



## 2014 Meeting Dates

January –  
February 11  
March 11  
April 8  
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October 14  
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December 9

# The Cymbidium Newsletter

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**Meetings:** The 2<sup>nd</sup> 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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### \*December Meeting :

This was our last meeting of the year and was in the form of our Christmas break up with a meal and a free ticket to our special effort, it was once again wonderfully supported and I am sure enjoyed by all who attended, there are a few special thanks to be made, firstly to Jenny Robertson and Joyce Sunderland for putting on a lovely meal and all the members who kindly supplied salads and desserts for us all to enjoy, for all ladies who helped Jan Bailey in the kitchen throughout the year, to all members who kindly donated prizes to our Christmas special effort and also our special effort tables during the year. This is very much appreciated if I have missed thanking anyone kindly accept my apologies.

Welcome to 2014 and hope you all have a wonderful 2014 and happy growing.

### \*Cultural Talk :

Terry Poulton will be giving us a talk and demonstration on 'Growing Small Plants in an Alternative Media' – Terry's talks are always very interesting, so please come along and here what Terry has to say.

### \*Main Item :

As we all tried to survive through the sweltering conditions in January, how did your plants survive, Ern Kettle will be leading a discussion on how your plants survived and what to do in the next heat wave of summer, come armed with questions and bring in plants to show us how yours coped or did not cope with the 40 degree plus days.

### \*Trading Table

Colin and Karen Gillespie of Devon Meadows Orchids will have some seedlings and compots for sale at the meeting, so save your dollars or raid your piggy bank to take the opportunity to buy some new seedlings.

### **\*Growing Competition :**

The new year is underway for our growing competition, Colin Cleak will be running this again this year, we sold over 100 seedlings and mericlones for this year's competition so we look forward to seeing lots of plants brought in. This year's plants are:

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.

### **\*Annual Points Competition and Growing Competition Results:**

These results will be available in the next newsletter.

### **\*CYM School**

This initiative by Geoff Bailey will continue this year, with lots of greenhouses visits etc planned for the year, this months meeting will start at the normal time of 7.15 pm please feel free to join Geoff Bailey and his team.

### **\*Special Effort**

Once again if anyone would like to donate anything to our monthly special effort you can put the items on the table provided at the meeting, the funds raised assist in the running of the club, thanks in advance.

### **\*Newsletter via email**

If any member who receives their newsletter via post would like to join our email list kindly email your details to Karen Gillespie at [devonmeadowsorchids@bigpond.com](mailto:devonmeadowsorchids@bigpond.com)  
As the costs keep increasing for printing etc this really assists the club in keeping expenses down, many thanks in advance.

### **\*Members Badges**

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

### **\*Neutrog Order Form :**

Enclosed please find an order form for Neutrog, please remember this is for Members only, instructions are listed on the order form, as a special request if you do place an order kindly within 2 weeks of delivery as the orders are delivered to a business address and there are not long term storage facilities available.

### **\*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.

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

Jan Bailey will be running the kitchen this year, thanks Jan, but Jan will require some assistance, anyone willing to help on the night kindly see Jan in the kitchen.

We look forward to seeing you all at our next meeting on the 11<sup>th</sup> February and a plate to share is always welcome.