

!! SPECIAL NOTE !! THE 2018 GCCG SHOW AND SALE WILL BE HELD TWO DAYS THIS YEAR ----- APRIL 21-22, 2018 SET-UP - FRIDAY APRIL 20

November 2017

Date: Nov. 17th, 2017

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: "2017 Update on Peloric Cymbidium Breeding" by one of our own members, Audrey Young-Tarter. Audrey started collecting orchids in 1992. She fell in love with the oddly marked peloric Cymbidiums and in 1997 she purchased her fist peloric, Cym. Cleo's Melody 'Freakout' AD/CSA from the Orchid Zone Cymbidium stud collection. This was the first highly publicized, lateral sepal peloric Cymbidium flower to be seen at any shows. She developed a lifelong interest in the interesting pattern and has spent the last 24 years speaking with hybridizers all over the world who have been involved with breeding this type of flower. Come to the meeting and share her enthusiasm!

Plant Table: Audrey will supply The Plant Opportunity Table from her collection. It will include specially chosen cymbidium seedlings with the potential for sepal peloria as well as divisions of peloric and other non-peloric, high quality cymbidiums.

Board Meeting: Nov. 17th 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 **by Nov. 16**th, **whether you plan to attend or not.**

Dinner at 5:45 PM with the Speaker: Nov. 17th 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 November 16**th to be included in the dinner reservation group.

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 November meeting: The standard supplies will be for sale this month:

 Unprinted labels in white and several colors; single-edged razor blades; pens and Twist Ties; pots of assorted sizes: 5 inch, 1, 2, and 3 gallon; 3' and 4' bamboo stakes; MSU (Romeo blend fertilizer), 1lb & 2lb jars; and the Agdia dual test virus kits. If you have large orders for any of our usual supplies, please let Stanley or Trudy know in advance so they can bring a sufficient supply. NOTE: Next general meeting sale will be in February due to no regular December meeting and the Auction in January.
- Freeze Cloth: Freeze Cloth will be available this month while supplies last. The freeze cloth is 12' wide, heavy-duty, white polyester, providing 6 8 degrees of frost protection. Price is \$1 per foot in minimum lengths of 20'. Place your order with Trudy Hadler before the meeting at 510-483-1277 for pick-up at this last meeting before chance of freeze. (No December meeting)
- 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.
- **GCCG Membership Information:** Newsletters are no longer sent by regular mail. Dues for electronic mailing are \$15.00. We accept payments via PayPal to goldcoastcymgrowers@yahoo.com or contact Chris Wells at 415-254-8939.
- Refreshments for the November 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.
- **Refreshment Thank you from Tony and Doug.** We appreciate the great continuing support from our membership! Thanks to our members who provided refreshments for October.

Carol Armendariz Jennifer Daine Annie Green Trudy Hadler Marron Honigman Chen-Hal Hsu Florence Inserto Chris Wells Audrey Young-Tarter

Message from the President:

It was so good to see everyone at our October meeting!! Thank you all for coming and a round of applause to Weegie for her very special presentation to our group. We have been so fortunate this fall to hear from the real GREATS in the orchid world. Both Weegie and Ken have provided us with a wealth of information that only adds to our success as individual growers. In November, we will be hearing from another important grower who also happens to be a member of GCCG: Audrey Young-Tarter. Audrey is a tireless worker on all fronts. She not only is an excellent grower but has been an invaluable asset to our annual auction and spring show and sale. We all need to be sure we are honoring her with our presence on November 17 th. I want to be sure that each one of our speakers knows how much we appreciate all their contributions on our behalf. One way to do that is to be sure we attend their presentations. I am acutely aware, as we begin to replace those members who are "retiring" from GCCG service, that there is often a feeling of doing a tremendous amount of work with little acknowledgment. We cannot hope to grow our club if this is a prevalent feeling! On that note: thank you to all those who have stepped up to help us with the photos and postcard for the auction. You are invaluable!!

Obviously it "takes a village" to run a top quality orchid club and I feel privileged to be part of one of the very best. I look forward to November's meeting.

2018 Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Annual Collector's Auction

The GCCG annual fund-raising Collectors' Auction will be held January 19, 2018, with an entry deadline of **10:00 PM**, **Friday**, **December 15**, **2017** if the total number of plants entered for the auction has not reached the limit of 150 prior to that date.

Plant lists may be handed to the auction coordinator, Richard Mangan at the November GCCG meeting, sent to Richard at mangasz@att.net or mailed to 2206 Covey Creek Court, Stockton, CA 95207.

Lists should include as much information as possible for each entry, including full name and parentage, type (Standard, Novelty, Miniature, or species), habit (upright, arching, or pendent), color, size of pot, and any other information available. Plants must be healthy, well established, and disease free (see rule #13). A PDF and editable MS-WORD entry form is attached to this Newsletter.

This year, with our emphasis as always on better growing, including eliminating virus from all collections, we are asking all sellers to test and clear all the plants they submit for sale. In order to claim your plant as 'CymMV/ORSV Negative', you must have successfully tested your plant within 3 months of the time of submission and received virus negative test results from using Agdia's self-test kit or the services of Critter Creek Laboratory. If you require virus testing assistance, please contact Richard Mangan at mangasz@att.net. As in the past, all DONATED plants will be tested at the club's expense. Owners of sale plants will be responsible for reaching an acceptable accommodation with the buyers for any sales plant testing positive for virus within 7 days of the auction.

Minimum bids may be stated, however Auction rule #12 described below will apply. It would be wise to be realistic in setting minimum bids. A "suggested value" is an alternative to stating a minimum bid but is not binding on the seller or the auctioneer.

Successful bids and bidders will be tracked on a projector screen. Photos of the plants (if available) will also be projected on a screen as they are presented for auction.

Payment to sellers and acknowledgement to donors will include a printout of each of their entries with the sales amount.

2018 Auction Rules:

- 1) **Only members may enter sale plants.** For the member sale plants that are auctioned, the club retains 25% of the proceeds, and the member receives the remaining 75%.
- 2) All plants entered for sale must be owned and grown by the seller for a minimum of 6 months.
- 3) DONATED plants will be accepted from members and non-members.
- 4) All plants must be pre-entered by December 15, 2017, complete with all known information.
- 5) Auction entries will be limited to 150 items/plants, except that all entries from the same seller / donor included in the same plant submission as the 150th plant will be accepted.
- 6) No entries will be accepted after the limit or deadline has been reached, whichever occurs first.
- 7) A member may enter no more than 10 plants for sale.
- 8) A limit of 10 plants per donor is requested.
- 9) It is suggested that all sellers consider donating at least 1-2 plants when entering 10 plants for sale.
- 10) In order to provide more selection, no more than two divisions of any one cultivar will be allowed in the auction. If more than two divisions are received by the coordinator, the first two received will be entered; sellers/donors will be notified if their submission has exceeded the limit.
- 11) No plants will be allowed into the building the night of the auction unless pre-entered or as a preapproved substitute for one damaged.
- 12) If a plant carrying a minimum bid does not sell at the declared minimum bid, the seller will still be responsible for paying the club 25% of the listed minimum bid unless the auctioneer is notified before the start of the auction the seller agrees to reverse bidding if the minimum bid was not met.
- 13) Plants must be healthy, well established, and disease free or they will be withdrawn from the auction prior to the start of bidding at the owners' or club's discretion.
- 14) Bidders may not check out until the last item is auctioned and the auction concluded. Receipts to bidders will include a printout of their successful bids.

Guidelines for Photo Submission for 2018 Auction Plants

Photos are definitely encouraged. They will be available to the public for viewing in advance of the auction, and will be shown with the plant on auction night. Please email all photos as attachments to gccgphotos@gmail.com

- 1. Use photo image formats of bmp, gif, jpg, jpeg, or png.
- 2. It is acceptable to insert watermarks.
- 3. Do not insert the plant's name/variety into the photo image.
- 4. Identify each attached image file (photo) by properly assigning the plant's name/variety as the file name.
- 5. If you are not the legal owner of the photo, obtain permission before use. Credit should go to the owner by inserting a title (i.e. Photo Courtesy of xxxx) into the photo.
- 6. Submitted photos will be available for viewing from a link in the Auction section of the GCCG website. (http://goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers.com/auction)

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

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 4th Friday of the preceding month.

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.

Upcoming Events:

November 10 & 11, 2017 Carmel Orchid Society Fall Orchid Festival Fri - Sat 9AM - 4PM Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula, 4590 Carmel Valley Rd, Carmel. Gorgeous Orchids, Tons of Stuff, Silent Auction, Wine Barrel Raffles, Potting Demonstrations, Answers to Orchid Questions. Email for more info to johnoconnell19@att.net. Cut and paste the following link for more information: www.carmelorchidsociety.org

November 18 & 19, 2017. Orchid Society of Santa Barbara Fall Show and Sale Saturday 10AM to 5PM; Sunday, 10AM to 3PM 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. http://orchidsb.org/

December 2, 2017: Casa de las Orquideas Annual Open House Sat: 9AM - 4PM, 170 South Nardo Ave. Solana Beach, CA 92075. Lots of new Cymbidium seedlings and meristems are waiting to make their debut! Parking is limited so please consider carpooling. Visit the WEBSITE at www.orquideas.com email casa@orquideas.com, or call Karl or Miki Batchman at (858) 755-7572

January 19, 2018. Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Annual Collector's Auction. Preview 6:30PM. Auction starts at 7:00PM. San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA. For info contact: Richard Mangan at mailto:mangasz@att.net

February 22 - 25, 2018. San Francisco Orchid Society's 66th Annual Pacific Orchid Exposition (POE) "Curiouser and Curiouser – Orchids in Wonderland" Thurs Feb 22nd @ 6pm: Gala Preview Night "Mad Hatter" Party Fri-Sun Feb 23rd-25th: General Show and Sale. Location: Hall of Flowers (County Fair Building) in San Francisco's Golden Gate Park. More information and advance tickets sales to come; stay tuned! www.orchidsanfrancisco.or

PREVIEW OF IMPORTANT MARCH-APRIL EVENTS

March 9-11, 2018. 73rd Santa Barbara International Orchid Show. Hours: Open 9am – 5pm each day...Earl Warren Show Grounds: Highway 101 and Las Positas Road. Contact information: https://sborchidshow.com/ e-mail: sborchidshow@gmail.com P.O. Box 62154, Santa Barbara, CA 93160.

March 10, 2018. The Annual Cymbidium Society of America Cymbidium Congress will be held concurrently with the SBIOS event with lectures, banquet, and an auction. (*More information in subsequent Newsletters*).

April 22-23, 2018. Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Show & Sale. 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA. Set-Up and Plant entry Friday 10AM – 6PM; CSA and AOS judging at 7PM. Show and Sale open to the public Saturday and Sunday 10AM to 4PM. For information contact Sylvia Darr, Show Chair syldarr@gmail.com

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 December as there is no official meeting. The newsletter will publish announcements of upcoming events for other orchid societies as space permits. Please submit your inputs to goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com



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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 at goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers@yahoo.com