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JUNE MONTHLY MEETING : 25 JUNE 2022

June Monthly Meeting @ John & Narelle Hoffmann's Place.

Guest Speaker : Neville Ryan

Plant of the Month voting, plant sales, etc. will commence at 10:30am followed by the meeting at 11:00 am.

B.B.Q Lunch will be provided.

Don't forget to bring a chair and a mug for refreshment and a plant for 'Show, Tell & Ask'.

PLANT OF THE MONTH IS

TILLANDSIA : POTTED & NEOREGELIA : MIDI (200MM - 450MM)

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the following members for June :



Janine Blaber,
Tara Casey,
Matthew Perkins,
Elaine Priston,
Ron Southern, and
Lorraine Ward.

MAY MONTHLY MEETING REPORT

Vice President Les Hutchins opened the meeting, welcomed members and guests and updated members on Management Committees activities. Show, Tell and Ask then followed with a number of members participating which was encouraging to see.

Our guest speakers, Kathryn and David Fraser shared their experiences in growing bromeliads. They covered a range of topics including potting mixes, seed raising, pests, together with many useful tips. The Q&A session was very interactive, Thanks Kathryn and David for your informative and entertaining talk.

The notes Kathryn provided have been forwarded with this newsletter for members information.

After a break, Plant of the Month winners were announced with Les forgetting Karen had to find and show the plants. (Sorry Karen! ... Ed.) We tried a new concept where each of the category winners were asked to give a short resume on their winning plant to give members a bit of background.

FROM THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING :

❖ Annual BBQ Lunch & Charity Raffle

This month's meeting will be at Narelle and John Hoffmann's in Maryborough. Our guest speaker will be Neville Ryan who will be giving a talk and presentation on Tillandsias. No doubt he'll bring a host of tillandsia's for us to look at as well as buy, so make sure you get along.

Plant of the Month voting, plant sales, library, etc. will commence at 10:30am with the formal meeting starting at 11.00am. A BBQ lunch will be provided. Don't forget to bring a chair and a mug for refreshments.

❖ BROMS in the BAY 2022

Don't miss out on this wonderful event ... there are limited seats still available if you haven't registered yet. The Conference Registration Fee increases from July 1.

❖ Plant of the Month

The June monthly meeting is Neoregelia - "Midi - 250mm to 450mm" and Tillandsia - "Potted".

❖ Show, Tell and Ask!

Bring along your favourite plant and share its success with the other members.

Share it with others to see, learn and enjoy.

❖ Facebook Page

Our Facebook page - **Fraser Coast Bromeliad Society**, has been developed by Megan and Matt Perkins and is now available if you are a Facebook user.

❖ Monthly meeting : Date changes.

Please note the following changes to the Society's calendar:

- There will be **NO** August meeting due to 'Broms in the Bay' Conference.
- The September Meeting will be brought forward to the 3rd Saturday (September 17) due to clashing with the Hervey Bay Orchid Show and the BSQ Spring Show & Sale..

PLANT OF THE MONTH - MAY 2022



NEOREGELIA - MINI

First: ←	<i>Neoregelia</i> 'Dyn-O-Mite' [variegated]	Ian Fluerty (- votes)
Second:	<i>Neoregelia</i> 'White Hot Embers'	Nigel Thomson (- votes)
Third:	<i>Neoregelia</i> 'Gismo'	Nigel Thomson (- votes)



PATTERN LEAF VRIESEA

First: ←	<i>Vriesea</i> 'Strawberry Ice Cream'	Nigel Thomson (9 votes)
Second:	<i>Vriesea</i> 'Pink Chestnut'	Nigel Thomson (4 votes)
Third:	<i>Vriesea</i> 'Pink Chestnut'	Stewart McDonald (4 votes)



FLOWERING BROMELIADS

First: ←	<i>Guzmania</i> 'Torch'	Nigel Thomson (11 votes)
Second:	<i>Tillandsia</i> 'Lucille'	Allan Miller (5 votes)
Third:	<i>Guzmania</i> 'Passion' [variegated]	Nigel Thomson (4 votes)



TILLANDSIA - MOUNTED

First: ←	<i>Tillandsia</i> gardneri	Ian Fluerty (6 votes)
Second:	<i>Tillandsia</i> tectorum	Nigel Thomson (5 votes)
Third:	<i>Tillandsia</i> species [unknown seedling]	Nigel Thomson (3 votes)



OTHER GENERA

First: ←	<i>Billbergia</i> 'Birchwood Pink Bomb'	Nigel Thomson (10 votes)
Second:	<i>Alcantarea</i> 'John Stoddard'	Ian Fluerty (7 votes)
Third:	<i>Aechmea</i> 'White Star'	Goff Loughran (7 votes)

June meeting : Neoregelia is **"Midi - 250 mm to 450mm"**, and Tillandsia is **"Potted"**

FEATURE STORY ...

There is no feature story this month as I haven't had the time to research and find one.

NOTES FROM KATHRYN & DAVID FRASER PRESENTATION ...

For our members, the notes from Kathryn & Davids talk have been distributed with this addition of the Newsletter ... both digital and snail mail edition. They are not attached to the online edition ...

BOOKS IN OUR LIBRARY ...

Bromeliads

by Francisco Oliva-Esteve (2000)

This book, Bromeliads, was produced by the author in praise of the Bromeliads ... to display the native and continental beauties in their habitat in Venezuela and further afield in Latin America.

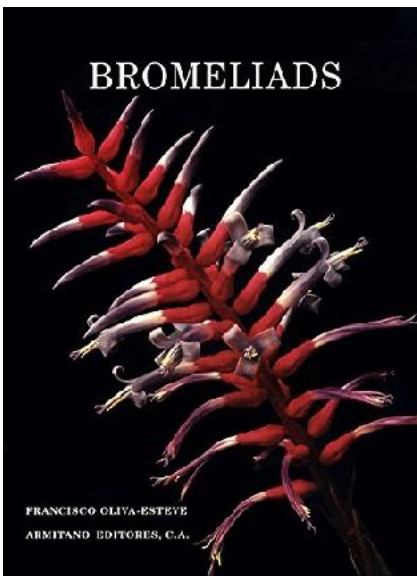
It combines brilliant colour photographs with descriptions, not written just for the avid botanist, but for less initiated. As the author put it, this book is written to encourage everyone - the botanist, the enthusiast and those not yet bitten by the world of bromeliads.

The book has 464 pages and has over 900 colour photographs, many of which illustrate bromeliads in their native habitat. It consists of seven chapters on various specialist topics, about 250 pages of bromeliad species' descriptions and photographs, a bibliography, and an index.

The outstanding features of this book are: the presentation of many rare bromeliad species (especially from the rarer, in cultivation, genera); and the many excellent photographs, in particular of bromeliads' habitats. Many people will also find the articles on various specialist topics of interest as well.

If you enjoy Bromeliads and want to learn more about them, this book is very comprehensive.

Note: Bromeliad hybrids are not covered.



Borrowers please note :

All books & magazines borrowed from the Library are to be returned in good order to the following meeting, if not on the wait-list, they may be re-borrowed.

AT OUR MAY MEETING ...



A quiet Plant Sales table this month.



Library and Garden supplies table.



Plant of the month entries with member voting and discussion taking place.



A different view for Les this month - 'From the President's Chair'

NEW CULTIVAR REGISTRATIONS ...

The following table is a list of new cultivars registered by an Australian grower or by an Australian collector on a growers behalf since the last FCBSI newsletter.

Photograph	Cultivar Name	Hybridist	
	Seed Parent X Pollen Parent	BCR No.	State
	Vriesea "Merlin's Masterpiece" Milky Way X fenestralis	Cameron, Mal & Michelle BCR_17105	QLD
	Billbergia "White Water" [Meadowie Gift x Poquito Mas] X Domingos Martins	Beasley, Stuart BCR_17140	QLD
	Vriesea "Colosseum" Bianca X hieroglyphica	Cameron, Mal & Michelle BCR_17149	QLD
	Vriesea "Marvels of Maddison" Memoria Howard Yamamoto (white clone) X Royal Hawaiian	Cameron, Mal & Michelle BCR_17076	WA
	Tillandsia "Tammy" streptophylla X pruinosa	Ryan, Neville BCR_17195	QLD
	Neoregelia "Ladd's Eruption" Lila X Delroose's Medusa	Ladd, Alan BCR_17208	NSW
	Vriesea "Fairy Lights" Forrest X Forrest	Cameron, Mal & Michelle BCR_17209	QLD

Data and photographs courtesy of the Bromeliad Cultivar Register (BCR)

A BIT OF TRIVIA !!!!

While researching the above new cultivars, I came across the following hybrid and its formula:

NEOREGELIA 'Perpetual Motion'

Seed Parent: **[((carolinae variegated x Hannibal Lecter) x Norman Bates) x (Norman Bates x Skotak's Tiger)] x (Blushing Tiger x Hannibal Lecter)**

Pollen Parent: **Turbulence**

1. I didn't know that my High School maths would be handy when working out the formulae of hybrids, and
2. The Neoregelia species involved are: **ampullacea; carcharodon; carolinae; carolinae f. tricolor; chlorosticta; pascoaliana & zonata.**
The Neo. hybrids involved additional to the ones in the formula are: **Raja; Royal Burgandy; Marnier-Lapostolte & Perfecta.** (Note: Not all been referred to Marie Selby Gardens for identification.)

DIARY DATES FOR 2022 ...

FCBSI Monthly Meetings:

Date	Event / Guest Speaker	Venue / Location
June 25	BBQ Lunch incorporating Monthly Meeting and Charity Raffle Speaker : Neville Ryan	<i>Narelle & John Hoffmann 287 John St, Maryborough</i>
July 23	Monthly Meeting	<i>Dundowran Hall</i>
August	No Monthly Meeting due to BROMS in the BAY Conference	
September 17*	Monthly Meeting	<i>Dundowran Hall</i>
October 22	Monthly Meeting	<i>Dundowran Hall</i>
November 26	Christmas Party	<i>Kondari Hotel - Urangan</i>

Events:

August 27/28	BROMS in the BAY 2022 Bromeliad Conference & Sale	<i>Kondari Resort - Hervey Bay</i>
September 23/24/ 25	Hervey Bay Orchid Show	<i>Xavier College - Eli Waters</i>
September 24/25	BSQ Spring Show & Sale	<i>Genesis College - Bray Park</i>
November 5/6	FCBSI Monster Sale 2022	<i>Senior Citizens Centre Tottness Street, Scarness</i>
November 20	BSQ Tillandsia Day	<i>Kedron Wavell Services Club Chermside</i>
March 23/26 (2023)	Kiwi Broms - 2022 21st Australasian Bromeliad Conference	<i>Waipuna Hotel Auckland - New Zealand</i>

Note:

Unless notified otherwise, monthly meetings are on the **fourth** Saturday of the month.

Please BYO mug, plants you need help with, sales plants, Plant Of The Month entries, and raffle donations to our meetings.

* Please note, meeting dates marked with an asterisk have been moved from the regular fourth Saturday of the month.

Plant Sales @ Monthly Meetings

Plant sales commence at 12.30pm and pause when the monthly meeting starts (usually 1.00pm), then recommence during afternoon tea. Please remember that all sales finish at afternoon tea.

Plants travel much better in boxes or recyclable bags than plastic bags

BROMELIAD SUPPLIES ...

Please note the Society has new Stock Sales co-ordinators and contact details from 01 March 2022.

The current **FCBSI PRICE LIST** as of 14-June-2022 is published below.

If you are running short and need something, it would be appreciated if you could contact Jan or Les on 0419 799 483 or email tintenters@bigpond.com to let them know in advance so they can have your order ready for you at the next meeting, or to make arrangements to pick your order up from their home (3 Lancaster Circuit, Urraween) prior to the meeting.

Item	Unit	Price per Unit	Status / Comment
SQUAT POTS, 125mm	(10 pk)	\$3.60	<i>In stock</i>
SQUAT POTS, 140mm	(10 pk)	\$4.60	<i>In stock</i>
SQUAT POTS, 165mm	(5 pk)	\$3.00	<i>In stock</i>
SQUAT POTS, 200mm	(5 pk)	\$3.50	<i>In stock</i>
HANGERS (4 PRONG)	(10 pk)	\$4.10	<i>In stock</i>
LABELS, LARGE, WHITE	(25 pk)	\$2.25	<i>In stock</i>
LABELS, SMALL, WHITE	(25 pk)	\$2.00	<i>In stock</i>
LABELS, LARGE, YELLOW	(25 pk)	\$1.50	<i>(For use on sale plants.)</i>
LABELS, SMALL, YELLOW	(25 pk)	\$1.25	<i>(For use on sale plants.)</i>
LABELLING PENCILS	(each)	\$3.60	<i>In stock</i>
PAPER SLEEVES, 140mm	(10 pk)	\$2.90	<i>In stock</i>
PAPER SLEEVES, 170mm	(10 pk)	\$3.40	<i>In stock</i>
PAPER SLEEVES, 200mm	(10 pk)	\$3.90	<i>In stock</i>
FERTILISER (Slow Release)	(500gm)	\$3.10	<i>In stock</i>
FERTILISER (Foliar)	(500gm)	\$6.80	<i>In stock</i>

NOTE ... Prices may vary when new stock is ordered.

POTTING MIX ... Goff Loughran 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.

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