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Sepating pups
from non-
stoloniferous bro-
meliads (Vrieseas ,
Alcants)

MAY MEETING:
Guest speaker -
Judy Horton

Photo:
***Tillandsia
leiboldiana*** 'Median'



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Treasurer Alan Mathew gave the following details

Operating Account to 1st February, 2018:

| | |
|----------------------|-----------------|
| Opening cash at bank | \$ 29 478.85 |
| Income: | 1 559.65 |
| Expenses | <u>2 439.92</u> |

Bank Statement as at 28th February 2018

\$ 28 593.58

Operating Account to 1st March 2018

| | |
|----------------------|--------------|
| Opening cash at bank | \$ 28 593.58 |
| Income: | 1 012.95 |
| Expenses | 2 201.38 |

Closing cash at bank 31st March, 2018

\$ 27 405.15

WEBSITES

Bromeliads in Australia <http://bromeliad.org.au>

Encyc of Bromeliads <http://encyclopedia.florapix.nl/>

BSI Cultivar Register <http://registry.bsi.org/>

Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies <http://fcbs.org/>

Bromeliario Imperialis <http://imperialia.com.br/>

Facebook users: search for the group 'Planet Bromeliad' & associated 'Planets & Moons' sub-groups for Bromeliad Enthusiasts.



REMINDER

*All meetings are on the 2nd Saturday of each month, Federation Pavilion Castle Hill Showground



*Don't forget
get a mug*

* **BROMELIAD SOCIETY of AUSTRALIA Spring Show 22/23 September**

Plant of the Month Competition March 2018

Open

- 1st
- 2nd
- 3rd

Judge's Choice.

- Till. crocata*
- Till. crocata*
- Neo pauciflora*

- Carolyn Bunnell
- Bruce Munro
- Lydia Hope

Members' Choice

- 1st
- 2nd
- 3rd

- Till. crocata*
- Till. crocata*
- Neo pauciflora*

- Bruce Munro
- Carolyn Bunnell
- Lydia Hope

Novice

- 1st

Aechmea recurvata 'Aztec Gold

Pamela Munro

Judge's & Members' Choice

Margaret Draddy Artistic Competition.

- 1st

'Tango to my Tillandsias'

Pauline Blanch



Clockwise from top left:
T. crocata - C Bunnell
T. crocata - B Munro
Neo pauciflora - L Hope



Below:
Ae. recurvata
'Aztec Gold' -
Pamela Munro



Right:
'Tango to my
Tillandsias'
Pauline Blanch



Autumn Show Competition Photos 2018

Grand Champion:
Tillandsia duratii



Novice Champion:
Tillandsia 'Imbil'



Reserve Champion:
Neoregelia 'Lady Leonie'



Species Champion:
Neoregelia dungiana



Aechmea nudicaulis var aequalis



Aechmea corraea-araujo



Aechmea purpureosa



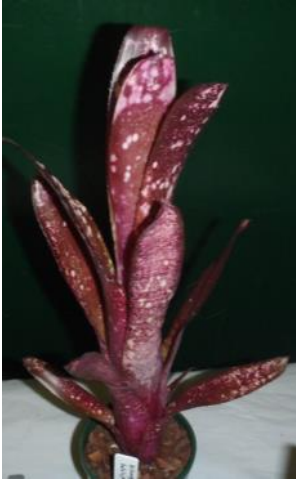
Autumn Show Results

| | <u>Class</u> | |
|---|---|-----------------|
| <u>Pot of Aechmea</u> | | |
| 1st | 'Xvante' | Ian Hook |
| 2nd | <i>correia-araujo</i> | Kerry McNicol |
| 3rd | <i>purpureorosea</i> | Kerry McNicol |
| <u>Billbergia Specimen</u> | | |
| 1st | 'Hallelujah' | Carolyn Bunnell |
| 2nd | 'Moon Tiger' | Jan Townsend |
| 3rd | 'Beadleman' | Jan Townsend |
| <u>Pot of Cryptanthus</u> | | |
| 1st | 'Blood Red' | Lydia Hope |
| 2nd | 'White Lace' | Lydia Hope |
| 3rd | 'It' | Lydia Hope |
| <u>Neoregelia Species</u> | | |
| 1st | <i>dungsiana</i> | Joy Clark |
| 2nd | Marie | Carolyn Bunnell |
| 3rd | <i>lilliputiana</i> | Lydia Hope |
| <u>Neoregelia - Miniature</u> | | |
| 1st | <i>ampullacea</i> X <i>olens</i> | Carolyn Bunnell |
| 2nd | 'Little Faith' X <i>lilliputiana</i> | Joy Clark |
| 3rd | 'Chit Chat' | Joy Clark |
| | <u>Class</u> | |
| <u>Pot of Neoregelia Hybrid</u> | | |
| 1st | 'Lady Leonie' | Carolyn Bunnell |
| 2nd | <i>smithii</i> x 'Cheers' | Kerry McNicol |
| 3rd | 'Peggy Bailey' | Kerry McNicol |
| <u>Tillandsia Specimen</u> | | |
| 1st | <i>duratii</i> | Carolyn Bunnell |
| 2nd | 'Dimmit's Talent' | Kerry McNicol |
| 3rd | <i>maurayana</i> | Elizabeth |
| <i>Mudriczki</i> | | |
| <u>Tillandsia Colony</u> | | |
| 1st | 'Eric Knoblock' | Kerry McNicol |
| 2nd | 'Borumba' | Kerry McNicol |
| <u>Vriesea</u> | | |
| 1st | 'Pedro' | Kerry McNicol |
| 2nd | 'Snakeskin' | Joe Micallef |
| 3rd | 'Pedro' | Don Firth |
| <u>Foliage /Variegated Bromeliad</u> | | |
| 1st | <i>Neoregelia</i> 'Wally' | Carolyn Bunnell |
| 2nd | <i>Vriesea phillipo-cobugii</i> <i>variegated</i> | |
| | | Kerry McNicol |
| 3rd | <i>Neoregelia</i> 'Blushing Zebra' | Carolyn Bunnell |

| | <u>Class</u> | |
|-------------------------------------|--|----------------------|
| <u>Pot of other Genera</u> | | |
| 1st | <i>Quesnelia</i> 'Tim Plowman' | Elizabeth Mudrisczki |
| 2nd | <i>Quesnelia</i> 'Tim Plowman' | Don Firth |
| 3rd | <i>Wallisia cyanea</i> | Carolyn Bunnell |
| <u>Pot of Intergeneric</u> | | |
| 1st | <i>xNeomea</i> unnamed | Kerry McNicol |
| 2nd | <i>xCanmea</i> 'Majo' | Kerry McNicol |
| 3rd | <i>xHohenmea</i> 'Ninja Princess' | Jan Townsend |
| <u>Mounted Bromeliad</u> | | |
| 1st | <i>Aechmea nudicaulis</i> var. <i>aequalis</i> | John Schembri |
| 2nd | <i>Neoregelia</i> 'Cheers' | John Schembri |
| 3rd | <i>Neoregelia</i> 'Quoll' | John Schembri |
| <u>Terrestrial Bromeliad</u> | | |
| 1st | <i>Deuterochonia brevifolia</i> | Elizabeth Mudrisczki |
| 2nd | <i>Cryptanthus</i> 'Elaine' | Ron Farrugia |
| 3rd | <i>Cryptanthus</i> 'What' | Kerry McNicol |
| <u>Artistic Arrangement</u> | | |
| 1st | 'Trio of Orthophyllum' | Christine Johnson |
| 2nd | 'On the Cliff Face' | Harold Kuan |
| 3rd | 'Frogs on a Log' | Joy Clark |
| <u>Novice</u> | | |
| 1st | <i>Tillandsia</i> 'Imbil' | Harold Kuan |
| 2nd | <i>Tillandsia</i> 'Cotton Candy' | Harold Kuan |
| 3rd | <i>Neoregelia</i> 'Candy Cane' | Mark Belot |
| <u>GRAND CHAMPION</u> | | |
| | <i>Tillandsia duratii</i> | Carolyn Bunnell |
| <u>RESERVE CHAMPION</u> | | |
| | <i>Neoregelia</i> 'Lady Leonie' | Carolyn Bunnell |
| <u>SPECIES AWARD</u> | | |
| | <i>Neoregelia dungsiana</i> | Joy Clark |
| <u>NOVICE CHAMPION</u> | | |
| | <i>Tillandsia</i> 'Imbil' | Harold Kuan |

Competition Photos

Billbergia 'Hallelujah'



Billbergia 'Moon Tiger'



Billbergia 'Beadleman'

Cryptanthus 'Blood Red'



Billbergia 'It'



Neoregelia 'Marie'



Cryptanthus 'White Lace'



Neoregelia lilliputiana



Neoregelia ampullacea x olens



Neoregelia 'Little Faith'
x lilliputiana



Competition Photos

Neoregelia 'Chit Chat'



Neoregelia smithii x Cheers



Neoregelia 'Peggy Bailey'



Tillandsia 'Dimmit's Talent'



Tillandsia maurayana



Tillandsia'
Eric Knoblock'

Vriesea 'Pedro' (1st)



Tillandsia
'Borumba'

Vriesea 'Snakeskin'



Vriesea 'Pedro' (3rd)



Spiders, Scale or Beneficial Mites

From FNCBSG January 2018

In August 2017 Geoff Lawn was asked by a grower in Western Australia: "I was wondering if you have ever come across a possible pest that almost looks like scale but isn't scale ? I know that sounds strange so will explain in more detail. Perfectly round pure white things approx. 1.5 - 2mm in size. Feels and almost looks like spider web. I have noticed an abundance of really small spiders that are so small that you wouldn't notice them unless looking for them with a small cream/white patch on the abdomen seem to be always near these white spots. I did come across an article that I will send to you that says it is a predatory mite and the photo and text of the article sound exactly like what I have. Whatever it is it doesn't seem to feed on the plants or do any damage at all and can even be found on the edge of pots. They feel flat but when they hatch out it gets a slight raised area and a pin hole sized opening where it has emerged out. I have noticed they are more prolific in the warmer months. Like I say no damage to plants just doesn't look nice. I did a trial spray with Confidor and while no more spots turned up in that section the sacs still hatched. They also just wipe off easily or hose off but seem to get into awkward places".



The following is the article sent:

Weekend Gardener, issue 179, 2005, Auckland New Zealand

Q: Some of my Bromeliads have what look like scale on them, but it's only on the upper surface of the leaves.

A: The spots on your sample certainly did resemble scale, but as they were only on the upper surface and there was no sign of young scales I had them checked out at HortResearch. It turns out they are the empty egg sacs of a predatory mite, probably a species of *Anystis*, which are known as whirligig mites. They are a good bug to have in the garden as they hunt down and eat some mites which are plant pests. If you scrape off the empty egg sacs you'll find there is a pale spot underneath where light hasn't been getting through to the leaf surface, given time that should colour up as chlorophyll returns and photosynthesis becomes active again.

Geoff Lawn: "I hadn't seen this white rounded egg sac around Perth until four months ago when there were a few sacs on several *Neoregelia* 'Hannibal Lector' I bought from a late W.A. Brom. Soc. member's estate. I recognised them from when I visited the Olive Branch Nursery (Brisbane) four years ago and again recently just after the Sunbroms Conference at Caloundra. I did ask Olive about them but she thought they were harmless egg sacs (which they are) from some insect. They are easily brushed away or picked off (possibly by birds too if in the open) and never leave a permanent mark (in my experience). I have only ever seen it on *Neoregelias*, never on pots and as you say, more in the warmer months. The sacs are never clumped but rather well-spaced and I never saw any more than about six sacs per plant, usually easily visible, but there again, I wasn't about to inspect every leaf axil of maybe 50,000 *Neoregelias*! Confidor is systemic so wouldn't kill the pupae in sacs which are not at the sapsucking stage -- if they have such a phase (sounds unlikely) . I googled *Anystis* and it seems they predate on other mite species. I saw also a reference that they were introduced to W.A. from France way back to biologically control agricultural / pastoral mite pests. Your photo and the article from the New Zealand garden magazine opened my eyes but I'm glad we have nothing to seriously worry about".



Graham Macfarlane

Recipient of the RHS Medal 2017

*Presented to Graham by Alan Mathew &
Christine Johnson.*



Some weeks ago, Christine Johnson and myself visited Graham at his home in Mascot to present him with the Royal Horticultural Medal on behalf of the Bromeliad Society of Australia.

I have recently seen Graham again to write this potted history.

Graham was born in Dunedin New Zealand in 1935 where he attended an agricultural

school and later obtained a Diploma of Horticulture from Canterbury Agricultural College. Always shy, he first became interested in plants on trips to the Dunedin Botanical Gardens where he first met Bromeliads in the hot house there.

He was always fascinated by plant names and cultivation enjoying the variation and unusualness of many plants and spent many days bushwalking.

He first worked at Christchurch Botanical Gardens until 1962 when, in search of warmer climes, he travelled to Australia where he worked in Parks and Gardens in Adelaide, Townsville and finally in Sydney where he spent 30 years with Woolahra Council before retiring in 2006.

While in Australia he carried on with weekends in the bush, noticing similarities between Australian and South African flora always researching, naming and cultivation of plants within a range of geographical regions.

He became a member of various societies including the Western Suburbs Orchid Society, The Cactus and Succulent Society, The Lapidary Club and The Bromeliad Society of Australia which he joined in the mid 1980s.

While with the BSA he became the Librarian, a position he held for many years until the Society moved its meetings to Castle Hill where the tyranny of distance forced him to relinquish the position. I remember him sitting quietly at the back of the room taking everything in but not talking much, a very quiet and self contained man.

He now lives alone accompanied by that prodigious memory and the RHS medal which he truly deserves for the many years he has dedicated to Parks, Gardens, Orchids and Bromeliads in both Australia and New Zealand.



Aech nudicaulis var aequalis

More
Comp
Photos



Neoregelia
'Quoll'



Deuterocohnia brevifolia



Neoregelia 'Cheers'



Cryptanthus 'Elaine'



Orthophytum 'What'



Tillandsia 'Cotton Candy'



Neiregelia 'Candy Cane'

Tillandsia leiboldiana and its Variations

by Derek Butcher Oct 2017



*Tillandsia
leiboldiana*

There is yet another variegated plant that is grown in collections but has no formal name. It would be nice to have named it after the first person who had this mutation but alas. We can only assume that it occurred in the USA but is not on the current lists of the larger US nurseries. There are references in the 1980's to a pendant inflorescence form but this seems to have gone out of fashion. There are also references to a spotted leaf form that was known as var *guttata* until Harry Luther considered it unnecessary in DeRebus I 1994, p29 . You rarely see this spotted form in cultivation and nobody has considered that it might need a cultivar name.

Variegation could only have occurred fairly recently because it is not on Nat DeLeon's list in 1985. Searches of catalogues as held in the BCR do not reveal any clues either and yet if you search 'Google' anyone would think the quasi-name *Tillandsia leiboldiana* "variegata" was very common. To me it is very rare and is another example of selection by horticulturists without recording its existence. If we read about *Tillandsia leiboldiana* in Smith & Downs Monograph we will see that it was a favourite plant with taxonomists in the 1800's with the number of names given but now treated as synonyms and none refer to variegation. In fact we read "**Leaves** many in a crateriform rosette, 1-3 dm long; concolourous green or spotted" and "All doubtful cases are referred to this the typical variety subject to later correction. The difference of coloration of the leaf-blade has not shown any significance yet, but it could correspond to habitat as in *Vriesea sintenisii* (Baker) Smith & Pittendrigh or geography as in *Tillandsia spiculosa* Grisebach."



*Tillandsia
leiboldiana
'Median'*

While checking with Australian nurseryman Ross Little for his views on a problem nobody has written about before, this was his comment: The “spotted” form is not so ‘rare’ in our east coast collections just not as prized as some of its fancier counterparts.

Unfortunately we have to say the same for the “pendant” form. The variegated form came to Australia via Peter Tristram ex Chester Skotak around 1990. It has had its ups and downs regards popularity too but all three still sell reasonably well among avid collectors.

Breeder Chester Skotak in Costa Rica has advised that this plant may have originated in Europe. Unfortunately European leads haven’t shed any further light on the problem.

The best solution seems to be to treat these 3 culti-



vated forms as ‘Leiboldiana Median’, ‘Leiboldiana Pendant’, and ‘Leiboldiana Spotted’ and register them in the BCR. This way you can check whether you have your own special form of *Tillandsia leiboldiana* or whether it is being grown by others. These attributes seem to be unique but if you have a quantity of plants with a combination of such, then you may consider them worthy of a new cultivar name. Investigations have not revealed the origins of the variegated plant but if you are aware of any leads please advise.

A Question asked by many growers:

(FNCBSG January 20180

‘What’s the gel stuff at the base of some of my Bromeliads. One mystery I haven’t solved is a gelatinous semi-solid “goo” which settles at the stem base of usually Neo. *concentrica* or it’s hybrids, always in Winter only. I thought at first it must be snail egg sacs or their slimy trail but I don’t have any snails at my place?’

A: Many Bromeliads are of the tank type water holding variety, this environment supports many life forms, mainly frogs and insects. The droppings from these animals and corpses also decaying leaf litter assists in feeding the plants. The following quote taken from: *Bromeliads* by Walter Richter, “Epiphytic Bromeliads constitute an immense swamp in which animal and vegetable waste products are dissolved by the enzymes in the leaves. The process involves the jelly - like substance exuded by the inner faces of the sheaths. As a rule, putrefaction occurs only when there is too much pollution. Normally the leaves absorb the end product of the organic waste by way of their scales. The water in the funnels remains fairly clean and, in dire need, potable.” (drinkable)



Meet some new faces!



We continue to attract new members into the Society and would like to welcome our most recent enthusiasts:

Robert Bartley, Malcolm & Margaret Best, Sari Kilpinen-Hughes, Jen Fox and Margaret Rizkallah.

If you would like to become a Member, please see details below.

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION:

ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION: Renewal is due **1st January** for membership year January to December.

| | | |
|-----------------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| Annual Membership: | Australia | A\$25 |
| Overseas Membership: | Asia/Pacific Zone | A\$40. |
| | Rest of the World | A\$45. |

New Membership requires a \$5 joining fee, plus Annual Subscription. (Those joining after our spring Show are covered for the following year.)

Note: Un-financial members must add \$5 rejoining fee when re-applying for membership.

Members will become 'un-financial' if renewals have not been received by the end of our Autumn Show.

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- Mastercard/Visa **number** and **expiry date**.
- **CARDHOLDER** signature (essential).
- Payment details (membership renewal, book purchase, postage, etc.) with \$A amounts for each item.
- A 3% surcharge for this service will be made.

More Competition Photos

Neoregelia 'Wally'



Vriesea phillipo-coburgii variegated

Neoregelia
'Blushing Zebra'

'Senior' Security Team'



Gary

Bob

Bruce

Murphy's Law of Bromeliads.

(This has been reprinted many times over the years, it's origins are unknown)

In the beginning there were the Universal Laws - principles that attempted to define some aspects of reality. But soon man realised the errors of his ways and people like Edsel Murphy began to write laws which reflect the real world. A world dominated not by nature, but by inanimate objects and capricious human behaviour. Below are a few "Laws" by Murphy and his friends as they applied to bromeliads:-

Murphy's Law :

The limb always falls on the most perfect bromeliad the day before a show.

Buttered Side Down Law: Any plant knocked from a shelf will fall so as to do the most possible damage to itself and all the plants below it.

Hybridizer's Hypothesis: The most undesirable traits of the parents always manifest themselves in the hybrid, 2 years later.

Tsk Tsk Laws: No matter what your bromeliads do, there is always someone who knew they would.

Green Thumb Postulate: Experience gained is directly proportional to bromeliads ruined.

Show Chairman's Law: Nothing is impossible for the person who doesn't have to do it.

Parkinson's Law: Bromeliad collections expand to exceed the space available.

Placement Principle: Placement chairmen always place show plants with the fault in the most visible place.

Phylotron Law: Under the most rigorously controlled conditions of light, temperature and humidity, the bromeliad will do as it damn well pleases.

Vale Eugene Morris.

22nd September 1925 - 23rd March 2018

Editor Bromeletter : 1998 - 2015

It is with a great deal of sadness that I inform you all of the passing of our great friend Eugene Morris. Most readers of Bromeletter will remember him as long term Editor, and those of us who could make it to the meetings at Burwood, will remember him seated, always in the front row, taking notes and taping the proceedings of all the monthly meetings between 1998 and 2015 - 18years! Very occasionally he would buy a plant that took his fancy and, on even fewer occasions, would bring in a plant for Show & Tell or even the completion table. Always wearing his broad smile which made everyone feel welcome and at ease.



When I took over from Eugene in 2016 as editor, he said that he took it on, in the beginning, mainly to 'keep himself active', and felt he could do it for a 'couple of years! He would keep up the 'Concord Senior Citizen's Newsletter for a little longer though! Eugene served in the RAN during WWII, helping finalise the 'clean -up' after the bombing of Japan. He insisted 'it was all that irradiation that kept him so healthy'.

Eugene entered Redleaf Manor in early March where he would receive a little more care than at home, not wanting to be a worry to his three (grown) children. He passed away in late March. All who knew Eugene will remember a happy, helpful, intelligent, **gentle** man.

A note from the Editor re *Grace Goode OAM*

A week or so ago I received this information from Peter Cook, secretary of the Gold Coast Bromeliad Society.

"Just a short note to advise that Grace had a fall some weeks ago and as a result broke her arm and jaw. Following a short hospital stay she was placed into a respite centre at Twin Waters where she can receive constant care. Naturally she wants to go home but this is unlikely given her present health condition. "

We at BSA, along with many others, wish her well in her recovery .

LITERATURE for Sale

<http://www.bromeliad.org.au/Contacts/BSALibrarian.htm>

| TITLE | AUTHOR | PRICE |
|---|-------------------|--------------|
| Bromeliads for the Contemporary Garden | Andrew Steens | \$20.00 |
| Bromeliads: A Cultural Manual (Rev. ed. 2007) | BSI | \$ 6.00 |
| Bromeliad Hybrids 1: Neoregelias | Margaret Paterson | \$25.00 |
| Bromeliads Under the Mango Tree | John Catlan | \$10.00 |
| Bromeliad Cultivation Notes | Lyn Hudson | \$10.00 |

Growing Bromeliads— 3rd Ed. by BSA is out of stock.
Reprinting negotiations are under way. *Watch this space! (still)*



SEED BANK

Thanks go to all those who have donated seed.

Seeds cost 50¢ per packet for Members and Seed Bank supporters
(plus postage) or \$1 per packet (plus postage) for all other enquiries:

Enquiries for seeds should be directed to

Terry Davis

(02) 9636 6114 or 0439 343 809

Below is the list of seed to our Seed Bank. For a full list please go to

bromeliad.org.au

| | | |
|--|----------|---------------|
| <i>Puya mirabilis</i> | 24/09/17 | Bob Maclay |
| <i>Dyckia</i> 'Little Red Devil' F2 selfed (almost black with white spines) | Jan 2018 | Terry Davis |
| <i>Neo. kautskyi</i> | Jan 2018 | Terry Davis |
| <i>Quesnelia</i> 'Farro' | 11/02/18 | Kerry McNicol |
| <i>Tillandsia ionantha</i> (Guatamalan form) | 20/04/18 | Terry Davis |

Seed has been moving quickly, especially the more recent additions.

SO if you have seed to donate please send it in, or bring it to our next meeting.

What's ON

12 May 2018 - BSA Meeting - *Separating non-stoloniferous pups from within leaf axils, dealing with grass pups on Alcantareas & Vrieseas.*

9 June 2018 - BSA Meeting - *speaker Judy Horton*

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