



# Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers

A Branch of the Cymbidium Society of America, Inc.

**Please note the early start time for this meeting.  
Set-Up and Plant entry starts at 4:30 PM**

**AGAIN THIS YEAR  
ALL AUCTION PLANTS – BOTH SALE & DONOR – HAVE  
BEEN PRE-TESTED NEGATIVE FOR CymMV/ORSV!**

**January 2017**

**Date:** January 20, 2017

**Time:** 7:00 PM (Auction plants may be checked in after 4:30 PM and until 6:00 PM)  
Auction preview from 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Auction starts 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 26<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> Avenues.

**Program:** The program this month will consist of our annual Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers (GCCG) Collectors' Auction of Cymbidiums, Cymbidium Companion plants, and related orchid-growing materials. This is an extremely important fund-raising event for GCCG, since a large part of our yearly income depends on its success. We are very fortunate to again have as our auctioneer this year our famous "keep your paddle in the air" Jeff Trimble: Cymbidium Society of America (CSA) judge, GCCG past president and former CSA President.

**Board Meeting:** A short but important Board meeting will be held at 3:00 PM at the Garden Center prior to the set up for the auction. If you cannot attend or will be late, contact Marron at 408-807-9124.

**Dinner with the Speaker, Plant Table and Plant Sales:** These regularly scheduled events will not be held at this month's meeting due to the auction. Only those plants entered in the auction catalog, or pre-approved as substitutes, will be allowed in the building.

**Refreshments for the Auction:** Refreshments are more than welcome at the auction. There will be no raffle this month, so remember to pick up your free raffle tickets at the February meeting! **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.**

**2017 AUCTION CONDUCT RULES:** The rules for this year's auction, implemented to keep the auction under control and allow participants to go home at a reasonable time are listed at the beginning of the Auction Catalog. There are three ways for you to contribute to the success of this event - as a **seller, donor** and/or **buyer**:

**Seller:** Members have pre-submitted plants or related orchid items for sale, with 25% of the sale price benefiting GCCG and 75% going to the seller.

**Donor:** The Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers club thanks all those who have made donations to this year's auction to ensure the continued success of our organization.

**Buyer:** As an auction buyer you win in two ways. First, you add one or more quality plants to your collection. Second, you have the satisfaction in knowing that a portion of your winning bid that goes to Gold Coast will help support your club. Do not forget to view the entries on Photo Bucket:

[http://s489.photobucket.com/user/goldcoastcymgrowers/library/GCCG 2017 Auction?sort=4&page=1](http://s489.photobucket.com/user/goldcoastcymgrowers/library/GCCG%202017%20Auction?sort=4&page=1)

**Thank you to the Commercial Growers and Companies** who have again supported our auction this year: OrchidWiz and Santa Barbara Orchid Estate.

**Peninsula Orchid Society Show:** If you have plants, especially Cymbidiums in bloom now, consider supporting the POS show in Redwood City. Entry is Friday Jan 13<sup>th</sup> from 2:30 PM to 6:00 PM. The number of Cymbidiums entered has decreased in the past few years, and it would be fun to participate in this show and let POS see what great plants the GCCG growers have in bloom at this time of year. **Visit their website** <http://penorchidsoc.org> for more information and to view the schedule of classes.

**CSA Parent Club Quarterly Board Meeting: Saturday January 14th 9:00 AM. Rosewood Resort, 2825 Sand Hill Rd., Menlo Park, CA 94025.** As CSA President, Marron is encouraging all those interested to attend the meeting in the Lemon Room (through the main dining room to the left. Ask the hostess to direct you). She and the CSA Board have been working tirelessly again this year to strengthen our organization and take over the planning of the CSA Congress. They would like to share their ideas and implementations at this meeting, and would like to share their plans. After the meeting, be sure to drive the short distance to the POS Show and Sale at the Community Activities Building 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA.

**Membership:** The GCCG Membership list for 2016-2017 is available as a separate mailing to all active members upon request to the Newsletter editor. Copies for regular USPS mail members may be picked up this month from the Membership Chair, Richard Mangan.

**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 includes 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. Membership payment may also be made through PayPal on the CSA website.

**GCCG Show:** The Show Chairs for our April GCCG show are Sylvia Darr and Marron Honigman, with Florence Inerto as Sales Chair. This year we will again be at The Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave., Redwood City, CA. The show will be open to the public on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> and Sunday April 23<sup>rd</sup> from 10 AM to 4 PM, and will include member plant sales both days. In addition to ribbon judging, we will have CSA and AOS judging Saturday morning. More information will be published in the February and April Newsletters as plans and more committees are confirmed. Meanwhile, now is the time to offer your help to the show committee in any way you can by signing up for a job. Remember that every helping hand will make the show and sale even more successful!

**PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE for the New Year:** Again, I am spending the holidays in Montana with my brother Mark and his wife Cathy surrounded by the Bridger Mountains and huge accumulations of snow. One of my favorite new shopping haunts in Bozeman this year is the *Garden Barn at Montana's Best Garden Center* where, among other things, orchids are thriving. With that in mind, I have been practicing raising my right hand up and down so I'm all set for our unparalleled **GCCG Collectors' Auction on January 20th**. Paddle #8 is all set to go and I hope you are too. This is our major fundraiser for the year and offers everyone a chance to bid on orchids from many of the world's finest growers. **DON'T MISS THIS EVENT** - whether you are one of our advanced growers or someone who is just getting started! This is truly a magical night that only happens because of the efforts put forth by several of our members. Thank you Richard, Darrel, Weegie, Lyn, Stanley, Sylvia, Jeff, Tony, Doug and my Board of Directors for your dedication and countless hours of preparation. It is no wonder that numerous other orchid clubs use our format as a model for their auctions!

Recently you received the flyer for the Cymbidium Society of America's 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cymbidium Congress to be held on March 18<sup>th</sup> in Santa Barbara. Many of your GCCG members are involved in the planning and reorganization of this year's Congress. We are excited to present five Cymbidium and Paph speakers from all over the world as well as a fully catered breakfast, lunch and dinner/auction. Admittance to the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, March 17-19, is included in your registration as well as the opportunity to be a part of the launch of the Annual Tony Velardi Lecture and the honoring of Ernest Hetherington. Both Tony, his wife Gina and Ernest helped build the foundation of our orchid world as we know it today and their recognition is something we all need to be a part of. Whether you are a frequent participant in the Congress or someone who's never been, this is the year to make plans for a trip to Santa Barbara in March!

I am anxious to see everyone from GCCG at the Auction and the CSA Congress! Get your calendars marked and get ready for all the excitement. – Marron Honigman

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

I cannot print what I do not receive. If any member receives an AOS or CSA award on a Cymbidium or Paphiopedilum Alliance plant 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. The deadline is the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday of the preceding month.

**Newsletter Deadline:** The deadline for submission of information for the Newsletter is the fourth Friday of the month. The Newsletter will publish announcements of upcoming events for other orchid societies as space permits. Please send all Newsletter related items to [goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com](mailto:goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com)

**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](tel: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. Contact Sylvia for more information.

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

### Upcoming Events:

**January 14<sup>th</sup> & 15<sup>th</sup>, 2017. 10 AM – 5 PM Peninsula Orchid Society Show & Sale.** Community Activities Building 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA. Admission \$5 Adults, \$3 Senior (62+), \$3 Children 12-16, Free for accompanied children under 12. Fabulous Displays of Blooming Orchids, Seminars, Orchid Vendors & Member Sales. <http://penorchidsoc.org>

**January 20, 2017. Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Annual Collector's Auction.** San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA. **Preview 6:30 PM. Auction starts at 7:00 PM.** Information: Richard Mangan 209-373-7852 or visit <http://www.goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers.com>

**February 10 – 12 Malihini Orchid Society Show and Sale** Main Street Cupertino 19369 Stevens Creek Blvd. Fri. 6 AM – 9 PM sales only. Sat. 10 AM – 6 PM. Sun. 10 AM – 5 PM. Info: <http://www.malihini.org>

**February 24 – 26, 9 AM – 6 PM 2017 SFOS Pacific Orchid and Garden Exposition.** Hall of Flowers, San Francisco. Fri/Sat; 10 AM – 5 PM. Sun. \$14 advance, \$15 at the Door; Seniors – \$11 in advance, \$12 at the door. 3 Day Pass – \$25; Children 16 and under – Free. Lectures, demonstrations, tours, orchid displays and sales. [www.orchidsanfrancisco.org](http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org)

**March 4 & 5, 2017 – 10 AM to 4 PM Annual Santa Cruz Orchid Society Spring Show & Sale.** Soquel High School, Soquel, CA. For Information. <http://santacruzorchidsociety.org/>

**March 4 & 5, 2017 – 10 AM – 5 PM Golden Gate Cymbidium Society Annual Show and Sale.** Volunteer Show Set-Up Friday 12PM - 6 PM. Lakeside Garden Center 666 Bellevue, Oakland, CA. For Information: [http://goldengatecymbidiumsociety.com/orchid\\_show\\_and\\_sale](http://goldengatecymbidiumsociety.com/orchid_show_and_sale)

**March 17 – 19, 2017 71st Santa Barbara International Orchid Show. “Orchids Mystique” Friday – Sunday 9 AM to 5 PM.** Earl Warren Show Grounds: Highway 101 and Las Positas Road. Contact information: <https://sborchidshow.com/> sborchidshow@gmail.com, P.O. Box 62154, Santa Barbara, CA 93160.

**March 18, 2017. The Annual Cymbidium Society of America Cymbidium Congress** will be held concurrently with the SBIOS event with lectures, banquet, and an auction. See attached flyer.

**April 21 – 23, 2017. Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Show & Sale.** 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA. Set-Up and Plant entry Friday 10:00 AM – 6 PM. CSA and AOS judging. Show and Sale open to the public Saturday and Sunday 10AM to 4PM. For information contact Sylvia Darr, show Chair [syldarr@gmail.com](mailto:syldarr@gmail.com)

THE CYMBIDIUM SOCIETY OF AMERICA ANNOUNCES

# THE 42ND ANNUAL CYMBIDIUM CONGRESS



*Cym. Balkis* 'Silver Orb'  
Photo courtesy Randall Robinson

## THE AUSTRALIAN CYMBIDIUM SCENE AND THAT ELUSIVE FCC!

The current state of Cymbidium growing, breeding, and judging in Australia

By Geoff Bailey  
*The Australian Cymbidium Scene*  
Mellbourne, Australia

## QUESTIONS FROM ERNEST - HIS CHALLENGE TO US ALL

It all started when Ernest Hetherington asked a question and proffered a statement; "How many Cymbidium species are there? I think there are 13."

By Randall Robinson  
Victoria Universtiy  
Australia



*Geoff Bailey and Cym. lowianum* 'Concolor'  
Photo courtesy Geoff Bailey



*Paph runggurayianum*  
Photo courtesy Tim Culbertson

## PAPH POTPOURRI: IT CAME FROM THE INTERNET

Recent discoveries of new Paph species, creations of entire lines of new paph hybrids, and fantastic examples and forms of hybrids and species we thought we knew so well.

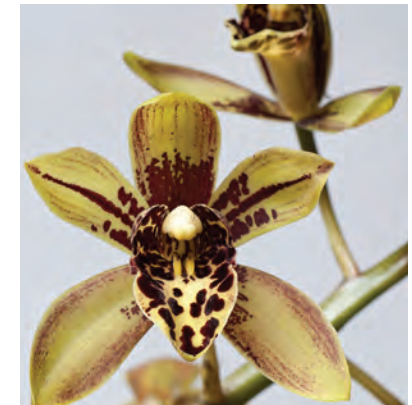
By Tim Culbertson  
Irvine, California

## BREEDING HEAT TOLERANT CYMBIDIUMS IN BANGKOK

Fifteen years of growing and breeding heat tolerant Cymbidiums in tropical climates, and developing

intergeneric  
Grammatocymbidiums

By Kobsukh Kaenratana  
Pakkret Floriculture  
Bangkok, Thailand



*Grammatocymbidium* Pakkret Adventure  
Photo courtesy Kobsukh Kaenratana

## SATURDAY MARCH 18, 2017

And  
Introducing the New, Annual  
**Tony Velardi Memorial Lecture**

**Lectures, Auction, and Banquet**

Adams Elementary School Auditorium  
2701 Las Positas Road  
Santa Barbara, CA 93105

**Plus another  
speaker,  
TBD**

Registration form on the reverse side



## REGISTRATION FORM

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

### Registration includes:

5 lectures, continental breakfast, luncheon, and Santa Barbara International Orchid Show Gala Awards Banquet, auction, and dinner speaker.

### Registration on or before January 30, 2017

CSA members	\$135
Non-members	\$175
Reception, Auction, & Banquet only	\$60

### Registration after January 30, 2017

CSA members	\$150
Non-members	\$190
Reception, Auction, & Banquet only	\$60

Registration fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_

CSA Membership fee  
\$35 per year \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Tax Deductable Donation  
to support the Congress \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

### Send registration to:

2017 Cymbidium Congress  
10919 Northshore Square  
Cupertino, CA 95014

Please make checks payable to "CSA Congress"

## CONCURRENT ACTIVITIES

**CSA & AOS Judging:** Thursday, March 16, 2017 at the Earl Warren Show grounds including a judges' luncheon.

**72<sup>nd</sup> Annual Santa Barbara International Orchid Show:** March 17-19, 2017 from 9 AM to 5 PM.

Congress Registrants have unlimited entry to the show during show hours. Your CSA Congress Name Tag will serve as your pass for admission.

## CONGRESS SCHEDULE

Continental Breakfast Begins: 8:00 AM

CSA Annual Members Meeting: 8:45 AM

Lectures begin: 9:15 AM

Lunch served to Registrants: 11:30 AM

Lectures end: 3:00 PM

Reception & Auction Preview begin: 5:30 PM

*Soft Drinks, Water, & Lemonade will be provided.*

*Please Bring Other Beverages of Your Choice*

Auction begins: 6:30 PM

Banquet begins: 7:30 PM

## ON SITE REGISTRATION

**Friday:** March 17, 2017 from 9 AM - NOON

at the ENTRANCE to the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show.

**Saturday:** March 18, 2017 from 8 - 9 AM at the Congress.

## NAME TAG PICKUP

*All early registrants can pick up name tags and materials Friday morning (9 to noon) at the show entrance table (to gain entrance to the show on Friday) or on Saturday morning at the Congress.*

## CANCELLATION AND REFUND POLICY

Refund of registration fees for written cancellations received before February 28, 2017 will be made in full less a processing fee of \$15 per person.

For information

Phone: 408-807-9124

Email: marron.honigman@gmail.com

# 42<sup>nd</sup> Annual CSA Cymbidium Congress



Saturday

March 18, 2017

Lectures, Breakfast and Lunch  
8:00AM - 3:00PM

Reception, Auction and Banquet  
5:30 PM - 9:00PM

Adams Elementary School Auditorium  
2701 Las Positas Road  
Santa Barbara, CA 93105

*Next door to the Santa Barbara  
International Orchid Show!*

## FULL REGISTRATION ENTITLES YOU TO:

- Five Outstanding Lectures
- Continental Breakfast
- Luncheon
- Evening Reception
- Auction of Unusual Orchids
- Gala Awards Banquet
- Dinner Speaker
- Unlimited Entry to Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, March 17-19, 2017



**This young gentleman just came from Montana with Marron and Stanley and needs a name. Suggestions should be sent to your Newsletter editor at [goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com](mailto:goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com) All names must be submitted before noon the day of our Auction, January 20, 2017 and the winning name will be announced at the auction. There will be a prize for the person choosing the selected name.**

**GCCG**

C/o Weegie Caughlan  
10836 W. Loyola Dr.  
Los Altos Hills, CA .94024

## First Class Mail

### Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Board of Directors for 2016-2017

President:	Marron Honigman	408-807-9124
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**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)