



# Bromelcairns



**Bimonthly Newsletter of Cairns Bromeliad Society Inc. 2018 # 4**

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**Honorary Life Member - Kay Edington**  
**Life Member - Lynn Hudson**  
**Life Member - Robert (Bob) Hudson**

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### **Aims of the Society**

**Promote and Develop Interest in Bromeliads through Friendship  
To Co-operate with similar Clubs throughout the World**

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**Membership Fee:** \$15 Single, \$25 Family, Country Member \$25.  
\$7.50 junior (if not in family membership)

**Meetings start at 1.pm sharp first Saturday of the month.**

Please bring a cup and a chair.

**Library:** All books & magazines borrowed are to be returned in good order to the following meeting. If not on wait list, they may be rebooked.

**Plant Display/Sales:** To participate, a member must be financial and circumstances permitting, have attended at least three meetings in the past six months.

Where the society is charged a stall fee - 20% of sales are deducted for club funds.

No charge venue & meetings - 10% of sales is deducted.

All plants to be clean, free of disease, named and price tagged.

**Show Plants:** Must be the property of and in the custody of the entrant for the past three months. For Society Shows the entrant must be financial and have attended at least three meetings during the past six months.

**Pens, Plant Tags & Pots:** available at each meeting.

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## JULY Club Activities & Around the Members



\* Only 15 members attended but it was a happy meeting.

\*New Member **Tony Lawless**. Welcome Tony we hope meetings. Tony has been in growing plants all his life, his most recent being the sale of cut flowers.

1<sup>st</sup>. *Goudaea* 'Batik' – Lynn Hudson

2<sup>nd</sup>. *Vriesea* NOID - Darryl Lister

3<sup>rd</sup>. *Vriesea* 'Sunset Kent'

you enjoy our



\*Again we saw well grown plants in Pop. Vote & Mini Show of Vrieseas & Guzmanias

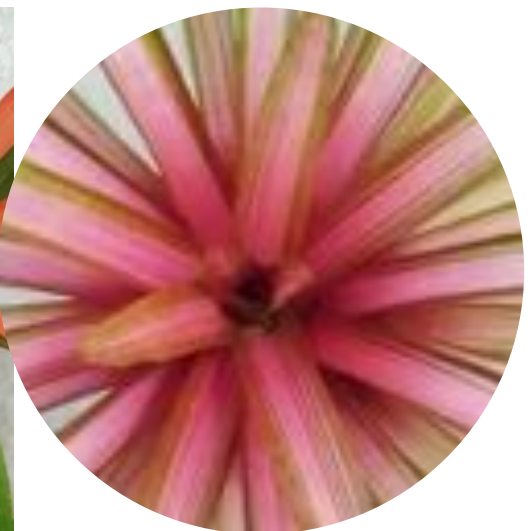
*Vriesea* 'Sunset Kent' is a very beautiful plant but not easy to grow.

I had never seen one flower before; well done Nalda.

1<sup>st</sup> *Guzmania* 'Sir Albert' – Steven French

2<sup>nd</sup>. *Guzmania sanguinea* – Lynn Hudson

3<sup>rd</sup>. *Guzmania* 'Encore' - Darryl Lister Lovely soft pink, this plant will just get better!



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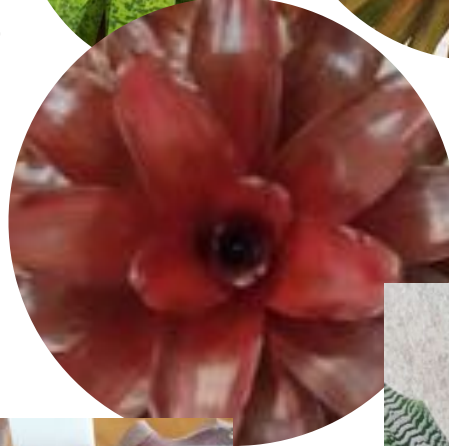
**OPEN - Bromeliad**

1st. *Goudeaea* 'Batik' – Lynn Hudson

2nd. *xSincoregelia* 'Plum Crazy' - Dave Weston

3rd. *Neoregelia* 'Malbec' - Steven French

Dave's *xSincoregelia* was lovely, the centre looked fluffy and colour was just spreading out. Then there was 'Malbec', what a beauty - deep rich colour and more growing to do.



**Cryptanthus**

1st. *Cryptanthus* 'Volcano' – Marguerite Sexton

2nd. *Cryptanthus* 'Menescal' – Dave Weston

3rd. *Cryptanthus* 'Milky Way' – Kelly Knight



**Tillandsia**

1st *Tillandsia neglecta* – Paul Venturi

2nd *Tillandsia stricta* - Marguerite Sexton

3rd *Tillandsia tectorum* - Lynn Hudson

It was hard to choose a tillandsia, they were well grow, beautiful & flowering!

Tillandsias have come into their own, and become a very popular group.

How beautiful is Paul's *Tillandsia neglecta*? Well done Paul.

*Tillandsia stricta*, always popular

*Tillandsia tectorum*





## Annual Showtime

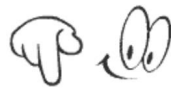


Being Show month there was lots of talk of plant preparation and Dave did an excellent show and tell. We find it very hard to get most members to bring plants to the Show. All year you bring them perfectly prepared to Popular Vote but come the Show and it is the same members who enter. It is very little extra work if we had double the entries. The society pays the prize money to the Show plus we fly in a qualified judge, an output of almost \$700 per year! I feel most do not care. We had an excellent display with the plants that were entered. Congratulations to the winners, especially **Marguerite** who showed the amazing huge *Tillandsia ehlersiana*. Well done, what a ripper! Congratulations to **Dave** - Reserve Champion!



Marguerite Sexton's Champion Bromeliad *Tillandsia ehlersiana* &  
Reserve champion Dave Weston's *Aechmea chantinii* 'SB Clone'





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Thank You Dave & Aaron for the pictures - an explosion of colour!

## 7 August Club Activities & Around the Members



We had our meeting at President Aaron's garden. We started with a good hill to climb - then were told the goodies were up the next slope and we would get a tour after the meeting. So the poor members were sitting facing the foliage that was hiding the goodies from sight! They were happy when they finally got among the varied bromeliads, they were interested in those attached to trees *a la naturale* and Aaron pointed out his hybrids. It was a happy meeting. The monthly theme was neoregelias.

Normally we have 30+ entries & we had 9! Dave took photos but apologised for the new camera. Dave they are not perfect but I really appreciate your efforts. Steven's 'Serendipity Girl' is just beautiful, she was a deserved winner in the Show & again in our mini show. N.'Brown Recluse' gives horrid pics, so I called Bob in. The real colour is very dark brown with a little green showing in the centre on top. I luv em.



### Mini Show Neoregelia

- 1<sup>st</sup>. Neo 'Serendipity Girl' - Steven French
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. Neo 'Brown Recluse' - Lynn Hudson

### Mini Neoregelia Specimen

- 1<sup>st</sup>. Neo 'Brian Webber' - Lynn Hudson
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. Neo 'Shamrock' - Kelly Knight
- 3<sup>rd</sup>. Neo 'Morning Rain' - Nalda Wilson

### Mini Neoregelia Multiple

- 1<sup>st</sup> Neo. 'Donger' - Frances Boyd
- 2<sup>nd</sup>. Neo. 'Alley Cat' - Gail Taifalos

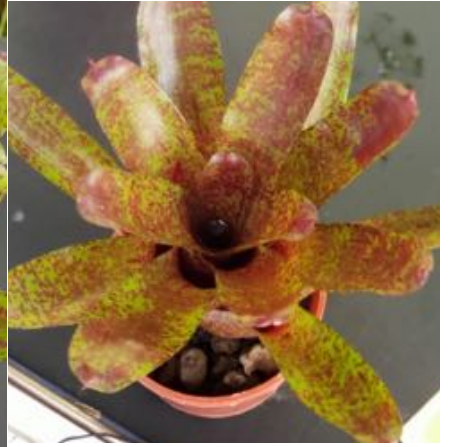




*Neoregelia* 'Brian Webber'



*Neoregelia* 'Shamrock'



*Neoregelia* 'Morning Rain'

*Neo.* 'Donger' v



*Neo.* 'Alley Cat' v



^ *Neoregelia* 'Dyn-o-mite'  
< *Neoregelia* 'Annick'





## 9 August Meeting continued

### Popular Vote Plants

**Bromeliad** - I pipped Steven by 1 vote & 'Annick' by Frances came third.

1st. *Neoregelia* 'Brown Recluse' - Lynn Hudson

2nd. *Neoregelia* 'Serendipity Girl' - Steven French

3rd. *Neoregelia* 'Annick' - Frances Boyd



### Cryptanthus

1st. *Cryptanthus* 'Volcano' - Dave Weston

2nd. *Cryptanthus* 'Imposter red' - Gail Taifalos

3rd. *Cryptanthus* 'Ann Collings' - Lynn Hudson



### Tillandsia

1st *Tillandsia* 'Stupendo' - Bob Hudson

2nd *Tillandsia bulbosa* giant - Bob Hudson

3rd *Tillandsia mooreana* - Dave Weston



10. **Bromeliad Show 2019.** At the August meeting we agreed not to have our bromeliad show at the Cairns Agricultural & Mining Show, instead we will do a small display to publicise the society. We agreed to have it at Cominos House in September 2019. It is already booked.

We will also have a sale and maybe some demonstrations. It would a far better way to expose the society.

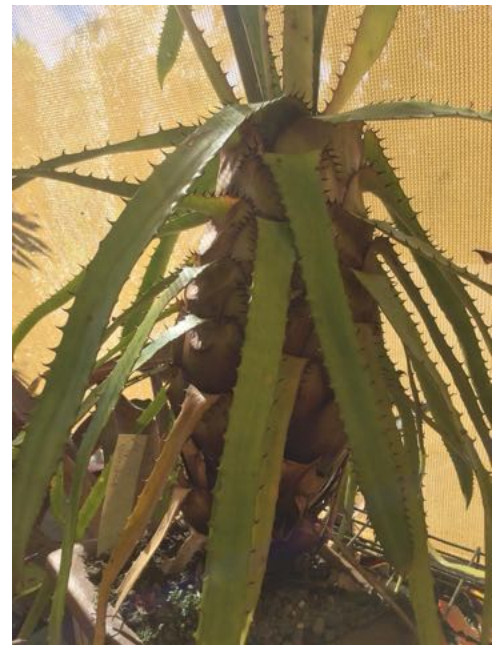
Since then I have been thinking maybe we could split the show - have Tillandsias with Bloomin Broms in June and bromeliads in September. Something for us to consider and decide.

**Nuleaf Sale Morning.** Megan has suggested we have a sale at their premises. We have agreed on Saturday morning **13th October** and their opening hours are 8-12 on Saturdays. Tell all your friends, dust off your plants and come join us spread the bromeliad news. Even if you do not have sale plants, you can help by packing and talking.

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Thanx to Gail & Aaron for some pics from our August meeting at the peaceful and colourful garden of Aaron & Andrea.





Nothing just happens or just gets done,  
Someone has to make it happen or do it.





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