



Bimer Bonsai Club Inc.

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July 2016 Newsletter

Next Meeting: 2nd July 2016

Church hall, Jaguar St, West Chermside
Meetings held 1st Saturday of each month, except January
Trade table / library open approx.. 1pm
Meeting commences 1:30pm
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Membership Fees

Single \$20
Family \$25

President's Message

Hello All,

It was disappointing that the last meeting had to be cancelled. The weather over that weekend was quite wild and roads were flooded. Messages were sent to those that received the newsletter by email only, so I hope no one turned up to the hall. If you have any doubts whether a meeting will be cancelled due to the bad weather, don't hesitate to call one of the committee members above on the day, or better yet, join the newsletter email list. We have plans to reschedule Michael's and David's presentations for a future meeting.

Speaking of the weather, it has been one of the wettest winters in some time for SE QLD. I have a rain gauge to let me know if there has been enough water for the trees. The rain in recent weekends maxed out the gauge in a day (130mm). During this time the trees will take a lot longer to dry so keep an eye on them and bring them out of the shade if needed to assist in drying.

Next meeting we have a workshop starting at 10am and will go through to the afternoon. This is an open workshop, so all members are encouraged to bring along a tree or two to work on or to get some advice. Since it is winter, heavy pruning should be avoided as the trees respond slowly at this time



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We will have a short break for the AGM at 1:30pm, which will not take long.

Nominations:

Position	Nominee	Nominated By	Seconded By
President	Albert G.	Jayne G.	Michael C.
Vice President	Michael C.	David C.	Steve T.
Secretary	Peter Mc.	Paul B.	Jim T.
Treasurer	Paul B.	Albert G.	Peter Mc.
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Memberships are also due now, so please pay at the door.

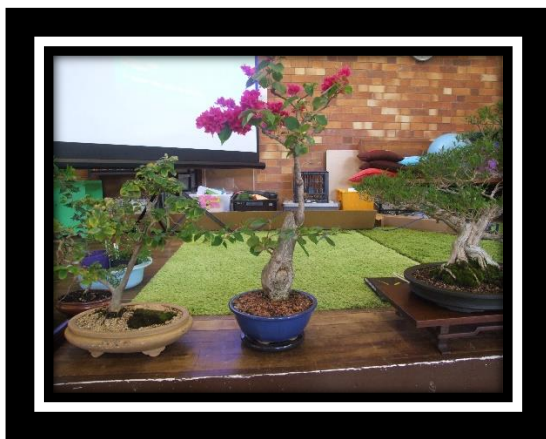
There have been a few members that have suffered from illnesses or injuries in the recent months. The club wishes you all a speedy recovery.

I have a few Bougainvilleas in flower at the moment and they are looking spectacular. The older variety of Bougie that I have tends to drop its leaves at this time of year and break out in a mass of flowers. Hopefully the heavy rains won't knock too many off. If you have one in flower please bring along to the meeting to display.

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Last Month's Meeting

As last month's meeting was cancelled due to poor weather, I have put up some photos of member's trees from previous meetings this year.



July Activities

There is not much to do in the bonsai garden this month, except to enjoy your trees, think about how you want them to develop, and what you will need to do to achieve those goals. Refer to last month's newsletter for a list of jobs that can be done now. Start looking at your soil mixes and pots to ensure you are ready for the re-potting period.

Lime Sulphur all your trees again this month as a preventative (do in May, June and July).

Display Table



Please remember to bring along a tree, **Bougainvillea**, for display this month, if you need some feedback or assistance with developing it into a bonsai. Any tree is welcome. An afternoon tea break will be available to pursue advice about your tree. Members are encouraged to share their accumulated knowledge with the newer members. There's also the chance to win an additional lucky door prize for any member who brings in a tree for display.

Visiting Tutor in August

On 6 August, we will have the pleasure of having Joe Morgan Payler as our visiting tutor. Joe has been around bonsai since 1999 and is a member of both the Bonsai Society of Victoria and Bonsai Northwest Inc. Joe has spent his time in bonsai learning from the many knowledgeable people in the Victorian scene and has benefited greatly from the visits from Hirotohi Saito. More recently he made the jump and studied in Japan under Mr. Urushibata where his passion for bonsai and its related techniques grew exponentially. Joe also demonstrated at the AABC conference in Brisbane in 2014 and Adelaide in 2015.



There will be a Saturday morning workshop, 10am to 12:30pm, with a maximum number of 6 participants at a cost of \$30. There are currently 3 spots left. A cost of \$5 will be charged for observers. There will be a possible Sunday morning workshop if there is enough interest (9am to 12pm with the same cost involved and maximum of 6 participants). Please see a committee member at the door to register your interest.

To find out more about Joe, visit his bonsai blog at nichigobonsai.com.

Announcements



Demo observer etiquette – Just a reminder to everyone that while demonstrations are being performed, to please keep conversations between each other to a minimum so as to not interrupt the demo for all other members. If you wish to have a conversation with someone, please move outside to do so or wait until the tea break. Please also keep mobile phones on silent or switched off.

AGM Nominations



meeting.

All committee positions will become vacant at the Annual General Meeting in July. Please consider joining the committee and helping out your club, it's a chance to be involved in the decision making. There are the named positions as per the nomination form, as well as five general positions responsible for the trade table, newsletter, publicity and hospitality. Nomination forms need to be either mailed in or handed to the secretary at the next club

If you have any questions about what is involved in any of the committee positions, please speak to a current committee member. You need to be a financial member to be eligible for nomination and to vote at the AGM, so please remember to pay your membership for the next financial year.

Notice Board

Bimer Bonsai Club Activities	
July 2 nd	10am Club Member's Workshop. AGM 1:30pm
August 6 th	Joe Morgan Payler – Visiting Tutor for 2016, Workshop 10am – 12pm, meeting 1pm to 4:30pm.
September 3 rd	Geoff Bray – Wisteria
October 1 st	Averil Stanley – Juniper Demo / Potting
November 5 th	Phil's Organics – / TBA
November 12 th	Bus Trip to Gold Coast – details to be confirmed.
December 3 rd	Xmas Party
Other Bonsai Activities	
September 3 rd – 4 th	Bonsai Society of QLD Annual Show, Mt Coot-tha
September 9 th – 11 th	17 th Annual Weekend Workshops at the Tops Conference Centre, Stanwell Tops.
September 16 th – 18 th	Toowoomba Bonsai Group Show, Rose Cottage, Toowoomba
October 29 th & 30 th	Sunshine Coast Bonsai Society Annual Show, Buderim.
November 6 th	Redlands Bonsai Society Annual Show.
November 12 th & 13 th	Gold Coast & Tweed Show, Robina