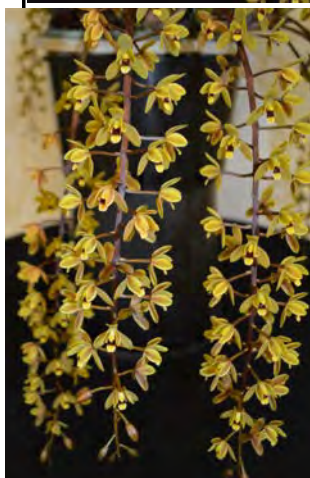


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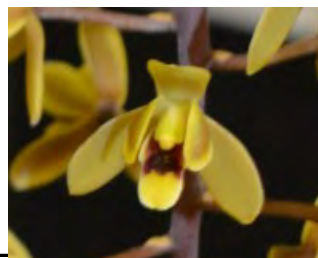
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**November 2018 Meeting**  
**Best Overall and Best in Open Division**  
**Also Best Specimen and First Miniature Green**  
**Kuranda 'Arthur Dawson'**  
**Grown by Michael Willoughby and Oui Ju**





**November 2018 Meeting**

**Best in First Division**

**Little Beauty ‘Sundaani’**

**Grown by  
George Misirlis**



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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 February issue,**

Welcome to 2019. I hope you and your families had a great festive season, and anybody that took holidays, enjoyed their time away.

What a hot start to the year we have had. Thank goodness February has been a little bit kinder to us. January was a stinker. So many days over 35 and the 46 degrees day was just a killer in more ways than one.

Some of our members have had up to 75% of their collection burnt, and others no damage at all. Some of the ways to stop it, is double shade cloth on the shadehouse

roof for the hot months, and water, water, water (or extensive use of foggers). Keep everything moist and hopefully you don't have the bad luck that some have had.

Hopefully your spikes are starting to show through, and have not be killed off by the heat. From what I have heard and seen, they are a bit few and far between. Let us hope that it improves over the next few months.

We now need three new committee members. It is not a hard job, with just one meeting a month for 10 months, so don't say you can't help. Please come forward and help the club and yourself. We may have a couple of members interested, but here we are four years later and we still don't have a secretary

A very important issue, will be to find two new assistant Show Marshals for Munno Para and West Lakes. Both Wayne and Peter cannot do it by themselves anymore. They both are still willing to help, but need some assistance. They just need somebody that can assist with the shows. It is not that hard, so come on, we need your help and you can actually enjoy it, and learn a huge amount from the experience.

I look forward to seeing you all on the 27<sup>th</sup> for the AGM, immediately followed by the February general meeting, in which the Flower of the Year will be voted on by the financial members present .

Kind Regards

Graham Fear  
President

# **WE NEED YOUR HELP**

**Two Committee Members, a Secretary,  
a Deputy Vice President  
and two Assistant Show Marshals**

**Helpers for Both Shows and at Meeting Nights**

**PLEASE PUT YOUR HANDS UP  
DON'T SIT ON THEM**

Do you want the club to survive and grow stronger, because if you don't help, who is going to do the work, especially as our older members aren't getting any younger, and because of age and ill health, just can't do what they used to do.

**COME ON.**

**LET'S MAKE THIS CLUB  
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Ideally suited for establishing new plants (particularly bare-rooted roses) and for use on natives. Seamungus can also be used as a plant tonic to revitalise all your plants throughout the year. **1L bottle \$10**



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## Some hints to help prevent damage to cymbidium orchid plants on extreme heat days

In Adelaide, South Australia, during January 2019, we experienced a very long, hot, dry spell, with temperatures over thirty five degrees centigrade (95 degrees F), and peaking at forty six degrees centigrade (115 degrees F), on one day. Added to this were strong hot winds.

Some members experienced horrific burning of their plants (see photos on following pages). One grower reports about 75% of his plants were torched, with many, many fatalities, particularly among smaller plants. It should be noted that one grower lives quite near the sea, where he regularly experiences very strong, salt laden winds.

Other growers have reported, very little burning of their plants.

At the February meeting, we will be holding a short forum, where we will seek input from anyone willing to share their experiences in this area.

Come along and participate. If you have any equipment which you use to help, bring it with you if you can, or take a photograph of it, and put it onto an electronic memory stick, and bring it to the meeting, or email it to me, before the meeting ([gramorris@optusnet.com.au](mailto:gramorris@optusnet.com.au)).

From investigations, so far, those who suffered little or no damage, watered or fogged their plants regularly during the hot spells. I heard from one grower who watered his plants four times during the day and experienced no burning.

Another watered his plants just twice (at 7am, and 10pm), but had his foggers operating for 10 seconds, every 10 minutes from 11am until 7pm. He suffered no burning.

I personally watered 3 times during the day, at 10.30am, 12.30pm, and 3.00pm, for about 6 minutes each watering. I have no foggers fitted at the moment, but will fit them soon. I experienced no burning. (see photos on following pages.

Most of the badly affected growers, did not water or fog their plants during the hot days. They did have the plants well hydrated, at the start of the hot days.

**It needs to be noted, that a good automatic watering system, which is easy to reset to water for extreme days, is almost a must.** They are not expensive, and are relatively easy to program, and importantly to reprogram for hot times. There are plenty around for well less than \$100. Installing one might save much more than that on the first very hot day. Modern timers are very reliable, if installed correctly.

Come along to the February meeting, and learn more.





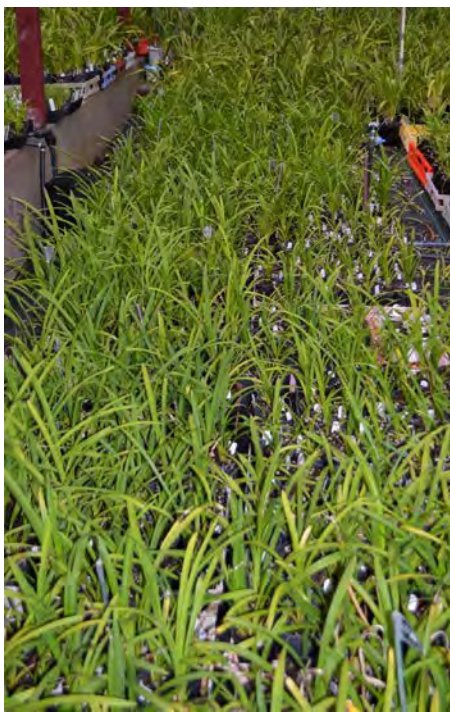
**Damaged plants after the extreme heat day recently.**  
**Thank you to the grower for supplying these photos, and encouraging us to tell other growers about his bitter experience.**  
**I personally am very disappointed for him. He tries and works hard to succeed. Hopefully we can assist him at our mini forum at the February meeting**







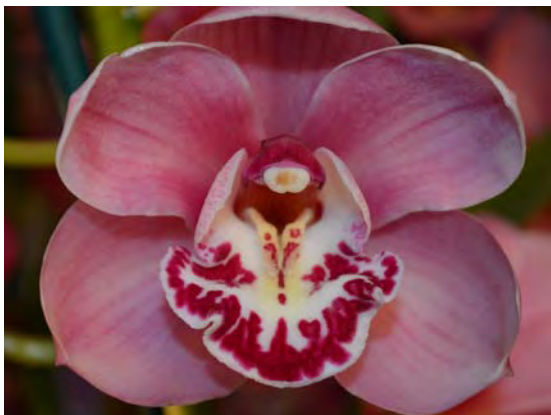
**These plants were watered three times each hot day (no fogging)  
There was NO burning**







**This is Khanebono 'Jacinta'**  
 It is one of the best showbench and breeding intermediate cymbidiums in the world.  
 Many Adelaide growers have had difficulty growing it in Adelaide.  
 There is one plant here growing and flowering strongly. Are you interested in getting one? Details at the February meeting





**These photos attempt to show just how diverse our cymbidiums are. The big red flower is a regular Grand Champion Regal Flames 'Queen of Hearts'. The tiny flower is the species cymbidium goerengii. The whole plant of goerengii would fit inside a single flower of Regal Flames. Any goerengii plants are very rare and very expensive**





**.The next Meeting of the  
Cymbidium Orchid Club of South Australia Inc.**

**will be held on**

**Wednesday 27th February 2019  
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 - February 2019 Meeting**

- 7.00pm** Hall is open. Helpers required to assist setting up seating  
Beginner's Group meet on the stage. New members are most welcome.
- 7.15** Beginner's Group meet on stage at front of hall
- 8.00pm** Annual General Meeting Commences. Election of Officers takes place, and the Treasurer's report is presented.
- 8.15pm** AGM is closed, and the February General meeting commences.  
The Flower of the Year is judged by the members  
The Seedling of the Year is announced (voted by Judges), and a photograph of it is presented to the winning grower.
- 9.00pm** Discussion will be encouraged about how our members fared during the recent extremely hot weather. Any suggestions to help struggling growers will be sought.
- 9.15pm** Judges will discuss any plants displayed on the night. No single flower competition.
- 9.30pm** Meeting closes. Please remain for a light supper and a chat with other members

**The next meeting is on Wednesday 27th March 2019.**

**Very important**

**Your Club Subscriptions for 2019 are now due.**

**Forty Dollars, for individual, or couple membership.**

**Please pay our Treasurer Christine, preferably at the  
February meeting**

We have a number of back issues of this magazine available for **new members**.

If interested, please make a list of magazine dates which you have, and bring it to next the next meeting, and I will try to supply back copies.

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Meetings are on the second Thursday, March to November

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

**Secretary** Julie Forrest Ph 0417 339026

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**Website** cosv.com.au Meetings Second Tuesday February to December

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

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**Website** 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).

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**Refer also to our Cymbidium Orchid Club of South Australia Website**  
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**There are some members who have difficulty in getting to our meetings and shows.**

**We are seeking an expression of interest from members who would be prepared to transport these members to and from our meetings/shows**  
**Please leave your details with our Secretary, if you can help**

**If you know of someone who would come to meetings/shows if they could get there, please let us know. There may be potential new members who might join if they could get to the meetings.**

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**It can actually be fun to travel with other members. It would help the club to get more members attending**

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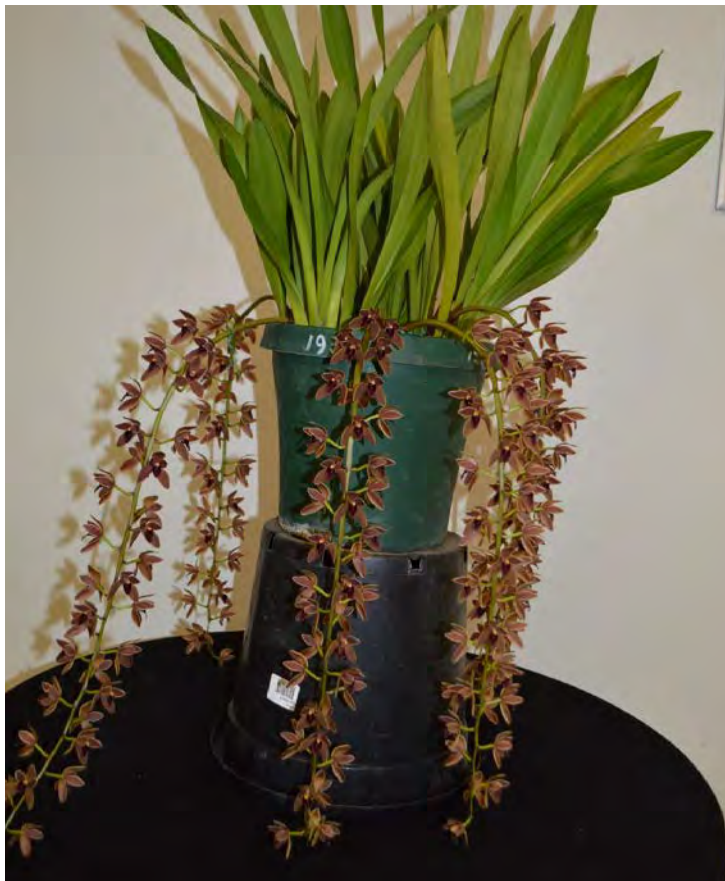


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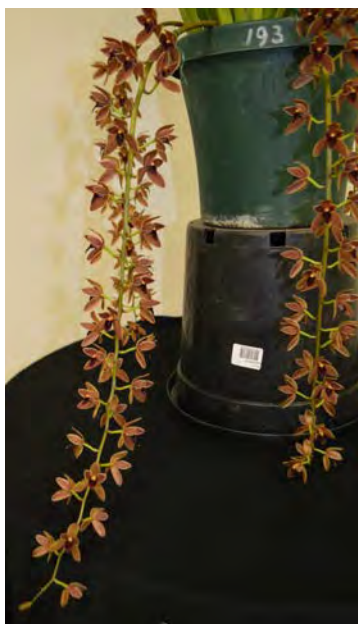


**November 2018  
Meeting**

**Best in Second  
Division**

**Cricket 'Owzat'**

**Grown by  
Laurie and Sue  
Carter**





**November 2018 Meeting**

**Open Division  
First Miniature Brown**

**Canaliculatum ‘VJS Laura’**

**Grown by Roger Herraman**

(Editor’s Note)

This plant is claimed by many to be a peloric form of this popular species cymbidium. Other experts do not agree with this rating, rather suggesting it is a really interesting form.

There are many mottled forms, and many very dark (almost black) forms. Could be this be a natural hybrid from a mottled and dark form??