



Sunshine Coast Bromeliad Society Inc.  
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**Founded 1999**  
**Affiliated with Bromeliad Society International**

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Conference Website	http://sunnybroms.com/		
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Monthly meetings are held at the Millwell Road Community Centre, 11 Millwell Road (East) Maroochydore. (Behind the Plaza Shopping Centre.  
Meeting preparation starts prior to 1.30pm with proceedings beginning at 1.40pm .

Afternoon tea is available and members should bring their own cup. Raffle tickets can be purchased for \$1.00 each; proceeds from the raffle help offset the clubs meeting expenses.

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**Front Cover:** Alcantarea Pita

**Back Cover:** Garden Meeting at Cheryl Basic's residence Sep. 19th

**Message from the editor Newsletter:** Ralf Schenk

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## **Meeting Programme 2015**

Format for the General Meeting is:

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|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| 1. Set up Popular Choice            | 5. Popular Choice Results |
| 2. Opening and intro by President   | 6. Presentation           |
| 3. Bromeliads in general discussion | 7. Raffle                 |
| 4. Tea Break and Plant Sales        | 8. Conclusion             |

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<b><u>Date</u></b>	<b><u>Topic</u></b>	<b><u>Presenter</u></b>
November 21st	Christmas breakup meeting. 12noon Start-BBQ- Monster Raffle	Members
January 16th	Plant of the month Aechmeas	Committee
February 20th	Julie Flood Neo Day Tillandsias' Guest Speaker	Committee Peter Tristram
March 19th	Hall unavailable due to council elections An alternative venue for this day is sought. Please let our secretary know if you can help out.	
April 16th	Cryptanthus Show	Committee Members

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## **Membership Dues**

It's that time of the year again when membership fees are due by the end of this month. Membership renewal please mark your name on envelope supplied from the secretary and insert appropriate fee as detailed below.

Please note, if you have changed contact details or email address could you also mark that on the envelope please .

A receipt will be issued for monies received.

Membership fees Single	\$15
Family Membership	\$25

Ralf Schenk

## Popular Choice October 2015 Results

### Neoregelia



Red Furnace  
(15 Votes) Ron Murray



Talbot Sands - Talbot Splash  
(6 votes) Len Waite (12 Votes)

### Flowering Guzmania & Vriesea



Guz. Torch  
(17 Votes) Len Waite



Vr. Cercicola  
(7 Votes) - Herman Vandermeer

## Popular Choice October 2015 Results

### Flowering Guzmania & Vriesea



Vr. Rubyae

(6 Votes) - Jeanette Robinson

### Pattern Leaf Vriesea



Vr. Forrest Hybrid

14 Votes - Len Waite

### Pattern Leaf Vriesea



Vr. Greenline x Glutz

(9 Votes) - Greg Jones



Vr. With x Mikes's Hybrid

(7 Votes) Stan Walkley



## Popular Choice October 2015 Results

### Other Genera



Alcantarea White Star (12 Votes) - Stan Walkley



Galatic Warrior (7 Votes)  
Stan Walkley

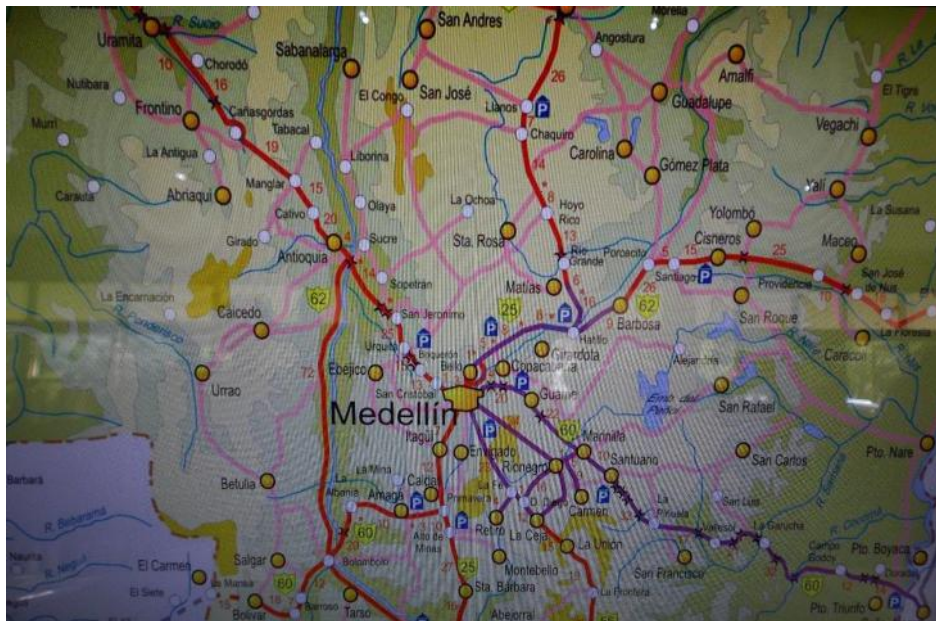


Orthomea Powder Puff (6 Votes)  
Ron Murray

## Guest Speaker Bruce Dunstan– Oct 17th -2015



Medellin is the second largest city in Columbia, it is characterized by its advanced industrial, scientific and technological development. Members attending our October meeting were given an enlightening tour of travel in the search of Bromeliad species, travelling into the hills outside of Medellin.



Sunshine Coast Bromeliad Society,

Please share this letter with your Society's members. Hope things are going well.

Martha Goode, BSI Affiliate Chair

TO: All BSI Affiliates;

If you have not registered for WBC 2016, time is running out to take advantage of the current registration fee.

There is a form on the web site and in the journal, please join us in Houston for *Bromeliads Texas Style*. In addition, take a look at the revised Schedule of Events and make your travel plans to attend all the functions.

It's time to consider making a donation to WBC 2016. The success of a conference relies on the generosity of both affiliates and members. Consider sponsoring an event or donating to the general fund, all donations are appreciated.

Please advise Allyn Pearlman, treasurer, at [deliboys@comcast.net](mailto:deliboys@comcast.net) of your intent to donate. All donations will be recognized in the conference program.

The BSI Speakers Fund is a permanent part of our organizational endeavors to bring quality speakers to BSI events. Donations to the Speakers Fund should be sent to Ben Klugh, BSI treasurer. Requests for funding from the Speakers Fund must be made to the BSI Board of Directors.

The Houston Bromeliad Society is working to plan an entertaining and educational conference. Please show them that you appreciate all that they are doing.

If your society is interested in hosting WBC 2018, please put your intentions in writing as soon as possible.

Hope to see all of you in Houston -

Bonnie Boutwell, Vice President



## **President's Report**

Time certainly doesn't stand still and the years end is once again upon us. The last meeting for the year again when we have our monster raffle, with over \$500 worth of prizes, sourced from our local members. Highlights for the year have been our very successful conference fund raising events at the Bunnings Maroochydore venue. Additional fund raising by way of Jam and Relish sales by Una Fallon has been remarkable. Many thanks go out to those members who have contributed to this success and a special thanks to Carol Stewart our secretary who has been both instigator and stalwart in making it all happen. Garden meetings have seen the BBQ idea flow on with members enjoying the sausage sizzle and comradeship amongst members prior to the start of these meetings. I thank members of the committee for their efforts throughout the year and especially the Conference committee who with the behind the scenes help from Peter Cook are almost ready to issue registration details for perspective registrants. I wish all members a safe and merry Christmas.

Cheryl Basic

### **Meeting Attendance Break down**

Sep 2015	Apologies	10	Visitors	10	Members	38
Oct 2015	Apologies	10	Visitors	3	Members	46

### **Sunny Broms Conference**

The Sunshine Coast Management Committee and Conference Committee would like to offer our sincere Thanks to Una Fallon for the wonderful job she did in making of jam and relish. It was a wonderful effort Una and has made a big difference to the funds for the conference. Una is now taking a break from jam making but will be doing relish again next year. Una wishes to thanks all members who supported her and purchased her jam.. She did appreciate it

CONGRATULATIONS AND MANY THANKS UNA.

Our latest BBQ fund raising on Sat 7th Nov at Bunnings Maroochydore netted in excess of \$2500 which includes Jam and Relish sales. A super effort by all who took part on the day.

## October General Meeting 17-10-2015



*Top Row* - Sue Coleman & Sue Baulk helping out in the kitchen and Members Voting for popular choice.

*Centre Row* - Computer set up and screen ready for presentation by Bruce Dunstan  
Sale plants on display - Popular choice and plants to drool over.

*Bottom Row* Tea break and lots to talk about. Popular choice plants on display.

**Coming Events**  
**Tropical Foliage Festival**  
**Cleveland**

**21st-22nd November**  
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**SCBS**  
**End of year breakup**  
Sat 21st November  
Millwell Road Community Centre  
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**SCBS**  
**General Meeting**  
Sat 16th January  
Millwell Road Community Centre  
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**SCBS**  
**Annual General Meeting**  
Millwell Road Community Centre  
Sat 20th February

**Time for some Humour**

A beautiful young model boards a plane to New York with a ticket for the economy section. She looks at the seats in economy, and then looks into the forward cabin at the first-class seats.

Seeing that the first-class seats appear to be much larger and more comfortable, she moves forward to the last empty seat in first class. The flight attendant checks her ticket and tells the woman that her seat is in economy. The blonde replies, "I'm a famous model, and have never had this problem before. I'm going to sit here all the way, until we get to New York."

Flustered, the flight attendant goes to the cockpit and informs the Captain of the blonde problem. The captain goes back and tells the woman that her assigned seat is in economy. Again, the blonde replies: "I'm a famous model, I'm sitting here all the way to New York." . The captain doesn't want to cause a commotion, and so returns to the cockpit to discuss the blonde problem with the Co-pilot.

**Humour continued**

The Co-pilot says that he used to date a blond model like her, and that he can take care of the problem. He then goes back and briefly whispers something in the blonde's ear. She immediately gets up, says "ok, thank you". She hugs the Co-pilot, and rushes back to her seat in the economy section.

The pilot and flight attendant, who were watching with rapt attention, asked the Co-pilot what he had said to the woman. He replies, "**I just told her that the first class seats aren't going to New York.**"

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Three old guys are out walking. First one says, 'Windy, isn't it?' Second one says, 'No, it's Thursday!' Third one says, 'So am I. Let's go get a beer.'

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An elderly couple had dinner at another couple's house, and after eating, the wives left the table and went into the kitchen.

The two gentlemen were talking, and one said, 'Last night we went out to a new restaurant and it was really great. . . I would recommend it very highly.'

The other man said, 'What is the name of the restaurant?'

The first man thought and thought and finally said, 'What is the name of that flower you give to someone you love?'

You know... The one that's red and has thorns.'

'Do you mean a rose?'

'Yes, that's the one,' replied the man. He then turned towards the kitchen and yelled, 'Rose, what's the name of that restaurant we went to last night?'

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**General (Garden) Meeting 19th September 2015  
At Cheryl Basic's Residence—Yandina**

No letting up on our BBQ success, Max Swain's offer to help out on the day was greatly appreciated.  
Members taking their seat prior to the start of the meeting .  
Enough time to check out plants on display and catching up on events .  
Panoramic view of outdoor garden venue.

