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Caboolture and Districts Bromeliad Society Inc NO 3 May / June 2011

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Many thanks to the outgoing committee for all your hard work during the past twelve months and welcome to the new committee members.

I hope all our members have had a happy Easter and have not had an overload of chocolate. It was a good time to finish taking all the offsets off our plants.

At our next meeting we have Nigel Thompson speaking and I am sure we will all learn something new from his talk.

Remember to bring your plants or any questions of any problems about plants to the meeting where hopefully you will find answers.

See you all at the May meeting
Kayleen

OUT GOING PRESIDENTS REPORT

As your outgoing president it gives me great pleasure to present to you a report of the society's achievements over the past 12 months.

The year behind us has been an eventful one in more ways than we can comprehend really, what with all the extreme weather events both in Australia and overseas but more importantly to us as gardeners, has been the effect on our plants and something we have all had to deal with in our own way, however we can and should all learn from these conditions and adjust our situations accordingly.

Looking back over the past year has seen some great learning experiences including those from guest speakers, members input and knowledge, workshops, sales days at Morayfield Shopping Centre and bus trips etc. Socially we have had some wonderful times from the very successful bus trips, the Christmas party and general monthly chit chats over a cup of hot brew.

Thanks to the generosity of members, we have had very successful raffles, which has kept our bank balance in a healthy state and enabled us to expand the library, heavily subsidize the Christmas party and even allowed us to contribute a modest \$500.00 to the Premiers Flood Appeal.

My sincere thanks go to my committee who work hard behind the scenes to ensure the smooth running of the society and the provision of education and information services that we have all come to expect as the norm. It is timely to remind ourselves that things such as producing the bi-monthly newsletter, secretarial work, bus trip organizing, maintaining the finances and the organization of all other equally important activities throughout the year do take up lot of time which is very much appreciated and deserves accolades from us all.

Whist the executive committee do a lot of work so do many other members contribute, such as managing plant sales, hall set up and cleaning and provision of afternoon teas etc. My thanks go to you as well. Finally I would like to congratulate in advance those who will be taking up executive and non-executive positions for the ensuing twelve months and wish them well in their guidance of our society and I ask that you give them the great support that I and my committee have enjoyed.

Regards to all
Bruce

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS are held on the 4th Saturday of the month (except December) at The Combined Services Club, 21 Hayes Street, Caboolture. 1:30pm start.

MEETING DATES FOR 2011

May	28	Nigel Thompson Guzmanias & Vrieseas
June	25	
July	23	Rebekah Trevor Display Pots, Olive Trevor
August	27	Neville Ryan Tillandsias
September	24	Possible overnight Bus Trip
October	22	
November	26	Christmas Party

STUDY GROUP

All members are welcome. Just remember to bring a notebook, a pen and a plate for Morning Tea. *Study groups may be cancelled due to commitments by the Waites. Please check this newsletter for the dates.*

When: 3rd Thursday from 9:00 am to 11:00 am

May	19	at Talbot Lodge
June	16	at Talbot Lodge

Where: Sheryl Waite's garden, Talbot Lodge, 4 Prudence Court, Upper Caboolture.

If you are interested in holding a study group in your garden speak with Sheryl or Jeanette

STUDY GROUP MOMENTS

Thank you to Kayleen for holding the February and March study groups in her beautiful garden. I was unable to attend the February session and forgot to take photos at the March study group. I did visit and definitely took a photo of her new green house – oh to have a structure like that - home made by husband Dale with recycled materials! Walking around the garden was also a treat.



BROMMOMENTS

From Bromeliad International Society website. Presented at March meeting.

Genus names for bromeliads have been created in three ways:

- Names honouring botanists, patrons, discoverers or other persons (36 genera)
- Descriptions composed of Greek or Latin components (18 genera)
- Common names used for the plant by the indigenous peoples (2 genera)

Genus Name derivation

- **Acanthostachys** – From the Greek “*acanthos*” (thorny, spiny) and “*stachys*” (a flower spike)
- **Aechmea** – From the Greek “*aichme*” (a spear)
- **Alcantarea** – For Dom Pedro d'Alcântara, second Emperor of Brazil (1840-1889)
- **Ananas** – From the Guarani Indian (Brazil/Paraguay) name for the pineapple
- **Androlepis** – From the Greek “*andros*” (man) and “*lepis*” (scale)
- **Araeococcus** – From the Greek “*araios*” (thin, weak, slight) and the Latin “*coccus*” (berry)
- **Billbergia** – For Gustave Johannes Billberg, Swedish botanist (1772-1844)
- **Brewcaria** – For Charles Brewer-Carías, Venezuelan explorer and naturalist
- **Brocchinia** – For Giovanni Battista Brocchi, Italian naturalist (1772-1826)
- **Bromelia** – For Olaf Bromelius, Swedish medical doctor and botanist (1639-1705)
- **Canistropsis** – From the genus *Canistrum* and the Greek “*opsis*” (resembling)
- **Canistrum** – From the Greek “*kanistron*” (a kind of basket carried on the head)
- **Catopsis** – From the Greek “*kata*” (hanging down) and “*opsis*” (appearance)
- **Connellia** – For Frederick Vavasour McConnell, English ornithologist and biologist (1868-1914)
- **Cottendorfia** – For Johann Georg Freiherr Cotta von Cottendorf, German patron of the sciences (1796-1863)
- **Cryptanthus** – From the Greek “*cryptos*” (hidden) and “*anthos*” (flower)
- **Deinacanthon** – From the Greek “*deinos*” (terrible) and “*anthos*” (flower)
- **Deuterocohnia** – For Ferdinand Julius Cohn, German botanist and bacteriologist (1828-1898)
- **Disteganthus** – From the Greek “*dis*” (two), “*steg*” (covering), and “*anthos*” (flower)
- **Dyckia** – For Prince Joseph Salm-Reifferscheid-Dyck, German (Prussian) botanist and horticulturist (1773-1861)
- **Lindmania** – For Carl Axel Magnus Lindman, Swedish botanist (1856-1928)
- **Encholirium** – From the Greek “*enchos*” (spear) and “*leiron*” (lily)
- **Fascicularia** – From the Latin “*fasciculus*” (bundle) and “*arius*” (pertaining to)
- **Fernseea** – For Heinrich Wawra von Fernsee, German botanist (1831-1887)
- **Fosterella** – For Mulford Bateman Foster, American horticulturist and collector (1888-1978)
- **Glomeropitcairnia** – From the Latin “*glomero*” (to form into a ball) and the genus *Pitcairnia*
- **Guzia** – For Samuel Alexeivich Greig, President of the Russian Horticulture Society (1827-1887)
- **Guzmania** – For Anastasio Guzman, Spanish pharmacist and naturalist
- **Hechtia** – For Julius Gottfried Conrad Hecht, German counselor to the King of Prussia (1771-1837)
- **Hohenbergia** – For the Prince of Württemberg, German patron of botany known as Hohenberg
- **Hohenbergiopsis** – From the genus “*Hohenbergia*” and the Greek “*opsis*” (resembling)
- **Lymania** – For Lyman Bradford Smith, American botanist (1904-1997)
- **Mezobromelia** – For Carl Christian Mez, German botanist (1866-1944)
- **Navia** – For Bernard Sebastian von Nau, German supporter of natural history and physics
- **Neoglaziovia** – For Auguste Glasiou, French landscape architect and bromeliad collector (1833-1906)
- **Neoregelia** – For Edouard August von Regel, director of St. Petersburg Botanic Gardens in Russia (1815-1892)
- **Nidularium** – From the Latin “*nidus*” (nest) and “*arius*” (pertaining to)
- **Ochagavia** – For Sylvestris Ochagavia, Chilean minister of education (1853-54)
- **Orthophytum** – From the Greek “*orthos*” (straight) and “*phyton*” (plant)
- **Pepinia** – For Pierre Denis Pépin, French member of the Imperial and Central Society of Agriculture (c.1802-1876)
- **Pitcairnia** – For Dr. William Pitcairn, English physician and gardener (1711-1791)
- **Portea** – For Dr. Marius Porte, French naturalist
- **Pseudaechmea** – From the Greek “*pseudos*” (false) and the genus *Aechmea*
- **Pseudananas** – From the Greek “*pseudos*” (false) and the genus *Ananas*
- **Puya** – From the Mapuche Indian (Chile) word meaning “point”
- **Quesnelia** – For M. Quesnel, French consul to French Guiana
- **Racinaea** – For Racine Foster, wife of Mulford Foster and co-founder of the BSI (1910-1991)
- **Ronnbergia** – For Auguste Ronnberg, Belgian Director of Agriculture and Horticulture in 1874
- **Sequencia** – From DNA sequence
- **Steyerbromelia** – For Julian A. Steyermark, American plant collector, author, and editor (1909-1988)
- **Tillandsia** – For Dr. Elias Erici Tillandz (originally Tillander), Swedish physician and botanist (1640-1693)
- **Ursulaea** – For Ursula Baensch, plant breeder and co-author with her husband of ‘Blooming Bromeliads’
- **Vriesea** – For Willem Hendrik de Vriese, Dutch botanist and physician (1806-1862)
- **Werauhia** – For Werner Rauh, German botanist (1913-2000)
- **Wittrockia** – For Veit Bracher Wittrock, Swedish botanist (1839-1914)

MEMBER NEWS

Many members attended the *broms on arafura* conference



The party goes! Jeanette, Len, Sheryl, Sue, Ron, Lorraine, Eain, Phyllis, Arnold.



Pat, Avril and Criss.



Who let Rob loose in Darwin!



The Parkers' new home in Yangarie.

Heard on the grapevine that they intend coming to the May meeting!

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO US

Thank you to our Secretary Deirdre who put together this information from our minutes.

On the 15th January, 2006 a group of plant enthusiasts met in the garden of the Ningi home of Gwen and Doug Parkinson to pool their ideas on forming a bromeliad plant club in our area. Those present were Sheryl and Len Waite, Alan Phythian, Len and Olive Trevor, Lyn and Spence Grubb, Criss Button, Gary May, Bob Reilly, Gwen and Doug Parkinson. All agreed that Gary May would be the interim chairman and Criss Button the interim minutes secretary until any elections could be held.

Their aim for the group was decided that it be 'friendly and educational'. There would be hints on growing and also identifying bromeliads. The society was to be 'lean' – with monies earned being put back into amenities for all members. Seven suggestions were put forward for a club name, but most popular was *Caboolture and District Bromeliad Society* and so all agreed on that. The meetings were set to be held in the Ningi Hall on the 3rd Sunday of each month and at their first general meeting on the 26th February 2006 Gwen Parkinson became President, Doug Parkinson Secretary and Liz Cassidy the treasurer.

Our Incorporation became effective on Friday 24th March 2006, and Carryn Sullivan the State Member for Pumicestone, was elected as Patron of our society at the June 2006 meeting.

Gwen and Doug resigned from their positions at the September 2006 meeting and Jeanette Robertson was elected to the position of secretary. Gary May became the next president at the October 2006 meeting.

June 2007 saw us change meeting days to the 4th Saturday of the month and also a move of meeting venue to the Caboolture Showgrounds.

In March 2008 Carlo Hanswyk became president, with Jeanette Robertson secretary and Rob Murray the treasurer. At the 2009 AGM the secretarial position moved on to Deirdre Roberts. From January 2010 meetings have been held at the Combined Service Hall in Hayes Street, Caboolture with Bruce Roberts as president for that year.

Five years on and we have a lady president again with Kayleen Courtney taking on the job. Currently we have 12 members on our committee and our membership stands at around the 70 mark. We consistently have between 35 and 40 at our meetings and we still try to live up to the original aim – that we be friendly and educational. I hope the original steering committee can look back in pride at achieving such a group.

Happy Birthday to us all!

POPULAR PLANT COMPETITION 2011

MARCH

NOVICE SECTION

1 ST PLACE	xNeophytum Galactic Warrior	P. Pennell
2 ND PLACE	<i>Tillandsia</i> 'Eric Knoblock'	J. Pullin
3 RD PLACE	<i>Neoregelia</i> 'Enchantment' variegata	J. Pullin

INTERMEDIATE SECTION

1 ST PLACE	<i>Neoregelia</i> "Shell dancer"	Deirdre Roberts
2 ND PLACE	Display Pot	Deirdre Roberts
3 RD PLACE	<i>Vriesea</i> 'Galaxy'	Barbara Murray

ADVANCED SECTION

No Entries



My apologies for the lack of photos for these plants. They were inadvertently wiped from my camera before downloading.

The *Vriesea* 'Galaxy' is the only one I could photograph as it was in my bush house.

APRIL

No Meeting

WHAT'S ON IN 2011

21 & 22 May 7am–3pm **Bromeliad Mega Sale** Mal & Michelle Cameron's, 11 Apollo Court Victoria Point.

4 & 5 June **Orchid and Gardening Expo**, Bribie Indoors Bowls Club, First Avenue, Bribie Island.

Queensland Organics donate a bag of Organic Xtra for our raffle every month. They also supply ECO 88. Please consider their products when purchasing for your needs.

Powerblend

Get together to buy the Talbot Lodge mix – or any other mix. Contact Rob, our Treasurer, and when enough are interested we can order in bulk.

The Shade Centre

Gary May has negotiated a discount on purchases for all CDBS members at *The Shade Centre*, Unit 5 - 9 Combarton Street, Brendale. Find out their best price and then ask for the discount.

OFFICERS

President	Kayleen Courtney	3886 9521
Vice President	Ron Murray	5446 0230
Secretary	Deirdre Roberts	5499 2724
Treasurer	Rob Murray	3888 2637
Membership Secretary	Lorraine Rolley	3285 2743
Committee Member: Editor	Barbara Murray	3888 2637
Committee Member: Hostess	Jude Pullin	5429 0146
Committee Member: Librarian	Lesmar Debrincat	5438 7869
Committee Member: Plant	Len Waite	5496 7795
Committee Member: Popular Vote	Nicole Nielsen	5428 6373
Committee Member: Raffles	Sheryl Waite	5496 7795

HALL STEWARDS

Plant Sales
Hall Set Up
Catering

Our society has posted our Club News on the website of the Bromeliad Australia – check it out at www.bromeliad.org.au

Websites to try

<http://www.fcbs.org> Website of the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies.

<http://botu07.bio.uu.nl> Website of the Utrecht University Botanic Gardens Flora Pix.

LIBRARY NEWS

This year the committee would like to spend some money on updating the library books. If you have a particular book that you would like purchased please let Lesmar know.

All members may borrow from the library. Items **must** be returned the next month. If this is not possible please contact the Librarian prior to the meeting.

FOR SALE

Tillandsias, March 2009 CD \$10.00.

Tillandsia II by Paul T. Isley Book \$80.00

Bromeliads the New Generation in Full Colour by Shane Zaghini Book \$28.00

Gardening Pencils \$3.00 each