

2012 Meeting Dates

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The Cymbidium Newsletter

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Meetings: The 2nd Tuesday of each month (except January), Mt Waverley Community Centre, Youth Centre Hall, Miller Crescent, Mount Waverley (Melway 61/D12 and 70/D1). The hall is off Stephenson Road and is next to the Library. **Meetings start at 8.00pm. Basket Supper please.**

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*AGM

This month is our AGM, please attend as the formalities will only take a few minutes before we get into our social meeting. As this is the last full meeting for the year please make an effort to attend as the December meeting will be our Christmas break up details to follow in next month's newsletter.

*Last Month's Meeting

At last month's meeting Ern Kettle, Terry Poulton and Jenny Robertson did a potting demonstration of repotting and also breaking up plants, they all had different methods of doing this and all used various potting media, fertilisers etc, as this is an important time of the year I am sure we all learnt something from this especially our new members and our novice members, thanks to all concerned.

* Main Item this Month

Terry Poulton will be presenting a slide show on all the shows this year, including Dural, OSCOV at Springers and our show at the Hungarian Community Centre, for those of you who did not manage to attend the shows this year, this will be a good evening please come and join us.

*Trading Table

Our trading table this month will be the new plants for next year's growing competition, this is the second year where we will be releasing the plants in November, there will be one mericlone and one seedling, the price is \$15 for two plants (one of each) the numbers are limited so it is first come first served. The plants for the next year are as follows:

Mericlone: Khan Fury 'Inferno' this is a show quality red standard cymbidium supplied by David Wain

Seedling: CB127 Kirby Lesh 'You Beaut' x Regal Flames – both parents are pink, 'You Beaut' is a spotted pink and Regal Flames is a medium pink, you should get good show quality standards from this cross, hybridised by Colin Gillespie, Kirby Lesh 'You Beaut' is from Royale Orchids in Sydney and Regal Flames is a seedling from Gordon Giles grown by Colin Cleak.

*Growing Competition for 2012

This is our tenth month of this year's growing competition so please bring your plants in so we can all see how they are progressing. As the days get warmer you will start noticing a growth spurt in your plants, next month is the last month for these plants and the winner will be chosen at the December Social meeting, the plants for this year's competition are:

Mericlone – Flaming Vulcan 'XTC" grown and supplied by David Wain, this is a dark red large standard cymbidium.

Seedling: Kirby Lesh 'Pink Ice' x (Cape Banks x Red Beauty) – hybridized and grown by Colin Gillespie, this cross should give light and dark pinks and is also a large standard, the Kirby Lesh 'Pink Ice' comes from Kimberley Orchids and the Cape Banks x Red Beauty comes from Royale Orchids in Sydney.

*Results for the monthly competition.

Congratulations to the winners in last month's competition the results are as follows:

Best in Open Section and Judges Vote: Icho Gleam 'Roma Kaye' by John McMillan

Best in Intermediate Section: (Ken Gorey x Borough Green) x Janis Lin by Kelly Anne Keily

Best Species Overall: Sinense 'Zin Feng Zen' by Dr. Randall Robinson

Best Seedling Overall: Sarah Jean x devonianum by George and Barbara Wright. Small Standard Seedling: Kirby Lesh x Julie Hawkes by James Thomson Intermediate Seedling: Sleepy Sarah x Last Tango by George & Barbara Wright Miniature Seedling: Sarah Jean x devonianum by George & Barbara Wright

A cultural certificate was awarded to Peer (apologies if incorrect I could not ready the judges writing) x canaliculatum by George and Barbara Wright

*COSV Annual Seedling Competition – Sponsored by Malcolm Campbell of SAGE

Firstly a big thank you to Malcolm Campbell for kindly sponsoring this new competition, this will be held on an annual basis as is for current seedlings in flower and will be a photographic competition, Ken West will photograph seedlings that are brought into our monthly meetings, if you are unable to attend a meeting you may submit your own photographs, we will require a photograph of a single flower and also the whole plant, final date for entry will be the end of November for more details kindly speak to a committee member.

*New Members

Welcome to Keith Grant and hope you enjoy our Social Meetings and learn a lot about orchids.

*Beginners Group

Geoff Bailey will be starting a beginners group from the new year, this will take place before the meeting at 7.15pm to 7.45 pm in the Hall, anyone wishing to attend can speak to Geoff Bailey at the next meeting where an application form will be available.

*Assistance in the Kitchen at our monthly Meeting

We are still looking for volunteers for the kitchen on meeting nights, kindly assist Julie Forrest in the kitchen if you can, even an hour would assist thank you in advance.

We kindly request you to bring a plate of eats to share at the meeting on the 13th November 2012.