



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 seedling or small division for renewing!**

October 2016

Date: October 21st, 2016

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 R. Andrew (Andy) Cameron speaking on “**Genes and Ploidy in Cymbidiums**”. Andy will discuss the biology behind terms like tetraploid and diploid so often used by orchid breeders. He will explain in plain language how genes affect plant form and the implications of chromosome number on plant form.

Andy is a semi-retired member of the research faculty at the California Institute of Technology. He studies how the genomes of marine creatures like sea urchins and sea stars dictate the form of these animals. He is past president of the San Gabriel Valley Branch of the Cymbidium Society of America and a judging clerk for the CSA. He also tries to convince Cymbidiums and other cool-growing orchids that Pasadena is a good place to live. One of his major goals is to introduce orchid hobbyists to the wonderful body of biological information that underlies their pursuits. Andy is the author of "The Duffer" column in the CSA Journal, where he writes about the biology behind Cymbidium culture. He also represents the San Gabriel Valley Branch on the CSA Board of Directors.

Plant Table: Santa Barbara Orchid Estate will be supplying the Plant Opportunity Table. There should be something exciting for everyone.

Board Meeting: October 21st at 5:00 PM at the Silver House Restaurant, 2224 S. El Camino Real, San Mateo, CA, 94403. Please call Marron Honigman before the 20th at 408-807-9124 or email her, **whether you plan to attend or not.**

Dinner at 5:45 PM with the Speaker: October 21st 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 20th to be included in the dinner reservation group.

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 (Precision, Classic, Power and Power+) and dual virus testing kits are for sale at cost plus tax.

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.

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 Trudy Hadler at 510-483-1277 or order from her at the supply sales table at the October meeting.

Auction Planning Time: Now is the time to think about the GCCG annual fund-raising auction to be held January 20, 2017. Please set 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. An auction entry list is included in this month's Newsletter. Duplicate as needed. Complete information on the auction will be published in November.

Message from the President: It was so great to see everyone in September. I always love the energy and excitement at the first GCCG meeting of the year. If you couldn't attend, there were several important announcements that impact all of us. First, we rolled out our **GCCG Active Member! Awards Program**. It is now in full swing with Kevin Hill keeping track of our accrued points. Be sure to check your September newsletter for the specifics of this exciting program. Also, our spring **GCCG Show and Sale** has been expanded to **two (2) days** and is returning to our usual April time slot at the Community Activities Building in Redwood City. The *new dates* are April 21 (set up only), the 22nd (judging) and the 22nd and 23rd for the GCCG Show and Sale itself. Start planning ahead NOW for those show entries. We are expanding the show classes for 2017 and will be sending out more information about the new categories later in the fall. We are still in the process of renewing memberships so be sure to take advantage of the opportunity to receive a free plant. We are also encouraging all Lifetime members to consider making a donation to GCCG. The majority of our membership falls into this category and this is one small way of showing support for your hard working club.

October will bring an exciting new speaker to our club, **Andy Cameron**. I work closely with Andy on the CSA Board of Directors. Not only is he a dedicated and hard working member of the CSA but also he is an innovative orchid grower and observant judging clerk. His presentation will give us all an opportunity to learn something new from a speaker we haven't heard before. I am especially appreciative that Andy has accepted our invitation to speak since the very next day Sylvania, Andy, Stanley, Florence and I are flying down the Huntington Library, Art Collection and Botanical Gardens for the American Orchid Society Fall Members' Meeting and CSA Executive Board Meeting. Ken and Amy Jacobsen will also be there so Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers will be well represented at this important 5-day event.

This is such an exciting time in the orchid world! Be sure to take advantage of everything GCCG has to offer each month. Come to the meetings, take a look at our webpage, volunteer your time and consider displaying your plants.

Special Acknowledgement to Marron Honigman and Stanley Fuelscher who donated \$20 to the GCCG Membership Fund.

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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 \$15.00. Dues for those members wishing to receive the Newsletter by regular mail are \$20.00. We accept payments via PayPal to goldcoastcymgrowers@yahoo.com. As an incentive to renew early, GCCG is again providing a free Cymbidium seedling from a flask donated by Bob Harris of the Orchidpeople or a small Cymbidium division from the Kevin Daley collection. This is GCCG's gift 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 now! Again, we would like all members to receive the newsletter via email.

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

Lifetime members. The Lifetime Membership option is no longer offered. For all current Lifetime members with an email address listed in our membership directory but who have chosen to receive their newsletter via snail mail, you must personally contact Richard Mangan, the membership chair at this meeting or via email 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. **Any Lifetime member currently receiving their newsletter by snail mail who has no email address on file and who does not check in or notify Richard will be removed from the Newsletter mailing list starting in November.**

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.**

Thanks to our members who brought refreshments to share for our opening meeting in September and congratulations to those who went home with a plant(s) won from the 5 free raffle tickets for contributing.

Glenn & Lorna Affleck

Weegie Caughlan

Sylvia Darr

Cora Gadduang

Mike & Annie Green

Trudy Hadler

Marron Honigman

Florence Inserto

Kalan Toy

Janusz Warszawski

Chris Wells

Audrey Young-Tarter

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 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.

Standard Seedlings for sale by GCCG: The following crosses will be available for sale at the next two meetings. Weegie has donated these to GCCG from her new crosses. First release in 5" pots: **\$7.00 each, 2 or more \$6.00 each.** Photos of parents will be available to view on the sale table.

(15) WC 14/15 Cym. (Hazel Tyers 'Santa Maria' x Satin Dragon 'Cinnabar' HCC/AOS, B/CSA)
Expect large, high quality Standards of excellent form for the show bench in the cream to rose shades, many with flaring on the segments. Dark banding on white lips should be dominant as well as tall spikes of 14-16 flowers per stem. High probability of awards. Mid season bloom.

(15) WC 14/19 Cym. (Mighty Tracy 'Stan's Pick' x Full Moon 'Epigarden') These should be dynamite, clear golden yellow Standards of award form for the show bench and awards. White lips should be dominantly marked in red to scarlet. Expect easy bloomers and good flower counts of 12-14 flowers per stem. Mid-season bloom.

(15) WC 14/21 Cym. (Keiko Kageyama 'Hatfield's AM/AOS x Icho Tower 'Trinity' AM/AOS, S/CSA) Look for winners in this Standard cross of exhibition quality with large, full form, yellows, tending to more orange shades. White lips with dominant red markings should prevail with good flower count and self-supporting inflorescences. Eye-catching blooms for mid-season. Always the possibility of awards with Icho Tower as a parent.

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 weegieca@gmail.com

Ken Jacobsen: List available by email k_p_jacobsen@yahoo.com

Carl Jukkola: 650-326-4465. List available by email cjukkola@aol.com

Pierre Pujol: List available by email pierrepujol@aol.com

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

Get well soon: Our best wishes for a speedy recovery go out to Val Jones who is recovering from a stroke suffered in mid September. Mel and Val have been with GCCG since the beginning and two of our most loyal and supportive members. We hope to see them both back soon.

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 October. The newsletter will publish announcements of upcoming events for other orchid societies as space permits. Please submit your inputs to goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com

Casa de las Orquideas 2016 Cymbidium Division List: Each year at this time, one of the few remaining Commercial Orchid Growers, Casa de las Orquideas, releases a list of their Fall Cymbidium Divisions. This nursery is famous for unusual Cymbidiums - spots, flares and pelorics. If there is anything on this list you want, (and the prices are incredibly low) email casa@orquideas.com ASAP as many of the plants go very quickly.

The list of divisions for 2016 is now live at <http://www.orquideas.com/division2016.html> As usual, it is asked that all division orders be submitted via email in case of multiple requests for the same plant. *(If necessary, arrangements may be made to have your plants picked up by a GCCG club member going to Casa's early December Open House.)*

Upcoming Events:

October 19-23, 2016 .The Huntington Botanical Gardens 2nd Annual International Orchid Show and American Orchid Society Members' Meeting. Website: www.aosfall2016.com

November 5 & 6, 2016. 58th Annual Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Fall Open House. Saturday 8 AM to 5 PM; Sunday 9 AM to 4 PM Santa Barbara Orchid Estate, 1250 Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara, CA 93111 www.sborchid.com

November 19 & 20, 2016. Orchid Society of Santa Barbara Fall Show and Sale Saturday 10 AM to 5 PM; Sunday, 10 AM to 3:30 PM Fleischman Auditorium, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History (just north of the Old Mission) Laelia anceps displayed at their peak diversity of color. Fall-blooming Cymbidium and Cattleya species. AOS and CSA judging. Select vendors. www.sborchid.com

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

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2017 GOLD COAST CYMBIDIUM GROWERS' COLLECTOR'S AUCTION PLANT ENTRY FORM

Member Name: _____

Code (Initials): _____

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| # | Name: _____ | Parents: _____ | |
| | Division Size: (Optional) ___ Green Bulbs ___ Back Bulbs ___ Growths Description, including color and type. | Mother Plant: | Photo: |
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Instructions: Provide Name, Parents, Description, and Pot Size (e.g., 1 gal, 2 gal, etc.). 'Division Size' is total number of green bulbs, back bulbs, and growths. Use a check mark or X to indicate Mother Plant, Meristem, Virus Negative, Photo, and Donated as applicable. If you want to designate a Minimum Bid (MB) or Seller's Estimated Value (SEV), supply it in the appropriate box.

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First Class Mail

Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Membership Form (Please print clearly)

Name: _____

Address: _____

City/State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

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How did you hear about us?

Membership Fees are either \$15 annually for newsletters sent by e-mail or \$20 annually for newsletters sent by USPS.

Please make check payable to Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers or GCCG.
Amount Enclosed: \$ _____.

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