

EASTERN BONSAI SOCIETY

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JUNE 2018 Newsletter

Dear Members,

Previous Meeting

May 2018 – Saturday, 12 May –

The last meeting was the first meeting held at Sandringham Scout Hall – The members participated in a workshop type meeting with Tommy leading the discussion. Thanks to members who brought trees and participated.

Next Meeting - 10 June 2018 - AGM

1. We will have the venue from 12:00 to 17:00. The reason behind the fixed time as discussed at the meeting, was that other persons use the venue until 12h00. EBS pays per R 70 per hour.
2. The Committee meeting will start at 12:00 – I have not received any nominations for the EBS committee – I did call for nominations at the meeting last month and on the e-mail.
3. **The Club meeting (AGM) will start at 14:00** and there will be **no workshop** before the time.
4. **Bring your tools and a tree** or two for a workshop type meeting after the Soup and AGM – especially deciduous trees since now is the time to start pruning and styling them.
5. There are only a couple of chairs at the venue. Please bring a chair.
6. No cups and saucers are available and we must take our own mugs if we want coffee or tea. There will be hot water and coffee, tea, milk and sugar.
7. **SOUP – THOSE WHO WERE DELEGATED PLEASE ASSIST – I HAVE HAD QUITE A FEW APOLOGIES FROM MEMBERS WHO ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND!**

8. All members must help to set up the room, bring out the tables, put them away afterwards and clean the venue. It is not only the task of the committee and one or two members. We must all please help.
9. There will be shop (sales) at the June meeting for those people who have pre-ordered!
10. BRAT Day at Waterberg on 30 June 2018. We must let them know soon who will be attending. And if there are any special dietary requirements.
11. The Library will function as normal. Please return all outstanding books – I know that the library has not been available for the last two months.

Let us all show up at our new venue for the 09 June meeting and work together to enjoy our bonsai and ensure the future of EBS.

WORKSHOPS

The Club offers the following workshop opportunities during the month and members are encouraged to attend any or all of these. Remember bonsai learning is best supported through doing. Please contact the host to confirm if there will be a workshop:

- 1st Sunday of the next month: Arthur & Peggy (082 466 4196) – At Tulip Garden Centre, 243 Rifle Range Road, HADDON – 10:00 onwards.
- 2nd Saturday of the month from 12:00 to 14:00 before and during the Club meeting at Randjes Estate.
- 2nd Sunday of the month after the monthly meeting: Tommy (082 451 6283) – 08:00 onwards
– 57 Eckstein Street, Observatory – **Tommy wants to start early, so please be on time so that he can have some family time after lunch.**
- ~~3rd Saturday of the month: Errol (083 419 3109) – 14:00 onwards – 13 Buffalo Road Galle Manor, Sandton. Errol might not be available ! I will confirm details nearer to the time !~~
- **Cancelled until further notice.**

Bring your own tools and as many trees as you want to these workshops. If you do not have a tree to work on, please come along anyway – it is a great learning experience.

BRAT NEWS: -

- Visit the BRAT Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/Brat.page>.
- Brat attendance fee has increased to R120.00 –

SABA NEWS

- A new SABA committee is in place and a few changes have happened.
- Visit the SABA website at <http://saba.org.za/> . If you are looking for clubs in a specific province, click on the map. Join the SABA Facebook group and get the latest on what is happening around the country on the bonsai scene.
- **SABA photographic competition on Facebook:**
The SABA photographic competition is a monthly competition and members must keep on or start taking pictures of their trees and enter the competition. You can enter pictures of both indigenous and exotic trees. Go to the SABA website, click on latest

news and you will get all the necessary information. You can also contact Hansie Bekker for assistance in this regard. Public voting can also be done for each category on the SABA facebook page!

OTHER EVENTS

SHOPPING HOURS: EBS SHOP

EBS ON THE WEB

The EBS website is available at www.ebs.org.za. Newsletters, club contact details and links to other websites or sites of interest are published on the site. Also remember the EBS Facebook page where you will find interesting topics on bonsai. The URL is:

<https://www.facebook.com/easternbonsaisociety/>

“LIKE” the page to promote the club.

MEMBERSHIP FEES: Those with fees outstanding will have to re-apply and pay the joining fee !

MEMBERSHIP FEES FOR 2018/19 –

Membership fees are due in June of every year and must be paid by 30 September. Former members who still want to be members of EBS, will have to re-apply for membership. And pay both the entrance fee and the pro rata portion of the full membership fees. If they attend a meeting as a non-member, they will be charged a R50 attendance fee.

The AGM is on 09 June 2018 – We will need members to pay their subscriptions and to volunteer for the committee – There are a number of vacancies on the committee!

The current membership fees for 2018/19 are:

- 1 Individual – R350.00
- 2 Family – R450.00
- 3 Pensioners – R250.00
- 4 Honorary members have been requested to also pay subscription fees.
- 5 A once off entrance fee/joining fee of R300.00 is payable by all new members / families on joining EBS.
- 6 A 10 % Discount is applicable at the meeting or EFT payment before the END of June !

Visitors to the club are always welcomed and entrance will be free unless you are a cancelled member.

EVERY MEETING IS A MINI SHOW

The next opportunity to bring your trees to the meeting will be this Saturday. If you want advice on that tree you want to work for our 2018 exhibition – To be discussed - then bring it for the crit. Bring your trees and you might win the next R50 voucher.

RAFFLE TABLE

Any of those trees or pots that are in your way could find a happy new owner via the raffle table. Any bonsai or non-bonsai related items are welcome.

Thank you to people who brought items for the raffle table. It is highly appreciated. Raffle tickets are still R5.00 each. The raffle table will have plenty of items available – support the club and buy raffle tickets !

LIBRARY

The Club library will be available. It is there for the use of all paid up members. Jeanette Craukamp is our librarian. Thank you to Kathy Sen for volunteering to assist in the library when Jeanette is not available.

CAKE ROSTER

Thank you to the members who have brought us the lovely cake during the past months. We certainly enjoyed it and the list for the next couple of months will be circulated at the meeting.

INTERESTING WEBSITES TO VISIT

NEWS FROM OTHER BONSAI CLUBS

Kind regards

Dave Wilson

Committee functions:

Chairman /	Errol Rubin 083 419 3109 / 011 802 3109	Treasurer	Alan Russel
Vice Chairman	Fred Oudmayer 082 552 0637 / 011 640 6605	Secretary	Peggy Sing / Anthony
Membership	Fred Oudmayer 082 552 0637 / 011 640 6605	Raffle Coordinator / Tree sales	Yatish Poonee
SABA Representative	Hansie Bekker 082 820 4306 / 056 811 4754	Set Up / Presentations	Clive Kay 082 852 0228
Coordinator – New Members & Judging	Tommy Ramiah 082 451 6283 / 011 648 4964	Shop / Facebook / Website	Naseem Ebrahim 084 4012379
Brat Representative	Dave Wilson 082 923 2538 / 011 482 3642		

Our Bank. **ABSA Sandton City.** Acc. Name: Eastern Bonsai Society.
Acc. No.: **711951156.** Please use your name as *Reference* when transferring.

EASTERN BONSAI SOCIETY: DRAFT PROGRAMME 2017/2018

Your suggestions for other talks or dems will be appreciated. Please send Hansie an e-mail or phone us and tell us what you would like to see or hear.

11:00 Committee // 12:00 Workshop // 14:00 Meeting

Venue: Randjes Estate, Randjeslaagte Road, Highlands North, Johannesburg.
