



2014 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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*Last Meeting :

David Wain gave us a talk and presentation on his hybridizing which was very informative and interesting and enjoyed by all who attended, once again thank you David.

*Cultural Talk :

Terry Poulton will be presenting the cultural talk this month and will be speaking on fertilizers, Terry grows his plants very well and we look forward to his talk.

*Main Item :

Dr. Randall Robinson will be our guest speaker this month, Randall has recently attended the Santa Barbara show in California and will be showing us photographs and commentary of his trip. Please attend as Randall's talks are always very interesting.

*Last Month's flower benching:

This time of the year there is not much in flower, but some members managed to find a few plants to bring in, congratulations to Stephen and Meryl Early on their Cymbidium dayanum which was voted plant of the evening and to our new member Maria Lagos on her Cymbidium Enzan Shining x Last Tango, well done. Please bring your flowering plants in for everyone to see and your points all add up for the year end section winners.

*Section Winners for 2013

Apologies for being so late with this information and congratulations to all the section winners.

Open Section :	1 st Ern Kettle	2 nd Colin and Karen Gillespie
Intermediate Section :	1 st Ray Andrews	2 nd Ian Mordue
Novice Section:	1 st C & M Szabo	2 nd Carole Hubbard

***Trading Table**

David Wain will be having a trading table this month, David always has well grown plants and seedlings for sale, kindly support him.

***Sick List**

Diane Bullmer has not been well for the last few months we wish her a speedy recovery.

***Growing Competition :**

We have sold a total of 127 plants for this year's growing competition, please members bring your plants in for Colin Cleak to have a look at, this year's plants are as follows:

Mericlone : Kalahari Pepper 'Barbara' – grown and hybridized by Colin Gillespie – this an orange show bench quality standard cymbidium.

Seedling: Lunar Advent 'A-stound' x Kimberley Valley 'Malibu' – hybridized by Colin Gillespie, Lunar Advent 'A-stound' is a standard yellow from Greg Bryant and Kimberley Valley 'Malibu' is a large green standard from the Kimberley Orchids collection, both are show bench quality.

Colin mentioned at last month's meeting the growing competition plants from previous year's and would like to see them in flower, as a reminder the following are the mericlones and seedlings that he mentioned:

2005 – Valley Olympic Rose and Dolly x Merv Dunn 'Ultimate'

2006 - Kimberley Harvest 'Burnt Gold' and Khan Flame 'Raquel' x Khan Flame 'Sheena'

2007 – Lunakira 'Gleam' and Kelly's Winter 'Golden Sovereign' x Khan Flame 'Tuscany'

2008 - Foxfire Veridian 'Stargate' and Ruby Eyes 'Red Baron' x Devon Parish 'Paradisian Prize'

2009 - Kimberley Splash 'Calypso' and Alvin Star 'Southern Ocean x Paradise Star 'White Cloud'

2010 - Valley Olympic 'Pink Perfection' and Joan's Era 'No.1' x Kingwin 'South Park'

Have a look amongst your collection and when in flower bring them in for all to enjoy.

***CYM School – report by Geoff Bailey**

This month Andy Leamon, formerly of Orchids For You, will share his experiences in providing cut flowers and pot plants to retail outlets. Andy is also a judge. Together with his wife Jan, they ran a highly successful business. Come armed with any questions you want answered, I'm sure Andy will be able to assist you!

***Special Effort**

Once again many thanks to all members who contributed to our special effort table much appreciated and keep up the good work, as we have limited fund raising during the year this all helps with running your club.

***Newsletter via email**

Thanks to the members who have joined our list of receiving their newsletter via email if you are interested kindly email your details to Karen Gillespie at devonmeadowsorchids@bigpond.com
As the costs keep increasing for printing etc this really assists the club in keeping expenses down, many thanks in advance.

***New Members**

We welcome the following new members to our friendly and informative club and hope you enjoy your stay, Maria Lagos and Rosalie Naylor.

***Members Badges**

These are available to order from Henk Morren at a cost of \$12 each.

***Speakers for our Meetings:**

We always endeavour to make our meeting interesting, if anyone has any ideas of who to invite to speak at our meetings please convey your thoughts and ideas to any of the committee members.

***Proposed Bus Trip**

Proposed Bus Trip to Better Homes & Gardens – Live at Melbourne Showgrounds.

Date: Saturday 3rd May, 2014 Cost: \$37 per head (inc entry & bus hire)

Advice on the latest tips and products for home and garden, live demonstrations and interactive workshops, shop for the latest home and garden products from more than 250 exhibitors, meet favourite Better Home & Gardens celebrity experts.

Any interested members please register with Julie Forrest at next general meeting.

Please note that numbers are limited to 20 and that the bus trip will only proceed if this number is met.

***Subscriptions for 2014/2015**

As our financial year draws to a close we will include the invoice for next year's subscription and magazines in next month's newsletter.

***Assistance in the Kitchen at our monthly Meeting**

Jan Bailey is always appreciative of any help in the kitchen, please see Jan on the night.

We look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting on the 8th April and a plate to share is always welcome.