

# CYMBIDIUM NEWS

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## October Meeting

Judge's Choice Best Overall

Best in First Division,

1st Intermediate Red

Doo Wop 'Dark Cherry'

Grown by Chee Ng





**Above and at left  
Best in Open Division  
Best Specimen  
Open Div. 1st Miniature Brown  
Street Tango 'Ohh Ah'  
Grown by Michael Willoughby  
and Oui Ju**

**Below  
Best in Second Division  
Second Div. 1st Min. Brown  
Kenbourkus 'Gee Wizz'  
Displayed as (Touchstone x Miss Muffet)  
Grown by John Howard**



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Graham Morris,	Dean Roesler #,	Jeanne Hall #,	Wayne Baylis,
Ben Knobben	Brian & Shirley Brand,		# indicates Deceased

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**Graham Fear**

Welcome to our November issue. Another great meeting in October I'm told, while I was tripping around NSW in our caravan. Barry, the committee and helpers ran some very successful demonstrations and an auction. Thanks to all who brought in plants and flasks for the auction and helped with the demonstrations. A special thanks to Barry for running the meeting. It's getting harder to not only get good guest speakers, but in the last few months we have had some of them pull out at the last moment. Unfortunately, there is not a great deal we can do about it. To find another speaker at short notice is even more difficult. Be assured we will be trying our hardest to get guest speakers next year, but there may be times when it just can't be done. Please bear with us, and if we need to substitute a meeting with some other entertainment, be assured that we will have tried our best to get replacement speakers.

We are still hopeful of running a national show next year. The problem is finding a venue that can be used for three days over a weekend. In most cases, some form of sport is in play at the venue, or close by. Our past venue at Noarlunga cannot be booked until the new year, and any subsidy from the Council cannot be applied for until the new year. It does leave us a bit between the rock and a hard place on what to do, and where to go.

We also need to make sure we do not clash with other State's shows, and who from interstate will be attending. It is no use having another glorified S.A. show before or after our winter show, if we cannot get good representation from the other states. It is also a problem if we cannot get a subsidy from the council, and if we shifted venues we would have to apply to another council or board for some assistance. Without a subsidy it would be very difficult to run a show without losing money. The committee is working hard towards running a national show next year, if we can find the right venue and the right timing.

It looks like the late flowering season is continuing, and we should have many plants on show at the November meeting. I have found the same thing, as I have two Cricket Invincible plants that normally are finishing by November, but this year some spikes are still opening, and the majority have still got another foot or so in length to grow. The spike count is good though, with one having 30+ spikes and the other **just 26**.

Don't forget the dinner at the next meeting (5.30pm for a 6.00pm sit down). It would be appreciated if anyone arriving by 5.30 could help us set up the tables. The club is subsidising the meal for you by a reasonable amount, so at \$20 a head, it should be a very good night to be had for all. If you cannot come for the dinner, please come along before 8.00pm for an exciting meeting. There will be no Beginner's Group meeting prior to the meeting, but a Beginner's table or two will be set aside if you wish sit together. Bring along any plants for judging as normal. There will be no single flower competition for the November meeting. 4

If you have not let us know yet if you are coming, please call Barry ASAP (0428 487 042) so we can book you in. We must give the total numbers for the dinner very soon. Please pay Christine on the night.

I look forward to seeing you all on the 22nd                      Graham Fear    President

## **Very Important**

The November meeting is the last meeting for year 2017. The February meeting is the Annual General Meeting, and we need a strong and hard working Committee for next year.

Most positions are vacated at the start of the Annual General Meeting, each year. There are 3 members who were elected for 2 years, last year, so remain on Committee for another year. Sitting members are eligible for re election.

**Please consider nominating for Committee next year. It is not particularly demanding, and members have the opportunity to learn a huge amount about the bigger cymbidium world, just by being more involved in the running of the club. Helpers are always very welcome.**

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**A special thank you to all who donated plants for the Auction at the October meeting.**

**A special thank you to Kevin McLean, who spent many hours preparing the mini flasks of Bryant seedlings, which seemed particularly popular on the night. Thanks also to Greg Bryant for allowing Kevin to offer these plants at the Auction. Hopefully the buyers will grow on a good number of Champions from these plants.**

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**You might have noticed that some of the plants exhibited at the October meeting, under a seedling name, for example (Valya Craig x canaliculatum) which has now been named Gordon's Vision, were updated correctly in the results of pages 6 and 7. We have used the orchid database OrchidWiz to search and update these names. We are fortunate that a number of our members now have OrchidWiz on their computers (thanks to the efforts of Mick Talbot). There will be a short demonstration on OrchidWiz at the November meeting.**

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## **21<sup>st</sup> Australian Orchid Council Conference & Show 'Orchids in the Foothills'**

**18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2018**

**16 Stewart St, South Windsor NSW Australia**

**<http://aocc2018.orchidsocietynsw.com.au>**

## October Results

Prize Division	Class	Prize
Judge's Choice	Best Overall	
Judge's Choice	Best in Open Division	
Judge's Choice	Best in First Division	
Judge's Choice	Best in Second Division	
Judge's Choice	Best Intermediate Seedling	
Judge's Choice	Best Specimen	
Open Division	Small Standard Pink	1st
Open Division	Small Standard Brown	1st
Open Division	Small Standard Other Colour	1st
Open Division	Intermediate Cream	1st
Open Division	Intermediate Pink	1st
Open Division	Intermediate Yellow	1st
Open Division	Miniature White	1st
Open Division	Miniature Yellow	1st
Open Division	Miniature Brown	1st
Open Division	Miniature Brown	2nd
Open Division	Miniature Brown	3rd
First Division	Intermediate White	1st
First Division	Intermediate Brown	1st
First Division	Miniature Red	1st
First Division	Miniature Red	2nd
Second Division	Small Standard Pink	1st
Second Division	Small Standard Pink	2nd
Second Division	Small Standard Pink	3rd
Second Division	Small Standard Novelty	1st
Second Division	Small Standard Other Colour	1st
Second Division	Intermediate Pink	1st
Second Division	Intermediate Yellow	1st
Second Division	Intermediate Brown	1st
Second Division	Miniature Brown	1st
Second Division	Miniature Brown	2nd
Second Division	Miniature Brown	3rd
<b>* Note</b>	Valya Craig x canaliculatum	
	Touchstone x Miss Muffet	
	Khan Flame x Mem. Joan Bryant	
	Napa Naiad x Miss Muffett	



**Plant Name****Exhibitors**

Doo Wop 'Dark Cherry'		Chee Ng
Street Tango 'Ooh Ah'		Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju
Doo Wop 'Dark Cherry'		Chee Ng
Touchstone x Miss Muffet 'Gee Whizz' (see below)		John Howard
Molten Gold x Sarah Jean		Helmuth Gerber
Street Tango 'Ooh Ah'		Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju
Arroyo Gloria 'El Presidene'		Helmuth Gerber
Crackerjack 'Midnight Magic'		Helmuth Gerber
Camas Meadows x devonianan		Helmuth Gerber
Mini Mary x insigne		Helmuth Gerber
Molten Gold x Sarah Jean		Helmuth Gerber
Valya Craig x canaliculatum (see below)		Helmuth Gerber
Sarah Jean 'The Bride'		Helmuth Gerber
Hearts of Gold ' Enfield'		Helmuth Gerber
Street Tango 'Ooh Ah'		Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju
Mad Magic x Arroyo Seco		Helmuth Gerber
Mad Magic Amber		Helmuth Gerber
Little Rod x Masayo Toya		Barry Bailey
Panalatinga 'Patricia Ann'		Barry Bailey
Doo Whop 'Dark Cherry'		Chee Ng
Street Tango 'Desire'		Bill Jayne
Khan Flame 'Tuscany' x Red Nelly		Glenn Stearnes
Khan Flame x Mem. Joan Bryant (see below)		Peter Hennessy
Unknown		Graham & Lyndal Semmler
Pepperpuss 'Lavender Falls'		Peter Hennessy
Marie Bashir		Peter & Marilyn Aigner-Muehler
(Dream Valley x Rowena) x President Gorbachev		Graham & Lyndal Semmler
Swallow 'Daffodill'		Peter Hennessy
Ivy Fung 'Radiance'		Graham & Lyndal Semmler
Touchstone x Miss Muffet		John Howard
Napa Naiad x Miss Muffet (see below)		Glenn Stearnes
Piccaninny 'Five Stars'		John Howard
is now named Gordon's Vision		registered 2012
is now named Kevbourkus		registered 2009
is now named Memoria Ken Crowder		registered 2012
Is now named Kal-EI		Registered 2009

**The Annual General Meeting of the Cymbidium Orchid Club of South Australia will be held on Wednesday February 28<sup>th</sup> 2018, at the Burnside Assembly Hall starting at 8.00pm**

The following Committee positions will be declared vacant at the beginning of the meeting

**President, Secretary, Treasurer, Senior Vice President, Junior Vice President and three Committee positions.**

Three Committee positions (2 year terms) carry over

An Election to fill all the vacant positions will be held. Nominations are open for any financial member to nominate for any vacant position. Current serving members are eligible to re nominate.

Nominations should be in the hand of the present Secretary, Christine Robertson, prior to the commencement of the Annual General Meeting. Should there be no nominations for any position before the meeting, nominations may be accepted on the night.

Anyone considering nominating for a position, can discuss duties and responsibilities with the present President, Graham Fear prior to the meeting.

Refer to page 3 of this magazine for details and contact details of 2017 Committee

**Nomination Form for a Committee Position of the  
Cymbidium Orchid Club of South Australia 2018**

**I** .....

wish to nominate for the position of .....

**Signed** .....

**Proposed** .....

**Signature** .....

**Seconded** .....

**Signature** .....



# Cym. Cherry Shower The Cymbidium with three Names

By Weegie Caughlan



## Cym Cherry Shower (Inasa x Cherry Cola)

Registered April 14, 2008 by D. Shigaki (New Horizon hybrid) Photo W Caughlan

How can the same cross be registered with three different names? Impossible one might think, but given the research, not only possible but it has happened in the case of Cym. Cherry Shower 'Not Peace'

(Inasa x Cherry Cola). These multiple registrations can be attributed to four factors:

1. Clerical error in data transfer by a commercial nursery.
2. Specific growing practices of a commercial nursery.
3. Inexperience and questionable advice in registering a grex with the RHS.
4. Rule of the RHS allowing registration of a grex with no known parents.

It all began in November of 2005 when a very attractive Cymbidium plant was purchased at Costco by a long time, hobbyist grower in Northern California. The plant had a standard Gallup & Stribling tag giving the name Cym. Sussex Court 'Not Peace' and the ID number (ID #1246). The hobbyist contacted G&S to determine the parentage when he visited the nursery in March of 2006. Curiously, they discovered that the parentage was listed the same as Cym. Sussex Dawn but genetically incorrect as the flower was most definitely not an alba in color. It was finally determined by the personnel at G&S that an error had probably occurred when the G&S records were being transferred from the hand written Stud Book to the new computer files. It was apparent that the incorrect parents from the line below had been copied to this plant in error. Therefore, there were no listed parents for the plant sold as Cym. Sussex Court 'Not Peace'.

To further confuse the issue, Gallup and Stribling had two practices which were well known to those familiar with the nursery. Firstly, they tended to put two mericlone plantlets in a pot when they were first potted. As the plant matured and was further potted on, these plantlets virtually 'grew together', giving the appearance of a larger plant more quickly. Secondly, they had the practice of naming all their mericlone releases but delaying the registration of them with the RHS.



Mericlone Cym. Sussex Court 'Not Peace' as sold by Gallup & Stribling in Nov. 2005  
(Photo was taken on 11-23-05 by C. Jukkola)

When the mericlones of Cym. Sussex Court 'Not Peace' were released in 2005-06 season, another commercial grower purchased a plant directly from the G&S nursery. When it first bloomed, one original plantlet had developed a peloric mutation of the petals. The owner of the nursery immediately mericloned the mutation of the mericlone Cym. Sussex Court 'Not Peace'. Not aware of the 2-plant potting practices of G&S, the owner was led to believe he had "personally created" a new plant when in fact, one of the two original plantlets had simply bloomed peloric. Between 2005 and 2011 more peloric mutations emerged at G&S and were obtained by other sellers. (This also happened when G&S mericloned Cym. Strathdon 'Cooksbridge Noel' circa 1990 and the peloric mutation now known as 'Cooksbridge Fantasy' appeared in many of the plants.)

The third and fourth factors involve the RHS which allows plants with unknown parents to be registered. On 12/22/11 M. Sagisi registered one of these mutations as Cym. Fil-American Beauty on the same date as Sussex Court was registered by an unknown registrant and originator, not by G&S where the plants originated. A coincidence? The error here is that a peloric mutation of a flower does not change the parents, known or unknown, and a mutation of the flowers should not allow the same plant to be registered as a different grex, which the RHS rules unfortunately allowed for in this case. Many cultivar names have been changed to reflect mutations in other grexes but the plants with the same parentage are not registered under a new grex, for example.

Cym. Strathdon 'Cooksbridge Fantasy' a petal peloric mutation from Strathdon 'Cooksbridge Noel'  
Cym. Pia Borg 'Flash' a feathered mutation from Pia Borg 'Tyson'

Perhaps if the registrant had been given a better understanding of the RHS registration process or had contacted G&S, the peloric mutations would have been sold at that time as Cym. Sussex Court 'Fil-American Beauty' with parents unknown. Even though the grex Cym. Sussex Court had not been registered, in all probability; someone would have done so eventually.



Mericlone plant of Cym. Sussex Court  
Registered Dec. 22, 2011 with parents unknown by M. Sagisi (Evergreen Home Garden photo)



Mericlone mutation Cym. Fil-American Beauty  
Registered Dec. 22, 2011 with parents unknown by M. Sagisi. (Evergreen Home Garden photo)

But the most convincing information concerning the identity of this plant comes from the research of two well-known, Cymbidium hybridizers, Loren Batchman and Andy Easton, who jointly agreed given the time line and plant characteristics, that the actual grex was most probably Cym. Cherry Shower. They determined it to be the New Horizon cross, one of several crosses NH supplied to G&S at the time. As a result, most hobbyists are now currently using that grex name with the cultivar 'Not Peace' for the standard peloric form. However, there is definite variability in the color intensity and peloric markings on the mericlones in circulation. Are these truly different enough to deserve new cultivar names or only a reflection of cultural differences of the peloric form? Time will tell.

Below are registrations, taken from the International Orchid Register (Royal Horticultural Society)

Cymbidium	<b>Sussex Court</b>
Genus	Cymbidium
Epithet	Sussex Court
Synonym Flag	This is a Synonym
Registrant Name	o/u
Originator Name	o/u
Date of Registration	22/12/2011
Seed Parent	Pollen Parent
<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<b>n/a</b>	<b>u/k</b>

Cymbidium	<b>Fil-American Beauty</b>
Genus	Cymbidium
Epithet	Fil-American Beauty
Synonym Flag	This is a Synonym
Registrant Name	M.A. Sagisi
Originator Name	o/u
Date of Registration	22/12/2011
Seed Parent	Pollen Parent
<b>n/a</b>	<b>n/a</b>
<b>n/a</b>	<b>u/k</b>

Cymbidium	<b>Cherry Shower</b>
Genus	Cymbidium
Epithet	Cherry Shower
Synonym Flag	This is a Synonym
Registrant Name	D Shigaki
Originator Name	New Horizon Orch.
Date of Registration	14/04/2008
Seed Parent	Pollen Parent
<b>Cymbidium</b>	<b>Cymbidium</b>
<b>Inasa</b>	<b>Cherry Cola</b>

***Author's note:** I have done the best I could in tracing the history of this charming plant as accurately as I could, considering much of the history is based on nursery practices, differing past recollections of those obtaining the plant and the fact that memories are known to dim over time. Perhaps I would not have attempted this task if the peloric form of Cym. Cherry Shower not had the charm and distinction it has, and as a proven parent, what genes it carries if any, for the petal peloric trait. – W. Caughlan.*

I hope you enjoyed the above article. Thanks to Weegie Caughlan from the USA, for allowing me to print it. I personally was most impressed with this article, as I saw that it is being successfully used in breeding petal peloric plants in good percentages by the Casa de las Orquideas nursery (USA). The plant on page 14 of this magazine is Strathdon 'Cooksbridge Fantasy' x Cherry Shower 'No Peace'.  
**We will present a very interesting Powerpoint presentation from Weegie, at the November meeting. Don't miss it. We will seek your opinions on the standard of cymbidiums here in Australia, and in the USA.**

**.The next Meeting of the  
Cymbidium Orchid Club of South Australia Inc.  
will be held on**

**Wednesday 22nd November 2017  
at the**

**Burnside Community Centre, 401 Greenhill Road, Tasmore, SA**

**Meetings are held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month,  
February to November**

**Program - November 2017 Meeting**

- 5.30pm Arrive for a 6.00pm start to dinner. Bring Plants for  
Judging as usual if you have some.**
- 6.00pm Dinner starts**
- 7.45pm Members not having dinner to arrive**
- 8.00pm President opens the meeting, raffle drawn & announcements.**
- 8.10pm Note No beginners group meeting  
Short presentation on Orchid Database OrchidWiz.  
Powerpoint presentation 'American and Australian Cymbidium  
Breeding' from Weegie Coughlan from the USA. Weegie will not  
be present, but this is a very good presentation, which should not  
be missed. She is seeking opinions on the state of cymbidium  
breeding here. Your input will be sought.**
- 9.00pm Judges discuss flowers displayed. No single flower competition**
- 9.15pm Some Christmas surprises**
- 9.30pm Meeting closes  
Please remain for light supper and friendly discussions**

**The next meeting is on Wednesday 28th February.  
AGM at 8.00pm, followed by the February General meeting, which will  
include voting for the Flower of the Year**

**Supper Roster 2017**

**November Barry Bailey and Xmas helpers**

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This plant was shown at the November meeting. It is Swallow 'Daffodil' and was registered in 1916, making it over 100 years old. Breeding is Alexanderi x Pauwelsii, and is just 2 generations away from the species cymbidium insigne (50%), lowianum (37.5%), and eburneum (12.5%)

**Havn't we come a long way in breeding in 100 years??? 14**

You can only see it in colour, by registering to receive this magazine as an Email. We can only print a few pages in colour, and this page is not one of them. We will be publishing more colour photos in future. Register soon to see them all

## **Single Flower Competition ( May to October only )**

At each meeting this year, we will be promoting a single flower competition. We love you to bring your whole plant in flower to exhibit, but there are many reasons why this may not be possible. If this is the case, take this opportunity to show off your single flowers. Please ensure the plant name is on a card, and if possible add a short description of the plant. For example indicate how many flowers per spike, plant size and how many flower spikes, or any other points of interest. Flowers exhibited should be collected after the meeting by the exhibitor. If not possible, please arrange an alternative arrangement with the judges when presenting your flowers for judging. Flowers not collected will be destroyed.

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### **Interstate Cymbidium Clubs**

#### **Cymbidium Club of Australia (NSW)**

**Secretary** Mrs Judith Brooks Ph 02 9773 9197 email [jahamilton.17@btinternet.com](mailto:jahamilton.17@btinternet.com) **Web-**

**site** [ccansw.com.au](http://ccansw.com.au)

**Facebook** [cymbidiumclubofaustralia](http://cymbidiumclubofaustralia)

Meetings are on the second Thursday, March to November

#### **Cymbidium Orchid Society of Victoria**

**Secretary** Julie Forrest Ph 0417 339026

email [efo28308@bigpond.net.au](mailto:efo28308@bigpond.net.au).

**Website** [cosv.com.au](http://cosv.com.au) Meetings Second Tuesday February to December

#### **Cymbidium Orchid Club of Western Australia**

**Secretary** Helen Stretch Ph 08 9362 4120 email [hstretch2007@bigpond.com](mailto:hstretch2007@bigpond.com)

**Website** [cymbidiumorchidclubwa.com.au](http://cymbidiumorchidclubwa.com.au) Meetings third Monday Feb. to Nov.

For details of other South Australian Orchid Clubs, refer to our Web Site [cymorchidssa.com.au](http://cymorchidssa.com.au)

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### **Our “Cymbidium Orchid Club of South Australia” Facebook**

site is receiving well over 1000 views per posting, from growers all around the world. Plants shown at our meetings are posted, and we try to add some interesting articles, which often cannot be published in this magazine. Try to look in on us and support the site (please).

**Stop Press** We recently received well over 5000 views in 24 hours for the posting of Spotted Madam ‘Brydie’ We regularly get over 1000 views in the first 24 hours, sometimes 2000+ views, but never before well over 5000

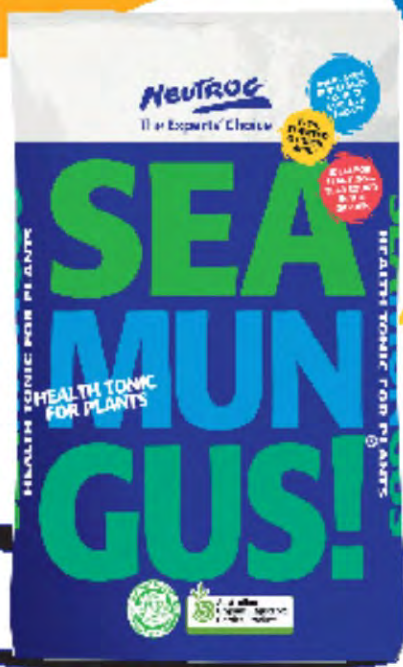
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**Open Division**  
**1st Intermediate Yellow**  
**Gordon's Vision**  
Displayed as  
(Valya Craig x canaliculatum)  
**Grown by**  
**Helmuth Gerber**



**Second Division**  
**2nd Small Standard Pink**  
**Mem. Ken Crowder**  
Displayed as  
Khan Flame x Mem. Joan Bryant  
**Grown by Peter Hennessey**



**Second Division**  
**1st Small Standard Novelty**  
**Peppercuss**  
**'Lavender Falls'**  
**Grown by Peter Hennessey**





**Above**  
**Second Division**  
**3rd Miniature Brown**  
**Piccaninny 'Five Stars'**  
**Grown by John Howard**

**At left**  
**Best Intermediate Seedling**  
**Molten Gold x Sarah Jean**  
**Grown by Helmuth Gerber**

**Below**    **Strathdon 'Cooksbridge Fantasy' x Cherry Shower 'No Peace'**  
**Not shown at any of our shows, but read about Cherry Shower starting page 9**

