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Ciao

It hardly seems like a year since we last met at David and Lorraine's, but what they've achieved in that time in the gardens is amazing. Thanks for having us, and we look forward to next year.

I think you'll all agree that the three talks George Stamatis gave were top class, and we all came away a lot wiser. Demonstrating what he's done through the Powerpoint presentations certainly helped to get a better understanding of the different processes he uses.

At the Monster Sale next month we will be having our usual raffle to help cover the costs of the hall hire. This year we've purchased a garden trolley and would like your help in filling it with items to use in the garden (no plants please). What we are after is things like fertilizer, secateurs, pots, gardening gloves and other goodies that help to make gardening easier. Bunnings have given us a \$50 voucher, which we'll be using to purchase some larger items. I know it's short notice, but if we could have your donations at this month's meeting it'll give us a better idea of any extras we need to get.



Congratulations to Narelle and John Hoffmann who took out first and second places at the Maryborough Orchid Show in the Non-flowering Bromeliad Class. Here are their winning entries, Neo Sarah Kay and Vriesea Fosteriana White Band x Vriesea Big Red.



**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MEMBERS FOR OCTOBER**

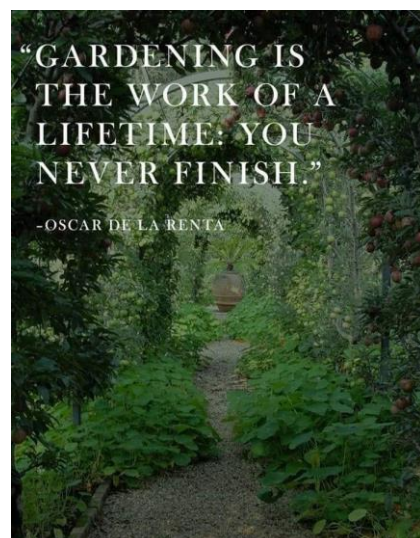
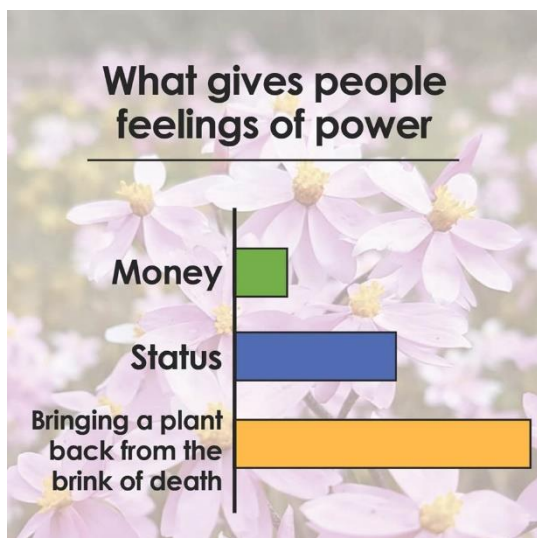
**Michael Eather  
John Hoffmann  
Val Honeywood  
Marie Irvine  
Jacquie Robertson**

**DIARY DATES FOR 2019**

**BYO chair, mug, plants you need help with, sales plants, Plant Of The Month entries, and raffle donations to our meetings. Please note – unless notified otherwise meetings are on the fourth Saturday of the month, which may not always be the last Saturday.**

<b>October 26<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>Tinana</b>
November 2/3	Monster Sale
November 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Christmas Breakup

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## Plant Of The Month Winners for September

### Billbergia

#### **Open – Judge's Choice – John Parker**

1. Brudda 12 – Goff Loughran
2. Groovy – Marie Irvine
3. Kolan Fairy Floss – Stewart McDonald

#### **Member's Choice**

1. Brudda 12 – Goff Loughran
2. Obi Wan – Ian Fluerty
3. Birchwood Star Wars – Nigel Thomson

#### **Novice – Judge's Choice**

1. Sarah Wilson – David Ward
2. Talbot Beauty's Child – David Ward

#### **Member's Choice**

1. Talbot Beauty's Child – David Ward
2. Sarah Wilson – David Ward

### Plant Of The Month For 2019

January	Non-variegated Neo (Non-mini)
February	Tillandsia
March	Aechmea
April	Foliage Vriesea
May	None
June	Mini Neoregelia (Cluster or single)
July	Sincoregelia
August	Quesnelia
September	Billbergia
<u>October</u>	<u>Variegated Neoregelia</u>

### OUR PRICE LIST EFFECTIVE AUGUST 2019

125MM SQUAT POTS	\$2.90 for 10
140MM SQUAT POTS	\$3.75 for 10
165MM POTS	\$3.00 for 5
200MM POTS	\$3.50 for 5
HANGERS (4 PRONG)	\$5.50 for 10
SMALL WHITE LABELS	\$1.50 for 25
LARGE WHITE LABELS	\$2.00 for 25
YELLOW SALES LABELS	\$6.00 for 100
LABELLING PENCILS	\$3.60 each
FERTILISER	\$2.75 for 500 grams

If you are going to purchase items it would be appreciated if you could ring Maxine on 41245128 prior to the meeting so she can have your order ready on the day. If you discover you need them just prior to the meeting don't worry, there will still be plenty available. Goff has potting mix for sale at \$8 for a 30 litre bag, and if you ring him on 0416783773 prior to the meeting he will have it there for you.



## Our Monster Sale

Senior Citizens Centre

Corner of Totness Street and Denmans Camp Road Torquay

Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 8.00 – 4.00

Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November 8.00 – 12.00

A huge variety of top quality beautiful plants to choose from to suit all tastes,  
with new stocks daily.

Free Admission

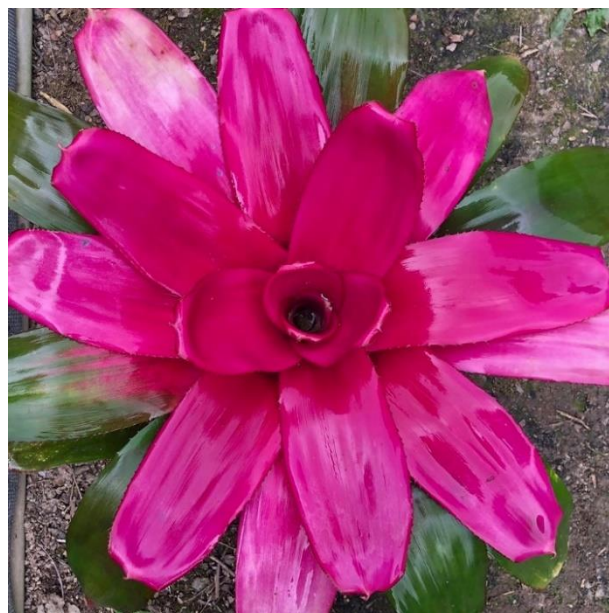
Plenty of parking

Cash and EFTPOS Available

**Don't forget to tell all your friends!!**



Neoregelia Romance, one of the new releases at the Golden Broms 20<sup>th</sup> Australasian Bromeliad Conference on the Gold Coast.



## Joan's Delicious Boiled Fruit Cake

At our last meeting many of us enjoyed the fruit cake made by one of our newest members Joan Simpson, which would make an ideal Christmas cake, and she has been kind enough to forward the recipe. It's straightforward so why not give it a go.

120 g (4 oz) Butter (or Margarine)  
1 cup Brown Sugar  
1 cup Milk  
500 g (1 lb) Mixed Fruit  
1 tsp Cinnamon  
½ tsp Nutmeg  
1 tbspn Milk (extra)

¼ tsp Ground Ginger  
2 Eggs  
1 cup Plain Flour  
1 cup Self Raising Flour  
1 cup Dry Sherry  
1 tsp Bicarb Of Soda

Place in saucepan butter, sugar, milk, fruit and spices. Stir until boiling, reduce heat, simmer 5 minutes. Let cool then add Sherry and Bicarb Of Soda. Gently beat eggs, add to the fruit mixture. Add to sifted flours and extra milk.

Place in deep 8" square tin, greased and lined (I line mine with brown paper).

Cook in moderate oven for about 1 hour.

Have you come across any articles about Bromeliads or gardening in general that you think the other members would like to read? If so why not send them to me or give them to me at a meeting, so they can be included in the newsletter.

I was resurfacing the deck, so I went to the local costume hire and bought this skeleton. Now when the new owners redo it in 20 years time ....

