



Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers

A Branch of the Cymbidium Society of America, Inc.

**The Potluck is the final meeting of our current GCCG season.
Look for the next newsletter in September.**

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**“Celebration of Life” for Marron June 2<sup>nd</sup>.  
See Upcoming Events for details.**

## May 2018 – Potluck dinner

**Date:** May 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018

**Time:** 5:00 PM for room set up. Party starts at 6:00 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 last meeting of our blooming season will be our annual Potluck, this year not only celebrating a very successful year but also taking time to remember the loss of our incredible friend and President, Marron Honigman. Marron loved this Potluck Party for the opportunity it gave members to chat casually with each other while partaking of the great choice of culinary dishes. Although this will be an informal meeting, one of our members, Pierre Pujol will lead a discussion with our members, based on his recent observations on plant culture and hybridizing. Topics will cover optimizing colors in flower bloom, dominant genetic traits in breeding and what is new on his benches. Pictures and (French) humor will likely be present.

Pierre has been growing orchids for the last 8 years, mixing his scientific interest, natural curiosity and perfectionism to get the best out of his passion. While Pierre is slowly transitioning out of the hobby, he is keen on sharing observations and knowledge with other orchid lovers. Pierre holds advanced degrees in Sciences and Economics, is a former Pharma/Biotech executive, co-founder of three startups and a past competitive athlete.

## GCCG POTLUCK DINNER

**GCCG** will provide turkey, dessert, coffee and soft drinks. Members should plan to provide their own plates, utensils, napkins and beverages of choice. **BRING A FRIEND!**

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| <b>Set up:</b>    | 5:00 PM – 5:30 PM |
| <b>Cocktails:</b> | 6:00 PM – 6:30 PM |
| <b>Dinner:</b>    | 6:30 PM – 7:30 PM |
| <b>Speaker:</b>   | 7:30 PM           |

**PLEASE BRING ONLY YOUR DESIGNATED DISH!**

**The Club will provide Turkey and Ham.**

## Please bring enough for 6-8 people

### If your last name begins with:

A-G

H-Q

R-Z

### Bring:

Side Dish or Hot Casserole

Appetizer or salad

Dessert

**Show and Tell table:** Plants will not be described but members are welcome to bring them in for show.

**Member Plant sales only during Cocktail time. – 6:00 PM to 6:30 PM.**

**Pre-ordered Club Supplies for pick-up before dinner only:** Contact Carol Armendariz at 408-806-1969 or email [carolarmendariz@comcast.net](mailto:carolarmendariz@comcast.net) by Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup> to order. **Pick-up will close at 6:30 PM!**

**Nominations for Officers for 2018-2019:** In March the nominating committee presented to the Board and Membership a slate of officers for the coming season. Nominations are still open according to our Bylaws. Due to Marron's passing, the Committee has had to revise two positions. If there are no further nominations from the floor, we will close them and vote at this month's meeting.

President – Sylvia Darr

Vice President – Florence Inserto

Secretary – Martha Skalak

Treasurer – Stanley Fuelscher

Ways and Means – Carol Armendariz

Membership Chair – Chris Wells

Past President – Weegie Caughlan

Board of Directors – Richard Copeland

Board of Directors – Kevin Hill

Board of Directors – Bill Weaver

**Message from the Vice President:** It has been a roller coaster of happiness and grief this past month that I'm sure I share with many of you. Our show was a big success this year. More plants entered, more people attending, more new members, and very successful sales. I had been worried that we wouldn't have enough volunteers to run the show, but all of you stepped up and came through. As Marron used to say, it takes a village to make our show a success, and this year more than ever, our village of members contributed in force.

Marron's passing weighs heavily on me and on many of you as well. We will feel her loss for years to come.

She was on the board and involved with the leadership of our club, since I first joined GCCG. She was a beacon of infectious enthusiasm, support, and leadership. She was kind, selfless, and made everyone feel at ease. And yet, simultaneously, she was an incredible force on the board able to calm troubled waters.

Doubtless these skills and traits also made her the success she was as a middle school teacher for over 40 years. She was also a dear friend for many of us. I, for one, will miss her dreadfully. As I step into the role of president in the upcoming year, it will be with the memory of her constantly by my side as a model for how to be a better leader.

The culmination of our cymbidium year is up next with our annual Members' Potluck. We will be feasting on delightful food contributed by all the fabulous cooks in our community, holding our annual election of the board, and hearing a presentation by Pierre Pujol. Members may bring plants to show but there will be no tell. There will be no opportunity table. Members may bring plants to sell during cocktail time only. Ways and Means supplies will be available by pre-order only this month. See you all at the next meeting.

**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 either location, contact Jeff Trimble at [trimble@netzero.net](mailto:trimble@netzero.net) 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 7:15 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 in Oakland at the Lakeside Garden Center on the third Monday, of each month. Submit plants between 6:15 PM and 7:00 PM. For information, call Sylvia Darr 650-450-1384.

**Refreshment Thank you from Tony and Doug.** We appreciate the great continuing support from our membership this year! Thank you to everyone who provided refreshments for each meeting. There will be no opportunity tickets given out for this meeting.

**A warm welcome to the five new members and the four returning members who joined GCCG at our show:**

**NEW MEMBERS**

|                             |                  |                            |
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| Ellen Corbett               | San Leandro, CA  | corbett4senate06@yahoo.com |
| Caroline Garcia             | San Jose, CA     | johnibay11@yahoo.com       |
| Daisy Floreta               | Milpitas, CA     | ariloreta@aol.com          |
| Liliane Paelkau             | Redwood City, CA | liliane@hslawoffice.com    |
| Sam (Somkietr) Rojanasathit | San Carlos, CA   | somkietr@gmail.com         |

**RETURNING MEMBERS**

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| Dave Horton    | San Mateo, CA   | dbigd369@gmail.com     |
| Rose Jaochico  | San Leandro, CA | rhoshee@yahoo.com      |
| Hazel Pangayan | San Jose, CA    | hazelyp@hotmail.com    |
| Fred Valentine | Soquel, CA      | heart711@earthlink.net |

**Show Wrap-up from the 2018 GCCG Show Chair and Sales Chair:**

We want to thank everyone for a very successful show. We had more people entering plants, more plants entered, more attendees, and a most successful sale. All the statistics are not compiled yet, as our treasurer is in bereavement, but I am confident that this show continues the previous trend of improvement in the last 4 years.

We want to particularly thank Jennifer Daine and Audrey Tarter-Young for their efforts in publicizing our show. You go girls! As we are all aware, spreading the word about the opportunity to see and buy beautiful plants is the crux of a successful show. This year we also enlisted members to post our event information in neighborhood list serves (such as Next Door), and we believe that was also a large contributing factor to this year's success. Thank you to all who posted information, and even re-posted to get the word out. IT WORKED!

A HUGE "THANK YOU" to the stalwarts who chaired our various show committees, those who were at the show during all its opening hours, and those who participated in critical events. The show would not be possible without our hardworking committee members.

Volunteers Chair: Chris Wells

Membership Chairs: Chris Wells & Carol Armendariz

Sales Chair: Florence Inserto

Lectures: Weegie Caughlan

Ways and Means Chairs: Carol Armendariz and Trudy Hadler

Set up, Take Down, and Lighting Chair: Rich Copeland

Judging chair: Sylvia Darr

To all our exhibitors, thank you so much for the efforts you made to prepare and bring your plants into the show. The quality and success of the show ultimately rests on your efforts. We want to thank the AOS and CSA judges who participated in ribbon judging and then awarded our plants. Congratulations to all those who received ribbons and awards, especially to Pierre Pujol for his beautiful Best in Show plant. We look forward to seeing a division or two of that plant in our upcoming 2019 auction (hint-hint!).

No growing season is perfect, but this year appeared better than average for the late blooming plants in our show. Let's hope we all continue to have good growing for the summer and through to 2019.

**GCCG Show Plant Exhibitors:**

Pierre Pujol, Carl Jukkola, Elizabeth Sorti, Jeff Trimble, Peter Alonso, Weegie Caughlan, Trudy Hadler, Florence Inserto, Sylvia Darr, Chaunie Langland, Ken Jacobsen, Bill Weaver, Richard Copeland, Carol Armendariz, Audrey Young-Tarter, Jerry Rodder, Terry and Margaret Boomer, Mike and Annie Green, Jennifer Daine, and Lorna and Glenn Afflect.

## Show Sales Report:

Regarding the Sale portion of the weekend, there were 7 members who had reserved tables, 5 of them double tables. Additionally, there were 3 members who sold on the membership sale table. The buyers were lining up as early as 9:30 on Saturday morning! By Saturday afternoon, most plants were sold, resulting in a great success. A few more plants were brought in on Sunday and although sales were slower, they were steady and everyone left happy!

**Plant entries:** 156 for judging, 32 for display only for a total of 188 plants.

**Permanent awards granted: 7 AOS Awards (1 AM, 4 HCC, 2 CCM), 4 CSA Awards (2 Bronze, 2 Cultural)**

**New members:** New Members: 5 New Members and 4 returning members

**Sales Chair:** Florence Inserto

**Publicity:** Jennifer Daine, Audrey Young-Tarter

**Set Up:** Carol Armendariz, Florence Inserto, Janusz Warszawski, Chris Wells, Jennifer Daine, Cora Gadduang, Trudy Hadler and the Show Chairs

**Plant Entry:** Sylvia Darr, Carl Jukkola, Kevin Hill, Chris Wells

**Food Organization and Set Up:** Doug Cumming and Tony Gee

**Ribbon Clerks and Judges:** Carol Armendariz, Jennifer Daine, Chris Wells, Florence Inserto, Richard Mangan, James Evenson.

**CSA and AOS Judges and Personnel:** Ken Jacobsen (CSA Judging chair), Weegie Caughlan, Trudy Hadler, Ben Low and John Chau. Japheth Ko (AOS Judging chair), Terry Boomer, Kevin Hill, Sylvia Darr, Chaunie Langland, Weegie Caughlan, Trudy Hadler, Jim Heilig, Angela Tsai.

**Displays:** Amy Chung and Ken Jacobsen, Pierre Pujol, Bill Weaver, Weegie Caughlan, Carol Armendariz, Audrey Young-Tarter, and Jeff Trimble.

**Cashiers:** Carol Armendariz, Florence Inserto, Kevin Hill, Sylvia Darr, Chris Wells, Darrel Wong and Glenn Affleck.

**Supplies:** Trudy Hadler, Richard Mangan, Carol Armendariz and Florence Inserto

**Cut stems for Vases:** Florence Inserto

**Ticket Takers and Plant Raffle:** Jennifer Daine, Richard Mangan, Chris Wells, Martha Skalak. Kevin Hill

**Membership: Darrel Wong, Glenn Affleck**

**AOS/CSA Photography:** Chaunie Langland

**Show Photography:** Peter Alonzo and Audrey Young-Tarter

**Potting Demonstrations:** Carl Jukkola, Bill Weaver, Pierre Pujol

**Plant Hotel:**

**Show Security:** Janusz Warszawski, Glenn and Lorna Affleck, Elizabeth Storti, Mike and Annie Green, Rich Copeland, Darrel Wong.

**Tear Down and Clean Up:** Show Chairs, Mike and Anne Green, Glenn and Lorna Affleck, Bill Weaver, Audrey Young -Tarter, Carol Armendariz, Florence Inserto, Kevin Hill, Doug Cumming, Tony Gee.

## AOS and CSA Awards given to our members since the last Newsletter.

**March 19, 2018 – Orchid Society of California: Cymbidium Kuranda 'Lil Stinker' (*madidum x suave*)** received an HCC/AOS of 78pts, exhibited by: Margaret and Terry Boomer

### April 21, 2018 Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers' Show.

**Cym. Flame Hawk 'Lipper'** (Touchstone x Sensation) received a CCM/AOS of 80 points exhibited by Pierre Pujol.

**Cym. Maryse Pujol (Ruby Lips x Kirby Lesh)** received an HCC/AOS of 78 points and a B/CSA of 79.3 points exhibited by Pierre Pujol.

**Cym. Memoria Amelia Earhart** (Hazel Tyers x *devonianum*) received a CCM/AOS of 82 points exhibited by Pierre Pujol.

**Cym. Squogre 'Lemon Lime'** (Icho Tower x So Bold) received an HCC/AOS of 78 points exhibited by Weegie Caughlan.

**Cym. Valley Splash 'Awesome'** (Vivacious x Hazel Tyers) received an HCC/AOS of 77 points and a B/CSA of 76.1 points exhibited by Weegie Caughlan.

**Paph. wilheminae 'Garnet'** (species) received an HCC/AOS of 79 points and a S/CSA of 85.5 points exhibited by Japheth Ko.

## 2018 GCCG Show Awards

### Best Cymbidium in Show

Cym Memoria Amelia Earhart 'B-52' (Hazel Tyers x *devonianum*)

Pierre Pujol

### Purple Rosettes:

Best Advanced/Open Cymbidium

Cym Memoria Amelia Earhart 'B-52' (Hazel Tyers x *devonianum*)

Pierre Pujol

Best Intermediate Cymbidium

Cym. Cali Night 'Geyserland' AM/AOS (Black Forest x *devonianum*)

Rich Copeland

Best Novice Cymbidium

Cym. Mount Vision 'Hallelujah' HCC-JC/AOS (Pink Champagne x Tethys)

Lorna and Glenn Afflect

Best Species

Cym. *pumilum* 'Alpine' (species)

Trudy Hadler

Best First Bloom Seedling

Cym. Nancy Miamoto 'Windermere' (George Formby x Vogelsang)

Carl Jukkola

Best Specimen

Cym Memoria Amelia Earhart 'B-52' (Hazel Tyers x *devonianum*)

Pierre Pujol

Best Other Genera

*Laelia skinneri* 'Jill' (species)

Jerry Rodder

Best Cymbidium by a first time Exhibitor.

Cym. Bermagui 'Cindy' HCC/AOS (Negrito x *devonianum*)

Peter Alonzo

### Green Rosettes:

Best Antique Hybrid

Cym. [(Golden Cascade x Coraki) x *tracyanum*]

Sylvia Darr

Best No Name Cymbidium (Novice class only)

Cym. Hyb. Ign. 'Sondra's Pink'

Lorna and Glenn Afflect

Best orchid grown for foliage

Cym. *goeringii* 'Hong Jin Wan Da Fu' (species)

Ken Jacobsen

Best Cut Spike

Cym. Vidar 'Harlequin' JC/AOS (Westpearl x Miretta)

Jennifer Daine

Best Single Flower

Cym. Colina 'Candy Cane' JC/AOS (Babylon x Nam Khan)

Sylvia Darr

**GCCG Active Member! Reward Coupon Program:** The GCCG is a society of people, not orchids. This means that the vitality of the club is what you make of it, the skills you bring to mentor another grower, and most importantly, your spirit and friendship. The success of the club as a whole depends upon your participation, from seemingly unrecognized acts of bringing water bottles for volunteers and vendors at the Show and Sale to helping with the organization of club events. The board would like to thank all the members who exhibited plants and/or volunteered at the GCCG Show.

### **Active Member! points accumulated through April:**

Active Member point tally

1 pt: Arlene Chang, Lee Dedini, Chaunie Langland, and Richard Mangan

2 pts: Cheryl Philipson, and Barry Zimmerman

3 pts: Peter Alonso, Sharon Hamilton, Chen-Hao Hsu, Carl Jukkola, Patricia Olson, Janus Warszawski, and Darrel Wong

4 pts: Greg Corrales, Lyn Gomes, and Elizabeth Storti

5 pts: Lorna and Glenn Afflect, and Pierre Pujol

6 pts: Mike & Annie Green, Marron & Stanley Honingman/Fuelscher, Martha Skalak, and Audrey Young-Tarter

9 pts: Richard Copeland, and Jeff Trimble

10 pts: Terry & Margaret Boomer, and Chris Wells

11 pts: Weegie Caughlan, Jennifer Daine, Sylvia Darr, Kevin Hill, Ken & Amy Jacobsen, and Bill Weaver

14 pts: Tony & Doug Cumming/Gee, and Trudy Hadler

16 pts: Florence Inserto

18 pts: Carol Armendariz

**Upcoming Events: Mark your personal calendars.** Events are listed this month and into July due to the fact there are no summer GCCG Newsletters published to keep you up to date. Of most importance is the "Celebration of Life" for Marron on June 2<sup>nd</sup>. For those who make the annual summer trek to Santa Barbara, the July Fair will be at Santa Barbara Orchid Estate as was the case last year, and not at the Fairgrounds. Check local orchid nurseries in Santa Barbara for open greenhouses in July.

**May 12-13, 2018. Orchid Society of California Mother's Day Weekend Orchid Show & Sale.** Saturday and Sunday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM. Lakeside Park Garden Center (next to Lake Merritt Botanical Gardens) 666 Bellevue Ave, Oakland, CA 94610. Orchid Displays, Orchids for sale, Culture Sessions & Raffles. Admission: Free.

**May 18, 2018: Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Pot Luck Dinner Meeting - Last Meeting for the Season!** Friday, 6:00 PM. San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA.

**June 2, 2018. Celebration of Life for Marron Honigman. 10:30 AM.** Blach Middle School, 1120 Covington Road, Los Altos, CA. Lunch to follow. If you would like to say a few words about Marron, please contact Sylvia Darr at 650-450-1384.

**July 13 -15, 2018: 38th Annual Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Summer Open House.** Friday & Saturday 8 AM to 5 PM. Sunday 9 AM to 4 PM Santa Barbara Orchid Estate, 1250 Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara, CA 93111. Celebrating the Exotic and Fragrant Beauties of Summer: The large flowered Cattleyas (Laelias) of Brazil, the Stanhopeas and Encyclias of Central and South America, and many other genera. Frequent potting and mounting demonstrations. And of course, we will have the \$7.50 specials of seedlings, bare-roots, and Wayne's special annual pick of sprouted Cymbidium back bulbs: select and awarded, species and hybrids, standard and miniatures. Questions? Call us at (800) 553-3387, e-mail us at [sboe@sborchid.com](mailto:sboe@sborchid.com) or visit <http://www.sborchid.com/> Please note: in 2018 there will again be no Santa Barbara Orchid Fair at Earl Warren Show Grounds.

**July 21 & 22, 2018 SFOS "Orchids in the Park" - Summer Show & Sale.** Saturday and Sunday from 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. SF County Fair Building (Hall of Flowers) 9th Ave & Lincoln Way - Golden Gate Park, San Francisco Admission: \$5, Seniors \$4, Children 16 years and under are free <http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/orchid-events/orchids-in-the-park/>

**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)



**BEST CYMBIDIUM IN SHOW**  
**Cym. Memoria Amelia Earhart 'B52'**  
**Exhibitor - Pierre Pujol**  
**Photo – Peter Alonzo**



**Best Other Orchid Genera in Show**  
**Laelia *skinneri* 'Jill'**  
**Exhibitor - Jerry Rodder**  
**Photo – Peter Alonzo**

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**Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Board of Directors for 2017-2018**

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**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 [goldcoastcymbidgrowers@gmail.com](mailto:goldcoastcymbidgrowers@gmail.com)