

NEWCASTLE BONSAI SOCIETY

Newsletter

**JANUARY
2009**



- **The next meeting and workshop** will be on Saturday 10th January 2009 at the Warners Bay Guide Hall.
- **Christmas Party.** The Christmas party was another great success. Proceeds from the Dutch auction made a significant contribution towards the cost of the food. The decorated bonsai Xmas tree competition was fiercely contested and the food was excellent. Thanks to Max and Erika for organising the food in their usual very efficient manner.
- Our resident potter, Penny, has agreed to do a potting workshop in 2009 if enough people are interested. Please let Geoff F know if you are interested and which month suits you so that Penny can start organising.
- It was suggested at the last meeting that we might have a bus trip to Canberra to look at the site of the proposed Canberra Arboretum and Gardens and also view the National Bonsai and Penjing Collection. If you are interested please speak to Geoff F at the next meeting.
- **Volcanic Rock.** Baden has a source of volcanic rock for use in Saikei or root-over-rock designs. If he has enough people interested he can order a large quantity at a good price. See Baden for samples if you are interested in good rocks at a good price.
- **Bulk Buying Bagged Potting Mix.** It was suggested that we could buy bagged potting mix in large quantities for distribution to members. If we do this we could get it at a significant discount. Please see David W or Geoff F at the next meeting if you are interested in participating in a large purchase such as this.

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Newcastle Bonsai Society meets on the second Saturday of every month at the Warners Bay Guide Hall Cnr Burton Rd and Lamington Drive, Mt. Hutton. A bonsai workshop commences at 10.30 a.m. which usually includes a demonstration.

There will be a committee meeting commencing at 9.30am and all members are welcome to attend.

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Photos of Floral Festival Kariong 2009 courtesy of Penny

FLORAL FESTIVAL
KARIONG



Banksia



Juniper

Just to fill the space, some photos from the Dennis McDermot workshop earlier this year at Moonpar Nursery



Roslyn's Maple - Before



Roslyn's Maple - After



Karen's Eucalypt - Before



During



and After.

FLORAL FESTIVAL

The Floral Festival at Kariang was held just after the Sydney Exhibition. The Central Coast Bonsai Society's exhibition there was, yet again, excellent. Another date for you to put on next year's calendar.



Dave Kiernan - Demonstrating



Fig Group



Swamp Cypress



Weeping Wattle



Juniper



Elm



Fig

I didn't have time to write down all the relevant information on the trees that were on display.

Photos of Bonsai Society of Australia Exhibition 2009 courtesy of Penny

**BONSAI SOCIETY OF AUSTRALIA
Exhibition on Sept. 6-8**



Black Pine with Driftwood -22yrs.



**Tea Tree (that's how it was spelt)
2002 - Ian White.**



**Cedrus Deodar -1950
Dorothy Koreshof**



**Japanese Maple -1945
Dorothy Koreshof**



**Japanese Maple -1928
Dorothy Koreshof**

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For those of you who were unable to attend this exhibition, here are some photos to whet your appetite for next year.



Campsis grandiflora -Trumpet Creeper
1993 Ingrid Bauer.



Trident Maple Group -1995
Georgina Kretschmar.



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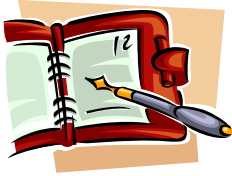
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(For pictures and additional information see above website)

For purchase enquiries phone number as above or email: raynescibonsai@bigpond.com



DIARY DATES

- January 10 - Newcastle Bonsai Society monthly meeting and workshop
- February 14 - Newcastle Bonsai Society month meeting and workshop
- March 14 - Newcastle Bonsai Society month meeting, workshop and discussion on Australian native plants
- April 11 - Newcastle Bonsai Society month meeting and workshop
- May 9 - Newcastle Bonsai Society month meeting and workshop

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