

Sunshine Coast Bromeliad Society Inc.

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Club Website: scbs.org.au

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

Mar 18th MRCC - Members 45, Visitors 1, Apologies 8

Message from the editor Newsletter: Ralf Schenk

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Meeting Programme 2023

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| 1. Hall set up (members) | 2. Committee Meeting when advised. |
| 3. Popular choice set up and judging | 4. Opening and introduction by President |
| 5. Tea break and plant sales | 6. Popular Choice results & photos for Newsletter |
| 7. Show and Tell | 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>
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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.

Millwell Road Community Centre - General Meeting

Saturday 18th March 2023



Plant Raffle Tickets on sale



Raffle Plants on Display



Sandra Mitchell, Glenda Verner
Sue Pedler, Juliet Robinson, Louise Thompon



Herman Van de Meer, Frank Tucker
Stuart Cheyne



Seating of members prior to commencement of meeting and Slide Show presentation

General Meeting Millwell Road Community Centre

Saturday 18th March 2023



Presidents address at start of meeting



Show and Tell by Doug Cross



Its help your self at the at morning tea break



Peter Cook happy to answering any questions

Popular Choice - Sat. 18th March 2023 TILLANDSIA



1st -Stan Walkley
Silver Queen



2nd and 3rd James Drake
Hayleys Comet and gardenerii

Popular Choice - Saturday 18th March 2023
GOUDAEA, GUZMANIA, VRIESEA, NIDULARIUM



1st Sue Pedler - Guz. remyi



Equal 2nd Cheryl Basic Guz. blassii
 Stuart & Jill Cheyne - Vr. Amelia

NEOREGELIA



1st Glenda Verner -Neo. Ab Fab



2nd Sue Pedler - Neo. Loucana



Equal 3rd - Stuart & Jill Cheyne Neo Predator and Glenda Verner Neo Sugar Buzz

Popular Choice - Sat. 18th March 2023
OTHER GENERA



1st - 24 Votes
Olivia Smith
Cryptanthus Cosmic Storm



Above - 2nd Doug cross
4 Votes
Billbergia Tallegalla Everest



Left - 3rd Glenda Verner
2 Votes
Billbergia Sandra

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



1st Margaret Cross (17 Votes)
 Vr. Turkish Delight



2nd Stan Walkley (10 Votes)
 Vr. Pink Cloud



Cheryl Basic
 Vr. Visteralla Pink

Equal Third (2 Votes)

Sue Pedlar
 Vr. King David Kalakau F2

Popular Choice - Sat. 18th March 2023
FOLIAGE & FLOWERING



1st Steve Flood (13 Votes)
 Spathoglottis



2nd Bruce Dunstan (7 Votes)
 Anthurium Red Beauty x veitchii



Stan Walkley
 Anthurium Anderianum

Equal Third (2 Votes)

Nita Bettridge
 Dendrobium Little Princess x Kuranda

Millwell Road Community Centre - General Meeting

Saturday 18th March 2023

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

Coming Events

SCBS Inc.

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

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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 July 2023

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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

TIME FOR SOME HUMOUR

