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Caboolture and Districts Bromeliad Society Inc N0 1 January / February 2011

PRESIDENT'S REPORT



Greetings my fellow Green thumbs.

Happy New Year to you all and I hope that it will be all that you expect of it and more.

I hope that you have not all been washed away with this unbelievable weather. I really feel for those that have been severely affected by flooding and thank God that we have not been placed in the path of these disastrous conditions.

If you have any Broms left that have not washed away or rotted off we have another great year ahead of us talking about all sorts of spiky things (and some not so spiky).

The year ahead will see more education with a line-up of great guest speakers and growing information on all things Bromeliaceous.

Any body that wants to further their education and has the time and funds available should consider attending the Australian conference to be held in Darwin from the 7th to the 10th of April. These conferences are great education and a lot of fun - not to mention the plants that will be for sale many of which will be new and rare releases.

At this time of the year I urge you to also consider the direction in which you want our club to proceed. We are coming up to our Annual General Meeting and I ask you to seriously consider whom you want on your committee. This is your society and all financial members are eligible and encouraged to consider serving on the committee in some capacity. Old committees can and do become stale so new blood is important to the healthy functioning of the society. I implore you to seriously consider this very important matter.

The AGM is to be held on Saturday 26th March and committee nomination forms are attached to your news letter, PLEASE USE THEM and if you think you can contribute get yourself nominated PLEASE. We need a president as I am not available for re-election and I believe Deirdre is reconsidering her position as secretary.

I look forward to seeing you all on the 22nd of January. Regards to all Bruce

REGULAR MONTHLY MEETINGS are held on the 4th Saturday of the month (except December) at The Combined Services Club, 21 Hayes Street, Caboolture. 1:30pm start.

MEETING DATES FOR 2011

January	22
February	26
March	26
April	23
May	20
June	25
July	23
August	27
September	24
October	22
November	26

NO MEETING: ANZAC DAY

Christmas Party

STUDY GROUP

All members are welcome. Just remember to bring a notebook, a pen and a plate for Morning Tea.

Study groups may be cancelled due to commitments by the Waites. Please check this newsletter for the dates.

When: 3rd Thursday from 9:00 am to 11:00 am

Note that our first meeting will be at a new venue. We hope to do more of these during the year. If you are interested in holding a study group in your garden speak with Sheryl and Jeanette.

February	17	at Kayleen Courtney's garden 10 Tamarind Court MORAYFIELD
March	17	at Sheryl's garden

Where: Sheryl Waite's garden, Talbot Lodge, 4 Prudence Court, Upper Caboolture.

STUDY GROUP MOMENTS



A scene from the Christmas Party.

BROMMOMENTS

Brommoments will be returning this year. Anyone who has any interesting items to share contact our President Bruce and he will arrange a time.

Brommoments was instigated by members requesting time in the meeting to cover basic information on anything to do with Bromeliads. In 10 minutes a topic is discussed or demonstrated. Last year we looked at neglected plants, cleaned up plants for presentation, mounted Tillandsias, sowed seeds, looked at different genus within the Bromeliaceae family, noted diseases to be found. Any suggestions of topics can be placed in our suggestion box and we will endeavour to cover the topic.

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POPULAR PLANT COMPETITION WINNERS 2010



NOVICE SECTION Barbara Murray



ADVANCED SECTION Len and Sheryl Waite



ENCOURAGEMENT AWARD Kayleen Courtney and Criss Button

Presentations made by our lovely Patron Carryn Sullivan MP

POPULAR PLANT COMPETITION 2011

Note the rules for the popular plant competition 2011 have been improved.

There will now be 3 sections

Novice Intermediate Advanced

As there were so many ties in 2010 we have clarified the marking.

		Tie 1 st	Tie 2 nd	Tie 3 rd
1 st	3	1 st 3	1 st 3	1 st 3
2 nd	2	1 st 3	2 nd 2	2 nd 2
3 rd	1	2 nd 2	2 nd 2	3 rd 1
			3 rd 1	3 rd 1

Note:

2 plants may be entered per member. Please write one name in the book when registering your plant.

A winning plant cannot be resubmitted in that current yearly competition.

As an added incentive we are not only presenting trophies to the winners, we are also presenting \$50.00.

MEMBER NEWS Remember Ray & Martha Richards?



Here they are at Stonehenge.

They are settled into their new home and have even bought a few bromeliads – Vrieseas - to supplement the 30 or so fuschias.

Ray and his son Terry have built a glass house in the back yard. Apparently it took a long time and a lot of sweat and the locals looked on in glee.

The family have an allotment – a 6 minute walk from their home - and the intent is to plant vegies – when it warms up!



BIONIC WOMAN

Lorraine wishes to thank the society for the card and all the good wishes sent to the hospital when she was admitted for a broken hip.

Lorraine was mowing her yard (and playing the fool according to husband lan) when she came a cropper. She had a full hip replacement the week before Christmas and when Rob and I visited this is what she was doing.

Yes she had been up on the roof!

You just cannot keep a good woman down.

The crutch is there for show. Lorraine walked us all around her front yard and she hardly limped even though one leg is now longer than the other.

Christmas Party celebrations.







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WHAT'S ON IN 2011

AUSTRALASIAN Bromeliad Conference

NT Bromeliad Society Inc Darwin NT 7th – 10th April 2011 Holiday Inn Esplanade 1/6 Esplanade Darwin NT For Hotel Booking call 1800 007 697 Garden Tours \$25.00

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Registration Fee Early Bird \$220.00 if paid before 31 October 2010 Gala Dinner delegates \$65.00 non-delegates \$70.00 Late Registration \$280.00

Contacts: Registrar: Ross broms16@bigpond.com Information: Harry acacia@octo4.net.au

The Shade Centre

Gary May has negotiated a discount on purchases for all CDBS members at *The Shade Centre*, Unit 5 - 9 Combarton Street, Brendale. Find out their best price and then ask for the discount.

Powerblend

Get together to buy the Talbot Lodge mix - or any other mix. Telephone: 07 3888 2929

OFFICERS			
President	Bruce Roberts	5499 2724	
Vice President	Jeanette Robertson	5495 2497	
Secretary	Deirdre Roberts	5499 2724	
Treasurer	Rob Murray	3888 2637	
Membership Secretary	Lorraine Rolley	3285 2743	
Committee Member: Editor	Barbara Murray	3888 2637	
Committee Member: Hostess	Anne Hanswyk	5495 1380	
Committee Member: Librarian	Lesmar Debrincat	5438 7869	
Committee Member: Plant	Len Waite	5496 7795	
Committee Member: Popular V	ote Nicole Nielsen	5428 6373	
Committee Member: Raffles	Sheryl Waite	5496 7795	
HALL STEWARDS			
Plant Sales	Angela Slaughter and Patrick Robertson		
Hall Set Up	John Parker		
Catering	Sue Parker		

Our society has posted our Club News on the website of the Bromeliad Australia – check it out at <u>www.bromeliad.org.au</u>

Websites to try

http://www.fcbs.org Website of the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies.

http://.botu07.bio.uu.nl Website of the Utrecht University Botanic Gardens Flora Pix.

LIBRARY NEWS

This year the committee would like to spend some money on updating the library books. If you have a particular book that you would like purchased please let Lesmar know.

All members may borrow from the library. Items **must** be returned the next month. If this is not possible please contact the Librarian prior to the meeting.

FOR SALE

Tillandsias, March 2009. CD \$10.00. *Tillandsia II* by Paul T. Isley Book \$80.00 *Bromeliads the New Generation in Full Colour* by Shane Zaghini \$28.00 **NEW Gardening Pencils \$3.00 each**

Remember if you want pots, hangers, name tags to use the order form (available at meetings or I can email one to you) and return it to The Waites. The goods will be at the next meeting.

Notice of Annual General Meeting of the Caboolture and District Bromeliad Society Inc

NOMINATION FORM for the Executive Committee of CDBS 2011

Any two members of the association may nominate another member to serve as a member of the Executive Committee. Nominations should be given to the secretary as least 14 days before the Annual General Meeting.

We, the undersigned, wish to nominate

Print Name

For the position of (print)

Signature Member

1 _____

Print Name:

Signature Member

2 _____

Print name:

I accept the nomination (signed)

Date:_____

Date:_____

Date:_____

Please send completed form to the secretary, P O Box 748, Caboolture, 4510

WHERE:

The Combined Services Club 21 Hayes Street, Caboolture.

WHEN:

Saturday 26 March 2011 1:30pm start