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OCTOBER MONTHLY MEETING : 22 OCTOBER 2022

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

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

Neoregelia is "Midi - 200mm to 450mm", and

Tillandsia is "Mounted"

Members - please read and action requirements in the 'From the Management Committee' on pages 2 & 3.

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY to the following members for September :



Pam Duddy,
John Hoffmann,
Val Honeywood, and
Jacque Robertson.

SEPTEMBER 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 some members participating which was encouraging to see.

After a technical glitch with the electronic equipment, Andrew Devonshire's "Brom's in the Bay" presentation was played for our member's information.

Its encouraging to see our Plant of the Month competition continues to draw some spectacular entries with some new members participating. The mini presentation by the growers is gaining momentum and helps all members appreciate and understand more about how to grow their plants.

The afternoon closed with the raffle being drawn and many members went home with some new plants for their gardens /collections.

Next Meeting ...

The October monthly meeting is our rescheduled **BBQ Lunch** incorporating the Monthly Meeting and Charity Raffle. This is always an enjoyable day and we will see you at John & Narelle's home in Maryborough. Looking forward to seeing you there on the 22 October.

FROM THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ...

❖ FCBSI MONSTER SALE 2022

IMMEDIATE action required for these two items :

- **Sellers** at the Monster Sale, please let Sue know how many tables you would like. There is no guarantee that you will get what you want as we don't know how many sellers we have as yet. Prior to next meeting please.
- **Sellers**, if you need new bar codes, please contact John Hoffman before the October meeting so he can bring them with him. Do not leave it to the last minute as we are all busy and no guarantee late requests can be met.

Seller & Member actions for the MONSTER SALE DISPLAY

- **All sellers** are required to provide 5 plants for the display.
- Display plants can be delivered to the stage door at the venue @ 12 Noon.
- If any members have plants or garden ornaments they think would assist in the display, you are requested to bring these along.
- All plants and props **MUST** be labelled with the member's name to enable easy identification at the end of the show.

Seller & Member actions for the MONSTER SALE RAFFLE

- All sellers to donate 1 plant to the Society to be used as a raffle prize.
- All members are requested to donate a good prize, Bromeliad related (plant or gardening items) to the Monster Sale Raffle. Please bring to the next meeting October 22, or if you cannot attend please drop off at Sue's place.

Member assistance required.

- All members, even if you aren't selling please come along and help. It is invaluable having non sellers there to assist set up the venue, selling raffle tickets, as security watching for the light fingered fairies and helping restock tables for sellers.

❖ **MEMBERSHIP FEES 2023**

Membership for 2023 are due on 1st January and as previously advised will stay at the current level of \$10 (Individual) or \$15 (Family).

If you wish to receive a hard copy of the Newsletter by Australia Post Mail, an additional administration charge of \$10.00 p.a. is required.

❖ **ANNUAL BBQ LUNCH & CHARITY RAFFLE**

Don't forget, this meeting/event has been rescheduled to Saturday 22nd October at Narelle and John Hoffmann's in Maryborough.

Plant of the Month voting, plant sales, 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.

As this is our Charity Raffle this month, please bring along some nice prizes to donate to the raffle table.

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MONSTER SALE 2022

**Senior Citizens Centre
Totness Street, Torquay**

Saturday 5th Nov 8.00am to 4.00pm

Sunday 6th Nov 8.00am to 1.00pm

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

Free Admission

For more information call

Sue 0414 757 162

or

Les 0427 466 833

Cash and EFTPOS available

❖ **PLANT OF THE MONTH**

The October monthly meeting is
Neoregelia - "Midi - 250mm to 450mm"
and **Tillandsia - "Mounted"**.

❖ **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.***

❖ **CHRISTMAS PARTY**

Our combined Christmas Party / Monthly
Meeting is on Saturday 26th November at
Kondari Resort. The subsidised cost is \$20
per member. If you wish to bring a non-
member, the cost will be \$40.

Payment needs to be made either by bank
transfer or at the October meeting which
is in Maryborough for our charity event.

**If you haven't replied to Sue re the
Christmas dinner options (choice of 2 from
each course in Option 2 Menu) please do so
immediately as we need to advise the
venue.**

Refer to Sue's email dated 21 September.

PLANT OF THE MONTH - SEPTEMBER 2022



NEOREGELIA - MINI

First : ←	<i>Neoregelia</i> 'Pop Tart'	Ray Gough (6 votes)
Second :	<i>Neoregelia</i> 'Golden Child'	Nigel Thomson (5 votes)
	<i>Neoregelia</i> 'Dyn-O-Mite'	Ian Fluerty (5 votes)



PATTERN LEAF VRIESEA

First : ←	<i>Vriesea</i> 'Jamie Smethie'	Nigel Thomson (6 votes)
Second :	<i>Vriesea</i> 'Eureka'	Nigel Thomson (4 votes)
	<i>Vriesea</i> 'Abigail Jean'	Stewart McDonald (4 votes)



FLOWERING BROMELIADS

First : ←	<i>Vriesea</i> 'Rosita'	Nigel Thomson (9 votes)
Second :	<i>Guzmania</i> 'Mia'	Nigel Thomson (8 votes)
Third :	<i>Guzmania</i> 'Hybrid'	Goff Loughran (2 votes)



TILLANDSIA - MOUNTED

First : ←	<i>Tillandsia</i> 'Marvelous Masterpiece'	Nigel Thomson (4 votes)
Second :	<i>Tillandsia capitata</i> (red form)	Ian Fluerty (3 votes)
	<i>Tillandsia</i> 'Bak's Noddy'	Jan Hutchins (3 votes)



OTHER GENERA

First : ←	<i>Quesnelia</i> 'Rafael Oliveira'	Nigel Thomson (9 votes)
Second :	<i>Quesnelia</i> 'Black Knight'	Goff Loughran (4 votes)
	<i>x Sincoregelia</i> 'Extasy' [Not Registered]	Ian Fluerty (4 votes)

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FCBSI @ THE HERVEY BAY ORCHID SHOW ...

Some of our members represented our Society at the Hervey Bay Orchid Show during September. The activities included Bromeliad and Fraser Coast Bromeliad Society promotion, plant sales and competition plants. Our members celebrated with good results in the competition plants and sales, while the Club display attracted plenty of attention.



Vriesea Cooloola
First Prize
Foliage - Bromeliad
Giles & Janine Blaber



Vr. Nova x Vr. Sherlette Shilgi
Second Prize
Foliage - Bromeliad
John & Narelle Hoffmann



Vr. Galaxy
Third Prize
Foliage - Bromeliad
John & Narelle Hoffmann

Congratulations to John and Narelle for the success at the show with their above plants.

A big thank you to Maxine for coordinating our presence and for another stunning display.

(Below) Our display at the Hervey Bay Orchid Show



FCBSI @ BSQ SPRING SHOW ...

On the same weekend as the Hervey Bay Orchid Show, the Bromeliad Society of Queensland held its annual Spring Show and Sales event. A number of our members who are also BSQ members ventured south to participate as exhibitors, sellers and helpers.

The Show had 95 entries and were judged by two groups of judges. Plants were awarded an Award of Merit (purple ribbon) by scoring 95 to 100 points. Those scoring 90 to 94 points awarded a blue ribbon and those with 85 to 89 points received a Red Ribbon.

Nigel Thomson had a successful weekend winning the Champion Bromeliad of the Show with *Quesnellia alvimii* and wins the Olwyn Ferris Trophy.



*(Left)
Nigel being presented the
Olwyn Ferris Trophy by Pam
Butler (BSQ President)*



*(Right)
The Champion Bromeliad
Quesnellia alvimii*

Congratulations to Nigel, Sue and Megan on their participation against some of Queensland's best at the BSQ Show.

A large selection of bromeliads plants were offered for sale with a good variety for those buying. There were a few members who ventured to Brisbane to take the opportunity to see and purchase plants.



*(above left)
Vriesea Gold King
Nigel Thomson*






*(below centre)
xNeophytum Ecstasy
Megan Perkins*



*(above right)
Neoregelia Cracker Night
Sue Loughran*

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 "Frosty" Forrest X fenestralis	Cameron, Mal & Michelle BCR_17294	QLD
	Vriesea "Shells Pretty in Pink" Godzilla X Hawaiian Ruby	Cameron, Mal & Michelle BCR_17295	QLD
	Vriesea "Sexy Tips" Forrest X Forrest	Cameron, Mal & Michelle BCR_17327	QLD
	Vriesea "Heaven's Door" Ice Snow Berries X Hawaiian Paradise	Cameron, Mal & Michelle BCR_17333	QLD
	Vriesea "Sparkler" The Daintree X Southern Cross	Cameron, Mal & Michelle BCR_17343	QLD

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

DIARY DATES FOR 2022 ...

FCBSI Monthly Meetings:

Date	Event / Guest Speaker	Venue / Location
October 22	BBQ Lunch incorporating Monthly Meeting and Charity Raffle	Narelle & John Hoffmann Maryborough
November 26	Christmas Party	Kondari Hotel - Urangan

Events:

November 5/6	FCBSI Monster Sale 2022	Senior Citizens Centre Tottness Street, Scarness
November 20	BSQ Tillandsia Day	Kedron Wavell Services Club Chermside
March 23/26 (2023)	Kiwi Broms - 2022 21st Australasian Bromeliad Conference	Waipuna Hotel Auckland - New Zealand

Note:

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

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.

BROMELIAD SUPPLIES ...

The current **FCBSI PRICE LIST** as of 12-July-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 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)	\$3.45	<i>New 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 **\$10** 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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