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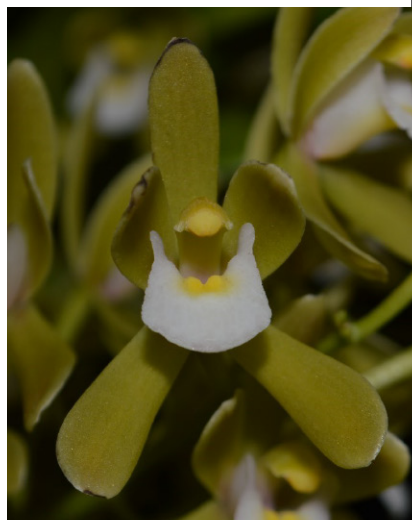
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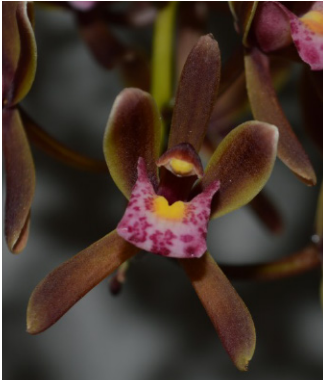
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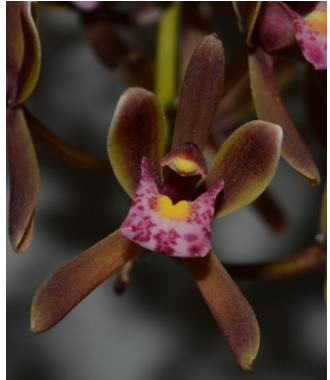
October 2021 meeting
Best in Open Division and Best Overall
floribundum 'Wee Jasper' Grown by Malcolm Osborn





October 2021 meeting
Open Division
Miniature other colour miniature
Second prize
floribundum 'Formosian'

Grown by
Malcolm Osborn



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Presidents Message November 2021

Welcome to our November issue.

This is our last magazine for the year. Hasn't the year flown quickly. Considering all the issues with COVID lockdowns and restrictions etc, we can look back on a great year for the club. All shows and displays went ahead, record sales on all Trading Tables, new members joining at most meetings, guest speakers at most meetings, so I think you should all pat yourselves on the back and say job well done.

A special thanks to everybody that has helped throughout the year, I won't mention them by name, but a great job to the Committee, Judges, Trading Table helpers, supper helpers, recorders, magazine editor and beginner's coordinator, and all of you who have helped in the hall on meeting nights. Thank you for everything to everybody.



**President
Graham Fear**

Your Committee is already discussing bigger and better things for 2022, and if you have some friends that are interested in Cymbidiums, bring them along for the ride next year.

A great crowd of 65+ members were present at the October meeting, including three new members. Kevin Mclean, from Pauline's Laboratory Service was our guest speaker, and his presentation on pollination was excellent. Many thanks to Kevin for another great presentation.

A big welcome to our three new members from the October meeting. Keith and Valerie Bleechmore, and a past returning member Denis Cook.

Only a few plants were shown at last month's meeting. Orchid of the night and winner in the Open Division, was a lovely flowering of the famous species miniature **floribundum** "Wee Jasper", grown by Malcolm Osborn. No First division plants were shown. The Second Division was won by Peppercuss "Lavender Falls", grown by Peter Hennesey.

As you are aware there is no meeting in November, but we are having a break up dinner at the Warradale Hotel, beginning at 6.00pm on the 24th. If you have not arranged to come along, you can still give our Treasurer, Christine Robertson a call and pay on line.

I hope you and your families have a great Christmas and a happy New Year, and everybody looks after themselves in the coming months. with the borders opening on the 23rd November. I am sure there will be restrictions on what you can and can't do next year, including for our meetings and shows, so if you haven't already done so, please make sure you get vaccinated as soon as you can.

I look forward to seeing you at the dinner, on the 24th. If you cannot attend, our first meeting in 2022, is the Annual General Meeting, on the 23rd February.

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Kind Regards and stay safe and well.

Graham Fear President

There were two floribundum plants exhibited at the October meeting

It has been used extensively in hybridizing programs

Details about it are below.

Cymbidium floribundum (syn. *Cymbidium pumilum*)

ORIGIN/HABITAT:

Found across southern China from near the border with extreme northern Burma eastward to Taiwan through the provinces of Guangdong, Guizhou, Xizang, Zhejiang, and Yunnan. Wu and Chin (80), in their description of the habitat for *C. floribundum*, also include the provinces of Fujian, Gunagxi, Hubei, and Jiangxi. Plants normally grow on rocks in shady mountain gorges or pine forests, at elevations of 4920-9190 ft. (1500-2800 m). *C. floribundum* also grows epiphytically at elevations as low as 2620 ft. (800 m) on Taiwan. Plants are highly tolerant of dry conditions, and often form large clumps in open, well drained situations, such as on cliff faces.

PLANT SIZE AND TYPE: A small, clump forming, sympodial lithophyte or epiphyte 8-22 in. (20-55 cm) tall.

PSEUDOBULBS: 1 in. (2.5 cm) tall. The pseudobulbs are usually small, slightly flattened ovoids that are tightly clustered. They are covered with persistent sheathing leaf bases and up to 5 cataphylls which become fibrous with age.

LEAVES: 3-5. The attractively arching leaves, which are produced from the base of each pseudobulb, are 6-16 in (15-40 cm) long.

INFLORESCENCE: 6-12 in. (15-30 cm) long. Robust and suberect, the scape arches upwards from the base of the pseudobulb.

FLOWERS: 15-30 closely spaced flowers per inflorescence. They are unscented, usually about 1.25 in. (3 cm) across, long lasting, and somewhat variable in color. Although the petals and sepals are sometimes green, they are most often red-brown, frequently with a narrow green or yellow margin. The white lip is yellow at the base with red-purple mottling or spotting. It becomes bright red with age or when the flower has been pollinated.

This information is quoted from a Charles Baker culture sheet. For more details please consult www.orchidculture.com.

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2021 October Monthly Results

Class	Category	Prize
Popular Vote	Best Species	
Judge's Choice	Best Overall	
Judge's Choice	Best in Open Division	
Judge's Choice	Best in Second Division	
Open Division	Miniature Green	1st
Open Division	Miniature Other Colour	2nd
Second Division	Large Standard Yellow	1st
Second Division	Large Standard Novelty	1st

The floribundum ‘Wee Jasper’ shown at the October meeting is a particularly good form of this species cymbidium. It was previously known as **pumilum**.

Many older growers refuse to acknowledge the name change.

Malcolm Osborn, the exhibitor of the floribundum ‘Wee Jasper’, at the October meeting, tells me it came from the mating of two siblings, floribundum ‘Alba’ and floribundum “Album”. Malcolm flowered more than 200 plants, and chose this one as the best of them. It has been sought after by some major cymbidium hybridizers. It is a diploid (2N) variety..

Note for beginners. Species orchids are always spelled in lower case lettering.

October 2021 meeting – Showbench winner description

Flower of the night - floribundum ‘Wee Jasper’ Grown by Malcolm Osborn

Note – floribundum was previously known as pumilum. Many growers still refer to it as pumilum.

This is a miniature species which grows around southern China, southern Taiwan, and northern Vietnam, at altitudes between 400 and 3,300 metres above sea level. This plant was growing in a 15cm pot, and carried seven nice inflorescences, averaging sixteen flowers each. The individual flowers were lime green, with a flat white labellum, beautifully arranged around the stem. This species has been used extensively in hybridizing programs, and many of our modern hybrids, inherit it’s genes. It was a well grown plant, a credit to it’s grower. According to the Orchid database OrchidWiz, floribundum has 262 first generation progeny. It has a total of 3852 progeny of many generations. It has been a very important plant in miniature hybridizing.

Plant Name	Exhibitor
floribundum 'Wee Jasper'	Malcolm Osborn
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Pepperpuss 'Lavender Falls'	Peter Hennessy
floribundum 'Wee Jasper'	Malcolm Osborn
floribundum 'Formosianum'	Malcolm Osborn
Unknown (probably Swallow)	Colin MacDonald
Pepperpuss 'Lavender Falls'	Peter Hennessy

Two of our hard working previous committee members have been having health issues recently.

Barry Bailey, has experienced major health problems for quite some time. He returned home, but returned to hospital recently. I spoke to him last week, and he was in good spirits, and was hoping to be discharged soon.

Former hard working Registrar of Judges, Ben Knobben, is about half way through a six week course of treatment, and according to his daughter, is also doing it well, but looking forward to completing the treatment.

I am sure you will all join me in wishing them both well, and hope for a speedy return to good health.

Notice is hereby given, that the Annual General Meeting of the Cymbidium Orchid Club of South Australia will be held on 23rd February 2022, at the Burnside Assembly Hall, starting at 8.00pm.

All positions except the 2 year committee appointments from the 2020 AGM, will be declared vacant.

Elections will be conducted for all vacant positions.

Nomination forms are available from our Secretary, or President 7

Nominations should be in the hands of the Secretary, before the start of the AGM, but nominations on the night, may be accepted.

The February General meeting of the club, will commence after the AGM

BARRITA ORCHIDS LABORATORY SERVICE

G'day!

Barrita Orchids has acquired Pauline's Laboratory Service of South Australia. After discussions with Pauline and Kevin, they have agreed to trust us to meet the needs of their family of customers. We do not underestimate the magnitude of this trust and will be honouring all current existing orders held by Pauline and Kevin. This transfer also includes the marketing of seedling flasks from Greg Bryant. [Click here for pre-order of Greg's crosses.](#)

Who we are.

Barrita Orchids began business in 1963. Our journey has seen us undertake many different aspects of orchid growing from export of cut flower Cymbidiums, to pot plant Cymbidiums, Phalaenopsis and Sarcophilus, and in recent times, expanding into retail through our website. Since the early 1970's we have operated an onsite orchid tissue culture laboratory to meet the needs of our own production. We began by specialising in Cymbidium cloning and seed raising, before expanding into different genera. Our lab methods have since evolved to encompass the various requirements of Phalaenopsis, Cattleya, Dendrobium, Oncidium, Zygopetalum and Sarcophilus. Today we produce many thousands of flasks for export as well as our own use.

Commitment.

We will honour Pauline's pricing on the material already in the lab. This includes clones, seed pods and ploidy treatment conversions. We will, however, be using our payment timing schedule on this material. This schedule is shown further in this email and is available on our website.

Moving.

Here is what is happening if you have plantlets in Pauline's lab. If the material is in the final stage, Pauline will send this to you as soon as it is ready. For material that is a protocorm stage, this will be sent over to us to replate. The material transferred from Pauline will arrive here late October or November. When it arrives, we will enter the codes into our database. I'm not putting a time frame on this for now as there will be plenty going on and getting the material organised and under lights will be our priority.

What's happening here.

We are extending our packing shed to house a new lab and flask growing area. The slab is down, and the steel shed kit arrived this week. The build is scheduled for early December. While the extension is being completed our existing lab will continue to operate unaffected and will be accepting new material.

Information storage.

Using the experience of our own lab and dealing with labs around the world, both good and bad, we have developed a database to manage the material in the lab. This includes barcoding and multiple scan points to keep your plants true to label. In a first for Aussie labs, this database will be online. You will receive log in details via email as we sort the mother flasks, from which you will be able to access our portal and check on the progress of your material. This will be a live portal, updated as we do your work, and you will be able to check in at any time.

What we offer.

We offer seed raising, cloning starting, full process cloning and ploidy conversion treatment. We have worked with Cymbidium, Sarcophilus, Phalaenopsis, Dendrobium, Oncidium alliance, Zygopetalum alliance, Cattleya alliance and Vanda including Neofinetia. We are happy to try any other genera except Paphiopedilum.

The seed raising process.

Mother flasking: This is the process of spreading the sterile seed (from the unsplit pod) onto germination media. We will plant 2 mother flasks per pod. We do not offer dry seed processing. Payment must be made at time of processing regardless of result. We will email you with a link to make the payment.

Ploidy conversion: Additional \$20 per flask. (Minimum 2 flasks) This is the process of converting, usually, diploids to tetraploids. We offer treatment with Oryzalin of seedlings and clones. Oryzalin is a chemical found in a group of herbicides. It affects the way plant cells divide. We treat a flask of corms at the time we do the rough spread. We have found that treatment of seedling with any conversion agent is not 100% affective. With clones we at least have a chance to select plants that show signs of conversion. If you are wanting to have some or all of a cross converted, we need to know as early as possible, preferably when you send the pods.

Rough Spreading. Once the seed has germinated, **we will confirm germination** and ask for confirmation of order. We will then make rough spreads. This allows the plantlets to develop in a more balanced way. A payment of 60% of the final replat total is payable at this time. We will email you with a link to make the payment.

Replating: (Price includes the 500ml flasks) As the plantlets develop, they are spaced out to 25 plants per flask. You may request that we plant fewer plants per flask, cost will \$1.55 per plant. This process is called replating. These are the flasks you will receive. The minimum number of replat flasks is 2 per cross.

Final payment and shipping: When the flasks are ready for shipping, we will let you know and request final payment. We ship in flask unless requested otherwise. We have shipped flasks all over the world and find in flask to be the best method to get the plants to you. The whole process from sending the seed to flasks ready for you to grow out takes from one year to 18 months give or take. At the completion of your order we will dispose of the remaining material.

Labelling and sending your material

Some plants can be tricky to work with in the bottle. We need to know the genera or intergeneric name for growing media selection. If you have a suggestion, such as planting reduced numbers of plants in a jar to help get you a better result, would love to hear it. We are open to working with you. **We do not want to know the parents of your crosses or the name of your clones.** This is for both ours and your protection. We will not sell your crosses unless we have a written agreement in place before the material arrives. We have all heard of or experienced labs that sell material that is not theirs to sell. **We will never do this.**

Label the wrapped pods with a cross number for identification. We request that the code is in the format of three letters followed by a number of 1 to 4 digits. For example, ABC001, ABC022, ABC103... Many customers use their initials or business name initials for easy recognition. Please contact us to confirm your prefix code so we do not have duplications in the lab.

Please use our material lodgement form when submitting pods or email an excel sheet. A copy of the form can be downloaded from this link: [Lodgement form.](#)

We strongly recommend you use Express Post to send us your material. It is best to wrap the pod (s) or leads individually in an envelope taped shut or wrapped in paper. Paper towel works well for this. Do not wet the material or use plastic bags because this holds in moisture and can cause bacterial or fungal growth to start. Put the pods or lead in a box, not a plastic postbag. We have seen pods squashed to bursting in the plastic shipping bags.

Mail to:

Barrita Orchids
121 Barnes Rd
Kulnura NSW, 2250

Barrita Orchids CHARGES

Pods

Pod sowing. \$35 Includes 2 mother flasks

Spread. Included at no charge.

Final replate. \$35 per flask of 25 plants

Discounts.

We offer a structured discount on the final replate as set out below.

\$31.50 each for 4-5 flasks.

\$29.75 each for 6-7 flasks.

\$28 each 8-12 flasks.

\$24.50 each for 13+ flasks.

Ploidy conversion. Additional \$20 per flask. (Minimum 2 flasks)

Cloning

Process of lead: \$75.00

Structured quantity pricing.

50 – 75 plants \$2.50 per plant.

76 – 125 plants \$2.00 per plant.

126 – 300 plants \$ 1.80 per plant.

>301 plants \$1.50 per plant.

Ploidy conversion. Additional \$20 per flask. (Minimum 2 flasks)

Confirmation of quantity. 60% of the final total

Final payment and freight. The remaining 40% of the final total and freight by arrangement.

Payment timing schedule.

Pod sowing and lead processing. We will email you a payment link the day we receive your material. This must be paid immediately.

Order confirmation. 60% of order total. We apply discounts to the invoice once you confirm the order

Final payment. Remaining 40% and freight charge. Payment is required before we send the flasks.

Payment methods.

The payment emails contain a link that will take you to our website to complete your purchase.

We offer several options including credit card, PayPal and Afterpay. If you do not use any of these payment services, you can contact us for transfer options. We DO NOT accept cheques. If there is a problem, please email or call so we can work it out.

If you do not respond to our attempts to contact you at any of the points mentioned above, we will cease work and give you three months to respond before discarding the material.

Our Commitment.

This service is an expansion of a core part of our business. We have structured it to encompass the best of our experiences and protect you and ourselves from the worst that we have all been exposed to over time. Our commitment to you is to make information available to you and provide good quality plants in flask.

We look forward to working with you in the future.

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Editor's note

In the electronic version of this magazine, there are links available to the Barrita Orchids web site. The electronic form is sent to financial members who have registered their email address with us, and is also available on our web site cymorchidssa.com.au



These are photographs of part of the Barrita Orchids laboratory, where they will produce flasks of seedlings and clones to order



These are photographs of flasks produced by the Barrita Orchids Laboratory

We should have no problem growing on plants like these



Good strong root systems are good signs that plants should grow on quickly

The photos on this page and the next one, come from the excellent presentation by Kevin Mclean, at our last meeting



Parts of a cymbidium flower

CYMBIDIUM HABITAT

TROPICAL AND SUB TROPICAL ASIA

INDIA CHINA

MALAYSIA THE PHILIPPINES

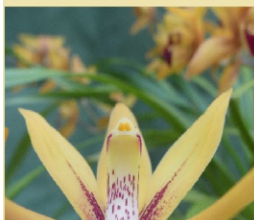
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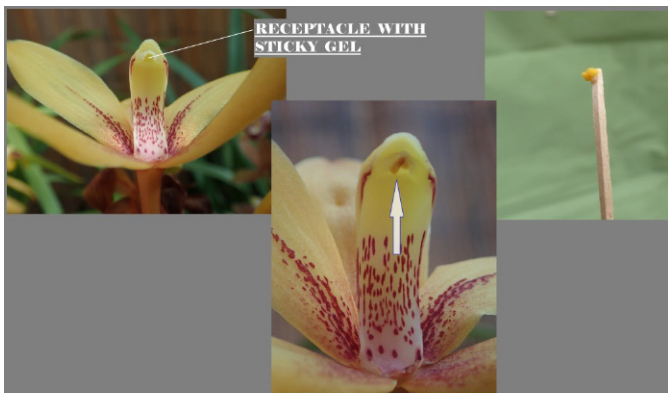
Where our Species Cymbidiums came from

FLOWERING TIME

The way we hybridize plants with different flowering times



POLLEN WILL KEEP FOR OVER A YEAR IN THE FRIDGE



The important parts of a cymbidium flower

Female part, the column

Male part. Two balls of pollen



COLUMN SWELLS

HORMONES PRODUCED TO

STIMULATE OVA GROWTH

HORMONES ALSO STILULATE

PLANT TO KEEP FEEDING

SPIKE



MATURE POD

OLD FLOWER

Photos from Kevin McLean's presentation at the October 2021 meeting

Development of a seed pod

Above Flower some weeks after Pollinating

At left Seed pods Can be as big as a smallish banana

Below Millions of very small seeds

HOW MANY SEED



**3,000,000 TO
3,500,000**

**GROW 100 PLANT = 100 IN 3,500,000
= 1 IN 35,000**



Graham Fear has found two new pot stands at Kmart that are perfect for Cascading plants

The top of them hold 17cm (7 inch) pots perfectly and 20cm (8 inch) pots will fit in about 6cm into the pot , or you can turn them up side down and they are still sturdy and will hold both 20cm and 23cm pots.

Their dimensions are

Small one is 40cm high and the large is 60cm high and both have a base of 22cm and a top of 17cm diameter.

Available from the home accessories area of Kmart.

The smaller one costs about \$5.00

The larger one costs about \$6.00



At left is the photograph of Cricket 'Invincibles' standing in one of the stands described above

Cricket is a very late season flowering decorative Miniature

It can be difficult to manage, and to display it to it's best.

Relatively cheap stands are a great way to display dangles

The next few months are really important for your successful flowering next year.

Below are some hints to help you achieve success

Pot on, or divide your existing plants as needed, as soon as possible. Use the same type of potting mix for all of your plants. If possible, make your own potting mix. I use about 70 percent good quality pine bark, 20 percent coir (coconut fibre) and 10 percent small marble chips. I get my bark from Garden Grove at Golden Grove. Go there with some bags (available from fodder stores), and tie them at the top so they transport without spilling. Small marble chips (5mm) are also available from Garden Gove. Blocks of coir are available from Garden City Plastics. Add a little fertilizer to your potting mix. I add some Seamungus. I also add a couple of tablespoons of Seamungus, to the top of a pot, when potting up a plant. Cover the fertilizer with a thin layer of potting mix. Other growers have different formulas for their potting mix.

Move the plants in your shadehouse, so the large one are together, and other sizes are grown together. If possible make a list of all of your plants, together with details such as if they flowered in the last season, and how well they flowered. Use the list to discard poor performing varieties and individual plants.

Check your shadehouse for torn or damaged shadecloth, and repair it if needed. Rake up and remove all leaves and spilled potting mix.

Check your watering system and make sure all sprinklers are operating correctly. If you don't already have one, install an automatic watering system. This can be done cheaply, by a competent handyperson. Consider fitting foggers, to operate when temperature exceeds about 35 degrees Celsius. I run my foggers for one minute every half hour, from 10am until 4pm on very hot days. Cymbidiums love high humidity.

Set up a regular method to fertilize your plants. They will survive without being fed regularly, but feed them correctly, they will perform much better. Commercial growers feed their plants with every watering. If you can fertilize once each week, your plants will love you for it, and perform really well.

Consider purchasing new plants to try and achieve your growing expectations. The quality of plants is improving constantly, and unless you cull plants not achieving your expectations, and replace them with better varieties, your collection will quickly become outdated. Any new plant must be owned for at least six months before showing at a meeting or major show. It means that if you want to show a plant in the Spring Show (end of August), you must be growing it by the end of February. For a plant to be shown at the Winter Show (July), it must be yours by mid January.

Think about growing some seedlings. The quality of seedlings is such that high percentages of new seedlings, are better than the plants being currently grown. Expect disappointments, but flowering a good one will make those disappointments irrelevant. By careful plant selection you may be able to extend your flowering times. It is possible to get plants to make it possible to have plants in flower, all year.

If your growing area is shaded by trees or shrubs, see if you can prune them to make your growing area receive good quality sunlight for longer each day.

Check your plants for pests and diseases. Scale is a common problem. Scale particularly likes any Sarah Jean clone, and many plants with Sarah Jean in their breeding. They are a good indicator plant for the presence of scale in your collection. I keep a small hand sprayer handy at all times filled with spray. Pest oil, or eco oil combined with a good insecticide works well. If you see pests and diseased plants act immediately to fix the problem. Keep slug and snail bait spread all year. Rats and mice love eating parts of an orchid flower, but will also eat the bulbs of a plant, if nothing better is available. Hint, keep baits out all year round.

Watch out for two spotted mites (red spider). They are quite common in cymbidium collections. They love small plants (recently deflasked seedlings and clones are very at risk from this pest). They reside on the underside of leaves, and often make the underside of the leaves, have a silvery appearance.

Flower spikes for ultra early varieties, can appear before the end of the year. Flower spikes for mid and main season varieties show up from end of February, depending on individual varieties. Most plants will have shown their flower spikes, before the end of May, each year. One exception is the Sarah Jean clones. Often they are not showing at the end of May, and appear from June onwards. They grow very quickly, and are often in full flower 6 to 8 weeks after first showing, much faster than most other varieties. It is a good idea to insert stakes near each new spike, when spikes appear, and even start training the flower spike on the stake early. Some short spiking varieties, can have their spike length increased by carefully stretching it with a piece of elastic, or a yoyo. Don't go digging in the potting mix, looking for new flower spikes. It is very easy to damage new spikes, before they break the surface of the potting mix.

As your plants approach being in full flower, spend time manicuring the flower spikes, if you want to win a major prize at a show or meeting. Presentation is really, really important. Attention to detail is massive. Try to get all the flowers facing towards where the Judges will be viewing the plant from, and make the whole plant really attractive. You need to put in some effort to win major prizes. Good luck.

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The above notes are what I do each year. Other growers may offer differing advice. There are many ways to grow cymbidiums. They are really tough plants, but will grow and flower better, if good growing conditions are provided. Generally, give them good quality light, and water them well, and they will reward you well.

Pauline's Laboratory Service is pleased to announce the sale of its business to Barrita Orchids.

Refer pages 8, 9 and 10 in this magazine.

All work currently in progress will be honored at the current prices by Barrita, and any work in our lab at the time of sale will be supplied by us when it is ready. Payment for this work will be to us.

Any new work should be sent directly to Barrita orchids.

We would like to thank everyone for their business over the last 45 years, but it is time to retire and enjoy our life.

Thanks, Pauline

TRADING TABLE SUPPLIES

250mm Pot	\$1.30
200mm Pot	.80c
180mm Pot	.60c
140mm Pot	.50c
Stakes Bundle 25	\$4.50
Twist Ties Bundle 100	\$2.00
Labels Bundle 25	\$3.00
Calcium Nitrate	\$2.50
4 Head Dropper	\$9.00
Single Head Dropper	\$4.50
Trisodium Phosphate	\$5.00 per 500g, \$10 per Kg

Larger bags available but pre ordering is required.

Please phone Wayne Baylis to order

Home 08 8235 0340, Mobile 0417 887 431

(Best time to call is early evening on home number)

The next Meetings of the
Cymbidium Orchid Club of South Australia Inc.
Will be the Christmas Dinner
At the Warradale Hotel

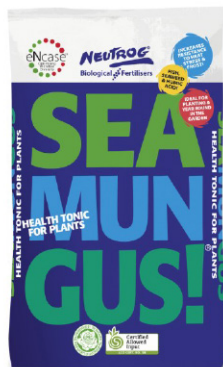
On Wednesday 24th November starting at 6pm

Note There will not be any judging of flowers on the night

Members can read a very interesting publication on Cymbidium growing
Cymbidium Chatter

On the net <https://www.cosv.com.au/publications-and-resources>
It is a publication with lots of good news, very much worth reading

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Spring, August

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Rats and mice are active in our gardens at the moment. First Strike Rodenticide is very effective in controlling these pests.

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Packs of 10 baits \$5.00, Packs of 25 \$10.00

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Sudden Impact for Roses
Ideal for all flowering and fruiting plants - not just roses. **20kg bag \$30**
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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**



Seamungus Green
The smaller crumble form makes Seamungus Green ideal for lawns and in dry conditions where more immediate breakdown is required. It can also be used as a plant tonic to revitalise all your plants throughout the year. **100% organic and ACO registered.**
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**October meeting 2021
Second Division
First Prize Large standard yellow
Unknown (probably Swallow)
Grown by Colin MacDonald**

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**Editor's note This is the type of plant which won prizes in the 50's and 60's
Different varieties of Swallow plants won many awards back then.**



November 2021 meeting

Best in Second Division

Peperuss 'Lavender Falls'

Grown by Peter Hennesey

