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June Meeting BBQ

SATURDAY 28th June 2025

VENUE: John & Narelle Hoffman

87 John Street Maryborough

Monthly Meeting starts at **11am**
 Plant of the Month voting **11am – 11.15 am**
 Plant & Nursery Sales

Presentation:

Tillandsia
 By Neville Ryan

Show and Tell

Tillandsias are the featured topic for June, so bring along your plants for 'Show N Tell', also enter them in the Popular vote competition. You are encouraged to bring along other plants for 'Show N Tell' that are of special interest to you or that you are having challenges with identifying or growing

Variable Categories are:

Neoregelia -UNDER 250 mm in diameter, and Tillandsia POTTED

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HAPPY BIRTHDAY

IN THE GARDEN OF LIFE, JUNE BIRTHDAYS BLOOM LIKE VIBRANT PETALS.



Janine Baber
 Tara Casey
 Matthew Perkins
 Ronald Sutherland
 Anne Walsh
 Lorraine Ward
 Graham Spence

Information June Meeting

June BBQ will be an excellent event where all members are invited. Food and accessories will be supplied by FCBS.

Bring along a chair (long time to stand) and **a cup for refreshments** and don't forget your experiences and knowledge to share with a smile and laugh with the group.

We are pleased to announce that **Neville Ryan** will be offering a selection of exquisite tillandsias for purchase.

Management Committee Update

Monster Sale 1st & 2nd November held at the TAFE College Urraween Road Urraween

- It's time to start going to the chemist and collecting boxes.
- If you are selling at the Monster sale, please notify Sue Loughran.

First Aide Kit has been purchased for events

Club shirts are now \$34.95.

Show and Tell



David spoke about Tassle Ferns easy to strike, with good potting mix in large pot, don't keep to dry or wet free drainage.



Stan Walkley spoke about fertilising plants, slow release in a (mesh bag), hang to drip then rain/water goes onto plants. Spray fertalises such as ozemocote. It is about 2% of the cost. VRIESEA Jolanda Hybrid was a pup from Nigel

- Sue presented 2 x tillandsias that she has owned for 12 years and has not flowered. Asking for assistance with the name. The consensus of the group was it is difficult to know without the flower. Unsolved mystery.
- Kim presented a Neo to find out how to clean the centre and inside the leaves. Suggestions were use a baby's bottle brush, dishwashing liquid and dip in-between leaves to clean.
- Janine presented a Neo with white film to find out how to remove as she has tried with no success. Suggestions where to use a cloth/finger and rub and roll motion to remove. Janine is going to try.

Out and About

Celebrating the Success of Members at Regional Events

Participating in plant exhibitions and competitions offers an excellent opportunity for individuals to showcase their horticultural skills, fostering a sense of accomplishment and pride.

In May at the Fraser Coast Agriculture Show, John and Narelle Hoffman, Janine Blaber and Ian Fluerty won between them several 1st, 2nd, and 3rd awards in various sections and class descriptions. Also, Best Tillandsia, Best Neo and Grand Champion Orchid

Janine's stunning bromeliads



Unfortunately, not all the results have been published by the Fraser Coast Agriculture Show Society at the time of circulating this newsletter. Further information can be found at <https://frasercoastagshow.com>



And it doesn't stop there!

At the Rockhampton Agricultural Show 2025

Sue and Barry Hagedorn
awarded
'Champion Bromeliad'

Lets celebrate everyone's achievements in the world of gardening and plants that these wonderful people so passionately represent. I am sure they will enjoy chatting with you about their experiences and help you with future entries.



Plant of the Month -April 2025

Regrettably, the results of the Flowering Bromeliads in April could not be published in last month's newsletter.

FLOWERING BROMELIADS			
	First:	← GUZMANIA Torch Variegated 17	Nigel Thomson (17 votes)
	Second	VRENSIA Conway	David Ward (8 votes)
	Third	GUZMANIA Mia	Anne Walsh (3 votes)

Plant of the Month -May 2025

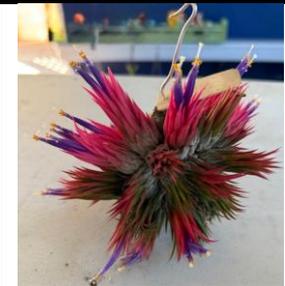
NEOREGELIA OVER 250MM DIAMETER			
	First	← NEOREGELIA Tangerine	John and Narelle Hoffman (9 votes)
	Second:	NEOREGELIA Wild Obsession	Janine Blaber (6 votes)
	Third:	NEOREGELIA Lorena Lector	Ian and Kim Fitzgerald (5 votes)
PATTERN LEAF VRIESEA			
	First:	← VRIESEA Chocolate Raspberry	Sue Loughran (13 votes)
	Second	VRIESEA Paho Beauty x Maunakea Hybrid	John and Narelle Hoffman (9 votes)
	Third	N/Applicable with 3 entries	

FLOWERING BROMELIADS (BILLBERGIA/GUZMANIA/ AECHMEA)



First: ←	VRIESEA Jolanda Hybrid	Stan Walker (16 votes)
Second:	TILLANDSIA <i>Latifolia V Divericata</i>	Ian and Kim Fitzgerald (4votes)
Third:	VRIESEA <i>Conway</i>	David Ward (2 votes)
Third	AECHAMEA <i>Silver Sister</i>	Jan Hutchins (2 votes)

TILLANDSIA



First: ←	TILLANDSIA Fasciata	Stan Walker (11 votes)
Second:	TILLANDSIA <i>Graomogolensis</i>	Maxine O'Shea (8 votes)
Third:	TILLANDSIA <i>Ty</i>	Ray Gough (4 votes)

OTHER GENERA



First no 9 ←	AECHAMEA <i>Orlandiana</i>	John and Narelle Hoffman (7 votes)
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First no 5 ←	BILLBERGIA <i>Sandra</i>	David Ward (7 votes)
Second	AECHAMEA <i>Orlandiana (Hybrid)</i>	David Ward (6 votes)
Third	X <i>Sincoregelia Hybrid</i>	Val Honeywood (2 Votes)
Third	AECHAMEA <i>Roberto Menescal</i>	Ian and Kim Fitzgerald (2 votes)

SPECIES



First: ←	Deuterochonia <i>Brevifolia</i>	Jan Hutchins (10 votes)
Second:	Lutheria <i>glutinosa galaxy</i>	Janine Blaber (5 votes)
Third	Quesnelia <i>Tim Plowman</i>	Maxine O'Shea (3 votes)
Third	Sincoraes <i>Muengense</i>	David Ward (3 votes)

FOLIAGE			
	First: ←	<i>Euphorbia Dragon Bone</i>	Ian and Kim Fitzgerald (5 votes)
	Second:	<i>Nepenthes Pitch Plant</i>	Jane Hutchins (4 votes)
	Second:	<i>Aglaonema Golden Fluorite</i>	Janine Blaber (4 votes)
	Third	<i>Dieffenbachia</i>	Val Honeywood (3 votes)
	Third	<i>Philodendron Sodiroi</i>	Janine Blaber (3 votes)

August 2025 meeting: Neoregelia is **Over 250 mm in diameter**, 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. This helps to identify under BCR and registry.

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>

New Bromeliad Taxon List:

<https://bromeliad.nl/taxonlist>

Monthly Meeting Raffles with Debbie and Peter!



The raffle table consistently offers a variety of bromeliads and foliage plants and much more!

BROMELIAD NURSERY SUPPLIES

FCBS STOCK SALES	
Description	Price per Item
125mm Squat Pot (10pk)	\$3.60
140mm Squat Pot (10pk)	\$4.80
140mm Extra Squat Pot (10pk)	\$3.50
165mm Squat pot (5pk)	\$3.60
200mm Squat Pot (5pk)	\$3.90
4 Leg Hangers (10pk)	\$4.10
labels white large (25pk)	\$2.30
labels white small (25pk)	\$2.00
labels yellow large (25pk)	\$1.50
labels yellow small (25pk)	\$1.25
pencils each	\$6.00
sleeves 140mm (10pk)	\$2.90
sleeves 170mm (10pk)	\$3.40
sleeves 200mm (10pk)	\$3.90
Fertiliser 500g (Slow Release)	\$4.50
Fertiliser 500g (Foliar)	\$6.80

The **FCBSI Price List** effective from **May 2025**. Prices are subject to change with new stock orders.

If you need any items and require assistance, please contact Jan or Les at 0419799483.

Alternatively, you may email them in advance to ensure that your order is prepared for collection at the next meeting. It is also possible to arrange for pickup from their residence prior to the meeting.

New Cultivar Registrations

There are new cultivar registrations listed by an Australian grower this month (June). *Data and photographs courtesy of the Bromeliad Cultivar Register (BCR)*

Photograph	Cultivar Name	Hybridist	
	Seed Parent X Pollen Parent	BCR No.	State
	<u>xQUESISTRUM 'Fost Clad'</u> Seed Parent: Canistrum fosterianum Pollen Parent: Quesnelia alvimii	(17891) Tristram, Peter	NSW
	<u>NEOREGELIA 'Shark Spots'</u> Seed Parent: Silver Shark Pollen Parent: Repton Dazzler	(17893) Tristram, Peter	NSW
	<u>NEOREGELIA 'Cherry Dazzler'</u> Seed Parent: Black Opal Pollen Parent: Repton Dazzler	(17894) Tristram, Peter	NSW
	<u>NEOREGELIA 'Jen-O-Silver'</u> Seed Parent: Black Opal x Jenna Pollen Parent: silvomontana	(17895) Tristram, Peter	NSW
	<u>BILLBERGIA 'Light Year'</u> Seed Parent: Caprice Pollen Parent: Sherbet Delight	(17898) Tristram, Peter	NSW

Reminder



****Early Bird Special finishes on 30th June 2025****

Visit <https://aussiebroms2025.bromsqueensland.com.au/wp> this will provide profiles and regular updates





Date	Event / Guest Speaker	Venue / Location
2025		
June 28 th	BBQ Lunch and Monthly Meeting Guest speaker: Neville Ryan Theme: Tillandsia	Maryborough
July 26 th	Theme Vriesea – flowering or patterned leaf	Dundowran Hall
August 23 rd	Guest Speaker: Joy Duke Theme Foliage	Dundowran Hall
August / September <i>To be advised</i>	Social & Discovery Workshop Potting Up Time: 9:30am – 11:30am.	David and Lorraine Ward Home
September 20 th <i>change of date</i>	Theme: Aechmea and Alcantarea	Dundowran Hall
October 25 th	Theme: Bromeliad Species	Dundowran Hall
November 22 nd	Theme: “Most Dangerous (Spikey) Bromeliad	Dundowran Hall

Date	Events	Venue / Location
2025		
July 12 th	BSQ Balcony & Indoor Plants (Pop Up Sale) Free Admission – 9am to 12pm	Uniting Church Merthyr Road New Farm.
July 11/12/13	Queensland Garden Show	Nambour Showgrounds, Coronation Ave Nambour
September 26,27/28	HBOS Hervey Bay Orchid & Garden Spectacular	
September 27 / 28	BSQ Spring Sale	Genesis College - Bray Park
November 1 / 2	FCBSI Monster Bromeliad Sale	TAFE College Urraween Road
November 4/5/6/7	22nd Australasian Bromeliad Conference Aussie Broms 2025 Exploring <i>Diversity & Beauty</i>	Eaton’s Hill Hotel Brisbane Queensland
December 13	FCBSI Christmas Party	tba

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