the festive atmosphere and good meal was enjoyed by all present.

A number of draws, including a special year end raffle and our 5th annual lotto draw, were held and the winners were as follows:

Attendance Draw:	Milioniopsis Gorey Castle : Ruth Call
New Members Draw:	A collection of orchids donated by members were won by each of the following:
	Dudley Reynolds, Dean Sangerhaus & Leslie Els
End of Year Raffle:	Cattleya (Guarianthe) bowringiana: Colleen Midlane
	Phragmipedium caudatum: Ronnie Sternberg
	Milioniopsis Gorey Castle & Avranches:
	Colleen Midlane

5th Annual Lotto:	Ticket No:		
1st	87	Mirle Atkinson	Cattleya warneri
2nd	179	Robert & Tracy Moss	Christieara Julie Rosenberg
3rd	183	Leslie Els	Ascocenda Suksamran Sunlight 'Banana field'
4 th	155	Ed Landsberg	Pot. Waikiki Splendour 'Lenette' x Blc George king 'Serendipity' AM/AOS
5th	97	Gordon Sonemann	Vanda Brighton's Two Tone
6 th	244	Ed Landsberg	Blc Mac Holmes 'Newberry' AM/AOS x Slc Sierra Doll 'Newberry'
7 th	268	Ronnie Sternberg	Angraecum longicalcar
8 th	197	Mike Bond	Pot. Sally Taylor 'Red Flame' x Blc Fort Watson 'Mendenhall'
9 th	19	Alvin Peinke	Oncidium Gower Ramsey 'Sunkiss'
10 th	102	Robert & Tracy Moss	Paphiopedilum Delophyllum

I would like to extend a special thank you to the following members:

- ❖ All members who donated a plant for the New Members Draw.
- ❖ Errol & Colleen de Villiers for helping to set up the venue and also for clearing up afterwards.
- ❖ Baby Victor for decorating the tables and creating a festive atmosphere in the venue.
- ❖ Gordon Sonemann for loaning us his magnificent flowering plants for a tabletop display.

GONUBIE GOSSIP:

GOS Subscriptions:

Please be advised that subs are now **overdue**. Members that still have not paid their subscriptions must please pay Errol the R170.00 at the meeting. It will be assumed that members who do not pay their subscriptions for 2009 at the meeting do not wish to renew their membership and therefore will receive no further notifications or newsletters from GOS.

SHOP NEWS:

The Shop will open on Saturday 31st January from 15h00 – 16h00.

NEXT MEETING: 01 FEBRUARY 2009

Our Annual General Meeting will be held. The required reports on the Society's status and activities will be presented and the new management committee will be elected.

AGENDA:

Welcome

Apologies

President's Report

Financial Report

Election of New Management Committee

Matters Arising

ANNUAL ORCHID SALE AND AUCTION:

We once again request that members please donate duplicate plants from their orchid collections to the society for this annual event. The orchid sale and auction will follow directly after the AGM.

RAFFLES:

The following plants will be raffled at the February meeting. **A) A trio of Cattleya Species:** gaskeliana 'alba', labiata & percivaliana. **B) Angraecum species Duo:** magdalenae & scottianum – both species are from Madagascar. **C) Epc Merry Green** – striking green flowers with a contrasting cerise lip. All tickets will be R10.00 each.

PLANT TABLE:

There will be a plant table so please remember to bring your flowering plants to the meeting.

GOS LOTTO:

Lotto tickets for 2009 will be available at R5.00 each. **Remember:**

- ❖ Tickets can only be purchased at meetings.
- ❖ Tickets are available to members only.
- ❖ You may purchase as many tickets as you like during the year.
- ❖ You must be present at the end of year function on 6th December 2009, and be in possession of your ticket(s) should your number be drawn to claim your prize, otherwise you forfeit.

GOS QUIZ:

FEBRUARY'S QUESTION:

Where does Cattleya percivaliana occur?