



VANCOUVER ISLAND BONSAI CLUB

Wednesday, July 05, 2006 . . .

Show and Tell... Bring in your Maples, big and small, one and all.

We will be having a discussion and demonstration on the care of deciduous trees during the summer months and the pruning of same.

We will also be holding our usual raffle, please bring donations.

Tickets will be on sale for the Craig Coussins workshop Yew which will be drawn for at our August meeting.

Coming in.....

July - Show and tell for maples
Summer pruning of deciduous trees

August - Dies and stones demonstration and discussion
Toonie raffle for Craig Coussins workshop Yew.

September - Sept. 18th 1st Monday evening meeting.
Bring in your convention treasures
Question & Answer session
Fall colors for show and tell

Our Next Two Meetings:

Wednesday, July 05, 7:30 pm

Wednesday, Aug 02, 7:30 pm

*Garth Homer Society Auditorium
813 Darwin Avenue, Victoria*

Meeting Time Change

Effective beginning in September, our club meetings will be moving to the **3rd Monday** of the month.

The September meeting will be held on **Monday September 18th** at 7:30 at Garth Homer.



The club address is:
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Randy Kowalchuk (President) **Judy Horsland** (Treasurer)

Bob Taylor (Past President)

MallShow Coordinator - Steven C.



"Northwest Bonsai Spirit"

The 17th Annual Convention of the Pacific Northwest Bonsai Clubs Association

September 15 - 17, 2006

The seventeenth annual Pacific Northwest Bonsai Clubs Association Convention will be held at the Doubletree Hotel in SeaTac, WA, Friday, Sept. 15 through Sunday, Sept. 17, 2006.

Bonsai Exhibit - Demonstrations - Vendor Bazaar - Workshops

Featuring Four Leading International Bonsai Artists

David DeGroot - Guy Guidry - Boon Manakitivipart - Suthin Sukosolvit

Special Events

Free Kusamono Workshop Sumi Painting Demo Bonsai Display Presentation

This is going to be an outstanding convention, sign up now and support bonsai in the Pacific Northwest. Remember the more club members who go, the more our share of the proceeds for our club. For full information and registration go to www.pnbca.com/conv2006/main.html

Port Hardy Field Trip

The dates are now set for this trip. Everyone will be traveling to Port Hardy on Friday August 11, staying at one of the local hotels. Saturday at 9:30 am, everyone will meet at North Island College where David Rowe will be doing a demo on a mountain hemlock collected by Peter Wilson of Port Alice. There will be a break for lunch and when everyone returns to the College, Hal Seybold, Peter, and others will lead a discussion on limestone Scholar Stones - finding, preparing, and mounting for display.

On Sunday, August 13th, everyone will meet at the house of Hal and Willis Seybold at around 9:00 am to view and purchase stones fine for displays or inclusion with bonsai/penjing plantings. Return to Victoria Sunday afternoon/evening.

Accommodations can be booked at the Thunderbird Inn 1-877-682-0222.



Japanese Black Pines

Candle removal on healthy **well-developed** trees starts in late April or May. If there are more than four buds, remove the shortest and reduce the longest until buds are of equal length. In early summer remove all but two equal size buds. By late July or August new much shorter buds will emerge and start to elongate. Prune to two buds and shorten those buds to three-quarter of an inch.

Candle removal on **developing** trees general starts in April or May. Remove all of this year's candle growth beginning with the lower one-third of the tree. Ten days later remove growth on middle one-third and ten days later remove growth from the top-third of the tree. New buds (candles) will appear sometime in late June or July. Treat the new growth with the same procedure as the older developed trees as mentioned above. Shorten candle to 3/4 inch and remove all but two candles.

Needle reduction is done in October by removing the previous year's needles. Do this when needles are dry and pull in direction away from the trunk. In December you may thin this year's needles if necessary for refinement. At apex of the tree leave four to six pairs; in other areas leave eight to ten pairs. Note: This is for a strong well developed tree with many small branches - leave more needles on a developing tree.



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A Recent Trip To Japan Bonsai

Two Sunday's ago, Bob and I decided to take a day trip over to see Tak at Japan Bonsai in White Rock. I was wanting to look at some azaleas and hoped the timing was such that they would still be blooming, it's much easier to select stock when you can see what the bloom looks like! I was not disappointed. Not only were many of the azaleas still blooming but Tak was having an open house for some of the Vancouver clubs and was going to be doing a demonstration on a large collected shore pine. There was a barbeque and much of the stock was on sale. Both Bob and I picked up some nice pine stock, he a cute well-formed mugo pine and I a very interesting black pine. I also came away with half a dozen varieties of small satsuki varieties with oodles of potential. The weather was gorgeous, the demo was excellent, all in all it was a great bonsai day.

