

THE FLORIDA EAST COAST BROMELIAD SOCIETY

August 2024 Newsletter

Meeting Date: August 11th at 1:30 p.m.

**Meeting Location: Colony in the Wood, 4000 S. Clyde Morris Blvd.
Port Orange, FL 32129**

August 11th Meeting

This month's meeting will be held on August 11th at 1:30 pm at Colony in the Wood. The program will be Bromeliad Bingo. Winners of each round will be given a beautiful bromeliad. I would like to thank those who participated in last month's bromeliad centerpiece competition. You are all talented! For those who missed it see the photos below.

As usual this month there will be our bromeliad raffle, delicious refreshments, door prizes, and show and tell. -- Jack

Last Month's Centerpiece Arrangements



The winners were: First Place - Sherrie Thompson, Second Place - Pam Reisen, and Third Place - Jane Howells. **Congratulations!!!!**

First Place



Second Place



Third Place



Other centerpiece entries



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Companion plants to grow with bromeliads

Many types of plants combine well with bromeliads. It is best to select plants with similar growth requirements – light, moisture and substrate or soil. Some basic considerations: plant background plants, use green or variegated plants to highlight dark bromeliads, use colorful plants to provide accent to green or light-colored bromeliads, and use large bromeliads as feature plants and mass plant smaller bromeliads. Examples include caladium, dracaena, palms, begonias, crotons, ferns, fire spike, grasses, succulents, begonias, and gingers to name a few.



(Jack Dunlop)



(Fay Davey)



(Jack Dunlop)



(Sherrie Thompson)



(Sherrie Thompson)



McKee Gardens (Jane Villa-Lobos)

We love to see pictures of bromeliads in our members' gardens



Tillandsia capitata Yellow Form
(Jane Villa-Lobos)



Pitcairnia
(Jack Dunlop)



Neoregelia 'Simply Red'
(Jack Dunlop)

Send in your photos and articles about bromeliad events, blooms in your garden, or newspaper and magazine articles that may be of interest to our members. Email Jane at saravillalobos387@gmail.com.



Birthdays for August

Greetings to: Sharon Gum, Steven LaRusso, Maggie Marshall, Myrna Moore, Judy Rafter, and Debbie Williams.

Future Events

August 17-18
Annual Fall Plant Sale
Seminole Bromeliad &
Tropical Plant Society
Garden Club of Sanford
200 Fairmont Dr.
Sanford, FL 32773
9-4

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