



# Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers

A Branch of the Cymbidium Society of America, Inc.

**Welcome to all the GCCG New and Returning members!  
Please remember to check in, pay your dues and get your free  
Cymbidium Back Bulb or Small Division!**

**Date:** September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2014

**Time:** 7:30 PM (Doors open and plant sales begin at 7:00 PM)

**Place:** The San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo

Take the Alameda de las Pulgas exit off Highway 92. Turn south. The Garden Center is located between 26th and 28th Avenues.

**Program:** The speaker for September will be Pierre Pujol, one of our members, speaking on "**Learning From My First Years As A Cymbidium Grower**", a most appropriate topic for our first meeting of the new season. Pierre found a perfect challenge in orchids, to match his thirst for observing Nature, understanding biology, pursuing facts, interacting with people and even competing for awards. In addition to his orchids, Pierre shares his life in Redwood City, CA. with his wife, Dana, two dogs, and two cats. He also participates in community activities while staying fit and healthy. Pierre's work career started as an agronomist in China, which then led to a senior executive position with a pharmaceutical company in the UK. Pierre currently is employed by a green technology company in California.

**Plant Table:** The Plant Raffle Table will be supplied by Pierre and is promised to contain many interesting treasures.

**Dinner at 5:45 PM with the Speaker:** September 19<sup>th</sup> at the Silver House Restaurant, 2224 S. El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA, 94403. Members and guests are welcome. Call Marron Honigman at 408-807-9124 by Thursday September 18<sup>th</sup> to be included in the dinner reservation group.

**Board Meeting:** September 19<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM at the Silver House Restaurant, 2224 S. El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA, 94403. Call Marron Honigman 408-807-9124 if you **cannot** attend.

**Plant Sales Begin at 7 PM:** All plants brought for sale by members must be properly labeled, priced (in even dollar amounts) and free of disease. 10% of the sale price will go to the club; the remainder goes to the individual seller. Label each sale plant and provide a summary sheet of your sale plants to the sales table person. Sales forms will be available at the sales table if you need them. Plant sales close prior to the start of the raffle.

**Supplies for sale at the September meeting:** Unprinted labels, single-edged razor blades, pens, Twist Ties, pots of assorted sizes, 3' and 4' bamboo stakes, MSU 1# and 2# Romeo blend fertilizer, and dual virus testing kits are for sale at cost plus tax as usual.

### **A REMINDER FROM YOUR EDITOR**

I cannot print what I do not receive. If any member receives an AOS or CSA award or a trophy at any show this season, please send the information to

[goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com](mailto:goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com)

The same is true for any member or Orchid Society wishing to publicize an event in the Newsletter as a calendar item, or as an attached flyer.

**Message from the President:** Welcome to all Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers members!!! It is hard to believe that it is September and we are off and running again. It has been a busy summer of planning for an exciting cymbidium year. Your officers have been working hard behind the scenes to insure that we have an incredible lineup of speakers, interesting new membership and sale plants, a NOT TO BE MISSED January GCCG Auction and our April Show and Sale.

This promises to be an amazing year for all of us and brings with it a strong commitment from your GCCG Board of Directors to present interesting speakers and to be on top of current trends. We are a strong, dedicated and vibrant club of over 200 members and I can hardly wait to get started. The doors of the San Mateo Garden Club will open at 7:00 pm so be ready to bring your show and tell plants, edible goodies to share, pocketbook to renew your membership and space in your car for all your new purchases. We have planned a very special kick off evening so be sure to arrive early to grab one of those coveted parking places. A big thank you to Weegie Caughlan, Ken Jacobsen and Barry Zimmerman who have all contributed to our annual seedling sale with new and interesting crosses which will be available at the September meeting. I am looking forward to seeing all of you on the 19th! If you have any questions or comments, or are anxious to help us this season, please don't hesitate to contact me at [mhonigman@lasdschools.org](mailto:mhonigman@lasdschools.org) or 408-807-9124.

**GCCG Membership Renewal:** It's that time of year again for membership renewal! A membership renewal form is enclosed in this newsletter. Dues for those members wishing to receive their Newsletters electronically are \$10.00. Dues for those members wishing to receive the Newsletter by regular mail are \$15.00. As an incentive to renew early, GCCG is providing a free Cymbidium Back Bulb of high quality from Carl Jukkola's collection to everyone who renews no later than the October meeting (please note that **new** members who joined GCCG in April or May of last season are considered to have renewed already, as are lifetime members). Renew early! Again, we would like to convert all members to receive the newsletter via email.

**You must be present at the meeting to receive your plant** (no, your friend can't pick it up for you). You can, of course, renew later, but will not receive a plant. Plants not claimed in September or October may be made available later for sale.

**Lifetime members** For all lifetime members with an email address listed in our membership directory but have chosen to receive the newsletter via snail mail, you must pick up your free membership plant at the September or October meeting or personally contact Darrel Wong the membership chair, in order to continue receiving your newsletter via snail mail. If you do not choose one of these options, you will receive all future newsletters via email beginning in November.

**To ensure fairness to all members, the following process will be observed.**

1. There will be one (1) line for signing up for membership renewal and getting your plant. Members may not hold a place in line for someone else.
2. New and renewing members (non-lifetime) will pay dues.
3. All renewing members (and lifetime members) will verify that the information on the membership roster is correct (or correct it if not), and initial the roster. New members will fill out the membership form (or bring a filled-out form to the meeting).
4. After verification of the membership information, the member will receive a receipt, which will be taken to the plant monitor, who will give the member access to the plants.

**CSA Membership:** Members are strongly encouraged to join the Cymbidium Society of America. The CSA is the parent organization of the GCCG and not only provides liability insurance for GCCG events but allows us to operate under the umbrella of their 501(c)(3) tax status. Contact Stanley Fuelscher, CSA Membership chair at any of the GCCG meetings for CSA membership information. Dues are \$35.00 per year, which include a subscription to the *CSA Journal* and should be mailed to Stanley Fuelscher, Cymbidium Society of America, 5710 Hollister Ave., #270 Goleta, CA 93117 or handed to Stanley at one of our meetings.

**New Members:** Welcome to our new members who have joined GCCG since May:

**New Members:**

Joanna & Ted Chin	San Rafael, CA 94901-4215	fivechin@hotmail.com
Katie Finlay	Emerald Hills, CA 94062-3330	finlay.katie@gmail.com
Nancy Morgan	Santa Clara, CA 95050-4016	nmorgan0181@yahoo.com
Mary Piramoon	Los Altos, CA 94023	mjpiramoon@gmail.com
Chris Wells	Novato, CA 94945-4115	toomanybws@yahoo.com

**New Email Address:**

Christina Holloway calblue93@gmail.com

**Refreshments for the September Meeting:** Be sure to pick up your free raffle tickets for providing refreshments. No need to sign up, just bring your refreshments. Five free raffle tickets will be given to each person who provides refreshments. **Please ensure that all items are labeled with the name of the provider so that Tony can record the names for the next newsletter and provide the 5 free raffle tickets prior to the draw.**

**Virus Testing:** We will have the dual virus testing kits available at the meeting. The tests are for Cymbidium Mosaic Virus (CymMV) and Odontoglossum Ringspot Virus (ORSV), which is also known as Tobacco Mosaic Virus – Orchid Strain (TMV-O). The cost for this double test is \$5 with results available in 10-15 minutes. Be sure that your leaf sample is correctly harvested and safely sealed in a Ziploc bag when presenting it for testing.

**Plant Judging:** The CSA will be judging Cymbidiums, Paphiopedilums, and Phragmipediums at our regular monthly meetings on request. To have a plant judged, call Sylvia Darr at 650-450-1384 at least one day in advance, to ensure that the CSA judges know that plants will be submitted for judging. Plant entry is between 7:00 PM and 7:30 PM the evening of the meeting. Clerks can advise you in filling out the plant entry form on your arrival. If you have a plant that will be ready for judging at another Branch meeting, please contact Sylvia Darr for more information.

The AOS judges all genera of orchids in San Francisco at the SF County Fair Building (Hall of Flowers) in Golden Gate Park on the first Tuesday, and in Oakland at the Lakeside Garden Center on the third Monday, of each month. For either judging, plants need to be submitted to the clerks between 6:15 PM and 7:00 PM. For more information contact Sylvia Darr.

CSA and/or AOS judging takes place at most of the local shows. Contact the show organizers for specifics regarding plant entry for judging.

**Recent AOS Awards:** The following award was granted since the publication of our last Newsletter. **June 27, 2014.** Peninsula Orchid Society. **Cym. Kuranda 'Cinnabar'** (*suave x madidum*) received an AM/AOS of 82 points, exhibited by Weegie Caughlan.

**GCCG Website:** Check out the GCCG website at <http://www.goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers.com> for information on upcoming shows, photos of previous shows, meeting information, and copies of back newsletters. If you have any news we can put on the site, please email the GCCG Webmaster, Audrey Young-Tarter, [goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers@yahoo.com](mailto:goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers@yahoo.com)

**Auction Planning Time:** It is not too early to be thinking about the GCCG annual fund-raising auction to be held January 16, 2015. Consider setting aside a plant or two to donate to the club for the auction. Members may also sell up to ten of their own plants at the auction. For your sale plants that are auctioned, the club will retain a percentage of the proceeds. PLEASE keep your club in mind and save some of those special plants for this event. This year, it is hoped all plants will be tested for virus. More information on the auction will be posted in the upcoming months.

**For Sale:**

**Coconut media for sale:** Six (6) compressed 1-cubic foot bales of coconut coir; two (2) 1 cubic foot bags of large coconut chips. \$10 each. Contact: goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com or call Weegie at 650-948-2342.

**Cymbidiums for Sale:** At this time of year, several of our advanced hobbyist growers have orchid divisions for sale. Ken, Amy and Pierre are having an open house (see upcoming events and attached flyer (email)) on Saturday after our meeting. Two other growers, Weegie Caughlan 650-948-2342, email: goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com and Carl Jukkola 650-326-4465, email: cjukkola@aol.com although not having official open houses, are open by appointment only and will send a list of available plants on request.

**Newsletter Information:** The deadline for submission of information for the newsletter is the fourth Friday of the month. The next deadline for inputs is the fourth Friday of September. The newsletter will publish announcements of upcoming events for other orchid societies as space permits. Please submit your inputs to **goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com**

**Upcoming Events:**

**September 20, 2014. Open house.** 10:00 AM until 3:30 PM. Ken and Amy Jacobsen and Pierre Pujol, will have an orchid sale at their greenhouse. See attached flyer for more information and directions.

**September 27, 2014 Peninsula Orchid Society Auction.** Saturday. Plant entry at 11:00 AM, Bidder registration and Preview begins at 12:00 PM. Auction begins at 1:30. San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo CA. Contact Mike Drilling at mike.drilling@gmail.com for more information.

**Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Board of Directors for 2014-2015: A warm welcome to these energetic members who have volunteered to guide GCCG on to greater success for the coming season.**

President:	Marron Honigman	408-807-9124
Vice President:	Sylvia Darr	650-450-1384
Secretary:	Florence Inserto	415-469-8375
Treasurer:	Stanley Fuelscher	408-257-4855
Director of Ways and Means:	Trudy Hadler	510-483-1277
Director of Membership:	Darrel Wong	510-582-5896
Past President:	Weegie Caughlan	650-948-2342
Director at large	Carol Armendariz	408-806-1969
Director at large:	Kevin Hill	202-294-3255
Director at large:	Richard Mangan	209-373-7852

**Other Duties:**

CSA Delegate:	Stanley Fuelscher	408-257-4855
CSA Membership:	Stanley Fuelscher	408-257-4855
Newsletter Editor:	Weegie Caughlan	650-948-2342
Refreshments:	Tony Gee	415-286-8812

## GCCG SEEDLINGS FOR SALE 5" AND 1-GALLON POTS

This fall, instead of directly buying seedlings from one of the remaining major Cymbidium commercial hybridizers in California, GCCG has chosen to turn to three of our own members, Weegie Caughlan, Ken Jacobsen and Barry Zimmerman, who have developed or are developing a positive record for quality crosses. The seedlings offered are from their own crosses augmented by seedlings from two other crosses, grown out from flasks from Hatfield Orchids of Ventura and Royale Orchids of Australia. Choices range from colorful hobbyist plants, to show quality plants with high expectation of awards - something for everyone!

**(5) Exeter Attraction (Yai 'Monica' x Physical Attraction 'Jill')** Expect smaller Standards (9-10 cm) of a strong pink, with the stunning, very dark burgundy Yai lip and the probability of very good form. Large 1gal. Some may bloom in 2015. (Remake of the cross), (*K. Jacobsen hybridizer*.)

**(5) Exeter Starry Playa (Lone Star 'Mr. Scott' x Via del Playa 'The Globe')** (Registration pending) Expectation is for large (13 cm), exhibition white and light blush Standards, 12 to 16 on a stem for a mature, happy plant, and many with quite good form. Large 1gal. (Remake of the cross). (*K. Jacobsen hybridizer*).

**(5) (Ruth Kallman 'Julianne' 4n AM/AOS, S/CSA x Valley Splash 'Awesome' S/CSA)**

These will be exciting and outstanding large white flowers, many with the unique rose blushing of the Valley Splash and carried on tall spikes with 14-16 flowers. Blooming time will be mid to late season. Expectations are high for this cross with possible **awards**. Large 1gal. 1-2 years from bloom. (*G. Hatfield hybridizer*)

**(10) Theresa Stockstill (John Wooden 'Royale' 4n x Kirby Lesh 'Cinnabar' AM/AOS, S/CSA 4n)**

Large, rose Standards with exhibition form for the show bench. Some may carry the spotted coloring of the Kirby Lesh and some will be shades of clear rose-pink. **Definite awards!** Large 1gal. 1-2 years from bloom. (Seedlings are from the *E. Caughlan* cross but E. Stockstill made the cross first and registered it Oct. 2012).

**(5) (Vanessa Amarosi 'Elinor' 4n x Flaming Pepper 'Dural' 4n)**

**Very shapely**, floriferous, January blooming, pink to rose Novelties with good flower count and flower presentation for exhibition and **awards**. Large 1gal. 1-2 years from bloom. (*Royale Orchids, Australia. K. Hipkins Hybridizer*).

**(2) (Emma's Tiger 'Stirling' 4n x Tower of Gold 'Stirling')** Yellow Novelties. 5" BZ24 (*B. Zimmerman Hybridizer*)

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**(2) (Fiesta Del Sol 'Stirling' x Magic Lantern 'Stirling')** Pink Standards. 5" BZ21 (*B. Zimmerman Hybridizer*)

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**(2) [(Highland Advent x May Hopcraft) 'Park Victoria' x Tower of Gold 'Stirling']** Yellow Standards. 5" (*B.*

*Zimmerman Hybridizer*)

**Parents:**

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**(2) So Gold (So Bold 'Stirling' 4n x Tower of Gold 'Stirling')** Yellow Standards. 5" BZ18 (*B. Zimmerman Hybridizer*)

**Parents:**

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**(2) Winnie Kim Lan Tong (Exeter Dramatic Mary 'No. 35' 4n x Red Beauty 'Ring of Fire')** Yellow to Orange Standards. 5" BZ20 (*B. Zimmerman Hybridizer*)

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## Open Greenhouse!

On Saturday, September 20 from 10:00 AM until 3:30 PM, Ken and Amy Jacobsen, together with Pierre Pujol, will have an orchid sale at their greenhouse. There will be divisions of many quality exhibition cymbidiums and perhaps even some unbloomed seedlings. Some of these are Australian plants imported for exhibition and breeding, while others are first release divisions of very select plants raised from seed. Amy is also relenting and (perhaps) now willing to part with some of her cattleya, aniceps and masdevallia divisions, many highly prized and awarded!

The greenhouse is in the T&E Pastorino complex on Hwy 92 (San Mateo Rd) about 1.5 miles East of Hwy 1 in Half Moon Bay at 12511 San Mateo Rd. Note that this is after Pastorino Farms and Lemos farm as you head west, so don't get confused by the similar sounding name. The best way to enter is from the East end of the property through a large portal near the Teak shop and the 'Orchids for Sale' business. Drive on a dirt road between these two businesses to the back of the property where you'll see a small parking area, or park up at the front of the property where there's plenty of space and walk to our greenhouse. (Simple directions: Pastorino Greenhouses on the left after Lemos farm – we're just behind the 'Orchids for Sale' business. If you get lost, Ken's mobile number is 650.704.5239 and Pierre's is 650.255.9012). Ken or Pierre might have a partial list of available plants if you contact them by email.

Please do not arrive at the greenhouse before 10:00 AM! We won't be ready for you until then.

