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Hello again.

Well another month and another meeting, unlike some places where they seem to have to keep closing down. Isn't it great to be living in this part of the country.

As you know this month is the AGM, but as there will be no need to vote for any positions it should go fairly quickly, which is good because then we can listen to the delightful Rebekah Trevor from Brisbane give a talk on new releases in the Bromeliad world. I know she's going to have some more lovelies to show us.

At last month's meeting it was decided that from now on in the Plant Of The Month Competition, because of the great diversity in sizes of plants being entered for Neoregelias and Tillandsias, they would be divided into three different sizes.

Some members believe that smaller plants in those two classes are being overshadowed by the much larger ones, which is putting them at a disadvantage when it comes to displaying them for voting. The sizes will be Mini up to 250mm, Midi 250 – 500mm and Maxi over 500mm. Each month we'll rotate between the three, starting with Minis. I hope this makes sense to all those who enter the competition, and will generate more entries, particularly from those who haven't entered before. If you're unsure of anything please see the committee.

Following a decision by members at last month's meeting, Minutes and the Treasurer's Report will no longer be presented. A copy of the Treasurer's Report will be available for anyone who desires to read it, and a summary of what went on at the meeting will be in the next newsletter.

Don't forget that annual subscriptions of \$15 for couples or \$10 for singles are now due, and can be paid at the meeting.

Don't forget that meetings now start at 1.00 pm, with plant sales at 12.30.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MEMBERS FOR FEBRUARY

Helen Davies, Ray Gough, Roger Robertson
Pam Gaddes, Greg Menzies, Paul Newsham

Plant Of The Month Competition

Neoregelia

- First – Romance – Ian Fluerty – 8 votes
Second – Aussie Dream “Lovely Lady” – J & N Hoffmann – 5 votes
Third – Black Opal x Tiger – Nigel Thomson – 4 votes
Bodacious – Stuart McDonald – 4 votes

Pattern Leaf Vriesea

- First – Kara Divine – Ian Fluerty – 9 votes
Second – Candy Stripe – Nigel Thomson – 7 votes
Third – Tasman Hybrid – Nigel Thomson – 6 votes

Flowering Bromeliad

- First - Vriesea Flamea – Maxine O’Shea – 7 votes
Second – Guzmania Sanguinea – Ron Southern – 5 votes
Third – Billbergia Kolan Pink Queen – Val Honeywood – 4 votes
Guzmania Empire – Nigel Thomson – 4 votes

Tillandsia

- First – Edithae – Maxine O’Shea – 16 votes
Second – Maroon – Goff Loughran – 4 votes
Third – Xerographica x Fasciculata – Nigel Thomson – 3 votes

Other Genera

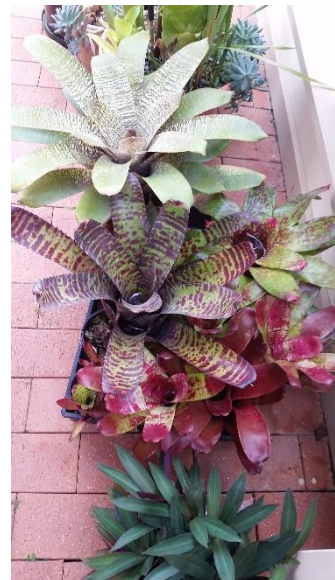
- First – Aechmea Pall Ridge – David Ward – 11 votes
Second – Bulgari Hybrid – Goff Loughran – 9 votes
Third – Sincoregelia Ralph Davis – Nigel Thomson – 4 votes
Alcantarea Extensa – Janine Blaber – 4 votes



Thanks to Val for the photos

Around Your Gardens

My thanks to Irene and John Lippross for these great photos.



Going out to get some groceries.

Coming back like:



DIARY DATES FOR 2021

BYO 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.

All monthly meetings except June and October will now be held in the Dundowran Hall at the corner of Lower Mountain Road and Dundowran Road.

June 26th Narelle and John Hoffmann 287 John Street Maryborough

October 23rd Elizabeth and Ron Southern 60 Serenity Drive Tinana

OUR LATEST PRICE LIST

125MM SQUAT POTS	\$2.70 for 10
140MM SQUAT POTS	\$3.75 for 10
165MM POTS	\$3.00 for 5
200MM POTS	\$3.50 for 5
HANGERS (4 PRONG)	\$3.30 for 10
SMALL WHITE LABELS	\$1.25 for 25
LARGE WHITE LABELS	\$1.50 for 25
YELLOW SALES LABELS	\$3.00 for 50
LABELLING PENCILS	\$3.60 each
FERTILISER	\$3.10 for 500 grams
<u>Paper Sleeves</u>	
140mm x 10	\$2.90
170mm x 10	\$3.40
200mm x 10	\$3.60

Please note that some prices change from time to time depending on where the items can be purchased at the best value.

If you are running short and need something it would be appreciated if you could ring Sue and Stewart on 0414 710 857 to possibly make arrangements to pick them up from their home prior to the meeting, or let them know in advance and they will have them ready for you at the next meeting. Goff has potting mix for sale at \$8 for a 30 litre bag, and if you ring him on 0416783773 you can also make arrangements to get some from him.

Library: All books and magazines borrowed are to be returned in good order to the following meeting. If they aren't on a wait list, they may be rebooked.

(If reprinting an article, wholly or in part, please acknowledge the author and newsletter.)

Me coming home with a new plant after I said I wasn't going to get any more





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