

BUTTONWOOD BONSAI CLUB

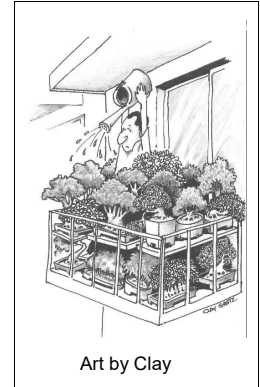
NEWSLETTER

June 2019

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8 members and 4 guests attended the May meeting. Ed and Diane and their grandson Ty attended the meeting. All were at the last meeting and plan on becoming members as does Ty's mother Danielle. Because of no treasurer I asked them to join at the next meeting. Treasurer Duane recently had knee surgery so the treasurer's report was not available.



Art by Clay

Saturday's program was SHOW AND TELL. Clay had the mystery tree that generated a lot of questions before it was his turn to talk. He kept everyone in suspense by not answering any questions prior to his talk. If you go to our Facebook site in the photo album you can see the bonsai we talked about during the show and tell program.

While only 12 people attended the meeting I thought we had a very good discussion on a couple of topics. I talked with Parks and Recreations about the Club using 2 cabinets. The Club now has 2 cabinets in the Recreation building. After the meeting we all helped move items from our storage locker in the Rec Center maintenance room to the new cabinets. We now have lots of room.

I also asked Parks and Recreations about different Saturdays throughout 2020. I found out that the Club doesn't automatically get to renew the 4th Saturday of every month in 2020. Betty (P&R) said the demand for the Rec building is increasing and to be fair to all, each group must reapply each year. Friday May 17 I received the 2020 request form. We discussed meeting days at the Club meeting. From my member response prior to the meeting and the discussion during the meeting it seems about half want to keep the 4th Saturday and the half would like to change. So, I requested the the 4th Saturday of every month with the exception of December. 4th Saturday in Dec. is the 26th. So I requested the 3rd Saturday. I received their response. The Club will meet the 4th Saturday of every month with the following exceptions: July and December's meetings will be the 3rd Saturday.

Another topic of discussion at the meeting was workshops. There's just not enough time during our Club meeting on Saturdays to have an indepth workshop. As soon as the programs for 2020 are finalized, we'll plan maybe 2 four hour workshops. I'll apply to Whispering Pines for 2 four hour time slots later in the year.

Club meeting location is at the Recreation building in Whispering Pines Park, Inverness, FL. on the 4th Saturday of every month starting at 9:30 a.m.

What's your opinion? If a member joins our club later in the year say after September, should they pay full membership price? We'll discuss at future meetings. If you want to send me your opinion via email, I would be glad to get it.

June's program will be "potting the juniper from the April workshop". Please bring your juniper, root cutters, pot, soil, wire and anything else you want. The Club will provide tables and table coverings. I'm quite positive it will be **MESSY**. That's the voice of experience talking. So plan on helping clean up and taking as much of the MESS back with you.

2019 Club program schedule.

July 27 - Air Layering. **Michael**
August 24 - Bonsai tree care – 8 tips for beginners. **Bob**
September 28 - How to trim a tree (tips, tricks and secrets) **Bob**
October 26 - Problem tree workshop **Bob**
November 23 - Tree groupings **Bob**
December 28 - Junipers & Christmas Party (**need someone**)

Here are the other possible programs I've heard about. Let Bob know if there are other programs you would like to hear.

Pruning & branching	Tree styles
Care and feeding of bonsai trees	How to address tree wounds
Bonsai tree care – 8 tips for beginners	Wiring
Potting and re-potting workshop	Dividing junipers (workshop)
Variegated Jade as a bonsai	Deciduous tree care during the winter months.
Jin or Shari	Root in/over rock

ADDITIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER

I would really like to include more info in our Newsletter. Send me your comments (Jim Meister) at jms_meister@yahoo.com.

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One free ad pertaining to plants, books, bonsai, etc. will be allowed for each active club member per issue. Contact Jim Meister (352) 586-0582.

Bonsai tools for sale; Shears, concave cutters, wire cutters, knob cutters and others.
Contact Bob Eskeitz for information and prices. (352) 587-4215 or bonsaibobs@hotmail.com. Bob also has 30, 5 gallon bags of potting soil for sale. Please call or email him if you are interested.