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**grown by Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju**





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**Grown by Pauline and Mark Hockey**



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## Presidents Message

Welcome to all our members to a belated new year with your new committee. I would like to thank all of the Committee for standing, to not only help me as your new President, but to make 2016 a successful year for the club and its members, and for giving up your time for the club, to make sure it gets stronger in the future.

I would like to thank Des for all the work he has done as President, and the time he has spent in getting the new committee positions filled, also the retiring Committee members for your work last year, and those who have taken on new positions to further help the club in 2016.

To you the members, it was great to see so many of you attend the March meeting, and for approving the new committee. It is important for the Club's survival, that you do support the meetings, our shows, and any social events that may be run during the year.

I need your support, as I don't have all the answers to make us stronger. I have the desire to do so, but it cannot be done without you supporting me and the Committee, rather than complaining to yourselves about things you don't like. Please come forward with suggestion on what you would like us to do, and what you want as club members. We are all in this together, so let's work together, so we don't have to face the problems of the AGM, in the future.

We will try and do things differently. They might not all work, but at least it will be interesting to see what works, and what does not. I won't be able to answers all your questions during the year, and will need to pass some on to one of the Committee, who has more experience than me. Please be patient and we will make this work.

Remember we are here because we love Cymbidium Orchids. That is why we are here together as a Club, to help each other grow better plants, be competitors in shows, communicate with other growers, learn to be better growers and make friendships with other members. Here's to a great 2016 for all of us. I hope to see you at the April meeting, on the 27<sup>th</sup>.

Graham Fear,            President

**Below is an introduction to our new President.** He comes into the position, after a relatively short period of seriously growing cymbidiums, and was initially reluctant to take on the position. It took some sweet talking by three senior club members, to convince him that he could do the job well. He had reservations about some issues of the job, and it was only after assurances from the three senior mentors, that they would guide and assist him as required, that Graham agreed to accept the nomination.

**He will do the job well. Please make it easy for him.**



**Graham Fear,** 68 Years old,  
Married to Anne for 48 Years, with 4 sons and 8 Grandchildren

Born in Melbourne, and came to Adelaide as State Manager for SC Johnson in 1980 and lived in Glenalta for 15 years.

Had an 11 year stint back in Melbourne after being retrenched, and lived in Gisborne, a semi rural town 50km out of Melbourne on the Bendigo Freeway.

Returned to Adelaide, living in Glenelg North for the past 10 years

Most of my working life was in the grocery industry, with 40 year in senior management roles with some major international companies, Johnson & Johnson, SC Johnson, Mauri Foods, Network Foods, and the last ten years before retirement with Barrilla the Italian Food company, as National Sales manager.

My introduction to orchids came from my father who was a member of the Frankston Orchid Club in Melbourne. Although we were living in Adelaide, it was great to see his passion, and I guess some of it rubbed off on me. Unfortunately he was not a good grower and only had a very small back yard with no light, and struggled to get his plants to flower.

My father died in 1987 at 69, and I inherited most of his plants, which I brought back to Adelaide, and not knowing what I was doing slowly killed most of them. I had a few flower and as one died, I went down to the old Valley Nursery in Morphett Vale, and replaced them with whatever was on special at the time, but still didn't have a clue to what I was doing. When we went to Gisborne I took the remaining 30+ plants with me. We lived on 5 acres, and built a house with a large shed, to which I attached a shade house at the end, facing north. Gisborne's weather was warm in summer, but with snow and frost and freezing winters, and not enough water and never feeding them, they all died.

We returned to Adelaide in 2006 as our grandchildren were being born and we wanted to return home and grow old gracefully with the grand kids and our sons. One son remained behind, as he had married a Melbourne girl and produced 2 children.

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Prize / Division	Class	Prize	Plant Name
Popular Vote	Best Species		dayanum
Judge's Choice	Best Overall		Zig Zag 'Kiwi'
Judge's Choice	Best in Open Division		Zig Zag 'Kiwi'
Judge's Choice	Best in First Division		Pixie Dust
Judge's Choice	Best Interm. Seedling		Sundaani C
Judge's Choice	Best Specimen		Michael He
Open Division	Intermediate Yellow	1st	Michael He
Open Division	Intermediate Yellow	2nd	Michael He
Open Division	Intermediate Yellow	3rd	(Florida Cr
Open Division	Intermediate Green	1st	[(Kurun X
Open Division	Intermediate Green	2nd	Sundaani C
Open Division	Interm. Other Colour	1st	Autumn Ca
Open Division	Miniature Yellow	1st	Florida Cra
Open Division	Miniature Yellow	2nd	Sundaani A
Open Division	Miniature Green	1st	Zig Zag 'Kiwi'
First Division	Intermediate Yellow	1st	Pixie Dust
First Division	Intermediate Brown	1st	Devon Elf "

## March 2016 Major prize winners - Plant information

### Judge’s choice Best Overall, also Best in Open Division

**Zig Zag ‘Kiwi’** There was a single flower spike, with 16 very clean green flowers on an arching spike, displaying each flower evenly. The dark maroon lip is a true standout feature. Breeding is Peter Pan x devonianum. It was registered in 1994.

It was well grown by Michael Willoughby and Oui Ju

### Judge’s choice First Division

**Pixie Dust ‘Truine’.** This was a large, well grown plant carrying 3 flower spikes of greenish yellow flowers. Flower count averaged 12 per spike. The lip was lightly marked with orange spots. Breeding is Golden Elf x Dolly. It was registered in 1998.

It was beautifully grown by Silvester Ng.

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## Exhibitor

Barry Bailey

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju

Michael Willoughby & Oui Ju

Silvester Ng

Pauline & Mark Hockey

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## ADVANCE NOTICE

**The Cymbidium Orchid Society Of Victoria will be holding  
“THE NATIONAL CYMBIDIUM ORCHID FESTVAL”  
in conjunction with their 25th Anniversary Year in 2016.**

**The Festival will be held on the 10th and 11th September, 2016 at the  
Hungarian Community Centre in Boronia, in Melbourne’s eastern sub-  
urbs, with set up and judging being on Friday the 9th September 2016.**

**Full details, show schedules, display and vendor forms etc. will be  
available at a later date.**

**Club is investigating a group booking to attend. More information soon**



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

**will be held on**

**Wednesday 27th April 2016**

**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**

**7.00 pm Auditorium opens, Benching of plants and trading table.**

**7.15 pm Beginners Class. (All Welcome)**

**7.45 pm Plants for judging to be in place (unless prior approval sought)**

**8.00 pm Meeting is opened**

**8.30pm Randall Robinson (from Melbourne) will tell us what's  
new in cymbidiums and will also show photos of the  
2016 Santa Barbara (USA), International Orchid Show.  
If you want to learn what is happening overseas, don't miss  
this meeting. Randall is a great speaker.**

**9.30 pm Meeting closes. Stay for a light supper and a chat.**

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**Advance notice** For the May meeting, Colin Gillespie, from Melbourne will tell us about how he grows his cymbidiums, and discuss his hybridizing program. Colin grows his plants extremely well, using the latest technology from overseas. His newly flowered seedlings are some of the world's best.

He will be bringing some plants for sale. See his list, sent with this magazine. **He is likely to bring some extra plants, not on the list, so look out for some extra specials on the night.** Orders must be received by Friday 15th May, to give time to pack them. Orders should be emailed to Colin, but if you cannot email him, bring your list to the April meeting.

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collected at the Monthly Club Meeting.

Seven years ago I decided that I would like to get back into orchids, but with very little space in a small backyard it was a case of where to put them. I still did not have clue on what I was doing, and brought a tray of twenty plants on EBay. Another mistake as 12 out of the twenty have died, even though by this time I knew what I was doing, and here we are six years later, it looks like I will get my first flowers from two of the plants this year. The rest have been warned “*no flowers this years and it’s the green bin for you*”.

Fortunately my next purchases on EBay were from Chee Ng, who I formed a friendship with, and he starting pointing me in the right direction on how to grow Cymbidiums, and kept telling me to join the club. I also brought some plants from Graham Morris towards the end of his time at Valley Orchids and like Chee, we formed a friendship, and he also helped me in what I should be doing to be successful in growing Cymbidiums. He also told me I should join the club.

I finally joined the club after much pressure from the two of them and here we are six years later, thanks to Chee and Graham, four shade houses, hundreds of plants, on the Committee for the past three years, editor of the Cymbidium News for the past two years, and now President of the club. The only thing I can say is, watch what you buy on EBay, or you could end up with a smaller back yard, a wife that does not want me to take up any more space, and time management up in smoke.

The good part is you wouldn’t do it if you didn’t love what you are doing. You love the plants you grow, you enjoy the company of club members and making new friendships, which all in all makes retirement far better than working.

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**Advance Notice**

Starting at the May meeting, we will be promoting a single flower competition ach meeting. **More details at the April meeting**, but take this opportunity to show off your single flowers, perhaps off a plant with just a few flowers, or perhaps just too big to bring to the meeting..

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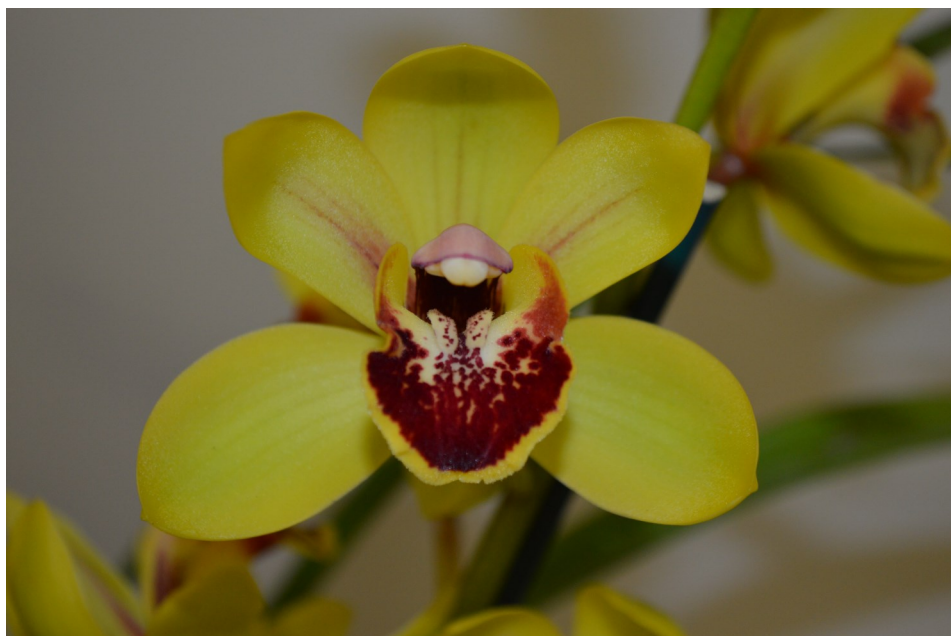
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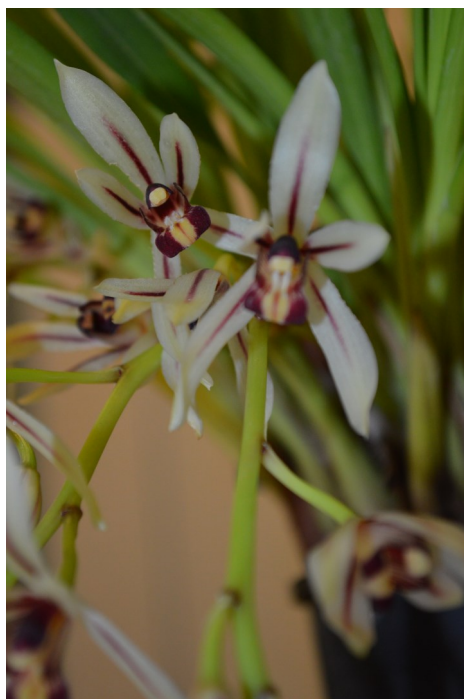
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Grown by Pauline & Mark Hockey**

**Below  
Popular Vote Best Specimen  
dayanum  
Grown by Barry Bailey**







**Judge's Choice    Best in First Division**  
**Pixie Dust 'Truine'**  
**Grown by Silvester Ng**

