



Pukeiti NEWSLETTER

Pukeiti Rhododendron Trust Inc.

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The Lodge takes shape - a view from The Misty Knoll

2018: The Developments Take Effect.

Often people ask – “*What is the best time to visit Pukeiti?*” or “*When are the rhododendrons at their peak?*”

Having questioned visitors on their impressions of Pukeiti, during January, in a month where a rhododendron in flower is a rare sight, their responses focussed on the deeper essence of the place made more accessible and dramatic by the recent developments.

They were greatly impressed by the striking framework of the new café and vireya house which contrasts with the tapestry of different greens of the rainforest back-drop; the overview of the plantings provided by the elevated walkway extending through the treetops to the spectacular view of the waterwheel; and then the view across the lawn to the sea. Their walk through the

gardens provided a tranquil and restful period in their schedule and drew attention to the range of plants displayed, their placement fitting nicely with the bush background, and lit in places by patches of hydrangeas (mostly blue); the ‘home garden’ appearance of the Keiller Garden; the craters of the Misty Knoll; the bush ‘huts’ for the kids to explore; and finally the great food in the Café.

Developments have certainly been a draw-card for visitors - there have been over fifty thousand throughout 2017.

This year the Lodge will be completed and in use hopefully for our mid-winter lunch. Good progress with the construction points to this. Further work on the pathways to the Lodge, which will skirt the lawn, and the gardens surrounding it behind the present stone wall are still being planned. It will be great for the

Trust to have a ‘home’ once again.

Another innovation for members this year is the list of rhododendrons provided by Tawa Glenn, all grown from cuttings taken at Pukeiti under Andrew Brooker’s supervision. While we will still offer plants propagated at Pukeiti which are excess to its requirements, this move will ensure we can continue to offer to members a good range of plants of which a number are unavailable through the trade.

One of the often over-looked objectives of the TRC during the developments at Pukeiti has been the emphasis on the conservation of the rhododendron

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collection. Recent research has revealed that Pukeiti has the third largest collection of species rhododendrons of any garden in the world, even more than Kew, and the staff are determined to ensure that this remains, hence the focus on propagation at Pukeiti. Details of the collection are available online and the work to enable this and keep the records up-to-date has also been intense.

One of the other prime activities of the Regional Council is of course the conservation of the forest. To bring this to visitors' attention further track development through the bush is on the drawing boards, and some of the ideas are

quite spectacular. Meanwhile pest control continues unabated. New growth on the old Giant Rata and an increase in bird numbers attest to this.

The interest and financial support of members is critical to the on-going success at Pukeiti and the Trust is also assisting in the work to conserve rhododendrons at risk in their native habitat which, in time, will enable the collections at Pukeiti to be further enhanced. The Lodge will provide a centre where members can gather to enjoy their contribution to the success of Pukeiti. Developments will continue.

Lynn Bublitz

BOARD AND TRUST MEMBERSHIP UP-DATE.

The TRC, in keeping with the partnership agreement, has appointed Donald McIntyre to the Board of Pukeiti Rhododendron Trust (Inc.) and Bev Raine as a Trustee of the Pukeiti Trust Fund. Their names were omitted from the list published in the Rhododendron Journal for which an apology is offered.



The Hybrid Block in January

ERRATA. Two photos in the Journal were incorrectly named. The photos and corrected names are included here. Also the printing produced an incorrect colour for *Geranium* 'Rozanne'. Hopefully we can do better this time.



Geranium 'Rozanne'



Cornus 'Greenvale'



Paris quinquifolia

From the Members' Committee,

Welcome to 2018. As usual, this newsletter includes details of members' events organised for the first half of the year, the Members' Plant List and the 2018 Calendar of Events for Pukeiti Members.

It is wonderful that we can once again base our activities up at Pukeiti and that sometime during the course of the year we will be able to relocate back into the Lodge and regain that as our base and Pukeiti home.

GARDEN PARTY

We are starting the year off with a 'Garden Party' on **Saturday, February 10**. Local members will probably have already received their invitations, but if not the invitation is printed on the right. The day will start with a guided walk around areas of interest (the buggy will be available) at 3:30 pm followed by canapes and nibbles on the Lodge Lawn. (Please note the change. It will no longer be a BBQ but rather light finger food.)

Members are encouraged to bring a friend with non-members welcome.

Please bring a plate of finger food that does not require heating.

Dress casual. (Because of The Wedding in May, this will not be a 'Royal Garden Party').

AUTUMN MEMBERS' DAY

Saturday March 03 is our Autumn Members' Day. Venue: The Rata Room, Pukeiti.

A cup of tea or coffee will be available in the Rata Room from 10:30am and members who didn't do so on the Friday, will also be able to pick up their ordered plants. We will also have for sale any surplus plants from the plant list and there may also be 1 or 2 very special rhododendrons that we have too few of to put on the plant list.

Members will have time to independently wander around the gardens or catch a lift with Craig for an entertaining talk & ride.



2017 Garden Party at Tupare

At approximately 12:00 the Members' Pot Luck Lunch will be served in the Rata Room. Several of your board members will be available to meet and talk with.

After lunch, over coffee, there will be a talk on last year's trip to Xinjiang.

WORKING BEES

The gardeners still appreciate any help we can give them and hence we continue to timetable working bees into the calendar. The first of these is scheduled for **Saturday 24 February** followed by further ones on **March 28, April 28 and May 23**. We hope many of you will be able to attend at least on some of these days. Working bees start at 9:00am from the Staff Quarters but late-comers are always welcome.

PLANT SALE DAY

Thursday, February 22rd Plant Sale orders close and we will try to dispatch the out of town orders during the following week. You are again advised to get your orders in quickly to maximise your chances of getting the plants you order.

COLLECTION OF ORDERS

Friday, March 02: Plant order collection day for those picking up their plants. Plants will be available for picking up from 12A Tamati Place, Merrilands between the hours of 9:00am and 5:00pm. If this does not suit you, alternative arrangements can be made by ringing Heather on (06 757 2460) or e-mailing (h.robson@xtra.co.nz).

Members' Garden Party

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PLEASE FEEL FREE TO BRING A FRIEND!

Non-members welcome!

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When: 3:30pm 10 February for guided walk or buggy ride followed by drinks and nibbles on the lawn. Please note this has been changed from a BBQ to cooler, more casual food.

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Where: Pukeiti - the Lodge Lawn

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What do I Bring? The Board will provide water, non-alcoholic punch and a couple of platters but please bring a small plate of either sweet or savoury finger food, for sharing, that does not require heating or to be eaten with utensils.

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What to wear? Casual dress (I've added this as I've already had some enquiries as to how formal to dress for the 'garden party'.)

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Also BYO and glasses if desired.

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Please RSVP by 07 February to Anne Howard at Pukeiti@pukeiti.com or (021) 0831-5444 or to Heather Robson at h.robson@xtra.co.nz or (06) 757-2460.
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Please mark these dates on your calendar

Members' Activities

2018

WORKING BEES

- SATURDAY FEBRUARY 24
- WEDNESDAY MARCH 28
- SATURDAY APRIL 28
- WEDNESDAY MAY 23
- SATURDAY JUNE 16
- WEDNESDAY JULY 25
- SATURDAY AUGUST 25
- WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 26
- SATURDAY OCTOBER 27
- WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 28
- SATURDAY DECEMBER 22



Propagation Workshop

WEDNESDAY JULY 25 – 9:30AM

Meet in Propagation area. Propagating perennial plants.

Members' Committee Meetings

- Tuesday January 30 – 9:30am -195 Govett Ave.
 - Tuesday May 08 – 9:30am
 - Tuesday September 04 – 9:30am
 - Tuesday November 20 – 9:30am
- venues to be confirmed.*

Board Meetings

- Friday March 02 – 6:00pm
- Friday June 22 – 6:00pm
- Friday October 19 – 6:00pm

Plant sale orders close

FRIDAY
FEBRUARY 22

FRIDAY MARCH 02
Plant sale collection
12a Tamiti Place, Merrilands
New Plymouth - 9am - 5pm or
Saturday March 03 at Pukeiti

MEETINGS

SATURDAY MARCH 03

Autumn Members' Day

Pukeiti, Rata Room in the Rain Forest Pavilion for the meeting and lunch.

SATURDAY OCTOBER 20 IN THE LODGE

Spring Members' Day & AGM

Details later in the year

OTHER ACTIVITIES

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 10

Members' Garden Party

See elsewhere

SATURDAY JUNE 23

Mid-Winter Lunch

Please book by Wednesday, June 20
Details later in May Newsletter

SATURDAY AUGUST 18

Large-leaf Adventure

A Walk round the Large-Leafed area followed by lunch of soup and rolls.
Details later in May Newsletter

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 23

Members' Garden Tour

A selection of members' gardens which are not normally part of the festival will be open for members to visit.

SATURDAY 03 - TUESDAY

06 NOVEMBER 2018

Rhododendron Conference - Nelson.

FRIDAY OCTOBER 26 -

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 04

2018 Taranaki Garden Spectacular – *volunteers needed for assisting Pukeiti staff and hosting duties at The Lodge.*

SATURDAY DECEMBER 15

End of Year BBQ

Please book with Secretary Anne Howard - Phone 021 0831 5444



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is worth a look!

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Members' Plant List

Welcome to the plant list for 2018.

This year we have a good selection of rhododendrons from Tawa Glenn Nursery and we also have a selection of plants that have not been propagated especially for members but rather plants that have been propagated for the TRC Gardens and are surplus to their needs. Many of these plants are very special, often rare in the wild and seldom offered in retail outlets. There are generally only 2 – 5 of each of these plants available. If the description of the plant has 'ss' at the end, it means it is one of these and you need to order it quickly. Remember we work on a first come, first served basis so if you really want one of the plants I strongly suggest ordering immediately by return mail. This can advantage New Plymouth members so, to make it fairer for everyone, this year we are accepting e-mailed order forms. Just scan your completed order form and e-mail it to h.robson@xtra.co.nz and then post your cheque and order form. I will then reserve and put aside your plants. If I have not received your cheque by the 28th February, your plants will be reallocated.

I continue to keep a record of those plants where demand exceeds supply, and if they are not readily available from garden centres, I'll try to get more of these plants propagated the following year. That way, if you miss out on your wanted plant this year, there will be another opportunity to purchase it in 2 -3 years' time.

The letter attached to the number will indicate where it has been sourced from:

P = Pukeiti;

T = Tawa Glen Nursery;

O = Member's Garden surplus.

All plants from Tawa Glenn are in 2.5 L pots. The Pukeiti sourced plants are in pots varying from 1L to 4L in size and the size is specified with the plant description.

We do encourage members ordering plants to collect them in person, if possible. This optimises the condition of the plants you receive and decreases the cost to you. You will be able to collect your plant orders from Pukeiti on Saturday 03 March but we would prefer those people living in New Plymouth to collect their plants from 12A Tamati Place, New Plymouth on Friday 02 March or by alternative arrangements made with Heather Robson. For those who can't collect their own order we will again be using Fastway Couriers. They have provided us and you

with an excellent service over the past decade but should there be any problem with the delivery product then please tell the courier first before notifying Heather.

All plants are believed to be correctly named and we endeavor to describe them as accurately as possible but size and flowering is a rough guide only as this can vary according to very localised conditions.

Please use the guide below to allow enough for the freight on your limited open order cheque. There is no minimum order required.

Postage & Packaging	Plants	Freight	Plants	Freight	Plants	Freight
Short Haul (Taranaki)	1-5	\$12.00	6-10.	\$24.00	10-15.	\$33.00
Rest of N.I.	1-5	\$15.00	6-10	\$30.00	10-15.	\$41.00
Mainland S.I.	1-5	\$25.00	6-10	\$50.00	11-15.	\$68.00
Additional Rural Delivery Charge	1-5	\$5.60	6-10	\$11.20	11-15.	\$16.80

Please note that if you are ordering plants in 4L pots, postage will be more than shown in the chart above because 2 of these plants will cost the same as 4 or 5 smaller ones. Please allow for ample postage when writing your limited cheque.

PAYMENT by limited open cheque. Write across the top of the cheque

'Limited to \$...'

(The dollar amount you put in this space is the maximum amount you have worked out that your order could cost and the maximum amount your cheque can be made out for. Please remember the rural delivery charge applies to any R.D. address.)

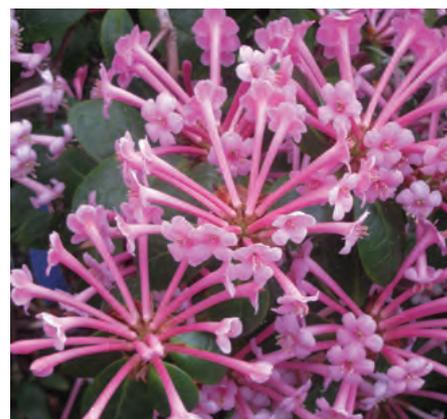
Make your cheque payable to Pukeiti Rhododendron Trust and sign and cross it in the normal way. Your cheque will then be filled in by us after processing for the actual value of plants supplied and the actual freight it will cost. You will receive a receipt for the exact amount your cheque has been made out for so you can keep track of your actual spending.



R. macgregoriae



R. 'Floral Gift'



R. archboldianum

Rhododendrons - Species

- 1P *R. arboreum* subsp. *delavayi* var. *albotomentosum* (ss). Large bush or small tree with deeply veined shiny olive-green leaves which have a whitish or fawn indumentum. Dense, terminal trusses of up to 20 fine red flowers. 2.5L pots. \$20.00
- 2P *R. carneum* (ss). Rather open shrub to 1.8m. Leaves narrowly elliptic. 3-7 flowered truss of flesh pink, scented flowers fading to near white. 2.5L pots. \$20.00
- 3T *R. edgeworthii*. Dark, shiny green leaves with a thick tan indumentum. Flowers are bell-shaped, white or white flushed pink, may have yellow blotch at base and very fragrant. 1m. \$20.00
- 4P *R. fastigiatum* (ss). A very hardy dwarf blue from N & C Yunnan (3,200 – 4,900m). Peter Cox describes it as “one of the best and easiest of dwarfs, making a neat, compact bush with excellent glaucous foliage”. In the wild it can be found happily growing in disturbed, exposed habitats where it tolerates full sun. Great for colder climates. Funnel shaped, small, lavender-blue to rich purple flowers. 60cm -1m. Mid season. 4L pots. \$20.00
- 5P *R. formosum* var. *inaequale* (ss). Similar growth form to *R. formosum* var. *formosum* but more tender and its foliage, although narrow, is larger than in the *formosum* variety. The white flowers have a yellow flare and a much stronger scent than those of *R. formosum* var. *formosum*. 4L pots. \$20.00
- 6T *R. pleistanthum*. Upright growing to 1.2m. This form has good tight trusses of strong lilac flowers that have bright red spots flaring out on the upper lobe. \$20.00

Vireya Rhododendron Species

- 7P *R. album* (ss). Shrub up to 1.2m. Narrow light brown /green leaves gold scaled below with small cream flowers through out the year. 1L pots. \$20.00
- 8P *R. archboldianum*. This is being offered again and is a great one for both collectors and those just wanting a great garden plant. This species (although Marion MacKay states there is some evidence it may be a naturally occurring hybrid between *R. culminicola* & *R. herzogii*) was sourced from Papua New Guinea, is currently red listed and is rare in cultivation. The bright pink flowers are trumpet-shaped, slightly curved, about 5cm long and held in umbels of up to 15 flowers. They burst outwards from the centre of the truss which is why Graham Smith named Pukeiti's specimen 'Starburst'. One main flowering in late summer and sporadically through the year. Up to 3m. 1L pots. \$20.00
- 9P *R. blackii* (ss). Oval, dark green leaves with velvet red, curved tubular-funnel shaped flowers mainly in spring. Up to 3m. 2.5L pots. \$20.00
- 10P *R. caliginis* X *vitis-idaea* (ss). Narrow leaves with pink solitary, curved tubular flowers. Up to 1.5m. 2.5L pots. \$20.00
- 11P *R. cruttwellii* (ss). Named after the Rev. Canon Norman Cruttwell, plant collector and missionary in P.N.G. Up to 6m in the wild, up to 2m in 10 years. White trumpet-shaped scented flowers with a slight curvature in their tube. Up to 9 in a loosely held truss. Main flowering September – October, with the odd flower throughout the year. 2.5L pots. \$20.00
- 12P *R. macgregoriae* yellow form (ss). Large tropical evergreen shrubs or small trees (typically much smaller in cultivation) with shiny leaves in pseudowhorls. The abundantly produced yellow, short tubular flowers with flaring lobes are held in rounded trusses of up to 15 flowers. Easily grown and extremely floriferous (flowering throughout the year), this is one of the best vireyas for the beginner. Grows up to 2m. 2.5L pots. \$20.00
- 13P *R. micromalayanum* white form (ss). Erect to spreading shrub with small narrow bronze-gold leaves. Note that this is the white form with small tubular creamy-white flowers. Malaysia. Up to 1.2m. 13cm pots (c. 2.5L). \$20.00
- 14P *R. pleianthum* (ss). Large shrubby species with large oval blue-green leaves grows to 6m in the wild but more likely to be 2.5m in cultivation. It has large trumpet shaped flowers that can be scented rather like daphne. 2.5L pots. \$20.00
- 15P *R. stapfianum* (ss). Usually epiphytic in the wild. A slow growing plant up to 1m with yellow green elliptic leaves. White thin trumpet-shaped flowers are up to 18 per truss and are some times scented. 1L pots. \$20.00

Rhododendron – Hybrids

- 16P *R. 'Anne Teese'* *ciliicalyx* X *formosum* (ss). Shrub to c1.5m with mid-green hairy leaves. Flowers 3 per truss, flushed sulphurino purple and lightly striped on the outside. 2.5L pots. \$20.00
- 17P *R. 'Beverley McConnell'* (hybrid vireya). Leathery leaves. Large funnel-shaped flowers cream in bud opening peach pink to biscuit shading depending on season and temperature. Tube tends to be paler. Has the sweet scent of carnations. A Pukeiti hybrid, first flowered in 1999, named at Pukeiti, unregistered. 2m. 13cm pots. \$20.00
- 18T *R. 'Black Magic'* ('Jean Marie de Montague' X 'Leo'). Compact well branched plant. Very free flowering, with unusual black red flowers in rounded trusses. 1.5m. Nov – Dec. \$20.00
- 19T *R. 'Bluebell'*. Elegant long, deep green foliage. Flowers are held in very attractive upright trusses. They are deep purple opening to a star white centre with an amber upper dorsal flare. 1.8m. \$20.00
- 20T *R. 'Britalier'* (ss). Compact medium sized shrub. Flowers are rich red in good rounded trusses. 1.5m. Nov. \$20.00
- 21T *R. 'Buttercup'* (ss). Compact plant. Round trusses of creamy lemon with bright red spots on upper lobe. 1m. \$20.00
- 22T *R. 'Butterhorn'*. An American *Maddenia* hybrid with an upright habit, bronze new growth and fine bright yellow trumpet shaped flowers. 1.8m. Nov-Dec. \$20.00
- 23T *R. 'Coconut Ice'* (*yakushmanum* X *aberconwayi*). A Pukeiti hybrid which slowly grows into a compact shrub with dark green foliage. Flowers held in tight trusses starting as pink buds and opening to white blooms with rose edges and red spots which gradually fade. A very attractive effect. 1.2m. Early – Mid season. \$20.00
- 24T *R. 'Dainty Lass'*. (*yakushmanum* X 'Dainty'). Compact, rounded plant. Purple-pink buds open to stunning white flowers with a green flare. Hardy and very floriferous. Slow growing but eventually 2m. Nov. \$20.00

- 25T R. 'David' ('Hugh Koster' X *neriiflorum*)(ss). Upright growing plant with deep green leaves. Conical trusses of blood red flowers show off the contrasting white stamens. Early-mid season. \$20.00
- 26T R. 'Floral Gift' (Michael's Pride (*burmanicum* x *dalhousiae*) X *polyandrum*). A Mark Jury hybrid which grows into a compact shrub, especially if pruned after flowering. 'Floral Gift' is delightfully perfumed and the flowers are heavily textured creamy white, with pink flush and a green to yellow throat. 1.8m. \$20.00
- 27T R. 'Frosted Ice'. A *yakushmanum* X *aberconwayi* hybrid bred at Pukeiti from open pollinated seed and named by Graham Smith. It has a nice compact habit and attractive, dark green foliage. The pure white flowers are held in tight trusses. 1m. Mid-season. 2.5L pots. \$20.00
- 28T R. 'Glenfiddick' ('Pacific Queen' X *R. wardii*)(ss). Flowers in trusses of 10 are salmon pink in the bud, opening to pale yellow with light pinkish edges and a greenish ring inside the tube. \$20.00
- 29T R. 'Horizon Monarch' ('Nance Evans' X 'Point Defiance'). Very large upright trusses appear as red buds opening to a warm lemon yellow with a small red flare in the throat. 2m. Mid season. \$20.00
- 30T R. 'Morning Magic' (*yakushmanum* X 'Springbok'). Neat compact shrub. Pink buds open to white flowers, flushed pale pink with pronounced ochre spotting. 1.2m. Mid season. \$20.00
- 31T R. 'Petticoat Lane' ('Butter Brickle' X 'Noyo Chief')(ss). Very attractive dark green, heavily ribbed leaves with red stems. Flowers are full round trusses, which open cream and peach then quickly lighten to soft shades of peach pink, apricot and lemon with red spots. Flowers are very ruffled. 1.2m. \$20.00
- 32T R. 'Pink Cushion' (*yakushmanum* F.C.C. X 'Mayday'). Bred by Ron Gordon. This wonderful yak hybrid has excellent foliage and is a compact rounded plant. Flowers are in tight trusses of soft pink that hold their colour well. \$20.00
- 33T R. 'Red Olympia' ('Anna' X 'Fusilier')(ss). The deep green foliage sets off the beautiful large, dark red trusses. The florets are openly cup-shaped displaying the prolific black spotting to advantage. 1.5m. \$20.00
- 34T R. 'Rubicon' ('Kilimanjaro' X 'Noya Chief'). Compact and slow growing with outstanding textured foliage. Brilliant deep red blooms form a good rounded truss. One of the best reds and tolerates warmer weather better than many rhododendrons although thrips prone. A Ron Gordon hybrid. 1.5m. Mid-season. \$20.00
- 35T R. 'Shrimp Girl' (*yakushmanum* X 'Fabia')(ss). It's a plant of low, spreading stature with smallish gray/green leaves. The flowers are mostly pink with a sherbet orange cast. It buds young and consistently. 1.5m. \$20.00
- 36T R. 'Summer Cloud' (*yakushmanum* X *fortunei*). A compact well shaped plant with good sized trusses of pure white, scented flowers with a small green flare from the throat. Good foliage. 1.5m. Mid-late season. \$20.00
- 37T R. 'Tanyosho'. Compact well rounded plant with pink buds opening to white bell shaped flowers. 1m. \$20.00
- 38T R. 'Vesuvius' (*griersonianum* X 'Romany Chai'). A compact plant with foliage very like the lanceolate leaves of *griersonianum*. Flowers are bright vermilion red in well shaped trusses of 12-15 flowers. Late. \$20.00
- 39T R. 'Vulcan's Flame' (*griersonianum* X 'Mars'). Bright red flowers on a vigorous compact plant. Trusses of 12-15 flowers. Said to be good in hot climate. 1.8m. Mid-late. \$20.00

Glenn Dale Hybrid Azaleas:

- 40P R. 'Chanticleer' (ss). Evergreen shrub to 1.5m. Flowers single, 2-4 per truss, 5cm wide and deep purplish red with a yellowish pink tube. This is an azalea you will probably never find for sale in a nursery. Mid Season. 2.5L pots. \$20.00
- 41P R. 'Merlin'. A broadly spreading, evergreen azalea with narrow matte green leaves. (Can be almost deciduous). Flowers 1-2 per truss, 65-75mm wide, are rosy lavender (near very pale purple). 1.2m – 1.8m mid-late spring. 1L pots. \$10.00

Odds & Sods

- 42O *Arisaema candidissimum* (White-spathed 'Jack in the Pulpit'). A tuberous perennial to 30cm in height, with leaves composed of three ovate leaflets, appearing after the flowers. White, hooded spathes, striped pale pink, with a greenish tube are 10cm in length and appear in summer. \$7.00
- 43P *Astilbe X arendsii* 'Wiesse Gloria'. A medium height (50 -90cm) Astilbe cultivar with pure mid-green foliage. In summer, very white flower plumes on whitish-green stems rise above the foliage. These plumes are so soft in texture and colour that the effect when planted en masse is like a feathery cloud. This *Astilbe* will pair with virtually anything in the garden. Will tolerate full sun provided it is kept moist. \$7.00
- 44O *Disporopsis pernyi*. An evergreen, rhizomatous perennial forming dense patches in full or partial shade. The lance shaped glossy dark green leaves grow to 20cm tall. The white, reflexed flowers, normally produced in pairs in early summer, are about 2cm long and lemon scented. This plant makes a terrific tall ground-cover for deep shade. \$7.00
- 45P *Forsythia* 'Karl Sax' (ss). Named for a famous botanist and plant geneticist, this vigorous and tall *Forsythia* is an older cultivar noted for its very early bloom time, good bud hardiness and dense bushy habit. One of the earliest winter bloomers, the abundant flowers are a rich yellow accented with orange at the throat. Lush green foliage follows. Neat, graceful, and dense growing, its leaves turn red or purple in fall. Prune judiciously to preserve its lovely arching habit and confine it to the size you want. 1 - 4m. Late winter-early spring. 4L pots. \$15.00
- 46P *Neolitsea sericea*. A Japanese laurel. It prefers moist, well drained soil where it gets some shelter. It is a remarkable tree in many respects, especially its foliage. The new leaves are covered in dense, shiny, soft velvet-like hair that shines brilliant silver in the spring sun. Within a few weeks the hairs shorten and as the leaves mature they turn a dark pink to reddish purple finally maturing to the green leaves one associates with laurels like our common Bay. In autumn, masses of tiny yellow-green flowers cover the new season's branches. If you are lucky enough to get a female tree, berries will form over the winter months, staying green until they turn a brilliant red the following autumn. I strongly suggest you look at the photos and extended definition at <http://botanyboy.org/a-beautiful-laurel-tree-of-japan-neolitsea-sericea>. 2.5L pots. \$15.00
- 47P *Olearia* X 'Cappillaris'. (An *O. arborescens* hybrid). Bushy small tree up to 4m bearing leathery oval pointed dark green glossy leaves that are paler underneath. Large clusters of white daisy-like flowers with pale yellow centres that develop into fluffy seeds. Leaves variable, 4-8cm long, longer than wide, edged with a few small sharp bumps. Flowering, October – January. 2.5L pots. \$10.00