



sydney city  
**bonsai club** INC.



## NEXT CLUB MEETINGS

7pm Tuesday 9 May

7pm Tuesday 13 June

**(Doors open @ 7pm for a  
7.30sharp start)**

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## Welcome to the May 2006 Newsletter

Make sure you don't miss our next meeting on Tuesday 9 May 2006, as we have a special guest demonstrator, Dennis Barton.

Dennis Barton has been an ardent advocate of bonsai for decades and produces some very notable trees. He is a well know demonstrator and conducts his demos with style and flair. Dennis topic will be "Cultivation & Development of Pines" and all members are advised to be sure to attend his informative and interesting presentation.

### What's coming up??

#### Tue 13 June

##### *Brennan Trifecta: The Root of the Matter*

Sue will do an in indepth talk on roots, the engine of a tree, the importance of roots and how to make them work for the tree.

#### Tue 11 July

##### *Brennan Trifecta: The Green Belt"*

From June's subsoil talk, Sue takes us to the top of the tree and explains the importance of foliage and how it interacts with the roots to power the tree along. Sue is a stimulating speaker and June and July are vital to better understand how your tree works and how your care can bring out the best in it.

#### Tue 8 August

##### *Brennan Trifecta: Styling Matters*

This talk follows on from June and July and Sue will be passing on styling guidelines and tips for the beginner. The good thing about Sue's talks is that more experienced enthusiasts will pick up a lot of info as well.

#### Tue 12 September

##### *Workshop: Repotting Bonsai*

If you are new to the hobby and seek guidance, if you have a difficult tree to repot and want help or if you just want to do one of the basics of bonsai with a companionable group, bring your trees(s) and equipment along and get stuck into it.

As most of you know, The Royal Easter Show featured once again a great exhibition of some of the finest bonsais I've ever seen! I can say it was very inspiring in my learning of the art of bonsai! There were few things I found to be disappointing about the exhibition however. The trees' species weren't identified and neither were the owners of those trees unless they won a prize! As a relative beginner in the art of bonsai, I would have found very useful to learn more about the diverse species on display during the show! And I am confident that amongst all the visitors to the exhibition, a great number of them would have found very educational to learn further about the beautiful trees on display... I also believe in acknowledging the good work of people who have put their work forward even if they didn't win any prize...

Nevermind, despite this little disappointment, I must say how impressed I was! And I would like to congratulate the winners in the different categories. Our long time members Lee Wright, Sue Brennan and Neville Althaus have done very well!! Congrats to you!!! And well done to everyone who put their trees forward! Here are the photos of the 1<sup>st</sup> prizes!!



Champion Native *Kunzea ambigua*  
Lee Wright



1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Privet  
Chris Di Nola



Champion: Chinese Elm  
Sue Brennan



1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Chinese Elm  
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1<sup>st</sup> Prize: Chinese Elm  
Sue Brennan

#### MONTHLY TASKS...

As autumn draws to a close the weather gradually becomes cooler. The leaves of the deciduous trees start to acquire their autumn tones prior to their leaf fall. The trees have completed a year's growth and are ready for a rest.

Now is the time to lighten or remove completely the load of fruit, berries or seeds on your tree. If the load is too heavy, or left on too long, the tree's energy will be depleted. This may not cause dieback but the fruiting and flowering will not be so prolific next year.

# EVENTS CALENDAR 2006

Date	Event	Details
7 May	Nepean bonsai Society Show	Glenbrook Community Hall, Glenbrook
14 May	Workshop With A Difference	Conducted by the Bonsai Federation of Australia at Ray Nesci's Nursery. Tutors: Ric Roberts & Chris Allnutt. Cost is only \$15! For more info call Ric on (02) 9953 1931 or download the registration form.
20 May	Bonsai Study Group Show	Community Hall, Lofberg Rd, West Pymble
26-29 May	19 <sup>th</sup> AABC National Bonsai Convention	Legends Hotel, Gold Coast, QLD. The biggest bonsai event of the year with international demonstrators Robert Steven and Budi Sulistyo and much more. For more information <a href="#">download the flyer</a> , visit <a href="http://www.aabcitd.org">www.aabcitd.org</a> or call Carole on (07) 5530 5452 b/h or (02) 5525 1428 a/h.
2-4 June	Timber and Woodworking Show	Fox Studios, Moore Park
11 June	Workshops With A Difference	See 14 May for details. Tutors: Elizabeth Simeonoff & Clinton Nesci.
1-2 July	Ideas Summit 2006	The summit will be held on Saturday and Sunday from 9am - 5pm at the Five Dock Citizen's Centre, 422 Lyons Rd, Five Dock. For more info call Ian on 0418 571 105.
9 July	Workshops With A Difference	See 14 May for details. Tutors: Brenda Parker & Noel Summerell.
21-23 July	The Tops Weekend	Illawara Bonsai Society's Live-in Weekend workshop at The Tops Conference Centre, in Stanwell Tops
?? August	Bonsai Federation of Australia Convention	Will be hosted in Ballarat with Hirotooshi Saito as principal demonstrator. The program is not yet finalised, but will include workshops on the Saturday and Sunday. More details will be made available later.
7-10 August	Central Coast Bonsai Society Show	Flora Festival at Mt Penang, Special demonstrations by Mr Kobayashi at the Gosford Flora Festival. More details yet to be announced
26-27 August	ABC Gardening Australia Expo,	Sydney Showgrounds, Sydney Olympic Park
16-17 Sept	Illawara Bonsai Society Annual Show	Stapleton Community Centre, StapletonSt, Sutherland
22-24 Sept	Bonsai Society of Australia Annual Show	Baulkham Hill Community Centre, Showground rd, Castle Hill, both retails and member's sale tables.
22-24 Sept	New Zealand 14 <sup>th</sup> National Bonsai Convention	Hosted in Auckland with key demonstrators Reiner Goebel, Robert Langholm, Mick Balzary, Mr Yang and Louis Buckingham. More information <a href="#">download the flyer</a> .
14-15 Oct	School of Bonsai Show	Ray Nesci Nursery, 26 Sagar Rd, Kenthurst/Dural
28-29 Oct	South Coast Bonsai Society Show	Figtree Community Hall, Figtree