Sunshine Coast Bromeliad Society Inc. Newsletter

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Popular Choice: Michael Richards, Sue Loughran, Stan Walkley, Sue Murray

Plant Sales: Ralf Schenk Catering: Mary de Hayr

Kendall Ross, Gaye Cook Raffle's:

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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 Event Diary 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

Jan 21st Steve Flood's residence - Members 41, Visitors 6, Apologies 9

Feb 18th MRCC - Members 60, Visitors 3, Apologies Nil

Welcome to new members

Andre de Does, Kit Badham, Alan Ludlow, Marilyn Ludlow

Member Deceased

Goff Loughran passed away last Saturday condolences to Sue and family from SCBS.

Message from the editor Newsletter: Ralf Schenk

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Meeting Programme 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.

<u>Date</u> <u>Location & Topic</u> <u>Presenter</u>

Sat 18th Mar.- Millwell Road Community Centre

General Meeting

Popular Choice - Plant Sales

Slide Show Presentation Landscaping with Aroids

Steve Flood

Sat 15th Apr.- Millwell Road Community Centre

General Meeting

Popular Choice - Plant Sales- Show and Tell

Sat 20th May.- Millwell Road Community Centre

General Meeting

Popular Choice - Plant Sales- Show and Tell

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

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 owners 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.

MEMBERSHIP DUES

To assist in payment please place registration in an envelope (available from our Membership Secretary (Peter Cook). Clearly mark the envelope with your name/names and payment enclosed. Have your contact details changed? If so please include changes so our records are up to date.

Garden Meeting Steve Flood's Residence Saturday 21st January 2023



Be early for the premium parking spots





Its help yourself at the BBQ table



Peter Cook helping out with the sign in register





Settling in before start of meeting

Garden Meeting Steve Flood's Residence Saturday 21st January 2023







Presentations by Steve Flood, Stan Walkley and Cheryl Basic





Also Yves Daniel and Bruce Dunstan





Members eagerly awaiting the Raffle Draw carried out by Kendal Ross and Gaye Cook 5

Millwell Road Community Centre - General Meeting Saturday 18th February 2023



Preparing the hall for the meeting



You have to be early to get the bench



Raffle plants on display



General activity prior to start of meeting



Guest Speaker Mike Miller preparing his presentation



Presentation in progress

Millwell Road Community Centre - General Meeting Saturday 18th February 2023





Presentation in progress

Annual General Meeting

Saturday 18th February 2023



Election of office bearers 2023 from left to right Cheryl Basic (Treasurer), Stan Walkley (committee Member), Ralf Schenk (Secretary), Steve Flood (President), Sue Murray (Committee Member), Nigel Thomson (Vice President) Not in the picture Stephen Bartlett (Committee Member)

Popular Choice - Sat. 18th February 2023 NEOREGELIA"S



Left-1st (11 Votes) caroline x Hannibal Lector x Tiger Cub x punctatissma Right 2nd (7 Votes) Stan Walkley - Heat Rash





3rd Glenda Verner 5 Votes Neo. Highlander

Popular Choice - Sat. 18th February 2023 GOUDAEA, GUZMANIA, VRIESEA, NIDULARIUM



1st Sue Pedler - Guz. Noid

Popular Choice - Sat. 18th February 2023 TILLANDSIA



1st - 10 Votes Nigel Thomson capitata Tall Yellow



2nd - 7 Votes James Drake cyanea



3rd - 6 Votes Nigel Thomson juncifolia Red

Popular Choice - Sat. 18th February 2023 OTHER GENERA



1st - 12 Votes Juliet Robertson Aechmea fasciator smoothie



Above - 2nd Glenda Verner 11 Votes Billbergia Pink Mosiace

Left - 2rd Nigel Thomson 4 Votes Sincoregelia Birchwood Golden Eye

Popular Choice - Sat. 18th June, 2022 FOLIAGE & FLOWERING



Left - 1st Frank Tucker 11 Votes Alocasia Jack Lyn



Above - 2nd Juliet Robertson 9 Votes Oncidium Miltoniopsis



Left - 3rd Stuart & Jill Cheyne 5 Votes Calathea

Popular Choice - Sat. 18th February 2023 PATTERN LEAF VREISEA



1st Stan Walkley (12 Votes) Vr. In-Fell-Able



2nd Cheryl Basic (6 Votes) CB x hieroglyphica





Equal Third (5 Votes)

Stuart & Jill Cheyne Vistarella Note: Picture Shown is sample of plant brought In for Popular Choice

Glenda Verner saundersii

Millwell Road Community Centre - General Meeting

Saturday 18th February 2023



Darren Smith accepting the Cryptanthus trophy on behalf of Odile Maufrais, presented by President Steve Flood.

President's Report

Hi members; I hope you are all well and receiving some rain after a recent dry time. Because of the current interest in foliage plants, the main event at the March meeting will be a slide show 'Landscaping with Aroids'.

A recent article about pineapples in the Glasshouse Country News attracted my attention. For most pineapple growers the current season has been the most challenging in memory. A mass natural flowering event following heavy rain and cooler temperatures last year saw fruits open in weeks instead of months. The impact meant that tonnes of pineapples were going to waste. Since then, high profile campaigns including 'Tropical Pines' take Two initiative have helped reduce some of that waste. Likewise large retailers, normally strict on size, have allowed the sale of smaller pineapples to consumers.

It seems that pineapples are not the only Bromeliad that have had a mass flowering. Stan reports a mass flowering of his Alcantareas. I have had some Alcantareas and Aechmeas flower at a much smaller size than usual.

Now is the time to pay some attention to your Neoregelias if you haven't done so already. Our Neoregelia competition is coming up soon, so now is a good time to feed them with a liquid fertilizer high in Potassium. Providing the light is bright this practice should enhance the colour of your plants.

Steve Flood 13

Coming Events

TIME FOR SOME HUMOUR

SCBS Inc.

General Meeting, Millwell Road Hall, Maroochydore Sat 18th March 2023

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General Meeting, Millwell Road Hall, Maroochydore Sat 15th April 2023

Plant & Floral Spectacular Sat 15th April 10.00am - 3.30pm Sun 16th April 9.00am - 3.00pm Auditorium Brisbane Botanical Gardens Mt Coot-ha

SCBS Inc.

General Meeting, Millwell Road Hall, Maroochydore Sat 20th May 2023

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General Meeting, Millwell Road Hall, Maroochydore Sat 17th June 2023

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General Meeting, Millwell Road Hall, Maroochydore Sat 15th July2023

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General Meeting, Millwell Road Hall, Maroochydore Sat 19th August 2023

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General Meeting, Millwell Road Hall, Maroochydore Sat 16th September 2023



