breed something different. Historically division 12 has also been an important source of cultivars for new divisions i.e. Division 11 Split Corona Daffodil Cultivars in 1969 and Division 10 Bulbocodium Daffodil Cultivars in 1998. It is not currently possible to identify the next group of cultivars waiting to leave division 12. However, it is likely that the increasing ease in the wild and in the garden which will appear next year provides clear evidence that an active group of hybridizers are well aware of this way ahead. Similarly, the genus still contains several potentially interesting species that have as yet been little used by hybridizers, e.g. *N. nevadensis* and *N. cavanillesii*. Lastly, as 22 of the 48 cultivars in division 10 were registered during the last decade, it is perhaps reasonable to conclude that the search for “something different” is far from over and that consequently the future evolution of garden daffodils has yet more surprises in store for us.

**The Peter Bar Memorial Cup**

The Peter Barr Memorial Cup is annually bestowed by the Royal Horticultural Society, on the occasion of the Daffodil and Tulip Yearbook. In 2005 it was awarded to Wim Lemmers for his contributions to this field of study. The cup has been awarded since 1976 and has gone to a wide range of people who have made significant contributions to the study of daffodils. The recipients have included gardeners, hybridizers, and botanists. Wim Lemmers received the cup from the President of the Royal Horticultural Society, Sir Richard Carew Pole, Bt. The presentation ceremony was held during the World Daffodil Congress in Lisse in the Netherlands.

Born into a family with a long tradition of growing daffodils, Wim has spent his working life promoting the appreciation and understanding of these flowers. He has been involved in the Royal Garden Club of America for many years and has been a member of the Board of Directors. He is also a member of the International Daffodil Society. He has written extensively on the subject of daffodils and has contributed to many publications. In 2005, he was awarded the Peter Barr Memorial Cup. This is the highest honor given in the field of daffodil cultivation. Wim has lived in the United States for many years, and he has made many contributions to the cultivation and appreciation of daffodils in that country. He was also honored by the Royal Horticultural Society with the presentation of the Peter Barr Memorial Cup. Wim has been a member of the Royal Horticultural Society for many years and has been active in the promotion of daffodil cultivation in the United States. He has been a member of the Board of Directors of the Royal Garden Club of America and has contributed extensively to many publications on the subject.
THE PETER BARR MEMORIAL CUP 2005: AWARDED TO WILLEM (WIM) LEMMERS

MALCOLM BRADBURY

The Peter Barr Memorial Cup is awarded annually by the Royal Horticultural Society, on the recommendation of the Daffodil and Tulip Committee, to someone who has "done good work of some kind in connection with daffodils". In 2005 the cup was awarded to Willem (Wim) Lemmers of Lisse in the Netherlands.

Born into a family of bulb growers in 1931 Wim has lived in Lisse all his life and except for a couple of years' compulsory military service spent his working years as a bulb grower. Tulip enthusiasts will know that Wim was for many years the Chairman of the Tulip Committee of the Royal General Bulb Growers Association (KAVB). They will also be familiar with the text and "A Grower's Perspective" that he provided for Christopher Baker's beautifully produced large format book Tulips: A Photographers Botanical (Artisan 1999 New York). However, it is for his contribution to the world of daffodils that Wim has been honoured by the RHS.

A bachelor, Wim has travelled abroad frequently, to visit daffodil shows, conventions and growers in the United Kingdom, United States of America, Australia and New Zealand. Using his long experience as a grower and critical eye for a good flower, Wim has bought bulbs of many cultivars raised outside the Netherlands. After trial at his nursery, many of these cultivars were sold on to other Dutch growers, thereby widening the quality and choice of modern daffodil cultivars available to a wider gardening public. Examples include 'Segovia', 'Trena', 'Pink Paradise' and 'Petrel'. Similarly, Wim bought many of Jack P Gerritsen's cultivars and introduced them to the Dutch bulb trade; he also discovered how to grow N. bulbocodium as a successful large scale commercial crop. He worked with Jaap Leenen and Jan Weijers on the year-round flowering of daffodils and together with Jaap enabled tazettas to be grown in the Netherlands throughout the year. Wim was also one of the pioneers of "parting", a modified and more practical form of twin-scaling daffodil bulbs in the Netherlands. He worked hard to ensure that cultivars were true to name.

Wim served on many daffodil-related committees in the Netherlands and was a member of the KAVB's Daffodil Committee from 1993-2000. In recognition of his work for the Dutch bulb industry Wim was awarded the "Silver Pin" by the KAVB. In the United Kingdom Wim was a member of the RHS Daffodil and Tulip Committee from 1993-2000 and of its Trials Sub-Committee during 1994-2001. He was also a member of the Advisory Panel on Narcissus Classification from 1996 to 2002.

Wim has now sold his bulb business and moved into an active retirement in which much of his time is spent travelling around the World looking at wild plants, bulbs and tulips in particular. He has done much to update and widen the choice of daffodils available to gardeners and his global "networking" has successfully promoted the growing of daffodils both as a hobby and commercially.

We were all pleased when Wim was able to visit London earlier this year to be presented with the Peter Barr Memorial Cup by the President of the RHS (see photo left) and wish him a long, healthy and well earned retirement.