

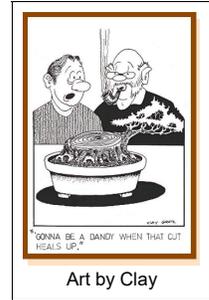
# BUTTONWOOD BONSAI CLUB

## NEWSLETTER

May 2018

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

We had 16 members and three guests. One new member joined, welcome Mary Agnew-Geraca. Bank balance is \$2111.95 as of March 31, 2018.

Douglas and JoAnn Good, guests visiting from the Marion Club are potters and make bonsai pots. Douglas and JoAnn said they will come back to the October Club meeting and talk about their pots and bring bonsai pots to sell. Here is Douglas and JoAnn's contact info if you would like to talk with them or purchase a pot. 727-465-6744 and their email is [bonsai@gmail.com](mailto:bonsai@gmail.com).

April 14 was our annual showing at the Crystal River mall. Tom and Bob had tables at the Farmers' Market. Bob also paid for a Club table. Sales were not that good. We had very poor turnout from our club members. If not for Tom, Clay and Bob's trees, our tables would have been barren. It's doubtful the Club will do this next year.

A suggestion was made that the Club enter Bonsai trees in the Citrus County Fair. There was lots of discussion. I will contact the Fair Board to see if that's possible and what's involved. Hopefully I'll have an update at the May meeting.

Barbara said she talked with the Color Country Nursery on Route 44. They told her they get inquiries about Bonsai trees, people want to buy them. Color Country doesn't sell Bonsai trees but would like Club members provide them with trees to sell. Barbara did not know if Color Country would ask for a percent of the sale price or what other arrangements they would require. This is not something the Club will do. It is up to individual members to talk with them if you are interested in selling trees there.

The Club will have a photo display informing the public about Bonsai and our Club at the Forrest Ridge Library in October. Bob has agreed to provide a demo in October to coincide with the photo display. Thanks to Mary for "taking charge" of this event. The June Club meeting program has been changed. The workshop program has been changed to a photo session. Here's where Club members get involved. We are asking each Club member to bring at least 2 of their Bonsai to the June meeting. Mary will take pictures of your trees (not you) and prepare a photo display for the Library.

New Club shirts are here. Thanks to Bob Eskeitz for all his work in getting these shirts for us. Prices have increased. Shirts are now \$15.00 and \$18.00 depending on size.

Clay will be presenting at the May 26 Club meeting. His topic is minitures and at the end of his program he wants to raffle off the two trees he prepares during his program.

Here is a list of the programs for 2018. Some changes have been made. I still need someone (*need person*) to lead three programs and we need ideas for programs for September and maybe October. If you have a topic you would like presented/discussed let me know and we can set up a program. If you have an idea for a program or really want to know something specific about Bonsai, let me know. I really want to provide programs that are of great interest to Club members.

May 26 Miniatures - *Clay*  
Jun 23 Picture taking - *Mary*  
Jul 28 Raft Styling of Trees - Bob  
Aug 25 Defoliate trees – *need person*  
Sept 22 Grafting - Bob  
Oct 27 Douglas and JoAnn Good  
Nov 24 Preparing for the winter months – *need person*  
Dec 22 Christmas party – *need person*

### **ADDITIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER**

I would really like to include more info in our Newsletter. Write me (Jim Meister)

### **Officers for 2018**

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### **Classifieds**

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.