



# POS News

The Palomar Orchid Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the understanding and cultivation of both hybrid and species orchids. We welcome members of all levels to join us for orchid fun and learning! Our mission is to promote interest in the appreciation of orchids and to provide an opportunity for their display and the exchange and dissemination of information relating to their culture.

A Monthly Publication

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Meeting - February 6, 2019

Lake San Marcos Conference Center



## Repotting an older cymbidium

Want to remove old back bulbs and roots and divide the plant



We are delighted to welcome John Oswalt, second VP of the SD County Orchid Society, who will speak on 'Lessons Learned from Growing Cymbidium Orchids'. John's talk will highlight his experiences in growing and repotting cymbidium orchids and provide useful tips to both new and experienced orchid growers. This is a very timely talk as winter and spring are the main times for cymbidium flowering and the ideal time to divide and repot them is shortly after their blooming period.



Cym. Lotza Spetz 'Nancy'



## John Oswalt-speaker cont.

John Oswalt began growing orchids over 40 years ago when he was in high school. After college, he put this hobby on hold due to a demanding career and corporate relocations. After John retired in 2012, he embraced his hobby again in a big way. John grew a collection of orchids in Atlantic Beach, Florida and then moved his collection to San Diego in 2016. John was a member of the Jacksonville Orchid Society and now serves as second Vice President of the San Diego County Orchid Society. John has two greenhouses that are temperature and humidity-controlled year-round. He also has a large outdoor shade area. John has a broad collection of orchids, but particularly enjoys growing Cattleya Alliance and Cymbidium orchids. He has had good success with his plants and has

many practical lessons to share.

Opportunity table will be provided by Sunset Valley Orchids.



**Cym. Marie Bashir**



**Cym. Mad Gordon**

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### President's Message

Sunny days are here again!! Most of us enjoyed the recent rainfalls that allowed us to forego watering our orchid collections (except those with greenhouses). Many of us have not watered for a month or more, which freed up time to do other activities and helped to reduce water usage.

We started off the New Year with an excellent talk from Brandon Tam of the Huntington Library and Botanic Gardens. Brandon shared his experiences on a trip to visit the orchids of Ecuador. In addition, Brandon offered to host our orchid society (and others), including free admission, to a private viewing of the Huntington's orchid collection in

the future. That is a very nice offer that we may consider later in the year as a potential caravan.

For February, we welcome John Oswalt of the San Diego County Orchid Society (SDCOS) to talk to us about his ideas on repotting and growing cymbidium orchids.

## Presidents Message con.

This is an excellent talk at this time of the year since it's a perfect time to divide and report cymbidiums following the blooming season.

The Board had its first meeting of 2019 and discussed a number of topics, including the identification of speakers for this year, the POS Auction on May 11, our Orchid Display for the SDCOS Show in March, orchid caravans, how to increase attendance at meetings and getting new members. We want to improve the quality and content of our meetings, but need input from members. Please consider becoming more involved and providing input to Alex or Bill. If there are certain topics of interest to you or if you have a recommendation for a speaker, let us know at the next meeting.

Occasionally our members aren't sure where our meetings will be held because of the changing venues last year due to circumstances beyond our control. For 2019 all of our meetings, including our auction on May 11, will be held in the Conference Center unless otherwise noted. Fortunately, our alternative site, the Pavilion, is only a few yards away so that is not a problem if you forget.

We put considerable effort into publishing our POS Newsletter each month. We aren't sure how many of you read it or what value it has to you. Let Alex or Bill know what you get out of the newsletter and what things you would like to see that aren't already included in it. Please also note the section that

identifies which members in the alphabet are asked to bring refreshments to the meeting. We all enjoy the goodies, but sometime participation results in too few snacks so please bring a snack when it's your turn.

As always Bill and Alex are available to listen to your suggestions, questions and concerns. Please call Bill at 760-931-0502 or Alex at 760-529-5814. Bill's e-mail is [billtcwong@att.net](mailto:billtcwong@att.net). Alex's e-mail is [anadzan@mac.com](mailto:anadzan@mac.com).

We are looking forward to seeing you in February.



### Annual Orchid Auction

**Saturday, February 9, 2019**  
*All Types of Orchids!*  
Admission is Free - Lots of Free Parking  
Preview at 11 a.m. Auction at 12 pm noon.  
Credit Cards Accepted!

San Marcos Community Center  
3 Civic Center Drive  
San Marcos, CA 92069

For more info contact: Ivan Allen 760.533.4975

Sponsored by the San Diego County Cymbidium Society  
Monthly meetings (except July, August and December)  
on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday, 6:30pm at the San Marcos Senior Activity Center,  
111 Richmar Ave, San Marcos, CA.



### General Meeting Information

South of the San Marcos Blvd. intersection. Traveling on I5 South from Oceanside and North Carlsbad, take the Palomar Airport exit and turn right onto Rancho Santa Fe after about 7 miles. Traveling North on I5 from South Carlsbad and Encinitas, for example, take the La Costa Ave. exit and turn left onto Rancho Santa Fe. The entrance to the resort will be the first right after the fire station in San Marcos. Inside the resort at the first "T" intersection, turn left on San Marino Drive. At the next 4-way intersection, take the right turn onto La Bonita Drive. The Palomar Orchid Society regularly meets the FIRST WEDNESDAY of every month at the Conference Center at Lake San Marcos (1105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078). Traveling on State Route 78, take the Rancho Santa Fe exit and head South. The entrance to the Lake San Marcos Resort is on your left about a 1/4 mile and way STOP, turn right on La Bonita Drive. Proceed ahead for one block on La Bonita. The conference center will be on the left and there is plenty of parking in front.



**2019 POS Officers**

**Co-President:** Alex Nadzan & Bill Wong

**Co-1st Vice President/Programs:** Tom Wisniewski & Alex Nadzan

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Alex's Blc. San Diego  
Hotspots x C. Horace  
Maxima



Bill's C. Melody Fair  
'Carol'



Jerry Spencer's Cym.  
Where's Wally 'Copperpot'



Merle's Cattleya percivaliana

**January Meeting photos taken  
by Debra Funakoshi**

Anita's Lc. Volcano  
Trick 'Fireball'



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## CALENDAR

### February 5, 2019

Orchid Judging Center  
Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting  
Casa Del Prado in Balboa Park  
[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)

### February 6, 2019

POS General Meeting Conference  
Center at Lake San Marcos  
[palomarorchid.org](http://palomarorchid.org).

### February 9, 2019

San Diego Cymbidium Society  
Auction  
San Marcos Community Center  
3 Civic Center Drive  
San Marcos, CA 92069  
[sdcymbidium.org](http://sdcymbidium.org)

### February 8-10, 2019

NHOS Orchid Expo and Sale  
Westminster Mall (second floor  
near Pennys), Westminster, CA  
[www.nhosinfo.org/orchidshow](http://www.nhosinfo.org/orchidshow)

### February 9, 2019

Judging AOS, Huntington Botanical  
Gardens, Mishler Resource  
Building, 1151 Oxford Rd., San  
Marino, CA at 10:00 AM

### February 15, 2019

Orchid Odessy  
San Diego Zoo Orchid Greenhouse  
San Diego, CA

### February 20, 2019

Cymbidium Society General  
Meeting, San Marcos Senior  
Center  
[sdcymbidium.org](http://sdcymbidium.org)

### February 21-24, 2019

Pacific Orchid Exposition Orchid  
Show, Golden Gate Park, Hall of  
Flowers  
[SFdorchids.com](http://SFdorchids.com)

### March 5, 2019

SDCOS General Meeting  
Casa Del Prado in Balboa Park  
[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)

### March 6, 2019

POS General Meeting  
Conference Center at Lake San  
Marcos  
[palomarorchid.org](http://palomarorchid.org).

### March 15-17, 2019

74th Santa Barbara International  
Orchid Show, Earl Warren  
Fairgrounds, Santa Barbara  
[sborchidshow.com](http://sborchidshow.com)

### March 16, 2019

744th Annual Cymbidium Congress  
Santa Barbara International Orchid  
Show, Earl Warren Fairgrounds,  
Santa Barbara  
[cymbidium.org](http://cymbidium.org)

### March 20, 2019

San Diego Cymbidium Society  
General Meeting, San Marcos  
Community Center, San Marcos  
[sdcymbidium.org](http://sdcymbidium.org)

### March 22-24, 2019

SDCOS Spring Orchid Show and Sale,  
Scottish Rite Event Center, San Diego  
[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)

### April 2, 2019

Orchid Judging Center  
Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting  
Casa Del Prado in Balboa Park  
[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)

### April 3, 2019

POS General Meeting Conference  
Center at Lake San Marcos  
[palomarorchid.org](http://palomarorchid.org).

### April 13, 2019

Judging AOS, Huntington Botanical  
Gardens, Mishler Resource  
Building, 1151 Oxford Rd., San  
Marino, CA at 10:00 AM

[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)

### April 17, 2019

San Diego Cymbidium Society  
General Meeting, San Marcos  
Community Center, San Marcos

### April 19, 2019

Orchid Odyssey  
San Diego Zoo  
[sandiegozoo.org](http://sandiegozoo.org)

### May 11, 2019

POS Auction  
Conference Center at Lake San  
Marcos  
[palomarorchid.org](http://palomarorchid.org)

### July 27-28, 2019

San Diego County Orchid Society  
Summer Show In The Park  
Show and Sale  
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, San  
Diego, CA  
[sdorchids.co](http://sdorchids.co)

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## Other Orchid Societies' Meetings

### San Diego County Orchid Society

Meets First Tuesday of each month  
at 7:30 pm in Room 101 in the Casa  
del Prado of Balboa Park in San  
Diego Bob Clark (858) 270-8352  
San Diego  
[membership@sdorchids.com](mailto:membership@sdorchids.com)

### Cymbidium Society

Regular meetings 3rd Wednesday of  
each month, September-June, 7pm,  
San Marcos Community Center  
111 Richmar Ave, San Marcos 92078  
[sdcymbidium.org](http://sdcymbidium.org)

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**Judging at the San Diego  
Judging Center (Casa Del Prado,  
Balboa Park),**

January 2019.

Text and photos by Phyllis Prestia.

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**There were 12 orchids presented  
for judging. Three were awarded:**

Ctmds. Dragon's Glade 'Zeus'  
AM/AOS

Exhibited by Fred Clarke

Awarded AM/AOS 82 points

Ctt. Tropical Splash 'SVO' HCC/AOS

Exhibited by Fred Clarke

Awarded HCC/AOS 77 points

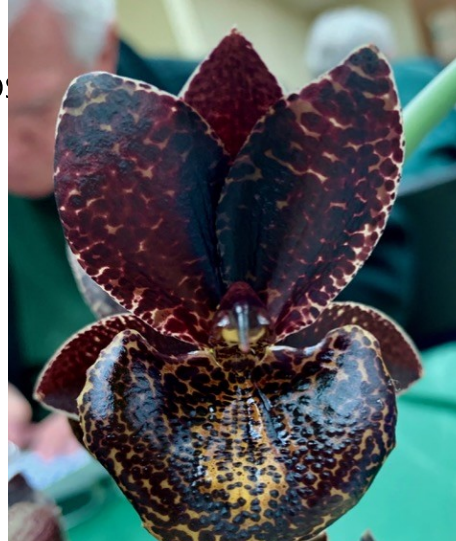
Morm. Midnight Hooker 'SVO'  
HCC/AOS

Exhibited by Fred Clarke

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Ctmds Dragon's Glade  
'Zeus' AM/AOS



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2018-19 CSA San Marino Judging  
Center Schedule Judging  
Cymbidiums, Paphiopedilums,  
Phragmipediums Huntington  
Botanical Gardens Mishler  
Resource Building 1151 Oxford  
Road, San Marino, CA 91108  
12:30pm Registration 1:00pm  
Judging Next sessions are:  
February 9, March 9, April 13,  
May 11, Summer Break, Aug 10,  
Sept. 14, Oct 12, Nov. 9, Dec 14

Contact Phyllis Prestia, San  
Marino Judging Chair

[orchldy1@mac.com](mailto:orchldy1@mac.com)

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**Cultural Techniques for Growing Cymbidiums with George Hatfield**

**Wednesday, February 13th, 2018 @ 8:30 PM – 9:30 PM EST Webinar for AOS Members Only**

Please join George Hatfield of Hatfield Orchids, premier hybridizer and grower of Cymbidiums. He will share tips on getting them to flower with lots of flowers and cultural techniques for growing award-winning Cymbidiums!

Register now using this link: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/8443419564208111107>



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The **MAGIC**  
of the  
44<sup>th</sup> Annual  
**Cymbidium  
Congress**  
happens  
**March 16, 2019**  
in conjunction with the  
SANTA BARBARA INTERNATIONAL ORCHID SHOW  
Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara California



register online at  
[WWW.CYMBIDIUM.ORG](http://WWW.CYMBIDIUM.ORG)

- Carol Butcher
- Dr. Ken Cameron
- Wenqing Perner
- Dr. Randall Robinson
- Dave Sorokowsky
- Continental Breakfast & Luncheon
- Evening Reception
- Auction of Unusual Orchids
- Gala Awards Banquet
- Unlimited Entry to Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, March 15-17, 2019

The  
Orchid  
Treasures  
will be  
revealed  
March 2019



Spring Show and Sale • March 22-24, 2019  
San Diego County Orchid Society • [sdorchids.com/ot](http://sdorchids.com/ot)



**COOL GROWING ORCHID SOCIETY**



**Annual Orchid Auction  
April 10, 2019**

Garden Grove Masonic Lodge  
11270 Acacia Pkwy GG 92840

Preview - 6:30 pm Auction - 7:00 pm

Free: Parking - Admission - Refreshments

[www.coolorchids.org](http://www.coolorchids.org)

Newport Harbor Orchid Society  
**Orchid Expo & Sale 2019**



**Orchid Mania!**

Orchid Displays  
Vendor Sales  
Re-potting Classes  
Botanic Art & Bonsai Exhibit

February 8, 9 & 10    Friday: 10am-9pm  
Westminster Mall    Saturday: 10am-8pm  
Orange County, CA    Sunday: 11am-6pm



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on 2nd Floor  
(near Penney's wing)

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