SAN DIEGO BROMELIAD SOCIETY
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The Bromeliad Blade

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President's Message

By Kerry Nelson

First and foremost thank you to Tyrone Hall for opening up his beautiful garden and home to SDBS for the 59th Anniversary May Meeting. Tyrone's warm and gracious hospitality was appreciated by all, and his uniquely creative landscaping offered many fresh ideas to encourage us into our own gardens. Behind the scenes of any successful meeting are lots of contributors. Thank you to Juliana Raposo and Ronee Kozlowski for coordinating this garden tour, Steve Spencer, Stephen Zolezzi and Al Evans for set-up and take-down, Charles Oelsen for coordinating the food and beverage offerings, and Dan Kinnard, Eloise Lau and Robert Kopfstein for their impressive expert demonstrations on how to divide and mount an assortment of bromeliads. The interactive portion of this meeting received rave reviews from members, so stay tuned we'll be doing it again.

June has arrived, and it is our Club's busiest time of the calendar year. Installation in underway at the Del Mar Fairgrounds for SDBS's exhibition at the San Diego County Fair to be completed in time for judging prior to when this newsletter goes out. Nancy Groves and Robert Kopfstein are directing an impressive project and so far our members have responded to their calls for volunteers and plants. We're hopeful to win a few awards again this year. Thank you to all who participated or will participate in whatever capacity once the Fair opens to the public, and make sure to go see the completed display!

Robert Kopfstein and Nancy Groves at Del Mar Fair Horticultural Show

Next we focus on our Sale, with set-up on June 14 and take-down on June 16. Our Co-Chairs for the Sale, Morlane O'Donnell and Todd Johnson are anticipating greater than usual participation from vendors, so we can expect a busy weekend and impressive sales numbers to follow. This is SDBS's biggest fundraiser, and its success allows us to fund our other activities and projects throughout the year. We need a plethora of volunteers to make the Sale run smoothly, from tag-pullers to security forces, so please block out time that weekend to help. Although it involves work, it also is a lot of fun, and further it provides the perfect opportunity to get to know your fellow members of SDBS. Looking forward to buying a few new bromeliads and to seeing you all there!

We'll have Tillandsias and other bromeliads for sale from a variety of vendors and from our members. Plus, we'll have tools, supplies, and experts on hand for all your questions.

Come to Balboa Park for the San Diego Bromeliad Society's

Summer Bromeliad Spectacular

Balboa Park Casa del Prado Rm 101

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Saturday & Sunday

June 15 & 16

10-4:00

SanDiegoBromeliadSociety.org

SDBS Garden Party at Tyrone's – We had a great time!

For more photos check out the Facebook SDBS Group.

Our host Tyrone Hall and Juliana; Guillermo admiring the garden; Robert performing Dyckia surgery; Juliana and Steve with matching hats. And more…

SDBS Events 2024

SDBS Monthly Meetings

Every 2nd Saturday of the month
Casa del Prado room 104
Balboa Park, San Diego
www.sandiegobromeliadsociety.org

SDBS Show & Sale

June 15 & 16
Casa del Prado room 104
Balboa Park, San Diego

SDBS at SD County Fair

June 12 to July 4
Del Mar Fairgrounds

Reminder:

There is no SDBS June Meeting.

We will see you at our Show and Sale on June 14-16.

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SDBS Board Meetings Schedule

The SDBS board meets in-person 4 times a year to discuss all issues relevant to running the society. Any member can attend but must RSVP to the president and submit any agenda items in advance. Meetings are always on a Sunday from 10am to 12pm.

Next meetings are on August 4 and October 6 at Kerry Nelson's.

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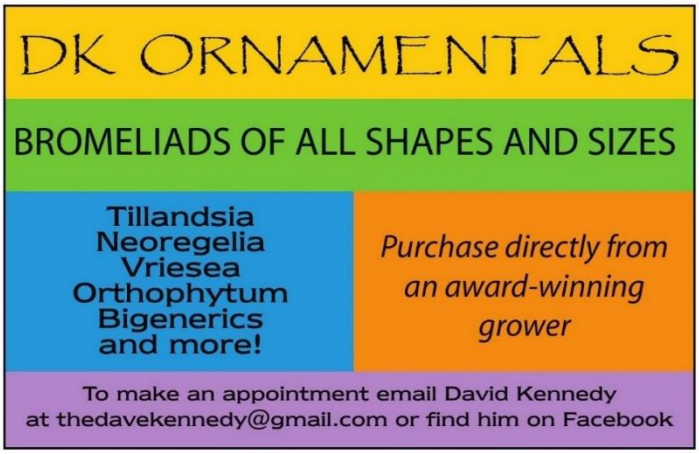
Essential Bromeliad Resources

Bromeliad Species Database – *https://bsi.org/members/?bsd Species names keep changing due to new research. Consult the BSD for identification, photos, distribution, and spelling names of bromeliad species. For more granular information, log in as a BSI member.*

Bromeliad Cultivar Registry – *https://bsi.org/registry/ The BCR lists information on bromeliad hybrids and cultivars. Here you can check the parentage of a bromeliad hybrid or the species of a sport that goes by a registered name. This is a free resource.*

SDBS Library – *Our bromeliad-specific library contains titles you won't find anywhere else. Contact our librarian, Eloise Lau, and check out a book.*



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Invitation

We are in constant need of material for publication. Please contact Juliana at julianadraposo@gmail.com

Make sure to submit your contribution before the 20th of the month for inclusion in the next newsletter.

SDBS Meetings

The club meets on the second Saturday of the month at 10am in Balboa Park, Casa del Prado, room 104.

SDBS Website

www.sandiegobromeliadsociety.org

SDBS Facebook Group

https://www.facebook.com/groups/sandiegobro