



Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers

A Branch of the Cymbidium Society of America, Inc.

**NO MEETING THIS MONTH DUE TO THE CONFLICT WITH
THE SANTA BARBARA INTERNATIONAL ORCHID SHOW
AND THE CSA CONGRESS**

Next Date: **April 13 & 14, 2019. Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Show & Sale.** 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA. Set-Up and Plant entry Friday April 12 - 10:00 AM – 6 PM. Saturday: CSA and AOS judging 8:00 AM. Show and Sale open to the public Saturday and Sunday 10 AM to 4 PM. For information contact Bill Weaver, show Chair: 408-245-7179.
<http://www.goldcoast.com>

GCCG Show: The Show Chair for our April GCCG show to be held **April 13th and 14th** is Bill Weaver with Florence Inserto 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 13th and Sunday April 14th from 10AM to 4PM, and will include member plant sales both days. In addition to ribbon judging, we will have CSA and AOS judging Saturday morning starting at 8:00AM. Complete information will be published in the March and April Newsletters as plans and committees are confirmed. This year we will need more help than ever to see the show runs smoothly. Remember that every helping hand will make the show and sale more successful! **Contact Bill to sign up if you wish a show display table.**

GCCG Sale: The deadline is **April 5th, 2019** for all members wishing sale tables at our show. **To reserve a table please email the Sales Chair, Florence Inserto at flojo1337@yahoo.com** If the tables are not filled by the deadline and a member would like a second table, they will be notified after the deadline. Each member must donate one plant to the raffle for each table requested each day. **All members reserving a table must enter plants (2 minimum) in the show. If two sales tables are requested, the member must put in a display.** There will be a table for members who wish to sell 5 or fewer plants. Since this is a two-day sale, sellers are asked to volunteer at least one hour **each day.**

Much appreciation to our members who brought treats to support the February meeting:

Carol Armendariz
Stanley Fuelscher
Chen-Hao-Hsu
Martha Skalak

Weegie Caughlan
Cora Gadduang
Florence Inserto

Arlene Chang
Trudy Hadler
Pat Olson

President's message: This month we are anticipating that many of our cymbidiums will be in spike and will come into bloom with no ill effects from the storms of the last two weeks. It has been a late season for cymbidiums which may work in our favor as our annual show is taking place on April 13th and 14th. It is the second fund-raising event for our society. Again there is a call for volunteers. GCCG is our society and is dependent on our members for support in various capacities. Please contact Chris Wells at 415-254-8939 to sign up.

I want to thank everyone who participated in Filoli's first Orchid Show. Our cymbidiums greeted visitors as they entered the historic building. (see photo on page 4).

There is no meeting in March this year as an encouragement for as many members as possible to attend the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, the greatest show for Cymbidiums in the US, and the Cymbidium Society of America Congress in Santa Barbara. As an added incentive, GCCG will reimburse any member of GCCG who is attending the CSA Congress for the first time for the full registration price. I hope to see you in Santa Barbara! - Florence

Volunteers needed for the GCCG Annual Show & Sale April 13-14, 2019: Show starts at 10AM and ends at 4PM both days. There are many opportunities to help with this important event and each work shift is in two-hour increments: 10AM to noon, noon to 2PM, 2PM to 4PM on Saturday and Sunday. The following areas need volunteer help:

Raffle & Entrance table: 10-12 & 2-4 on Saturday, all shifts on Sunday
Door Security: 12-2 & 2-4 on Saturday, all shifts on Sunday
Plant Hotel: all shifts on Saturday, 12-2 on Sunday
Ways & Means (supply sales): 12-2 & 2-4 on Saturday, all shifts on Sunday
Cashier (tally sales): 12-2 & 2-4 on Saturday, all shifts on Sunday
Saturday Ribbon Judging team: Saturday 8am to 10am.
Sunday show tear-down 4-5pm

Email Chris Wells toomanybws@gmail.com (or call and leave a voice mail 415-254-8939) and let her know what shift(s) you would like to work.

44th Annual Cymbidium Congress: In conjunction with the Santa Barbara Orchid Show "Orchid Mystique" being held March 15th through March 17th, the CSA Congress will be held on March 16th, starting with the CSA Annual meeting at 8:30 AM followed by lectures, a luncheon, a panel discussion and the awards dinner banquet. The speakers for this year will be Cymbidium speakers Dr. Randall Robinson from Victoria University, Australia; Carol Butcher from New York; and Ken Cameron, PHD. from the University of Wisconsin. The Paphiopedilum speakers will be Wenqing Perner of Sichuan, China and Dave Sorokowsky from California. A registration form is included in this month's Newsletter.

GCCG Membership: 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.

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©(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 online version of 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.

Plant Judging at GCCG: The CSA will be judging Cymbidiums, Paphiopedilums, and Phragmipediums at our regular monthly meetings on request. To have a plant judged, call Weegie Caughlan at 650-948-2342 or email goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com at least one day in advance, to ensure that the CSA judges know that plants will be submitted for judging. Plant entry is between 7:00PM and 7:30PM 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 Weegie Caughlan 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, in Oakland at the Lakeside Garden Center on the third Monday, of each month and now at Filoli in Woodside at 9:00 AM the 2nd Saturday of each month through 2019. For judging, plants need to be submitted to the clerks between 6:15PM and 7:00PM in SF or Oakland and between 9:00AM and 9:30AM at Filoli. Contact Japheth Ko at 650-704-6832 or email japhethko@gmail.com. CSA and/or AOS judging takes place at most of the local shows. Contact the show organizers regarding plant entry for judging.

CSA Judging: Ever thought about applying to be a judge? Now is the time to see if it is for you. CSA is looking for people interested in joining the judging program. For information or to apply contact Weegie Caughlan at any meeting or email her at goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com

Filoli Display: Thank you to the members who participated in the Filoli display. Keeping our name in front of the public is all good publicity for the club, especially with our show and sale coming up. Set-up was done by Sylvia and Florence, plants were donated by Weegie Caughlan, Richard Copeland, Carl Jukkola, Japheth Ko and Pierre Pujol. Rich also checked in several times over the 14 days to check the plants and replenish GCCG cards.

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. The deadline is the 4th Friday of the preceding month.

CONGRATULATIONS to our members who have received recent AOS and CSA awards: February 21, 2019 – POE San Francisco

Cymbidium *canaliculatum* 'Mary Francis' species received a C/CSA of 81 points exhibited by Bill Weaver.

C. (Soph.) coccinea 'Gracie' received a CCE/AOS of 90 points and **BEST IN SHOW** exhibited by Ken and Amy Jacobsen.

C. Po Hoon (C. Koolau King x C. Circle of Life) 'Mommy' received an AM/AOS of 86 points, exhibited by Japheth Ko

Den. Unregistered (Den. Blushing Vista x Den. Dunokayla) 'Ivory Queen' received an AM/AOS of 80 pts exhibited by Amy & Ken Jacobsen

Active Membership point status as of February 26, 2019

1pt: Lyn Gomes, Christian Neitro, Pat Olson, Pierre Pujol, Jeff Trimble, Tom Waugh, and Audrey Young-Tarter,

2 pts: Chen-Hao Hsu, Ken & Amy Jacobsen, Carl Jukkola, Martha Skalak, Janusz Warszawski

3 pts: Tony and Doug, Kevin Hill

4 pts: Carol Armendariz, Sylvia Darr, Trudy Hadler, Bill Weaver

5 pts: Weegie Caughlan, Richard Copeland, Florence Inserto,

Upcoming Events:

March 9, 2019. 9:00AM. AOS Judging at Filoli. 86 Canada Road, Woodside, CA 94062. Starting in April this judging repeats on the 3rd Saturday of each month. For information, contact Jim Heilig heiligja@msu.edu

March 15 - 17, 2019. 73rd Santa Barbara International Orchid Show. "Orchid 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 16, 2019. 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.

March 30 & 31, 2019. Sonoma County Orchid Society Show and Sale. Sat. 10 AM to 5 PM. Sun. 10 AM to 4 PM. Santa Rosa Veterans Building. 1351 Maple Ave. Santa Rosa, CA
www.sonomaorchids.com

MARCH 30-31, 2019. Five Cities Orchid Societies Show. Saturday, 9 AM to 5 PM., Sunday, 10 to 5 p.m. South County Regional Center. 800 West Branch Street, Arroyo Grande, CA. INFO: 805-929-5749.

April 6 & 7, 2019. Malihini Orchid Society Orchid Sale. 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Main Street Cupertino (shopping complex). 19479 Stevens Creek Blvd. (Suite 110). Cupertino, CA 95014. (Between North Tantau Ave. & North Wolfe Road). **Behind AT&T building.**

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Cymbidium Orchid Show & Sale PL 471
April 13-14, 2019 10 am - 4 pm

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ORCHID DISPLAYS

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BLOOMING ORCHIDS

CSA & AOS JUDGED
TROPHY & RIBBON
EVENTS

FREE PARKING

ORCHID CLASSES &
DEMONSTRATIONS

\$5 ADULT ADMISSION
KIDS UNDER 12 YRS FREE



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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, goldcpastcymbidiumgrowers@yahoo.com

THE CYMBIDIUM SOCIETY OF AMERICA ANNOUNCES

The 44th Annual Cymbidium Congress

Saturday March 16, 2019

Lectures, Auction, and Banquet

Carol Butcher

The Road to Red Cymbidiums



Carol Butcher is a lifelong native of upstate New York, where she became an orchid hobbyist after moving to the Rochester area. She has served as both Show Chair and Program Chair for the Genesee Region Orchid Society, which meets in Rochester, New York. Carol is an accredited American Orchid Society Judge with the Toronto Judging Center. Her orchid collection consists of about 150 plants in a mix of both species and hybrids,

grown on windowsills and under lights in the home she shares with her husband and their two retired racing greyhounds.

Dr. Ken Cameron

Systematics of Cymbidiums

Ken Cameron serves as Chair of the University of Wisconsin at Madison's Department of Botany and as Director of the Wisconsin State Herbarium, a collection of over 1.4 million specimens. His primary laboratory research interests focus on the systematics, evolution, structure and conservation of orchids. He was the first biologist to use DNA sequence data to reconstruct the evolutionary history of the orchid family and is considered the world authority on the systematics of *Vanilla*. In 2014, he was recognized by the American Society of Plant Taxonomists with the Peter Raven Award for Exceptional Botanical Outreach.



More info on the reverse side.

Register online at www.cymbidium.org or use the mail-in form

Wenqing Perner

Cypripedium in China and Their Cultivation



Wenqing Perner is owner and co-founder of Hengduan Mountains Biotechnology Ltd. located in Sichuan, China. Since 2001, the company has focused on laboratory propagation of slipper orchids and many other orchid genera, in addition to food crops such as blueberries. Fluent in four languages, Wenqing is an internationally recognized speaker on orchids. She leads botanical tours in search of rare orchid and plant flora in western China.

Dr. Randall Robinson

What is a Cymbidium Worth?

Randall Robinson is Deputy Director of the Institute of Sustainable Industries and Liveable Cities at Victoria University in Melbourne, Australia. He has a long history of interest in orchids, cymbidiums in particular. He participated in the Professional Gardener Training Program at Longwood Gardens and received the Eric Young Orchid Scholarship at the Royal Horticultural Society in England. He will speak on the worth of cymbidiums to members of the CSA and to the health and well-being of the wider community.



Dave Sorokowsky

Paphiopedilum rothschildianum



Dave Sorokowsky holds a degree in biochemistry from the University of Toronto and a degree in enology and viticulture from Brock University in St. Catharines, Ontario. Winemaking and a passion for orchids prompted Dave to seek a warmer climate in California. He is an accredited American Orchid Society judge and has been hybridizing paphiopedilums for the past 10 years. His paphiopedilums have received over 75 awards to date from the AOS and the CSA, and many of those awarded plants have played important roles in his breeding program.