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Monthly meetings are held at the Millwell Road Community Centre, 11 Millwell Road (East) Maroochydore. (Behind the Plaza Shopping Centre.) unless otherwise advised. See <u>Event Diary</u> Meeting preparation starts prior to 1.30pm with proceedings beginning at 1.40pm. Afternoon tea is available and members should bring their own cup. Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$1.00 each, proceeds from the raffle help offset the club's meeting expenses.

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Meeting Attendance

August 20th - Members 52 Visitors 1 Apologies 4 September 17th - Members 43 Visitors 2 Apologies 11

Welcome to New Members

Michael Owen

Message from the editor Newsletter: Ralf Schenk

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Meeting Programme 2022/2023

- 1. Hall set up (members)
- 3. Popular choice set up and judging
- 5. Tea break and plant sales
- 7. Show and Tell

- 2. Committee Meeting when advised.
- 4. Opening and introduction by President
- 6. Popular Choice results & photos for Newsletter
- 8. Plant Raffle draw

Note: Variation of meeting programme in place when not held at the hall venue.

Date	Location & Topic	<u>Presenter</u>
Sat 20th Aug -	General Meeting Millwell Rd. Community Centre Sausage Sizzle, Popular Choice - Plant Sales Show and Tell Sharing of plants that may be considered rare or simply plants not often seen.	Members
Sat 17th Sep -	Millwell Rd. Community Centre Committee meeting followed by General Meeting Show and Tell	Members
Sat 15th Oct -	Garden Meeting at Stan & Jane Walkley residence General discussion, recent garden developments. Sausage Sizzle	
Sat 19th Nov -	General Meeting Millwell Rd. Community Centre Sausage Sizzle Commentary on plants for Monster Plant Raffle Draw of tickets for Monster Raffle	Committee
Sat 3rd Dec -	Christmas breakup at the Cheryl Basic residence	
Sat 21st Jan -	General Meeting Millwell Rd. Community Centre Sausage Sizzle, Popular Choice - Plant Sales Guest Speaker Topic Tillandsia's	Mike Miller

The following describes the requirements when Popular Choice, Plant Sales and Raffle Plants are held at meetings.

POPULAR CHOICE

Categories are (a) Neoregelia, (b) Pattern Leaf Vriesea, (c) Other Genera, (d) Tillandsia (e) Goudea, Guzmania & Vriesea, Nidularium (f) Foliage and Flowering.

Remember to bring in one more of your plants for the above sections.

To all members please place your vote for the plant in each section as your choice.

PLANT SALES

Note: Plants brought in for sale require sales stickers to be attached identifying the plant, cost and owner's initials for both parts of sale sticker.

When approaching the sales counter the lower tab is removed by the person in charge and accepts payment. (No credit card facility is available)

PLANTS FOR RAFFLE

Members bringing in plants for the raffle are to ensure plants are free from pests, scale and water. Other items of interest for members can be bought in, e.g. chocolates, garden pots, or anything that you may like to win as a prize.

AFTERNOON TEA & COFFEE

Please note that the kitchen afternoon tea and coffee - restricted handling by nominated catering staff. There is a water cooler for use at anytime should you feel thirsty.

Members are requested to bring their own drinking mug or cup.

Millwell Road Community Centre - General Meeting Saturday 20th August 2022



BBQ snack

Chit Chat amongst members





Always something to talk about prior to start of meeting



Happy snap Steve Flood, Ron Murray, Nigel Thomson & Steve Barrett



While seated relaxing in the sunshine

Popular Choice - Sat. 20th August 2022 NEOREGELIA"S





1st Nigel Thomson 12 Votes Neo. Black Opal x Skotak's Tiger



2nd Sue Murray 8 Votes Neo. Canefire F2



3rd Michael Richards 6 Votes Neo. Palmares

Popular Choice - Sat 20th August 2022 TILLANDSIA'S



1st Nigel Thomson (19 Votes) Till. bulbosa



2nd (5 Votes) Greg Jones Till. cacticola



3rd (3 Votes) Stan Walkley Till. zacapensis

Popular Choice - Sat. 20th August, 2022 GOUDAEA, GUZMANIA, VRIESEA, NIDULARIUM



Nigel Thomson 1st - 21 Votes Guz. Mia



Stan Walkley 2nd - 4 Votes Guz. Rosita



Equal 3rd - 3 Votes

Sue Pedler Nid. chantilieri?

Steve Flood Guz. Red Star variegated

Popular Choice - Sat. 20th August 2022 OTHER GENERA



Stan Walkley 1st - 16 Votes Sincoregelia Estacy



Equal 2nd Sue Murray - 6 Votes Sincoraea andarii



Equal 2nd Nigel Thomson - 6 Votes Aechmea chantinii Black

Popular Choice - Sat. 20th August, 2022 FOLIAGE & FLOWERING



Left - 1st Frank Tucker 14 Votes Orchid - Paphiopedalum Villosum



Above - 2nd Stuart Cheyne 6 Votes Rhipsalis capilliforms



Left - 3rd Juliet Robinson 5 Votes Orchid - Dendrobium Speciosum

Popular Choice - Sat. 20th August, 2022 PATTERN LEAF VRIESEA



1st Nigel Thomson (17 Votes) Vr. Abagail Jean



2nd Stan Walkley (7 Votes) Vr. Pink Cloud



3rd Sue Murray (5 Votes) Vr. Pacific Autumn

Meeting Assorted Pics



President Steve Flood presenting Julie Walker with the lucky door prize donated by Stan Walkley



Last of the sausages, bring in your own steak and it's cook on the spot



Gaye taking out the tickets for Kendall to announce the lucky winners of the Raffle

Millwell Road Community Centre - General Meeting Saturday 17th September 2022





Prior meeting conversations





Faces in the crowd





Meeting in progress

Popular Choice - Sat. 17th September 2022 NEOREGELIA'S



1st Glenda Verner (14 Votes) Neo. Sugar Mill



2nd Cheryl Basic (10 Votes) Neo. Big Bopper



1st Stuart & Jill Cheyne (6 Votes) Neo. Exotica

Popular Choice - Sat. 17th September 2022 GOUDAEA, GUZMANIAS,VRIESEA, NIDULARIUM



Sue Pedler 1st (12 Votes) Guz. Noid



Left: Jill Cheyne 2nd (7 Votes) Guz. Unknown Name



Above: Steve Flood 3rd (5 Votes) Goudaea gruberi x Vr. poelmanni

Popular Choice - Sat. 17th September 2022 FOLIAGE & FLOWERING



1st Steve Flood (14 Votes) Dendrobium kingianum



Above 2nd Frank Tucker (8 Votes) Potinara Orchid - Jungle Fire Koah Siuew

Right: 3rd Frank Tucker (4Votes) Anthurium - andreanum anuenue



Popular Choice - Sat. 17th Sep 2022 PATTERN LEAF VRIESEA



1st Glenda Verner (11 Votes) Vr. Crimson Bling



2nd Sue Pedler (10 Votes) Vr. Crimson Lace



3rd Cheryl Basic (6 Votes) Vr. heiroglyphica

Popular Choice - Sat. 17th September 2022 OTHER GENERA



1st Steve Flood (17 Votes) Aechmea recurvata



2nd Stuart & Jill Cheyne (8 Votes) Billbergia - Queens Tears



3rd Mary DeHayr (5 Votes) Cryptanthus

Popular Choice - Sat. 17th September 2022 - TILLANDSIA 1st Tillandsia schiediana brought in by Juliet Robinson - no picture taken

Plant Display - Regis Aged Care Kuliun

Ron's Garden Project October 2021



The above depicts the work carried out by our member Ron Leng as means of passing the time of day and the enjoyment of seeing the end result which prior to any planting was a bland boulder wall. Most of the plants have been donated by Ron and it is truly a work of art for which he can be very proud. It's been and will continue to be a sight to behold for not only the residents but also the visitors that come and pay their respects to a family loved one.

Presidents Message

I hope this report finds our members in good spirits even though spring is slow to embrace us this year. Night temperatures at Mooloolah Valley until recently have been too low for general plant propagation practices normally instigated in September. Once the warm weather kicks in we should have a good growing season with heaps of summer rain predicted. It is probably a good time to reflect on the potting media we use for our plants. Ask yourself 'Is the mix adequately drained to cope with a wet summer?'. Also consider fertiliser regimes as heavy rains leach nutrients from potting media and garden soils.

Recent society meetings have been well attended. For those unable to attend, in August Stan Walkley showed slides of the vast Bromeliad collection that Jane and Stan have accumulated at their Rosemount property. In September Bruce Dunstan gave a presentation entitled 'Tillandsias in habitat' which was based on the extensive exploration he has conducted in central and south America.

The committee is always looking for guest speakers so if any member knows someone who might be suitable to speak at one of our meetings, please let a committee member know.

As we enter the busiest time of year for serious gardeners, I wish you all a successful growing season.

Best wishes to all

Steve Flood

Coming Events

Sat. 15th October 2022

Sunshine Coast Bromeliad Society Inc. Garden Meeting

Stan & Jane Walkley

470 Petrie Creek Road, Rosemount

Sat. 3rd December 2022

Sunshine Coast Bromeliad Society Inc.

Christmas Break Up

Cheryl Basic's Residence

1560 Yandina Coolum Road, Yandina

Sat. 16th January 2023

Sunshine Coast Bromeliad Society Inc.

General Meeting

Guest Speaker - Mike Miller

Millwell Road Community Centre

Sat. 20th February 2023

Sunshine Coast Bromeliad Society Inc. General Meeting

Millwell Road Community Centre

Time For Some Humour

Red Skeleton's Recipe for a Perfect Marriage

Two times a week we go to a nice restaurant, have a little beverage, good food and companionship. She goes on Tuesdays; I go on Fridays.

We also sleep in separate beds. Hers is in California, and mine is in Texas.

I take my wife everywhere.... but she keeps finding her way back.

I asked my wife where she wanted to go for our anniversary. 'Somewhere I haven't been in a long time!' she said. So, I suggested the kitchen.

We always hold hands. If I let go, she shops. She has an electric blender, electric toaster, and electric bread maker.

She said, 'There are too many gadgets, and no place to sit down!' So, I bought her an electric chair.

My wife told me the car wasn't running well because there was water in the carburetor. I asked where the car was. She told me, 'In the lake.'

She got a mud pack and looked great for two days. Then the mud fell off.

She ran after the garbage truck, yelling, 'Am I too late for the garbage?'

The driver said, 'No, jump in!'

Remember: Marriage is the number one cause of divorce.

I married Miss Right. I just didn't know her first name was Always.

I haven't spoken to my wife in 18 months I don't like to interrupt her.

The last fight was my fault though. My wife asked, 'What's on the TV?' I said, 'Dust!'

Time For Some Humour continued

A girl I know went to the zoo and accidentally dropped her phone. She didn't want it back.



I was so suspicious and paranoid about my wife having an affair, that we moved to the Shetland Islands.

I couldn't believe my luck when we still managed to keep the same window cleaner!

