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Meeting: SATURDAY 22nd AUGUST

VENUE: DUNDOWRAN HALL

12:30PM PLANT & NURSERY SALES

12:45PM PLANT OF THE MONTH VOTING

1:00PM MONTHLY MEETING STARTS

Presentation:

Kathryn Fraser

Cryptanthus (plants for sale)

Show and Tell

Foliage the featured topic for **August**

Popular Vote Competition Variable Categories are:

Neoregelia – UNDER 250mm and Tillandsia – MOUNTED

Afternoon Tea

Bring biscuits, cake, slices or another treat to share for afternoon tea. Homemade and/or supermarket-bought items are all delicious.

Content of Newsletter

- Management Committee Update
- Show and Tell & Guest Speaker
- Popular Vote Categories 2026
- Out and About - local and overseas
- New Australian Bromeliad Cultivars
- Nursery Supplies
- Diary Dates

JULY BIRTHDAYS



Attend during your birthday month to receive a FREE raffle ticket—then sign in for an extra chance to win a FREE raffle prize!

Warren	Bexton
Les	Hutchins
Sue	McDonald
Allan	Miller
Nigel	Thomson
Peter	Maczi

Management Committee Update

- Guidelines for popular vote will be available at the meetings.

September Meeting has been brought forward to **third Saturday 19th September 2026**. This is due to:

- 26–27 September 2026: **Bromeliad & Tropicals Spring Show & Sales** (Saturday 8am–4pm, Sunday 8am–1pm). North Lakes State College (Junior Sports Stadium), Innovation Place, North Lakes (NEW LOCATION!)
- Event features plants from \$5, displays, free info sessions raffle, & \$4 entry (free for garden club groups of 10+). **AND**
- 25–26 September 2026: **Hervey Bay Spring Orchid & Garden Spectacular**
Xavier Catholic College, Wide Bay Drive, Hervey Bay.

If you would like to sell at the upcoming orchid show, please put your name on the list at the next meeting.

SECTION 'B' – FOLIAGE

Foliage plants in orchid club displays or on the foliage display table will be eligible. All plants to be judged must have a written name label (to be supplied by HBOS) with the plant name on the front and owners' initials on the reverse side.

CLASS 1 Anthurium

CLASS 2 Bromeliad

CLASS 3 Fern

CLASS 4 Begonia

CLASS 5 Hanging Basket

CLASS 6 Any other foliage plant up to 250 mm high

CLASS 7 Any other foliage plant over 250 mm high

- Foliage Prizes –
1st - \$25, Ribbon and Award Card
2nd - \$10, Ribbon and Award Card

Monster Sale Saturday 31st October – Sunday 1st November is only 2 months away. It's time to start preparation so let the secretary know how many tables you require and other areas of assistance over the 2 days.

Save the date: our Christmas Celebration and Presentation, the final meeting of the year, will be held on 17th November 2026. This year everyone will enjoy a spit roast at **DUNDOWRAN HALL** with a minimum of 30 people.

Show N Tell Plant of the Month is your chance to share a bromeliad or foliage plant of special interest. Perhaps you have a **Cryptanthus** for August meeting. Tell us what makes it worth growing, whether in the garden, shade house, or indoors, and share any challenges you have overcome along the way. Let's not forget the potting mixture and weather conditions for growing.

Popular Vote Competition

Another opportunity is to enter your **Show N Tell** plant in the competition section displayed in the hall.

Winners from each section will be announced at the meeting and will be featured in the next newsletter.

Welcome to our new members - Brent and Louise Basan are inspired by the beauty of bromeliads.



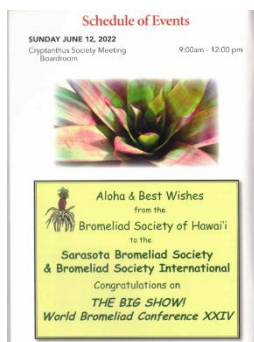
Afternoon tea disappeared quickly, leaving just one photo.

Show N Tell

Help! Janine brought in a bromeliad where the leaves were curling and rotting and was not sure why. There were a few tips provided, get rid of the dead leaves and/or turn it upside down for a couple of days. Also sprinkle **cinnamon** on the plant. The benefits are:

- **Cinnamon** prevents fungal diseases and pests, helping plants stay healthy and thriving.
- Its antifungal and antiseptic properties protect seedlings, cuttings, and damaged plants.
- The strong scent repels insects, ants, and rodents, acting as a natural garden barrier.

Guest Speaker - Giles and Janine Blaber – World Conference 2022



After two COVID-related postponements, the conference finally went ahead. Masks were required on the plane to keep safe. Janine and Giles stayed at a nearby B&B, close to the Hyatt Regency where the conference was held. About 150 people attended, and everyone received a goodie pack.

Giles was there to support Janine, who was especially interested in the bromeliad varieties grown in the United States.

The entrance display, while impressive, did not match the standard of the FCBS displays prepared by Maxine—what a wonderful compliment, Maxine. We look forward to seeing this year's Monster Sale display. The bus tours were excellent, and the places visited were outstanding. As the photos show, the shade houses were enormous. Every entry received a blue merit award, which the Australian visitors initially took to mean first prize—oops!

It was a terrific presentation, and Janine and Giles clearly have many more stories to share



The Conference Entry Displays



Michael Brome



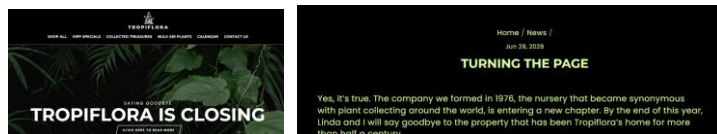
Tropiflora



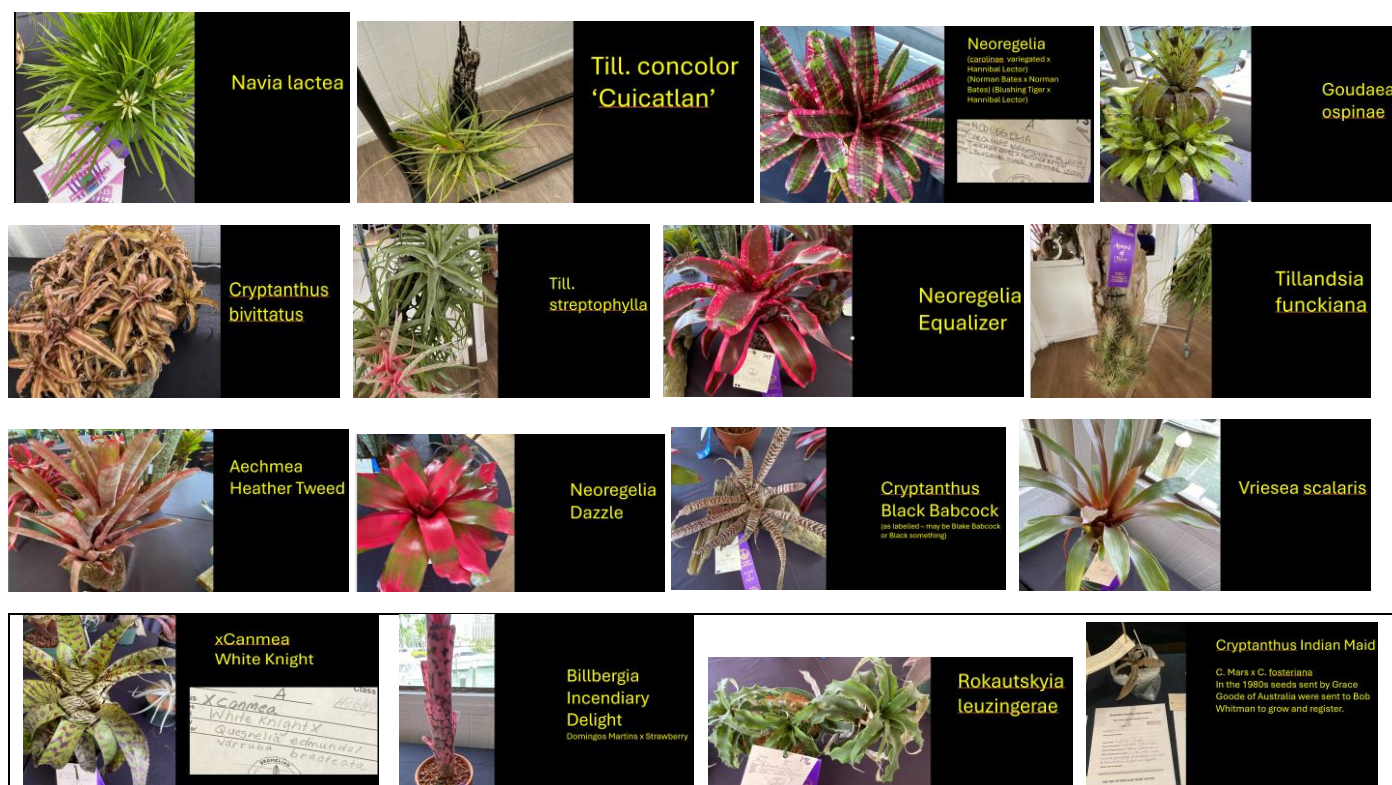
Tropiflora and Michaels Bromeliads - Hurricane Milton October 2024



Shock Announcement 29th June 2026



9th June 2022 bus trip Plant Show Open Boathouse Lots and Lots of photos this is only a snippet



Cost of Plants in US\$



It certainly makes you want to visit the next Bromeliad Society International World Bromeliad Conference in 2028 at Nong Nooch Garden, Pattaya, Thailand.

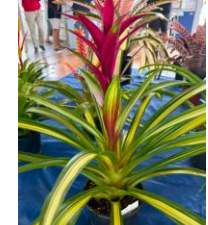
Follow the Nong Nooch Garden Pattaya 2028 Facebook page and stay tuned for more details.



Popular Vote JULY Results 2026

	Place	Neoregelia	Exhibitor
	1 st	Black opal x skotaks tiger	Nigel Thomson
	2 nd	Casaba	Sue McDonald
	3 rd	Red Macaw	John & Narelle Hoffman

	Place	Patterened Leaf Vriesea	Exhibitor
	1 st	Jamie Smethie	Nigel Thomson
	2 nd	Patrice x Strawberry Delight	David Ward
	3 rd	Black Flamingo	Janine Blaber

	Place	Flowering Bromeliad	Exhibitor
	1 st	Bernies Gold	Nigel Thomson
	2 nd	Monostachia	John & Narelle Hoffman
	3 rd	Kallisto	David Ward

	Place	Other Genera	Exhibitor
	1 st	Sincoregelia Galactic Warrior (formally classified under x Neophtum)	David Ward
	2 nd	Billbergia Nolie Rose	John & Narelle Hoffman
	3 rd	Aechmea Harvey's Pride	Nigel Thomson

	Place	species	Exhibitor
	1 st	Tillandsia Streptocarpa	Nigel Thomson
	2 nd	Guzmania Sanguinea	David Ward
	3 rd	Aechmea Ampla	David Ward
	Equal	Hoen Leopoldo Horstii	Val Honeywood

	Place	Tillandsia	Exhibitor
	1 st	Bulbosa Belize	Nigel Thomson
	2 nd	Silver Queen	Jan Hutchins
	3 rd	Hildae	Ray Gough
	Equal	Rothi x Concolour	Sue McDonald

	Place	Foliage	Exhibitor
	1 st	Huperzia Squarrosa	David Ward
	2 nd	Coleus	Val Honeywood
	3 rd	Anthurium Nevada	Janine Blaber

	Place	Novice	Exhibitor
	1 st	Billbergia Halleluja	G Breeze
	2 nd	Neoregelia Bobby Dazzler	Peter Maczi
	3 rd	Neoregelia unknown	Peter Maczi

Raffle Table

Celebrate the joy of giving and growing!

Each raffle prize is a living reminder that kindness, like a plant, grows when shared. From lush indoor greenery to vibrant bromeliads and flowering pots, these gifts are little bundles of life ready to brighten homes and hearts. Prizes may also include pots, ornaments, gardening tools, fertilisers and other useful gardening items.

By entering the raffle, you have the chance to win a beautiful plant companion while helping our community grow stronger, greener and more connected.



Lemons were full of juicy flavour and on point for cooking and drizzling over fish. Thank you for sharing Mel

Out and About

Nambour Show — Members who attended shared a laugh about how easy it was to spend generously. As one person put it, you needed deep pockets, with many excellent foliage plants on offer. Bruce Dunstan and Stan Walkley presented fantastic displays, and their plants were selling quickly. The foliage plants were outstanding.

Ekka 150 Year Anniversary

The Ekka this year was amazing, there were 21,000 entries in categories across the show.



Brisbane Society of Queensland



Brisbane Botanic Gardens



Gardening through the ages



1st Place



International Cordyline Society



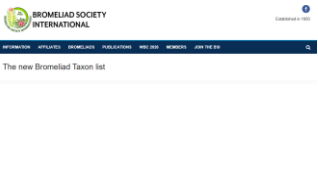
Bromelaid Information

Get to know your family of Bromeliaceae



Label - Perhaps you have heaps of labels gathered together in a pot called “lost & find”. You may like to find out the “origin” of the bromeliad or the “seed parent” and the “pollan parent”. You can even find out if the bromelaid is a *‘hybrid or cultivar’* or who registered the bromelaid, you may even know this person through introduction or shook their hand at a bromelaid meeting or your neighbour. **OR Tip them out and start again!**

As research the original species continues, there maybe name changes to a bromeliad you own. The latest ‘species’ name can be found under **New Bromeliad Taxon List**

Bromeliad Cultivar Register (BCR)	Encyclopedia of Bromeliads	Bromeliad Taxon list:
For the latest Correct identification and spelling of your hybrid or cultivar https://registry.bsi.org/	For the latest species name changes and correct spelling. https://bromeliad.nl/en/cyclopedia	For the latest species name changes and correct spelling. BSI The new Bromeliad Taxon list
		

New Cultivar Registrations

The **Bromeliad Cultivar Register (BCR)** is managed by the **Bromeliad Society International (BSI)**, which is the only International Cultivar Registration Authority for Bromeliaceae. There are new cultivar registrations listed by an Australian grower this **month July/Aug (date of this newsletter)**. *Data and photographs courtesy of the Bromeliad Cultivar Register (BCR)* Facebook: *Bromeliad Society International BSI* provides information on bromeliad species and related topics, featuring excellent photographs of different bromeliad genera.

Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18501) 2026-08-04 BILLBERGIA 'Blackberry Bandit' Przetocki, Vic 2014 Mature tubular vase to 42cm. tall. Green flecked, blackish maroon leaves to 5cm. wide with whitish/pink spots. Semi pendant inflorescence with red bracts; light green ovaries, creamy green sepals with a light red tinge, tipped dark blue; and flowers with a green/brownish throat and recurved dark blue petals. Reg. Doc. 5/2026. Country of origin: Western Australia Seed Parent: Red Coat Pollen Parent: Domingos Martins 	Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18418) 2026-08-03 BILLBERGIA 'Dennis Archibald' Aizlewood, Greg 2008 Mature tubular vase to 65cm. high. Olive green/burgundy leaves with creamy-white spots and mottling, sparse silver-scurf banding on the undersides and prominent black spines. Erect inflorescence with coral red bracts, cream ovaries, cream/pink sepals tipped blue, and recurving, glossy violet petals. Named after a fellow member of the 20th RAAF Engineering Apprentice intake (Squirrels) 1966. Grex sibling = B. 'Paul Crotty'. Reg. Doc. 2/2026. Country of origin: Queensland Australia Seed Parent: Bob Pollen Parent: Dippin Dots 
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Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18419) 2026-08-03 BILLBERGIA 'Paul Crotty' Aizlewood, Greg 2008 Mature tubular vase to approx. 60cm. Dark plum/purple leaves with muted red and white spots and conspicuous silver banding on the undersides mainly near the base. Erect inflorescence with rose pink bracts, coral pink ovaries, coral pink and cream sepals tipped blue, and cream petals tipped blue. Named in remembrance of a fellow member of the 20th Intake RAAF Engineering Apprentice intake (Squirrels) 1966. Grex sibling = B. 'Dennis Archibald'. Reg. Doc. 2/2026. Country of origin: Queensland Australia Seed Parent: Bob Pollen Parent: Dippin Dots 	Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18475) 2026-07-27 CRYPTANTHUS 'Thirty Seven' Weston, Dave circa 2023 Mature, open rosette, typically to 50cm. diameter, of a radial, oblong symmetry, 10-12 leaves per rosette, tapering to narrow / long lanceolate shape to 5cm. wide. Margins are finely serrated with small dense spines. Initially growth is an upright rosette tending to flatten with maturity. Leaf blades are slightly / moderately undulate, the base colour is dark green tending to chocolate brown and with age with some tan mottling. The upper leaf surface has consistent, silver, transverse, cryptic trichome banding. The foliage reverse has a uniform layer of trichomes giving a whitish grey appearance. At blooming is a central cluster of white non-fragrant flowers. Offsets are produced both basally and from the leaf axils. Reg. Doc. 4/2026. Country of origin: Queensland Australia Seed Parent: Thriller Pollen Parent: Unknown ? 
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Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18420) 2026-07-23

BILLBERGIA 'Bill Colgrave' Aizlewood, Greg 2008

Mature vase-shaped rosette to 60cm. tall including the inflorescence. Olive green leaves to 5cm. wide with cream marbled patches and spots suffusing various shades of pink. Erect inflorescence with large crimson bracts, chartreuse ovaries, cream sepals tipped blue and creamy chartreuse petals with pale rose margins and blue tips. Named for a fellow member of the 20th Intake RAAF Engineering Apprentice Intake (Squires) 1996. Reg. Doc. 2/2026
Country of origin: **Queensland Australia**

Seed Parent: **Trojan Tiger** Pollen Parent: **Groovy**



Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18444) 2026-07-23

NEOREGELIA 'David's Gem' Przetocki, Vic / Millhouse, David 2018

Mature spider-shaped rosette to 85cm wide. Mid green, wavy leaves to 6cm. wide with lighter green margins and striations. Centre cup blushes light purple upon flowering. Reg. Doc. 3/2026.
Country of origin: **Western Australia**

Seed Parent: ? Pollen Parent: ?



Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18392) 2026-07-22

AECHMEA 'Laserlite' Przetocki, Vic 2021

Mature upright, funnel-form rosette to 50cm. tall. Green/reddish-maroon leaves with random silver bands on both sides, moreso on the undersides. Erect inflorescence approx. 20cm. high of clustered coral red bracts with silver trichomes, light creamy yellow ovaries, coral red sepals, and purple-petalled flowers. Reg. Doc. 12/2025
Country of origin: **Western Australia**

Seed Parent: **Baton** Pollen Parent: **Baton**



Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18395) 2026-07-22

BILLBERGIA 'Dark Desire' Przetocki, Vic 2014

Mature tubular vase to 38cm. tall. Dark maroon leaves to 5cm. wide with cream/pink spots and light silver bands on the undersides. Erect 15cm. tall inflorescence with coral red bracts; coral red ovaries turning grayish green as they age; pink sepals tipped purple; and flowers with a light green throat and violet petals. Reg. Doc. 12/2025.
Country of origin: **Western Australia**

Seed Parent: **Cedar Rust** Pollen Parent: **Domingos Martins**



Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18428) 2026-07-22

NEOREGELIA 'Tropic Heat' Guentzel, Frank circa 2022

Mature stacked rosette to 80cm. wide. Russet red, arching leaves to 9.5cm wide with random, small, oval-shaped cream speckles near the centre. Grex sibling = N. 'Balmy Night'. Reg. Doc. 2/2026.
Country of origin: **Queensland Australia**

Seed Parent: **Red Macaw** Pollen Parent: **Merry Monarch**



Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18429) 2026-07-22

NEOREGELIA 'Balmy Night' Guentzel, Frank circa 2022

Mature stacked rosette to 70cm. wide. Russet red, arching leaves to 9.5cm wide with random, small, lime-green speckles and spots near the centre and coral red fingernails. Grex sibling = N. 'Tropic Heat'. Reg. Doc. 2/2026.
Country of origin: **Queensland Australia**

Seed Parent: **Red Macaw** Pollen Parent: **Merry Monarch**



Bromeliad Cultivar Register (18446) 2026-07-22

VRIESEA 'Charmion Wood' Jerome, D. 2017

Mature rosette to 40cm. wide x 45cm. high. Light green leaves with olive-green longitudinal lines, flagree cross-hatch glyph patterns and prominent dark maroon fingernails. Centre leaves suffuse peachy-pink in high light. Glyph Group. Reg. Doc. 3/2026 by Cheryl Meadham-Smith.
Country of origin: **N.S.W. Australia**

Seed Parent: **Rainbow Beach** Pollen Parent: **Sweet Success**



Bromeliad Nursery Supplies Update price list



Thanks to Les and Jan for their faithful work in selling garden supplies. [Have a chat with Jan at the meeting for these and other items FCBS sell.](#)

NEW The FCBS Inc Price List effective from 24th October 2025. Prices are subject to change with new stock orders.

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 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.

Description	Price per Item	Status / Comment		Description	Price per Item	Status / Comment
125mm Squat Pot (10pk)	\$3.60			Pencils each	\$6.00	
140mm Squat Pot (10pk)	\$4.80			Paper Sleeves 140mm (10pk)	\$3.50	
140mm Extra Squat Pot (10pk)	\$3.50			Paper Sleeves 170mm (10pk)	\$3.40	
165mm Squat Pot (5pk)	\$3.60			Paper Sleeves 200mm (10pk)	\$3.90	
120mm Squat Pot (5pk)	\$3.90			Fertiliser 500g (slow release)	\$4.50	
4 Leg Hangers (10pk)	\$4.20			Fertiliser 500g (Foliar)	\$6.80	
Labels white large (25pk)	\$2.30					
Labels white small (25pk)	\$2.20					
Labels yellow large (25pk)	\$1.50	For use on sales plants				



Monthly Meeting Information

Month	Alternate Monthly categories Neoregelia & Tillandsia Bromeliad	Show and Tell Theme	Guest Speaker	Venue
September 19 th	Neoregelia – Over 250mm Tillandsia – Potted	Aechmea and Alcantarea	Steve Flood	Dundowran Hall
October 24 th	Neoregelia – Up to 250 mm Tillandsia – Mounted	Species	Air Plants by Aaron Handley	Dundowran Hall
November 28 th 	Neoregelia – Over 250mm Tillandsia – Potted	Most Dangerous (Spikey) Bromeliad	Mal and Michelle Cameron talk on Vrieseas	Dundowran Hall
	Christmas Celebration & Presentation	Hot “Spit” roast lunch		

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Until the next newsletter keep growing, sharing, and exploring 🌱

Supporting Community Events

August 2026

22 – 23 August 2026: **Queensland Orchid Society Spring Show**

- More information: qos.org.au

30 August 2026 (Sunday): **Brisbane Organic Growers Inc. Annual Fair**

- 102 McDonald Road, Windsor. Brisbane Organic Growers Inc. (BOGI) hold this annual event to share the love of growing a wide variety of plants at home. The theme for 2026 is "Recycling in the Garden". Free demonstrations and talks, free activities for children, an indoor Café with plenty of seating and a display of members' produce. A range of stallholders selling plants, produce and other organic products. 8.00am to 2.00pm. Admission is free. New stallholders are welcome. All enquiries to bogipresident@gmail.com or 0438 254 673. Website: bogi.org.au

September 2026

5 September 2026 (Saturday): **Brisbane Garden Expo** Rocklea Showgrounds.

- A great range of stallholders selling plants, garden products, garden accessories. Guest speakers. Plant cloakroom. Food vendors on site. One day only, from 8am to 4pm on Saturday, 5th September. Admission \$10 for adults and children over 16. Car parking free. More information: brisbanegardenexpo.com.au

5 September 2026 (Saturday): **Geranium and Pelargonium Society of Brisbane Queensland Inc Sales Day**

- More information: gldgeraniumsociety.com/sales-day.html

5 September 2026 (Saturday): **IndigiScapes Eco Markets**

- Redlands IndigiScapes Centre. More information: redland.qld.gov.au/Redlands-IndigiScapes-Centre/Whats-on-at-IndigiScapes

5 – 6 September 2026: **Eastern District Orchid Society Inc. 60th Anniversary Spring Show**

- Brisbane International Shooting Centre, Belmont. There will be a fantastic display of flowering orchids on display, along with a huge sales area to select from. Plenty of parking, included disabled parking. The flyer and Show Schedule are available on the website: www.edos.org.au

11 – 12 September 2026: **Laidley Spring Garden Fair**

- Recreational Reserve, Patrick Street, Laidley. Over 50 plant related stalls and vendors. Part of the Laidley Spring Festival. More information: laidleyspringfestival.com

Friday 11 th	Day/Twilight	Music, glowing lights, delicious street food and boutique makers market, bring blanket and settle in.	Laidley Streets and grounds you can't miss it
Saturday 12 th	8am	Bluey and Bingo on stage and rides Street parade Exhibitions Orchid Show, garden club	

		Lockyer Value Regional Day/ Laidley Spring Festival over 3 days	
Sunday 13 th	9am to 1pm	Bee Happy Day Arts and Crafts, lively performance, local food and vibrant artisan market. Activities for little ones day out for all the family	Forrest Hills School of Arts Only an hour west of Brisbane.

12 September 2026 (Saturday): **Native Plants Market** Belmont. Presented by Native Plants Queensland.
More information: npq.org.au

12 September 2026 (Saturday): **Friends of Noosa Botanic Gardens Plant Sale** More information: noosabotanicgardensfriends.com/event/plant-sale-7/

18 September – 5 October 2026: **Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers** More information: Go to the website tcof.com.au for more information.

18 – 20 September 2026: **Toowoomba Orchid Society Autumn Show** More information: toowoombaorchidsociety.com

18 – 20 September 2026: **Native Orchid Society of Toowoomba Spring Show**

- St John's Lutheran Hall. Presented by the Native Orchid Society of Toowoomba Inc. Plant sales. Parking, wheelchair friendly. 18th September 9am to 5pm; 19th September 9am to 5pm; 20th September 9am to 3pm. Entry \$4.00.

Saturday 24th	9.00am - 3.00pm	Queensland Begonia Society Presents the Only Begonia Sale in Queensland	Belmont Shooting Centre, 1485 Old Cleveland Rd. Belmont	Entry \$5.00
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25 – 27 September 2026: **"Springtime on the Mountain" Open Garden Trail**

- Tamborine Mountain. For more information, go to tamborinemountaingardenclub.org.au/springtimeonthemountain

25 – 26 September 2026: **Hervey Bay Spring Orchid & Garden Spectacular**

- Xavier Catholic College, Wide Bay Drive, Hervey Bay. Being the largest Orchid show outside of Brisbane you won't want to miss it. Large display of orchids, bromeliads, goliage and garden clubs. Orchid & plant sales and supplies, potting workshops plus plant cloakroom.
- 25 & 26 September 8am to 4pm; 27 September 8am to midday.
- Entry \$5 includes Devonshire Tea/Coffee. Food & drinks available.
- Wheelchair friendly & plenty of parking. Website: herveybayorchidsociety.com

26 – 27 September 2026: **Wondai Spring Garden Expo**

26 – 27 September 2026: Bromeliad & Tropicals Spring Show & Sales Presented by The Bromeliad Society of Queensland

- North Lakes State College (Junior Sports Stadium), Innovation Place, North Lakes (NEW LOCATION!)
- Website: bromsqueensland.com.au
- Facebook: facebook.com/BromeliadSocietyOfQueensland/

26 – 27 September 2026: **Pine Rivers Orchid Society Spring Show**

More information: pineriversorchidsociety.com/shows

October 2026

3 October 2026 (Saturday): **Maleny Garden Club Spring Fair**

- **Garden Market:** Maleny Showgrounds, 13 Maleny Stanley River Road, Maleny. Independent nurseries, all things gardening, Food stalls. 8:00am–3:00pm. Entry \$2
- **Open gardens:** 9:30am - 4:00pm. \$5 per garden. Tickets at Garden Market (Eftpos & cash) or at garden entry (cash only). Website: malenygardenclub.org

3rd - 4th October (Long Weekend)	Saturday 8am - 4pm Sunday 8am - 1pm	Bromeliad and Foliage Frenzy Caboolture and Districts Bromeliad Society Inc	Minimbah State School Hall Cnr Walkers Road & Minibah Drive Morayfield	Entry Free Free: Car Bus and Disability parking
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3 – 4 October 2026: **Queensland Rose Society Inc. Spring Show**

More information: qld.rose.org.au

4 October 2026 (Sunday): **Orchids in the Park**

- State Rose Garden Hall, Holberton /Pottinger Street, Toowoomba. Presented by the Native Orchid Society of Toowoomba Inc. Parking, wheelchair friendly. 4th October, 10am to 4pm. Entry gold coin donation.

9 – 11 October 2026: **Bribie Island Nature Festival**

- More information: bribieislandnaturefestival.com.au

10 October 2026 (Saturday): **Native Plants Market** Maleny.

- Presented by Native Plants Queensland. More information: npq.org.au

17 October 2026 (Saturday): **African Violet Society of Queensland (Inc.) Annual Show**

- More information: africanvioletsocietyqld.happyo.com

17 – 18 October 2026: **Buderim Garden Festival**

- More information: buderimgardenclub.com/festival

31 October 2026 (Saturday): **Native Plants Market**

- Rosewood. Presented by Native Plants Queensland. More information: npq.org.au

Saturday 31 st Oct Sunday 1 st Nov	8:30 – 3pm 8:30 – 1pm	Frasier Coast Bromeliad Society Monster Sale	Hervey Bay TAFE 47-95 Urraween Road Urraween, Hervey Bay
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November 2026

7 November 2026 (Saturday): **Orchid Species Show**

- Pine Rivers Showground Hall, 757 Gympie Road, Lawnton. Presented by the Orchid Species Society Inc. An amazing display of species orchids from around the world. Orchid plants and supplies for sale. EFTPOS available. Light refreshments for sale.
- Open 8am to 3pm Saturday, 7th November 2026. Entry \$5.00, accompanied children under 14 free. More information at orchidspeciessoc.org.au/activities/show

7 November 2026 (Saturday): **Ipswich Plant & Lifestyle Fair**

Website: ipswichplantandlifestylefair.com.au

21st November 2026	9am-2pm	<u>The Tropic Plant Spectacular</u>	Mt Coot-tha Botanical Gardens 152 Mt Coot-Tha Rd Brisbane	Entry Free
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Queensland Gardening Page - event diary

Information	The Queensland Gardening Pages started on www.calyx.com.au but have since been joined by the companion website and gateway queenslandgardening.com . The target audience are Queensland homeowners and other consumers of retail gardening products and services in Queensland. However, the site is also used by members of the horticultural and landscaping industries, in addition to visitors from other parts of Australia and the world.
Website	https://calyx.com.au/eventsdiary.html
Monthly Updates	As more events throughout the year will be scheduled this will be updated and notified in the Newsletter!