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Included in this issue of the Quarterly is the Florida 1981 Membership Roster. Our current mailing list includes 502 members. Please loosen the staples, remove the roster and keep it handy for reference. Because of bulk (and printing costs), some of the regular features of this publication have been omitted or reduced. Show news is featured and we hope all members will support the shows with work, entries and attendance.

We are still working to get an up-dated hybrid listing for the third issue.

Please, if your address changes or there is an error in the roster, let us know. We do not pay return postage on undeliverable mail, so the only way we will know is if you tell us.

If you plan to enter plants in a show, please secure a show schedule and read the show rules in advance. Show rules may or may not be uniform, that is at the discretion of the host society. Before you enter a plant, make every effort to know it's correct name. Try to let the Entries chairman know in advance if you plan to enter more than just several plants. It is not nice to appear unannounced with 50 plants. Be sure your plants are clean and disease-free, and don't forget the pot will show too. It is fairly standard in Florida to disqualify hybrids of unknown parentage from winning top awards. A blue ribbon, yes, silver, no. Also, remember, you are not allowed to buy a plant this week and enter it in next week's show. You must have struggled with it for at least 6 months prior to entering it for competition. This rule is almost unenforceable, but please play fair. Use a plain name label, not a nursery tag, and be sure you mark with your name somewhere out of sight on the pot, but mark them, since all entries are made at the owner's risk.

GOOD LUCK -- MAY THE SHOWS RUN OUT OF BLUE  
RIBBONS



Regular Florida Council meeting was held April 11 at Cypress Gardens Quality Inn.

Ms. Ellen Peyton reported that Grande refund project is practically complete, and that with the sale of issues held in inventory, and out on consignment, the project will be terminated without financial loss to the Council.

Carol Johnson reported on Quarterly Newsletter. First issue went to 520 Florida members at per copy cost of 26¢. This cost will be substantially reduced when IRS furnishes us with a letter confirming our tax exempt status. Supplied with up-dated 1981 membership rosters, she will revise mailing list and include a complete state roster with issue #2, which will be mailed May 1 in advance of the upcoming shows.

It was voted to carry out the proposed plans for a permanent bromeliad display at Selby Gardens. Your chairman and Carl Perryn have collected the necessary driftwood and will purchase lava rock from Council funds. The following plants will be needed for the display, and contributions of good, healthy, disease free, prideful plants is solicited:

Ae. Araneosa	Ae. Cylindrata
Ae. Eurycorymbus	Ae. Gamosepala
Ae. Maginalli	Ae. Ornata Nationalis
Ae. Weilbachii	Ae. Caudata Variegata
Canistrum Lindenii	100 Neo. Fireball
Neo. Macrosepala	Nid. Innocentii Varieg.
Nid. Procerum	Nid. Regelioides
Portea Petropolitana	Ques. Arvensis
Quesnelia Testudo	Vriesea Imperialis
Vriesea Schwackiana	3 each Vriesea Hybrids

Neoregelia hybrids which hold color

The Selby exhibit will display a plaque acknowledging the contribution of our Florida Council.

Nat DeLeon moved that when identifiable plants are submitted to Selby, the Council pay for slide photos of same and that nine duplicates be made of the slide for distribution to the nine societies. Motion carried.

The State Show and Honduras collecting trip will be reported separately in this newsletter.

Next Council meeting will be in Jacksonville on July 11, 1981.



Sarasota Bromeliad Society:

Sarasota Bromeliad Society is organizing a collecting trip to Honduras, to leave Miami 2nd or 3rd of June. While in Honduras, the group will be guided by Mr. Kamm, member of the Honduras Dept. of Agriculture and a bromeliad grower. The trip will be conducted by Mr. Fred J. Fuchs of Naranja, Fl. Cost of the trip will be approximately \$775.00 per person and that includes air fare, hotel, food, land transportation for 10 days. Organized as a bromeliad collecting trip, but can collect also orchids, ferns, aroids & "montezuma's revenge". Papers to export plants from Honduras will be completed by Mr. Kamm, and Mr. Fuchs will bring them into U.S. with his import permit. It will be necessary to have a current passport. No shots are required. The group will be limited to 20 persons, with a minimum group of 15. If interested, send \$100.00 deposit to:

Mr. John Bollin; 153 Beach Road; Sarasota 33581  
His telephone number is 813-349-1523. The trip is open to first 20 members of Florida Bromeliad Societies who apply. Make checks payable to Orchid Collectors, Inc. Please contact John by May 15 at the latest if interested.

Bromeliad Society of South Florida:

At its April meeting the society membership voted to fund a study of the genus Tillandsia to be made by Ms. Sue Gardner of Corpus Christi, Texas. The society will grant funds in amount of \$1500.00.

Bromeliad Guild of Tampa Bay:

The Society presented a Standard Bromeliad Show & Sale on April 10-12 at University Square Mall in Tampa, in which the following awards were won:  
Best of Show (Till. Duratii) by Russ Frank  
Sweepstakes Bill Radford  
Cultural Excellence (Canistrum Fosteriana Pardinum) by Andy Price. Best artistic arrangement was by Ann Price.  
Best Horticultural display by Bill Radford and Best Decorative Container by Jean Schnabel.

Editor's Note: Most of the states society news this time is also show news. Everyone is busy with shows, so please check the show calendar for what's doing.



1981 FLORIDA INTERNATIONAL BROMELIAD SHOW

(An annual event sponsored by the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies, Inc.) Including the 1980 World Conference in Orlando, this is the fourth state show sponsored by the Council.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Thursday, May 7, 1981:

- 1-8:00 p.m. - Registration of Entries
- 1-6:00 p.m. - Receive Member Plants for Sales
- 1-5:00 p.m. - Set up show, displays and commercial booths.

Friday, May 8, 1981:

- 8 a.m. to Sunset - Cypress Gardens Open
- 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. - Judging
- 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. - Commercial Sales
- 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. - Member Plant Sales
- 1 p.m. - Judges Luncheon
- 3 p.m. to 8 p.m. - Show is Open

Saturday, May 9, 1981:

- 7 to 9 a.m. - Photographers only
- 8 a.m. to Sunset - Cypress Gardens open
- 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. - Show Hours
- 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. - Commercial & Member Plant Sales

Sunday, May 10, 1981:

- 8 a.m. to Sunset - Cypress Gardens open
- 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. - Commercial Sales
- 9 to 11 a.m. - Member Plant Sales & Show Open

Additional Information:

Show will be at Quality Inn right at entrance to Cypress Gardens. Special motel rates apply to show guests and the Gardens also offer a special rate. It will be possible to attend the Bromeliad Show without going into the Gardens, but it would be a shame to miss the opportunity. Exhibition room is 52 x 31 ft, and member plant sales will be on same floor (mezzanine). Commercial sales will be on the grounds in a big tent. 20% commission will be deducted from sale price of member plants. There will be holding space available for checking plant purchases. The show is open to all exhibitors and entries are invited. There will be a judge's challenge class. Members who bring plants for sale are requested to limit initial batch to 75 plants. This action was taken by the Council to protect the



membership from an inundation by commercial growers who elect to sell in this manner rather than purchasing booth space, and also because of the limited space. Additional plants may be brought in on Saturday, however.

Please check with your society President for advance entry forms, or contact Edith Howells, Entry Chairman, at 2248 Burns St.; Lakeland, Fl. 33801. Show Chairman is Carl Perryn; 5066 Varty Rd.; Winter Haven, Fl. 33880, telephone 813-324-2008.

PLEASE COME, AND SPREAD THE WORD. LETS HAVE A BIG  
TURNOUT!!!!!!

The Fourth Annual South Florida Bromeliad Show will be presented by the Bromeliad Society of South Florida at Fairchild Tropical Gardens on May 16 & 17, 1981.

Fairchild Gardens is located at 10901 Old Cutler Road; Coral Gables. Show hours are 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Saturday, May 16 and 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. on Sunday, May 17. Admission to the Garden is \$3.00, but free to Garden members and members of Bromeliad Society of South Florida. Judging will begin at 9:30 a.m. on Friday, May 15. Entries will be received from 12 noon to 9 p.m. on Thursday, May 14.

Several show rules should be noted:

1. Any entry into competition for awards (other than ribbons) must not have received an award in any other standard bromeliad show within 60 days of this show.
2. Membership plant sales: limited to active or associate members in good standing for at least 6 mos. prior to show of Bromeliad Society of South Florida. 25% commission will be charged. Limit of 75 plants for active and 25 plants for associate members.
3. There will be a separate division in the show for entries by commercial growers. A commercial grower is defined as anyone who maintains regular business hours growing &/or selling plants; or who sells in a commercial section of any show; or who grows plants specifically for the purpose of sale or resale.

Judging will be on the merit system; i.e. against perfection.



Show Chairman, Dean Fairchild 253-5331  
Entries Chairman, Connie Johnson 667-7890  
Member Plant Sales, Trisha Frank 665-4369

Fifth annual South Florida Bromeliad Show will be held on May 15 & 16, 1982. Mark your calendar.

The Third Annual Georgia Bromeliad Show & Sale, sponsored by the Atlanta Bromeliad Society, Inc. will be held on June 20 & 21, 1981 at the Cumberland Mall, I-285 & US 41 in Atlanta. Florida judges and commercial growers will be participating.

Sweepstakes award at the Atlanta Show will be named in memory of Dr. Marvous Mostellar, recently deceased, a charter member and active in the society. Further details regarding the show can be furnished by Bob Pearre, Show Chairman; 404-921-6723.

The Greater New Orleans Bromeliad Society Show will be held on May 16 & 17, 1981, co-inciding with the meeting in that city of BSI Directors and Affiliate Presidents, which will be on May 17.

Bromeliad Society of Central Florida will present its annual bromeliad show in September, and it will be covered in detail in the August issue. Location of the show has been shifted to the Winter Park Mall. The show will include commercial booths for the first time and these commercial growers will also furnish an artistic display. Commercial space is still available. Contact LeRoy Stone; 8007 Tompkins Sq.; Orlando, Fl. 32807; 305-678-0926.

1982 World Bromeliad Conference, Corpus Christi:

At Bayfront Plaza, Corpus Christi, June 10-13, 1982.  
Update: Charge to commercial growers, \$200.00 fee.  
No commission. Membership sales, 25% commission.  
Registration package will cost \$75.00 until 5/1/82, then \$90.00. However, a spouse registration will be \$50.00. "Early Bird" registration may be purchased for \$65.00 until 9/1/81. BSI members may expect a special mailing in June of 1981.



JACKSONVILLE BROMELIAD SOCIETY: Meets: Agric. Extension Learning Center; 1010 N. McDuff; Jacksonville; 3rd Tuesday, 7:30 p.m. Visitors Welcome  
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SEMINOLE BROMELIAD SOCIETY: Meets Seminole Ag. Center; Hwy 17-92; Sanford, Fl.  
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BROMELIAD SOCIETY OF SOUTH FLORIDA: Meets Fairchild Gardens; Old Cutler Rd. Miami, Fl.  
First Tuesday, 8:00 p.m. Visitors Welcome. President, Don Yetkow; 12225 SW 63 Ave.;  
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