




## NEXT CLUB MEETINGS

**Green Square Community Church**  
182 Victoria Street  
(Cnr Collins Street) Beaconsfield

**7pm Tuesday 10 November 2009**  
Workshop: natives and figs.

**7pm Tuesday 8 December 2009**  
Santa Team Styling Caper and  
Christmas Cheer

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**Full Membership** \$30.00

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## Welcome to the November Newsletter

**November Meeting:** A workshop for repotting & styling Natives, Figs, Azaleas, Buxus, Olives, Pyracanthas and other evergreens. Bring along wire and tools too.



We had a wonderful turn out for the October meeting; many members brought trees to display and other trees to work on under the guidance of more experienced members.

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This beautiful tree was on display at this year's

School of Bonsai Show

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# MEMBERS TREES IN TRAINING ON DISPLAY AT THE OCTOBER MEETING



Pyracantha  
Miniature bonsai



Informal upright Elm bonsai

Ficus 'Little Ruby'  
Miniature bonsai



Doug's creative companion planting of Fire Grass in a Japanese roof tile



Miniature Wisteria  
bonsai



*Fraxinus angustifolia*  
Desert Ash bonsai

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Sue's Melaleuca pustulata bonsai – this is an uncommon species from Tasmania



Neville's *Banksia integrifolia* bonsai

Doug's Black Pine Miniature bonsai



Doug's Black Pine miniature bonsai



*Punica granatum* 'Nana' – Miniature Pomegranate bonsai

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*Cedrus deodara* 'Mountain Beauty' a beautiful & rare form of Cedar



Peter's Privet bonsai



*Acer palmatum*, Japanese Maple group planting

**Amy Liang**

*...a bonsai truly represents the fusion of nature and human wisdom; it is an art that at once pursues the spirits of both nature and beauty.*



*Wisteria floribunda* – Japanese Wisteria bonsai

## OCTOBER MEETING WORKSHOP – and some comments from Lee

The October meeting was fantastic. Workshops can be average or inspiring and I reckon the last two meetings have been in the inspiring category. Each has brought some new members and young ones which is splendid. All are beginners but there's an awareness and a keenness about them, their comments and comprehension that made the workshop sizzle with energy. The bonsai on display at the October meeting were so numerous extra tables had to be hastily put up and that's a last minute arrangement the committee loves because having role models on display adds so much.

And another great thing... all the members are bringing really nice stock. Whether it is an existing tree-in-training for refinement or a new stock plant for the skeletal strip – the trees are exciting to work with.

My first assist of the evening involved a new member and a rugged fig and while Greg was apologising for the neglect the fig had endured over the last 15 years I was trying to figure out how to get it out the door and into my car without him noticing. Seldom has neglect produced such a promising bonsai.



The fig under went serious branch and surface root reduction which greatly highlighted the wonderful trunk and once it starts budding the potential is going to be stunning. I reckon two years and it will be a show stopper.



A big bushy box went from a big bushy box to a skeleton with about 5 branches.



Bare now but once new b branchlets develop the tree will shape up nicely & Tony happily assured us it was one of the faster growing buxus.

Tony and Sophie actively encouraged the huge reduction & could see the tree's potential once the excess was cleared away.



Lee hard at work on Tony & Sophie's Buxus

So often it is hard for newcomers to come to terms with the amount that needs to be removed on a plant's first styling or understand the whys and wherefores of branch selection. The enthusiasts I worked with were with me all the way. They offered good questions, good comments and an appreciation of the end result and an insight into the future development of their trees. That is a fantastic outcome.

It was good to see Warwick again who has come along to the recent workshops to walk around, listen and learn to see if he wants to do bonsai. There's plenty of information to pick up just by observing and it's a great way to get some ideas before buying stock plants. Some existing members who have been unable to attend for some months appeared as well. All in all it was a great evening.

# OCTOBER MEETING WORKSHOP



Sophie's Elm before



Sophie's Elm after

## Hiroshi Matsuda - Simplify to Imply

*...we had a discussion of what a great bonsai and Japanese garden is: simplicity.*

Sue and Neville were up to their apices helping style other trees and it is another good aspect getting some more experienced members who can also help out as needed.



Neville hard at work on a Wisteria



Lastly, a big thank you to all those members who arrive a bit early and/or stay a bit late to help the committee set up and clean up. Many hands make light, fast work and the assistance is greatly appreciated by all the committee. It's really good to see Sydney City buzzing with such enthusiasm.

Lee

Date	Event	Details