

# FRASER COAST BROMELIAD SOCIETY INC. NEWSLETTER

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# SATURDAY 24TH AUGUST 2024

**VENUE: DUNDOWRAN HALL** 

Presentation: My Hybridizing Journey - David Fells
( A Kiwi Broms Presentation )

Plant & Nursery Sales start 12:30 am.

Plant of the Month voting commences at 12:45 am.

Monthly Meeting starts at 1:15 am.

Don't forget to bring your contribution to the monthly raffle, your **Unusual Genera & Plants** for Show and Tell, and plants for the Monthly Popular Vote Competition

Variable Categories are:

- Neoregelia Over 250 mm, and
- · Tillandsia Mounted.

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**HAPPY BIRTHDAY** to the following members for August:

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Warren Bexton, Les Hutchins, Sue McDonald, Allan Millar, John Parker and Nigel Thomson.

# PRESIDENT'S FIVE MINUTES ...

Hi all ... .

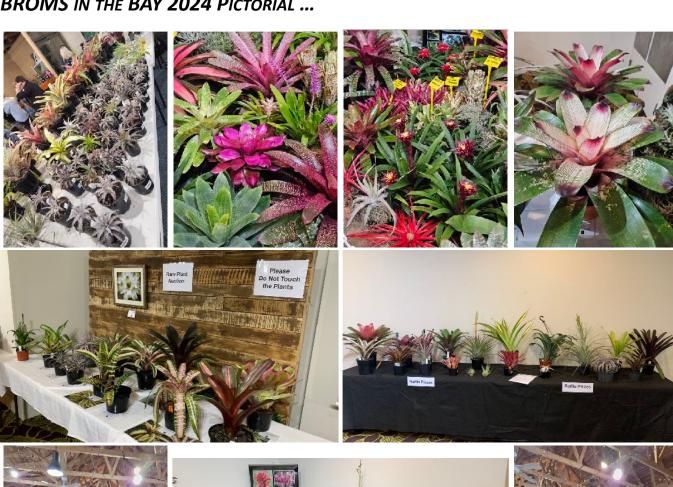
Well, Broms in the Bay 2024 is over. Despite the venue hiccups, everybody had a good time. The sales area was full of amazing plants, the Rare Plant Auction was very entertaining thanks to Rob Murray and the raffle attracted a lot of attention. Most importantly, the guest speakers shared their knowledge about species in their natural habit, overseas field trips, hybridizing methods, fertilizing, and climate conditions. My thanks to all the Society members who helped, sponsors for their support and sellers who provided the delegates with a wide range of incredible plants. And of course, thanks to you - the delegates. Without your participation, Broms in the Bay 2024 would not have happened.

No live guest speaker this month so we are showing one of the presentations from Kiwi Broms. I'm looking for your input by bringing along your **Unusual Genera & Plants** for Show and Tell.

Time has beaten me this month so I'll see you all on Saturday.

Cheers ... Les H.

## BROMS IN THE BAY 2024 PICTORIAL ...









Photographs courtesy of Anne Walsh and Les Hutchins

## FROM THE MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE ...

#### **♦** Monthly Featured Plant for "Show Tell & Ask"

The August theme is **Unusual Genera & Plants**.

Please bring along a plant or more from your collection to share with members.

#### PLANT OF THE MONTH - POPULAR VOTE

Our variable categories this month are:

- Neoregelia Over 250 mm, and
- Tillandsia Mounted.

#### **❖** Bromeliad Tips and Trick

This month, Les will demonstrate 'How to find your plants on the Internet.' A short session of the key Bromeliad sites available to check spelling of plant names, registration, and photos.

#### Monster Sale 2024

The Monster Sale is fast approaching so its time for sellers to ensure they are eligible to sell at this years event (attend at least three (3) monthly meetings.

Advertising will be ramped up over the next couple of months with flyers being made available at the BSQ Spring Sale, HBOS Sale and the Rockhampton Bromeliad and Foliage sale.

A roster will be available at the September meeting for members to volunteer their time in positions required to make this event successful.

#### NEW MEMBERS HANDBOOK

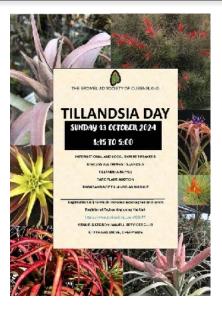
David Ward and Giles Blaber have developed a draft New Members Handbook. Each of the Management committee members have a copy and will be providing feedback to the authors this month. We are still on target to publish the first edition later in the year.

#### **BROMS ON THE BAY**

A post conference Delegate Satisfaction Survey is being designed by the organising committee and should be available to all delegates in the next week. If you attended the conference, keep an eye out for an email providing the link to the survey. Your input would be most appreciated for future



Conferences.





# PLANT OF THE MONTH - JULY 2024

Neoregelia - Under 250mm							
Neoregelia <b>'Mojo'</b>	Nigel Thomson –						
Neoregelia 'Mai Golden Fever'	Nigel Thomson –						
Neoregelia <b>'Groucho'</b>	John & Narelle Hoffmann –						
PATTERN LEAF VRIESEA							
Vriesea 'Hunua Fireburst'	Nigel Thomson 7 votes						
Vriesea 'Snow Dragon'	Janine Blaber 5 votes						
Vriesea 'Laura' X 'Megan' [N.R.]	John & Narelle Hoffmann 5 votes						
FLOWERING BROMELIADS							
Guzmania <b>'Florence'</b> [N.R.]	Nigel Thomson 8 votes						
Guzmania 'Tutti Frutti'	John & Narelle Hoffmann 7 votes						
Vriesea <b>'Rosita'</b> [N.R.]	Maxine O'Shea 5 votes						
Species	O votes						
Vriesea <b>delicatula</b>	Nigel Thomson 19 votes						
Aechmea <b>seideliana</b>	David Ward 7 votes						
No third place	, votes						
OTHER GENERA							
Guzmania <b>'Clair'</b> [N.R.]	Nigel Thomson 25 votes						
No second place	-						
No third place	-						
TILLANDSIA - POTTED							
Tillandsia <b>bulbosa 'Belize'</b> [N.R.]	Nigel Thomson –						
Tillandsia ehlersiana (extra large form)	Ray Gough –						
Tillandsia <b>'John Arden Hybrid'</b>	Nigel Thomson						
Tillandsia <b>'Lucille'</b>	Nigel Thomson						
Tillandsia <b>'Regal Rene'</b>	Sue Loughran						
	Neoregelia 'Mojo'  Neoregelia 'Mai Golden Fever'  Neoregelia 'Groucho'  PATTERN LEAF VRIESEA  Vriesea 'Hunua Fireburst'  Vriesea 'Snow Dragon'  Vriesea 'Laura' X 'Megan' [N.R.]  FLOWERING BROMELIADS  Guzmania 'Florence' [N.R.]  Guzmania 'Tutti Frutti'  Vriesea 'Rosita' [N.R.]  SPECIES  Vriesea delicatula  Aechmea seideliana  No third place  OTHER GENERA  Guzmania 'Clair' [N.R.]  No second place  No third place  TILLANDSIA - POTTED  Tillandsia bulbosa 'Belize' [N.R.]  Tillandsia 'John Arden Hybrid'  Tillandsia 'John Arden Hybrid'						

# Plant of the Month Photographs









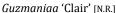
Neoregelia 'Mojo'

*Vriesea* 'Hunua Fireburst'

Guzmania 'Florence' [N.R.]

Vriesea delicatula







Tillandsia bulbosa "Belize"



Some of the 'Flowering Brom" entries.

Photographs courtesy of Les Hutchins

August 2024 meeting: Neoregelia is Over 250 mm, and Tillandsia is "Mounted"

Editor's Request: Please include the genus name when registering plants especially the Flowering Bromeliad & Other Genera categories and write clearly

# WEB LINKS FOR CHECKING CORRECT IDENTIFICATION AND SPELLING ...

For correct identification and spelling of your hybrid or cultivar, refer to this site:

**Bromeliad Cultivar Register (BCR)** 

https://registry.bsi.org/registry

For the latest species name changes and correct spelling, refer to either of these sites:

**Encyclopedia of Bromeliads** 

https://bromeliad.nl/excyclopedia

or New Bromeliad Taxon List:

https://bromeliad.nl/taxonlist

# Editor's Note ...

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# **NEW CULTIVAR REGISTRATIONS ...**

There has been 55 new cultivars listed world wide in the past month. Of these, thirteen are by Australian growers.

New Zealand growers also featured this month, Andrew Devonshire (*Neo.* 'Mai Tiger King') and Peter Blanch (*Neo.* 'Phalanx', *Neo.* 'Phenomena' & *Neo.* 'Dia de Muertos') both had plants registered. Given the long lead time to make the Register and the interaction between Australian and New Zealand growers; some of these plants may be in Australia under formulae.

51	Cultivar Name	Hybridist	
Photograph	Seed Parent X Pollen Parent	BCR No.	State
	Alcanteria 'Eleesha J'	Bruce Dunstan	
	A self-set, seedling mutation Alcantarea glaziouana	BCR_17779	QLD
	Billbergia 'Stormy Anya'	Amanda Barbe	
	NIGHT SKIES X HAYLEY'S JOY	BCR_17453	QLD
	Canistrum 'The Force'	Peter Tristram	
The second	NEBULA (seidelianum dark form) X VANIA LIME	BCR_17790	NSW
WE	Neoregelia 'Rainbow Nightmare'	Peter Tristram / Graer	ne Barclay
	Freddy Kruger $X$ Rainbow Carcharodon	BCR_17538	NSW
Alle .	Neoregelia 'Lonestar'	Vic Przetocki	
E TO	GLORIOUS X RIEN'S PRIDE	BCR_17605	QLD
	Neoregelia 'Sonny P'	Peter Tristram	
	Hacksaw $X$ (Jenna $X$ ?)	BCR_17626	NSW
	Neoregelia 'TJ Lime Blush'	Tash Atkinson	
	Tiger Rose X Sabertooth	BCR_17780	QLD
	Neoregelia 'TJ FIGJAM'	Tash Atkinson	
	Tiger Rose X Blueberry Tiger	BCR_17781	QLD
	Tillandsia <b>'Steiglitz'</b>	Greg Aizlewood	
MIN	JIM HYDE X unknown	BCR_17682	QLD
	Vriesea 'Heart Throb'	Mal & Michelle Cameron	
	DILLINGS BLACK BEAUTY X Unknown	BCR_16011	QLD
	Vriesea 'Fruit Salad'	Mal & Michelle Came	eron
	Amethestia $X$ Forrest	BCR_17791	QLD
	Vriesea 'Heart Breaker'	Mal & Michelle Came	eron
	DILLINGS BLACK BEAUTY X JADE ZEBRA	BCR_17793	QLD
NE	Vriesea 'Cover Girl'	Mal & Michelle Came	eron
	HIDDEN FOREST X KIWI PINK HALL	BCR_17829	QLD

 ${\it Data\ and\ photographs\ courtesy\ of\ the\ Bromeliad\ Cultivar\ Register\ (BCR)}$ 

# **BROMELIAD NURSERY SUPPLIES ...**

The current **FCBSI PRICE LIST** as of 22-August-2024 is published to the right. Prices may vary when new stock is ordered.

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 <a href="mailto:tintenters@bigpond.com">tintenters@bigpond.com</a> 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.

**NOTE** ... There has been a price increase for 140mm and 200mm squat pots this month.

ltem	Unit	Price per Unit	Status / Comment
SQUAT POTS, 125mm	(10 pk)	\$3.60	Out of stock
SQUAT POTS, 140mm	(10 pk)	\$4.80	In stock
SQUAT POTS, 165mm	(5 pk)	\$3.60	In stock
SQUAT POTS, 200mm	(5 pk)	\$3.90	In stock
HANGERS (4 PRONG)	(10 pk)	\$4.10	In stock
LABELS, LARGE, WHITE	( 25 pk )	\$2.25	In stock
LABELS, SMALL, WHITE	( 25 pk )	\$2.00	In stock
LABELS, LARGE, YELLOW	( 25 pk )	\$1.50	( For use on sale plants. )
LABELS, SMALL, YELLOW	( 25 pk )	\$1.25	( For use on sale plants. )
LABELLING PENCILS	( each )	\$6.00	In stock
PAPER SLEEVES, 140mm	( 10 pk )	\$2.90	In stock
PAPER SLEEVES, 170mm	(10 pk)	\$3.40	In stock
PAPER SLEEVES, 200mm	( 10 pk )	\$3.90	In stock
FERTILISER (Slow Release)	(500gm)	\$4.50	In stock
FERTILISER (Foliar)	(500gm)	\$6.80	In stock

# DIARY DATES FOR 2024 ...

# **FCBSI Monthly Meetings:**

Date	Event / Guest Speaker	Venue / Location
August 24	Monthly Meeting	Dundowran Hall
September 28	<b>Monthly Meeting</b> Guest speaker : Peter Ball	Dundowran Hall
October 26	<b>Monthly Meeting</b> Guest speakers : Greg Aizlewood	Dundowran Hall
November 23	Monthly Meeting incorporating our Christmas Party	Kondari Hotel

## **Events:**

September 20/21/22	Hervey Bay Orchid Society Orchid and Garden Spectacular	Xavier College Eli Waters
September 21/22	BSQ Spring Show & Sale	Genesis College Bray Park
October 5 / 6	Rockhampton Bromeliad Group Bromeliad & Foliage Sale	Robert Schwarten Pavilion Rockhampton Showgrounds
October 13	BSQ Tillandsia Workshop	Kedron Wavell Services Club Chermside
November 2 / 3	FCBSI Monster Bromeliad Sale	TAFE College Urraween