



# Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers

A Branch of the Cymbidium Society of America, Inc.

**Welcome to all the GCCG New and Returning members.  
Do not forget to check in and pay your dues. Remember, this is the last  
month to get your Free Cymbidium Back Bulb for renewing!**

## October 2015

**Date:** October 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015

**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:** Our program this month will feature a "Stump The 'Experts' " with panelists Ken Jacobsen, Pierre Pujol, and Barry Zimmerman, moderated by Weegie Caughlan. These advanced growers from our club need no introduction, as they are all well known for their superior growing skills and high quality plants. It will be up to the audience to stump the panel with as many questions from all areas of cool orchid growing. If, in the opinion of the audience, the panel is unable to answer a question, the questioner will be able to choose a GCCG seedling from those being featured this month on the sales table. So put on your thinking caps and bring up any question on Cymbidiums and companion orchids you wish. Either send them to the Newsletter editor any time before the meeting, hand them to the moderator at the beginning of the meeting, or simply ask them as the meeting progresses. Questions will be answered in order of submission.

**Plant Table:** The Plant Raffle Table will be supplied by the members of the panel from their private collections and will include divisions of prized plants and a wide variety of seedlings. There should be something exciting for everyone.

**Board Meeting:** October 16<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 PM at the Silver House Restaurant, 2224 S. El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA, 94403. Please call Marron Honigman 408-807-9124 or email her, **whether you plan to attend or not.**

**Dinner at 5:45 PM with the Speakers:** October 16<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 October 15<sup>th</sup> to be included in the dinner reservation group.

**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 at [goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers@yahoo.com](mailto:goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers@yahoo.com)

**Plant Sales Begin at 7 PM:** Each member bringing in plants to sell will be solely responsible for selling their own plants at the table with no lists or percentage going to the club. Each seller will take home 100% of their sales proceeds and is responsible for reporting their own sales tax to the State. Since each member will be selling separately, buyers should be sure to bring sufficient change for all transactions. Each buyer will need to buy separately from each seller and will not be able to make one check covering all purchases. As in the past, all plants brought for sale by members must be properly labeled, priced (preferably in even dollar amounts) and free of disease. Sale rules for our annual April sale remain the same as before.

**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 (Romeo blend fertilizer), 1lb & 2lb jars, Orchinata bark (Classic, Power and Power+) and dual virus testing kits are for sale at cost plus tax.

**Time to order Freeze Cloth:** It is time to order freeze cloth (weight for 6-8 degree protection) for the coming winter at the October meeting for delivery at the November meeting. However, the smallest roll available is 500' in length and it will be necessary to have at least an initial order of 200' to justify the club ordering the large roll. The cloth is 12' wide and will be cut in 20' lengths, or longer/shorter if specially required. Minimum length order is 10'. The cost per running foot has been approximately \$1/ft in the past, but a slight increase is expected. To order, call Sylvia Darr at 650-450-1384, email her at syldarr@gmail.com or order from her at the supply sales table at the October meeting.

**Message from the President:**

Thank you to all those who were at our first GCCG meeting of the year and were such an integral part of making it a terrific evening! It was rewarding to see your refreshing smiles. Our monthly meeting is an evening I truly look forward to. There is always a special energy that comes with each event. Without your presence, dedication and input GCCG is just one of many orchid clubs. I want you to know how much I appreciate the time and effort it takes to get to the meetings, get your orchids ready to share with the group and be a real contributor to our success. This month brings us all the opportunity to hear from three more of our advanced growers. Each time we have a panel, I learn something new and am reminded that we are always lifelong learners regardless of our expertise.

I just returned from the "quarterly" CSA meeting in Santa Barbara. As most of you know, I wear two hats - one as President of GCCG and the other as President of the CSA. We have some changes in the pipeline and I am anxious to share them with you. I also want to send a shout out to several of our members who, through thick and thin, make the trek to Santa Barbara to support **your** CSA. In the last few years, we have not only met on a quarterly basis but have added several other meetings as well. This again speaks to the dedication of our members and their willingness to support our collective passion for orchids. Thank you to Florence, Stanley and Sylvia for tirelessly making the 4-5 hour drive south, often booking an overnight stay and taking on more work than you ever anticipated. Thank you also to Jeff Trimble, Ken Jacobsen and Kevin Hill for their special support. I look forward to seeing everyone on October 16<sup>th</sup>

**New Members:** Welcome to our new members who joined GCCG at last month's meeting.

Celina Li	Los Altos, CA 94022-1146	<a href="mailto:celinaparty6@gmail.com">celinaparty6@gmail.com</a>
Constance Pritchett	Redwood City, CA 94063-4694	

**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 to be chosen from the collection of Carol Armendariz or Pierre Pujol 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 ALL MEMBERS TO RECEIVE THE NEWSLETTER VIA EMAIL!**

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

**Lifetime members** As of this month, the Lifetime Membership option will no longer be offered. For all current 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 Back Bulb 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 Back Bulb. 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 then 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 Back Bulb monitor, who will give the member access to the Back Bulbs.

**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.

**Refreshments for the October 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.**

Thank you to all those members who provided refreshments for the September meeting:

Glenn/Lorna Affleck	Carol Armendariz	Terry/Margaret Boomer
Jennifer Daine	Sylvia Darr	Clint/Judy Evans
Mike/Annie Green	Trudy Hadler	Marron Honigman
Florence Inserto	Kalan Toy	Janusz Warszawski

**Plant Judging:** The CSA judges Cymbidiums, Paphiopedilums, and Phragmipediums at our regular monthly meeting on the third Friday of each month September through May, or at the Lakeside Garden Center in Oakland on the fourth Wednesday of each month except November and December, when it is on the third Wednesday. To have a plant judged at GCCG, contact [goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com](mailto:goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com) at least one day in advance, to ensure that the CSA judges can be notified that plants will be submitted for judging. Plant entry is between 7:00 PM and 7:15 PM at the GCCG meeting and between 6:30 PM and 7:00 PM in Oakland. Clerks can advise you in filling out the plant entry form on your arrival.

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 at various other locations, each month. For these judgments, plants need to be submitted between 6:15 PM and 7:00 PM. For further information and other judging locations, call Sylvia Darr 650-450-1384.

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

### 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.

**Auction Planning Time:** It is not too early to be thinking about the GCCG annual fund-raising auction to be held January 15, 2016. 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 as they were last year. More information on the auction will be posted in November.

#### Upcoming Events:

**November 7 – 8, 2015. Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Open House.** Saturday 8AM-5PM; Sunday 9AM-4PM. 1250 Orchid Drive. Santa Barbara, CA 93111. 850-967-1284; [SBOE@SBORCHID.COM](mailto:SBOE@SBORCHID.COM)

**November 11-15, 2015 AOS Members Meeting** Hosted by the Northern Nevada Orchid Society. Atlantis Casino & Resort 3800 S. Virginia Street, Reno, Nevada 89502 [www.nnvos.org](http://www.nnvos.org)

**November 14 - 15, 2015** Santa Cruz Orchid Society Show and Sale Sat 9AM - 5PM, Sun 10AM - 4PM. Soquel High School, 401 Old San Jose Road, Soquel, CA 95073. For more info [info@SantCruzOrchidSociety.org](mailto:info@SantCruzOrchidSociety.org) or <http://www.santacruzorchidsociety.org>

**November 21 and 22, 2015.** Orchid Society of Santa Barbara Fall Orchid Show, "Orchid Obsession". (Weekend before Thanksgiving). Saturday 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM; Sun. 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM. The show is free but there is a charge for non-museum members on Saturday - \$12 Adults, \$8 Seniors and Teens, \$7 Children under 12. Free admission on Sunday. AOS and CSA judging at 10:00 AM Saturday. For information: e-mail [fmorchids@hotmail.com](mailto:fmorchids@hotmail.com)

**Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Board of Directors for 2015-2016: 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:	Weegie Caughlan	650-948-2342
Secretary:	Florence Inserto	415-469-8375
Treasurer:	Stanley Fuelscher	408-257-4855
Director of Ways and Means:	Sylvia Darr	650-450-1384
Director of Membership:	Darrel Wong	510-582-5896
Director at large	Carol Armendariz	408-806-1969
Director at large:	Kevin Hill	202-294-3255
Director at large:	Richard Mangan	209-373-7852
Director at large:	Chris Wells	415-254-8939

#### 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 – FALL 2015**  
**5" AND 1-GALLON POTS**  
**\$10.00 for 5"      \$12.00 for 1-GAL**

**This fall**, instead of buying seedlings directly from one of the remaining major Cymbidium commercial hybridizers in California, GCCG has chosen to again turn to our own members who are growing out superior foreign crosses or are developing a positive record for their own high quality crosses. Choices range from colorful, unusual and floriferous hobbyist plants, to show bench plants with high expectations of awards or perhaps as steps to future breeding - something for everyone!

**RO 48/12 (2) Elle Ronis (Khan Flame 'Raquel' x Kabuki Moon 'Royale')** As Kevin Hipkins stated of his remake: "Simply the finest pink Standard cross that I have made. Plenty of show winners in this exact remake." Expect large, pink to deep rose Standards with excellent form and 14-16 flowers carried well above the foliage on self-supporting stems. 1 gal. pot. *Hybridizer: Royale Orchids of Australia.*

**BZ20 (2) [(Highland Advent x May Hopcraft) 'Park Victoria' x Tower of Gold 'Stirling']** Expecting shapely clear yellow Standards on medium length spikes for mid-season bloom. 1 gal. pot. *Hybridizer: B. Zimmerman*

**RO /10 (4) (On the Prowl x Electric Ladyland)** Expect shapely, high color Intermediate sized Standards in the red to brown shades on upright inflorescences for exhibition or pure enjoyment. Browns, or reds in the brown shades are a standout in any collection but not easy to find. Proven parents for high quality seedlings. 1 gal. pot. *Hybridizer: Royale Orchids of Australia.*

**BZ23 (6) (Procol Harum 'Afterglow' x Tower of Gold 'Stirling')**. Expecting easy growing Standards in a range of colors from cream to yellow with an occasional red for mid-season bloom. 5" pot. *Hybridizer: B. Zimmerman.*

**PP1203 (6) (Psychotic 'Cream Puff' x Highland Advent 'Trinity' FCC/RHS)**

This cross was made to increase form, yellow color intensity and flower size. Cym. Highland Advent 'Trinity' FCC/RHS is one of the parents of the well-known Cym. Icho Tower 'Trinity' AM/AOS, S/CSA. Expected from the cross is a 50% chance of peloric lateral sepals with better shaped flowers showing a nice contrast between the yellow base color and the bright red lip and peloric markings. (*Hybridizer: P. Pujol*)

**(2) (Psychotic 'Cream Puff' x Karen Hawaiian 'Hatfield' B/CSA)**

Cym. Karen Hawaiian 'Hatfield' B/CSA, the stunning orange Standard 2008 Grand Champion at the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show was used in this cross to try to expand the peloric patterns of Psychotic into the orange shades. Karen Hawaiian has been successful at imparting deep color and a strong shine to its progeny's flowers. Orange peloric Cymbidiums are rare and this cross should be interesting to bloom. Expect yellow to orange flowers with a 50% lateral sepal peloric probability. (*Hybridizer: P. Pujol*)

**Cymbidiums for Sale:** At this time of year, several of our advanced hobbyist growers have quality orchid divisions and seedlings for sale. Although they will not have official open houses, the following members will be available by appointment and will have a list of their plants on request.

Weegie Caughlan: 650-948-2342. List available by email [goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com](mailto:goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com)

Ken Jacobsen: List available by email [k\\_p\\_jacobsen@yahoo.com](mailto:k_p_jacobsen@yahoo.com)

Carl Jukkola: 650-326-4465. List available by email [cjukkola@aol.com](mailto:cjukkola@aol.com)

Pierre Pujol: List available by email [pierrepujol@aol.com](mailto:pierrepujol@aol.com)

Barry Zimmerman: 408-515-0968 (cell). List available by email [bz12345@comcast.net](mailto:bz12345@comcast.net) Photos, if available, will be on Photobucket. <http://S687.photobucket.com/albums/VV232/bz12345/>

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

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C/o Weegie Caughlan  
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Los Altos Hills, CA. 94024-6541

## First Class Mail

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### Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Membership Form

**NAME:** \_\_\_\_\_

**ADDRESS:** \_\_\_\_\_

**CITY/STATE:** \_\_\_\_\_ **ZIP CODE:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_ **E-Mail:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Check box to receive the GCCG Newsletter via email:**

**Amount Enclosed:** \_\_\_\_\_; **\$10 for email delivery**  
**\$15 for hard copy delivery**

**(Please make check payable to GCCG)**

**Mail To:** Darrel Wong  
6601 Bowie Way  
Castro Valley, CA 94552-5038

If you have already renewed,  
pass this form on to a friend.

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