

BUTTONWOOD BONSAI CLUB NEWSLETTER

September 2018

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We had 21 members and two were new members at our August meeting. Welcome new members Mike and Joni.

I talked with Central Ridge Library and we are a “go” for the October photodisplay. Mary has made an excellent display (actually there are 3). If you attended the August club meeting you had a chance to see one of the three displays. You can also see the display at our website or on our Facebook page. Make sure to stop in at the library during October and see all three.

Bob will be giving two demonstrations at the library on Tuesday October 16. The demos are at 11a and 1p. Try to attend as it would be great to have some club members cheering him on.

Wendy checked with Coastal Region Library in Crystal River and they are interested in having the display set up in their library. Barbara and Norma told me they are involved with another of the Citrus County libraries and I'll be contacting Eric to see about displaying in other locations. More details will be available soon.

Clay presented “defoliating a tree” at our August meeting. I for one was interested in this topic as I knew very little about how and the benefits of defoliation. We all learned a lot about this topic.

We have another great topic scheduled for September, grafting. Bob will be presenting. He has presented this topic in the past and its been very informative. So come prepared to learn a lot.

Please bring in your tree(s) for show and tell. We really want to see what you are working on.

Need input on 2019 program topics. So far I have 18 ideas. What we don't do in 2019 we'll plan for 2020. I don't have much detail on each topic at this time but I'm putting together more details. I want to plan programs around what **YOU** want. And as always, I need presenters. One of the best ways to learn about a topic is to research then present. I think we expect an actual demonstration with each topic, but that's not always necessary. Hand outs, white boards, displays and other types of presentation aides could be just as effective. I'm planning on having a calendar of topics for next meeting.

1. Air Layering
2. Bonsai soil, the good, the bad, and the ugly
3. Pruning & branching
4. Tree styles
5. Care and feeding of bonsai trees.



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.
Treasurer's report: as of June 30, \$1,629.65. (Approx. \$1,749.00 after the August Club meeting)

6. Tree groupings
7. Root over rock bonsai.
8. How to address tree wounds
9. Workshop I – Trimming and wiring a juniper
10. Workshop II – Potting the juniper from workshop I
11. Bonsai tree care – 8 tips for beginners.
12. Club sale
13. Club member demonstrations (member show and tell)
14. Wiring
15. Potting and repotting workshop
16. Junipers – Tom
17. How to trim a tree (tips, tricks and secrets)
18. Problem tree workshop

I listed four workshops. We can do more if you want. Is there a specific topic you would like to learn about through a workshop. For those of you who are in the Citrus County area only through the winter time, let me know if there are specific topics you would like to see while you are in the area.

Here is the remaining 2018 program schedule.

- Sept 22 Grafting - Bob
- Oct 27 Potters - Douglas and JoAnn Good
- Nov 24 Wiring – Bob
- Dec 22 Review of group planting – Tom Brantley

Start thinking now. We will be electing officers this fall and I really need a recording secretary (whom ever is elected can change the title as it's a little out of date). And I'm checking with Rosemary (Treasurer) to see if she wants to continue in that position.

ADDITIONS TO THE NEWSLETTER

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

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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.