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Hi all

Some very sad news this month due to not being well John has taken a leave of absence from his position as the president, so Godfrey as Vice president will take the role of for now and me as the editor of our newsletter. So we are looking for somebody to take on the role of editing the Newsletter so any volunteers please get in touch with Sue Loughran or Godfrey

The bus trip to Rockhampton is coming on us fast and all payments must be made by paid for by the August meeting. the total for each person is \$150 and can be bank transferred with your name as reference to the following bank account.

Fraser Coast Bromeliad Society Incorporated  
BSB 645646  
Account 104552107

We had a great demonstration by Greg and Narelle Aizlewood at the last meeting showing us all how to hybridise our Billbergias and Tillandsias, and we had a few people bring plants for show and tell. Greg also donated a huge amount of Alcanterea seed for the members to try and grow.

A really big thankyou to everybody who made our sausage sizzle such a big success, a special thankyou to Janine who with her large people mover was able to have all the drinks and eskies in the back of her mover and saved everybody from individually doing it

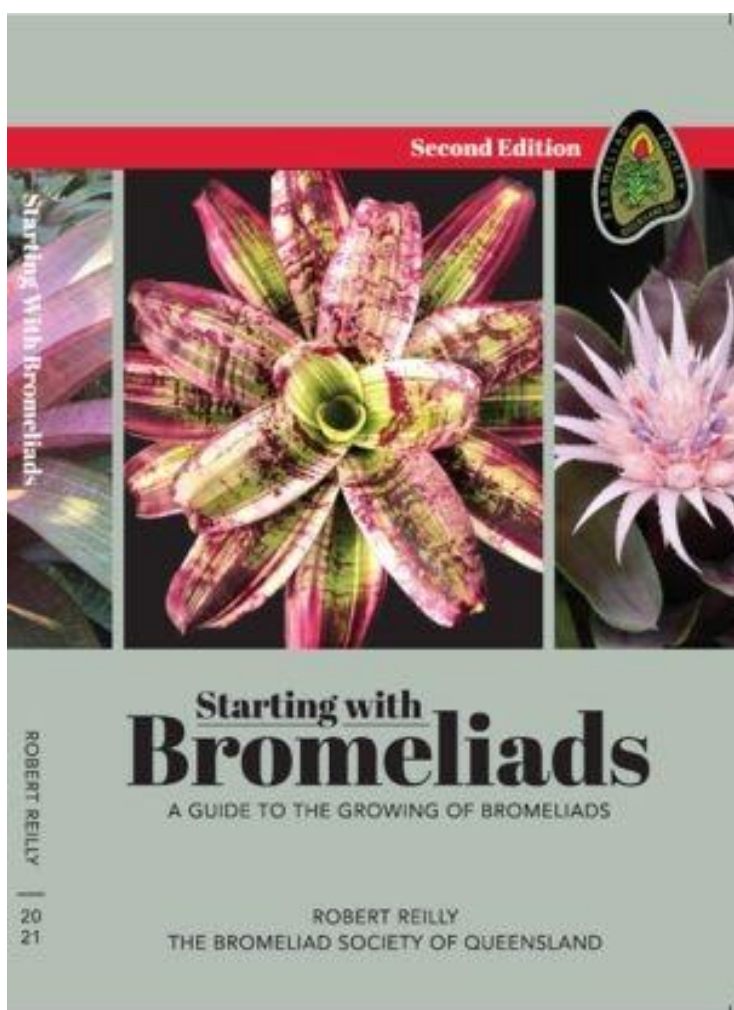
**HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO OUR MEMBERS FOR August**  
Warren Bexton, Les Hutchins, Peter Maczi, Sue McDonald, Allan Miller, Nigel Thomson, John Parker, John Gaddes, Joan Simpson

**A Word About The Raffle**

Did you know that the proceeds from the raffle help fund the sausage sizzles and the afternoon tea at our meetings? So a few members recently spoke to me about their concern for the declining quality of the raffle prizes I decided to do some investigation. Without the raffle we wouldn't have the social activities outlined above that our members very much enjoy.

To ensure that we can continue to provide these activities we need to make sure that the raffles prizes are of a quality that each and every member would want to win. Good quality prizes help entice members to buy tickets. Remember prizes don't have to be bromeliads, they don't even have to be plants, they just need to be something that might be of interest to our members. In other societies I've been in members have provided plants, garden tools, good quality pots, bundles of gardening magazines etc Some members buy little plants, some provide plants they've propagated themselves, So just think about what you'd like to win. Remember the raffles benefits all members.

Good news our books have arrived from the Bromeliad Society Queensland they will be available at our meeting for \$10, several members have already ordered them



**This meeting starts at 1pm, with plant sales at 12.30**

**Don't forget our Speaker for this meeting is John Byth speaking on Alcntereas**

## Plant Of The Month Competition

### Neoregelia - Mini

First – Red Opal – Goff Loughran	10 votes
Second – Sharkula x Silver – Ian Fluerty	7 Votes
Third – Chirripo - Janine Blaber	5 Votes

### Pattern Leaf Vriesea

First – Kara Burgundy Rose – Ian Fluerty	10 Votes
Second – Lilac Mist- Goff Loughran	9 Votes
Third – Kara Limestone – Ian Fluerty	8 Votes

### Flowering Bromeliad

First – Guzmania Mia – Goff Loughran	18 Votes
Second – Bill Coonarr Lady love – Val Honeywood	9 votes
Third – Guz NOID – Goff Loughran	2 Votes

### Tillandsia - Potted

First – Dimmits Talent – John Casey	14 Votes
Second – Bulbosa – Ian Fluerty	4 Votes
Third – Regal Renee – Ian Fluerty	3 Votes
Queens Delight – Dennis Priston	3 Votes

### Other Genera

First – Bill Talbot Cherry Maple – Val Honeywood	16 Votes
Second – Aechmea BiFlora – David Ward	7 Votes
Third – Bill Hallelujah – Goff Loughran	5Votes

(This month – Neoregelia is Mini (up to 250mm across ) and Tillandsia is mounted)

## Rockhampton Bromeliad Show And Sale 3-5 September

As said above all payments to be made by the next meeting and if you have a friend who would like to come the cost to them will be \$200. The bus will leave the carpark behind the old post office in Central Avenue at 7 am each person is allowed 2 boxes for plants and a small overnight bag or small suitcase. We will be visiting 2 gardens on Friday afternoon, James Lester and Pete and Vicki Smith who are members of our society



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.

### **DIARY DATES FOR 2021**

Rockhampton Bromeliad and Tillandsia Sale September 4-5<sup>th</sup>  
The BSQ sale is being held at Bray Park September 24-26<sup>th</sup>

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.

September 18<sup>th</sup> 1 week early due to the Hervey Bay Orchid Show And Sale  
October 23<sup>rd</sup> Elizabeth and Ron Southern 60 Serenity Drive Tinana  
November 27<sup>th</sup> Christmas Party Kondari Resort Ellizabeth Street Urangan

### **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

If you are running short and need something it would be appreciated if you could ring Sue and Stewart on 41286217 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.)

## Member Input Wanted

If you have a special plant or growing method you would like to tell your fellow members about, now is a good time to write it up and send it in. Within the area our club covers there are many diverse micro-climates, even within different parts of Hervey Bay, and it would be interesting to know what you find grows best and what growing methods you use. You can also send in photos of your favourite Bromeliads to make us green with envy.

## Library

How many members avail themselves of the many books in the library? If you haven't done so check out what's on offer at this meeting. Some months ago we ordered a new book from Brazil on Alcantareas, and this is now available. It's not exactly light reading, but should provide some interesting insights into this particular species, so check it out. We try to add books and other publications on a regular basis, so don't forget to see Jan and Les Hutchins our dedicated librarians to see what's new.

## Plants of the Month last meeting

