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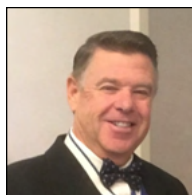
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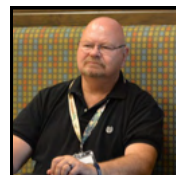


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I Love Bromeliads... by Carol Wolfe, Editor

Greetings FCBS members,

The Botanical Gardens at USF held their fall plant sale this month but attendance was not as high as in previous years. Once you postpone several regular yearly events and change the traditional dates and times of the spring and fall sales, you will naturally lose some of your attendees. The Bromeliad Guild of Tampa Bay had many members helping with the sales but the weather was still very hot for the second week of October. As time moves forward it appears there are fewer bromeliad sales and shows to report on. Some clubs are experiencing lower attendance at their regular membership meetings than in previous years and new members in most clubs are down. People are flocking to our state by the thousands and you can feel it when you are in traffic, out on the streets, the malls, the restaurants, and etc. With the massive influx of people moving to the State, we are challenged to figure out how to involve them in our bromeliad world. I would love for you to share your ideas via this newsletter.

Thank goodness that we live in the State of Florida and the Covid rate is one of the lowest in the USA. Thanks to our governor, Ron DeSantis, Monoclonal Antibody Therapy Treatments Centers are widely available in Florida. The governor set up treatment centers where any Floridians could go for treatment, **free of charge**, and vaccination status does not matter. Monoclonal Antibody Treatments (MAB) for COVID-19 can prevent severe side effects. This treatment is available in almost all counties and you can find your nearest location on the internet or by calling the governor's office. If you are diagnosed with Covid or think you have Covid, or if you have been exposed to it, you can go to the clinic for your free treatment. Several of our BGTB members received treatment through IV's or shots and I am happy to report that all have recovered. This is a great service to the citizens of Florida.

In the last Newsletter, we had several articles about Selby Gardens. Several people asked what does the statement "***Selby Gardens is poised to become the First Net Positive Botanical Garden Complex in the World***" mean? Achieving a net positive impact (NPI) on biodiversity means that a project's overall negative impacts are outweighed by the biodiversity gains that are achieved through conservation projects, usually at or near the same time and place. In Phase I of the Master Plan for Selby Gardens it included solar panels which will make Selby the first Net Energy Positive Botanical Garden Complex in the world. The 650 Kilowatt solar cell light will provide 105% of the power required by the buildings thereby reducing future energy consumption and reducing their carbon footprint.

Selby will be using green technology in building their new facilities and will become an international model for others to follow. The organic culinary gardens and Café will contribute a sustainable model for urban dining. The rain water that falls on the facility will be collected, filtered, and slowly released to protect the ecology of Sarasota Bay. The new buildings are being built well above the storm water elevations. Their plans for storm water technology, in light of the rising sea levels and hurricanes, will protect their valuable plant collections in the future. As part of the future plans for Net Positive, businesses will consider and include the forces of nature in their planning for the future.

Please join Selby Gardens by going to Selby.com. Your membership in Selby will contribute to the exciting future work there while our "**love for bromeliads**" will be promoted worldwide.

My thanks to Calandra Thurrott for her article, Rosie Byard Grabs Control and for proofing the Newsletter. Thanks to Nick Bethmann for his article, "*Hohenbergia rosea*".

With Thanksgiving and Christmas right around the bend, here's wishing you a great holiday! Enjoy the festivities, and spend time with family and friends for a great holiday!

Rosie Byard Grabs Control

By Calandra Thurrott

The first thing you hear about Rosie's more than a quarter acre of garden is that when she started planting bromeliads, her downstairs neighbor ripped them out within days and threw them in the nearby wooded areas. Was that just meanness? We don't know. But happy for us, she just kept planting them. As for her neighbor, he sold, moved away and hopefully is with more like minded people.

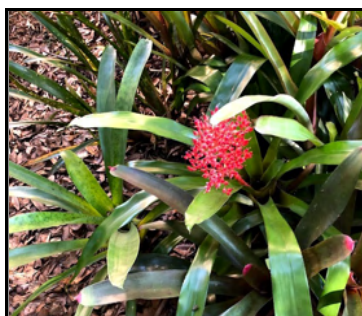
Most people own a condo to get away from the work of yard maintenance. Rosie has gone to the other extreme in that she now landscapes this area around her building with bromeliads using exquisite care. When she moved to her condo in Palm Coast in 2014, the entrance to her development featured a border of Mexican petunias with tall leggy lantana. Five years ago she asked permission to



Rosie in her garden in
Palm Coast, Florida



Photos by Calandra Thurrott



replace them. Her choice of bromeliads for landscaping may have had something to do with her dear friend Jane Villa-Lobos. Florida East Coast Bromeliad Society's newsletter editor. They attended the same church in Toledo, the same college, Miami University in Oxford, Ohio and each had moved to the Florida area. She got her starter plants from Jane and another Palm Coast resident, Judith Davies along with raffle prizes from the meetings of the society. The condo had no budget money available so she found tools at garage sales and bought the supplies she needed.

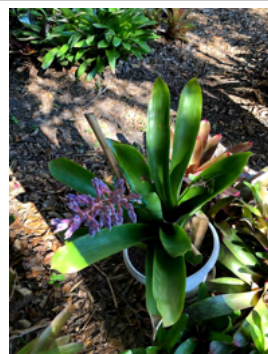
She was a 4th and 5th grades and special education teacher focusing on math and reading remedial skills. But how did she get into gardening? In Dayton, Ohio, she raised perennials and harvested quarts of raspberries from her many bushes. Later in her 20 years in Bonita Springs it was orchids, south Florida foliage, mangos, and fruit trees.

While landscaping isn't her first love, you would never know it. She loves family genealogy, sewing, and travels to far-flung destinations. She is the President of her home owners association and the one who arranged to get the well pump and the irrigation system working. In the mornings she is the one who mulches and weeds the bromeliads.

Her garden features a variety of *Ae. blanchetiana*, *Dyckia* 'Cherry Coke', Neo. 'Sun King', Neo. 'Rosie', Neo 'Tangerine', Neo. 'Kahala Dawn', Neo. *cruenta*, *Ae.* 'Royanne', *Portea petropolitana*, *Ae.* 'Little Harv', etc. She is always on the outlook for interesting plants.



Rosie in her garden in
Palm Coast, Florida



Hohenbergia rosea

By Nick Bethmann

This is a large bromeliad with very stiff leaves from the Brazilian Atlantic Forest. It's very slow growing and unfortunately has a short-lived inflorescence. If grown just right, the foliage is quite spectacular. I've had this since 2011 and it flowered in 2014 and gave me two pups, one of which I kept. I'm still waiting for it to bloom again. Maybe I'll have to put some Florel on it this spring if it doesn't bloom. It's not regularly available for sale but I do see it every once in a while. The BCR only lists one hybrid with *H. rosea* as a parent and it's a bigeneric and not very exciting.



Photos by
Nick Bethmann



**DOWN MEMORY LANE 2007****TOP AWARD SURVIVES HURRICANE KATRINA**

By Carol Wolfe

The Greater New Orleans Bromeliad Society held its annual show on May 18, 19, 2007 in the Lakeside Mall in Metairie, Louisiana. The Mall is one of the best malls in the country to hold a bromeliad show. The natural light from the dome shaped glass roof shows off the real beauty of the bromeliads and the colors are radiant. The natural lighting is a photographer's dream. There were 107 entries in the show.

Taking the Mulford Foster Horticulture Best of Show Award, was Mal Mele's Alcantarea Black Cinder. Mal is shown here with his award winning plant. This is his first showing of this bromeliad. About three or four years ago, Mal begged Sharon Peterson to sell him a pup of Alcantarea Black Cinder. Although constantly on the look out for more of these, Mal has never been able to find another one. His search includes nurseries and shows and sales in Florida, Louisiana and Texas. It is with passion and a degree of frustration that Mal will tell you "it is almost impossible to find this plant!"

The Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies web site, FCBS.org has the following information about "Alcantarea Black Cinder, Shiigi, D., 1986, Seed Parent: *imperialis*, cv. of *Alcantarea imperialis* - Shiigi said, "Out of 500 seedlings only this one showed different color characteristics - large plant 5-1/2' in diameter by 4' tall - leaves narrower than type in very deep purple to black coloration". Registration Documents 1998"

This pup was 8" to 10" in size when purchased from Sharon. Mal is challenged by the prediction and comments from BSI Judges and visitors to show a mature size of the plant, the height of the inflorescence, and how long the inflorescence will last. Mal plans to measure and photograph the plant monthly. We will do a follow up article next year with pictures and a growth chart!

Mal is not new to bromeliads. He joined GNOBS in 1967 and took Best of Show at the 1977 BSI World conference with the species *Vriesea Nova*.

In 1975, Mal moved from New Orleans to Covington, Louisiana on the north side of Lake Pontchartrain. It took him a year to build a house and another year to build a 40' x 80' luxury greenhouse with a 20' ceiling. The cost at that time was an astronomical \$150,000. Some of Mal's friends call it the "cathedral".

As soon as Mal moved his bromeliads into the greenhouse, trouble started. The bromeliads were dying by the hundreds. For no apparent reason, they began to rot in the center. After extensive research into water, soil, and other elements, quizzing BSI Board Members about the problem, taking plants to research centers, Mel could not get an answer to this phenomenon. In 1985, after ten years with no answers, discouraged and downhearted, Mal gave up his pursuit of bromeliads and quit his beloved hobby.

It was many years later when Herb Hill, Jr., a world renowned bromeliad grower and hybridizer from Lithia, Florida, was able to solve Mal's dilemma. Mal was a very close friend to Herb's Mom & Dad, Herb Hill, Sr. and Weilna Hill. The problem was copper treated lumber used to build the greenhouse. In the summer when the greenhouse was open, the breeze from Lake Pontchartrain kept the lumber from sweating. However, in the winter when the greenhouse was closed, the heat turned on, lack of adequate air movement had caused condensation to form on the wood.

Copper from the treated lumber dripped into the bromeliads cups until the copper build up killed the plants. At last Mal had some answers. He had always wondered why his *Tillandsia* and *staghorns* had not been affected. Now he knew that with no cups in these plants it had prevented a copper build up. The mystery was solved.



In 2004, Mal had some health problems with emphysema and his doctor advised him to get more activity into his life. The emphysema could never be cured but activity could keep it from deteriorating further. Mal started thinking of things to make his retirement more “active.” After thirty years, his long standing greenhouse had probably leached most of the copper out of the pressure treated lumber. He decided to put plastic inside the greenhouse to protect the bromeliads and pursue his long forgotten hobby. About this time, Tom Wolfe of Lutz was coming to judge their show and bringing bromeliads for sale. Mal called Tom and placed a phone order for some of his favorite bromeliads. When Tom arrived, he was waiting to sort through the boxes of bromeliads. He was out of retirement and once again back into bromeliads.

Mal becomes passionate in whatever activity he is involved in, so within the year, he built a new 40' x 80' Quonset style greenhouse with NO treated lumber. The cost was between \$12,000 to \$15,000. This type greenhouse only cost him a tenth of the cost of the original greenhouse. He began earnestly rebuilding his bromeliad collection.

Then August 29, 2005 hurricane Katrina hit. The new greenhouse was destroyed. Mal says the original greenhouse, built like a tank, withstood the storm. He replaced the plastic and extended the greenhouse 20' making it 40' x 100'. He considers it fortunate that he was able to save most of the bromeliads from the greenhouse that had blown down. He immediately replaced the destroyed greenhouse with another 40' x 80' Quonset style greenhouse with double insulated roof and lots of Schaffer fans. Both greenhouses are now full and Mal estimates that he has several thousand bromeliads. Out of the last six shows he entered, Mal has taken “Best of Show” three times.

Mal's morning begins in the greenhouses by 6 AM. He stops for breakfast with his wife, Mich, at 8 AM and then back to the greenhouse until lunch. The heat of the day is the hardest on him, so he stays indoors until about 3 PM and then back to the greenhouse until 6 or 6:30 PM. He does this five days a week. On the weekends you can find Mal and Mich, his wife, at the Covington Market selling and sharing his bromeliads with the public.

Mal is now especially interested in Tillandsias. He likes the creative part and excitement of mounting Tillandsias.

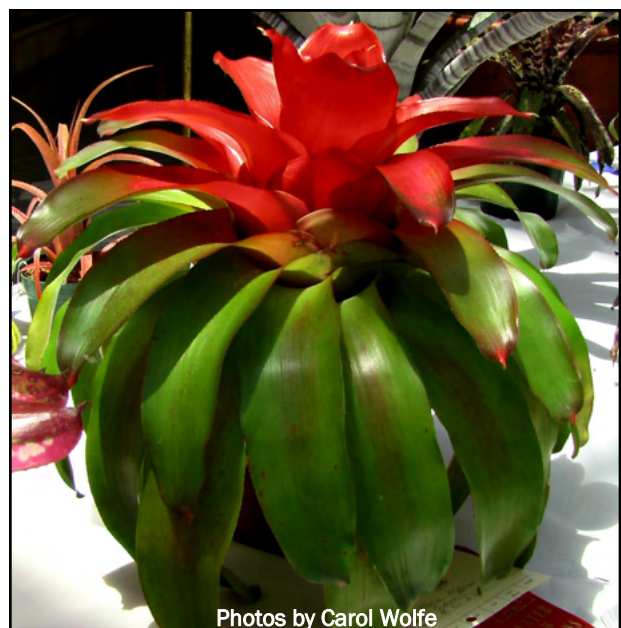
Giving up his retirement and increasing his daily activity has done exactly what the doctor prescribed and Mal's health has very much improved. For a retired person, he is very active, full of energy, enthusiastic, works more than 40 hours a week with his bromeliads, and loves doing it. He is enjoying his success in growing bromeliads and enjoying the benefits it has brought to his life.

Mal Mele was a native to New Orleans and he and his father owned the largest commercial print business in New Orleans. They printed the programs for the New Orleans Saints games.

Mal passed away June 6, 2012 at age 78.

***We miss him and his enthusiasm
and love for bromeliads.***

Mal Mele show winning “*Neoregelia Victoria Red*”



Photos by Carol Wolfe



The Lakeside Mall in New Orleans is perfect for bromeliad shows. The dome glass overhead provides beautiful natural lighting and the bromeliads shine! Below: Mal Mele and his prize winning Alcantarea 'Black Cinder'.



Photos by Carol Wolfe



Photos by Carol Wolfe

Bromeliad Gardens around the State

This beautiful *Neoregelia*
'Kahala Dawn' was
photographed growing
poolside on driftwood at the
home of John and Kay
Miller in Tampa, Florida.

From the Archives





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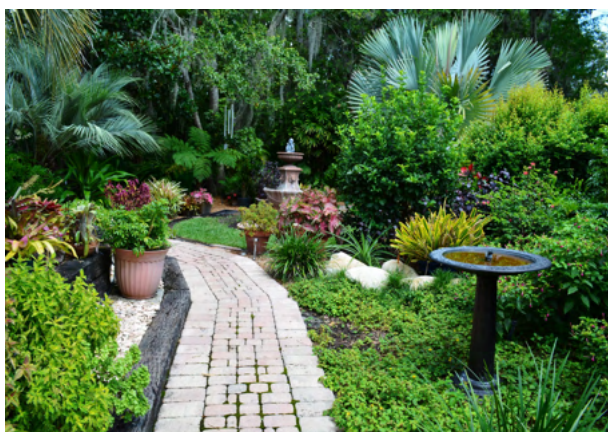


Top: Garden of former home of Jose "Pepe" and Sara Donayre in Hollywood, FL

Bottom: Garden of former home of Bill & Maureen Frazel in Davie, FL



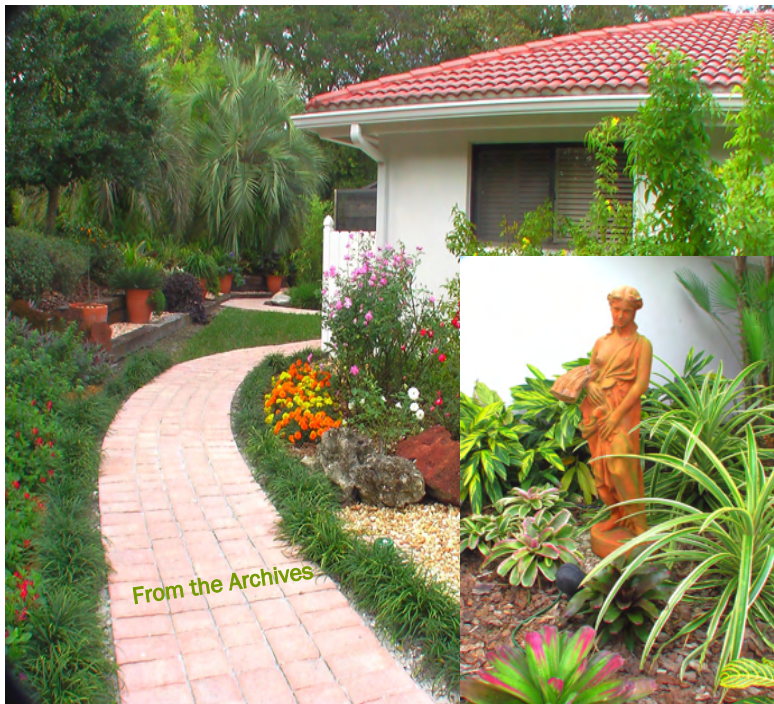
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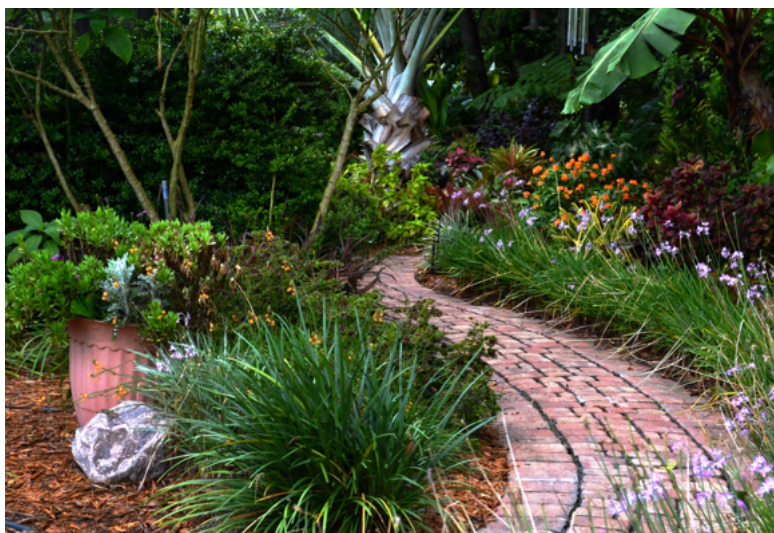
From the Archives



Bill Carr's beautiful landscape, home and garden in Plant City, Florida



From the Archives



Photos by Carol Wolfe



Using coffee grounds to control scale... a natural alternative

– Photos and article by Andrew Devonshire

I like to research a number of topics using online resources and a few years ago while researching issues with growing palms I came across an interesting write up on using old coffee grounds as a treatment for scale. Now I do enjoy a good cup of coffee and I buy my own freshly ground coffee to make 1 or 2 cups to get me going in the mornings. But I had been washing the spent coffee grounds down the kitchen waste, or occasionally throwing them out into the garden.

After discovering coffee grounds can help to control scale, I thought I would give it a try on my clump of Golden Cane palms. To my surprise the treatment seemed to work very well. I then made a mental note to try this out on my bromeliads as I had often noticed scale, especially on the older, more established plants.

So, during October 2017, I set up a test for control of scale on bromeliads using these old coffee grounds. I had a neo hybrid with a bad case of scale (see photo #1) so I spread out one heaped teaspoon of used coffee grounds around the surface of the potting mix. I also lifted the plant from the pot and discovered a few areas where mealy bugs were attached to the roots. I eased the plant back into the pot and put it back in the same location on a shelf in the plastic house.

Some 6 months later and after just the

one treatment, I checked on the plant and I'm pleased to say the scale control was about 99% successful and when checking the roots, I found no sign of any mealy bugs (See photo #2).

I now use old coffee grounds around a number of my bromeliads, both potted and planted out in the garden as a preventative. One tip...do not pile it on too thick around potted plants as it can go mouldy. The best option seems to be to spread a little of the dry coffee grounds around the base of the plant, then water it in during a normal watering session.

What to do if you do not drink coffee? Any local cafe would be able to give you their used coffee grounds, for them it's a waste product...so they are typically happy to see it go to a good cause. If you approach your local coffee shop towards the end of the day they will have a good supply. I have even heard that some petrol stations have used coffee grounds bagged up ready for people to take away.

Ongoing use of coffee grounds does not seem to cause any adverse effects for bromeliads, coffee has a pH of about 5, whereas sphagnum moss and peat (common components of potting mix) have a pH of 3.5-4.5. I have found the best results are when the coffee grounds are applied in Spring and then repeated during the summer growing period. ■

**RIVER RIDGE BROMELIAD SOCIETY SHOW & SALE***From the Archives***May 20 – 21, 2006**

By Carol Wolfe

From the Archives

Tom Wolfe, my husband, had been invited to Judge the River Ridge Bromeliad Society's show the weekend of May 20 & 21, 2006. We were also invited to be a bromeliad vendor so we brought a van load of bromeliads from Florida. Driving into New Orleans on May 19, 2006 was a sight to behold as we began to see downed trees, power lines, houses, shrubs, and scattered debris welcoming us to the city. Similar to a war zone, windows had been blown out of homes and buildings, roofs and shingles missing, piles of splintered wood and trash, while white FEMA trailers parked neatly every few feet on vacant lots, in front of occupied and abandoned houses and apartment buildings. Complete shopping centers were abandoned and car lots were empty. In one abandoned shopping center, the Sam's Club sign had withstood the storm but the store had not. The metal beams with remnants of insulations blowing in the wind were the only remaining evidence of the store. Boats were left on the side of the interstate when the storm surge receded. Appliances and floating debris, above the road during the storm, has settled comfortably along the roadside.

Although we had watched the storm on TV from day one and prayed for the safety of our friends, seeing the devastation firsthand made us realize what a catastrophic event had occurred. According to news reports, Katrina was America's deadliest natural disaster since the Florida hurricane of 1928, which killed 2,500 people in the Everglades. Katrina killed more than 1200 people and estimated 400,000 plus people were displaced from their homes. The effect in Florida of higher gas prices and triple premiums for homeowners insurance was a drop in the bucket compared to the magnitude of what Katrina's victims went through.

As we rode along the interstate, the question in our mind, "Could they really be having a bromeliad show so soon after the storm?" As we arrived at the mall, Show Chairman, Bryan Windham waved us to the loading dock and helped us unload. The membership sales tables had some sale plants but the rows of tables for the show plants, covered with their white tablecloths, were still sitting bare.

As the day progressed, many people told us their stories of flight from the traffic jammed city, their battle to get back home afterwards, and the unbelievable living conditions many still find themselves in months after the storm. This was just the beginning of a weekend of hearing victims' stories of surviving this ferocious storm.

Around 4:00 PM, I began to notice some bromeliads on the show tables and by the time the mall closed at 9:00 PM, the tables were filling up with beautifully colored bromeliads. I was intrigued with seeing the members bringing in their best bromeliads to share with the public knowing what a sacrifice it must be in light of all they had been through this last year.

It was a small show as far as number of entries but the quality of the plants was excellent. On Saturday morning, the BSI Bromeliad Judges begin arriving and after coffee and a continental breakfast, divided into teams and went to work judging these plants. (Continued on page 16)

Answers to Page 19 and 20: 1. Herb Hill 2. Rick & Carol Rickmeyer 3. Terrie Bert 4. Jay Thurrott 5. Martha Goode 6. Tom & Kim Wolfe at Grand Ole Opry 7. Ardie & Jack Reilly 8. Carol Izzarary 9. Terrie Bert, Wally Fox, Tom Wolfe, Michael Andreas 10. Hatti Lou and Dr. Sam Smith 11. Dennis Cathcart 12. George Aldridge 13. Alton Lee 14. Carol Johnson 15. Mike O'Leary 16. Donna & Michael Kiehl 17. John Boardman 18. Jack Dunlop 19. Terrie Bert, Jay Thurrott, Sara Donayre, Vicky Chirnside 20. Don & Betty Garrison 21. Ray Lemieux 22. Nat & Elaine DeLeon 23. Carolyn Schoenau (*Hope you had fun playing our game and that you know or had the privilege of knowing all of these great bromeliad people !!*)



**RIVER RIDGE BROMELIAD SOCIETY
2006 BEST OF SHOW
Orthophytum Navioides by Luana Schexnayder**

As the morning passed and I observed the Judges huddled over the bromeliads, writing notes, having discussions, and scrutinizing the plants. How do you judge bromeliads that survived one of the worst storms in history? Could the Judges possibly know what these bromeliads had been through? Did the scraps on the leaves come from hours of beating, relentless winds during the storm? Or the small dark splotches because the growers were away for weeks and no human being to give a drink of water? Or weeks without electricity to run a cool fan? Or was it from too much water – in the house, on floors, on walls, in cars, or wet roots for weeks?

On Sunday afternoon, as I browsed through the show for one last look before closing, it occurred to me that each one of these plants have a story – after all they rode out one of the worst storms in history, abandoned and left for weeks with no care, if only....bromeliads could talk...stories of the furious wind, storm surges, broken dykes, a city changed forever...what a story they might tell us! But some of them survived and here they are in all their glory an impressive array of beauty, displayed and ready to dazzle the public, to be judged & discussed, photographed, adored, touched, and admired! Congratulations to the 2006 Show Chairman, and members of the River Ridge Bromeliad Society for a great show! “You and your bromeliads” are real survivors!



Photos by Carol Wolfe



AS A WISE MAN ONCE TOLD ME "NEVER TRUST A LABEL"

A peek into my email.....

From: Assistant Editor <assistanteditor@bsi.org>

Sent: Sunday, August 8, 2021 4:58:21 PM

To: Carol Wolfe <bromstudio@hotmail.com>

Subject: Re: FCBS Newsletter August 2021

Hi Carol, Congratulations on another great newsletter! I enjoy the articles you guys have. I am interested in your *Alcantarea extensa*, it looks much more like an *A. glaziouana* with its white petals and pinky/red peduncle bracts? *A. extensa* has orangy/yellow petals and no pink/red colour on the peduncle bracts, which are normally very scurfy/waxy looking. Do you know the origin of your plant? Kind Regards, Graeme

On Mon, Aug 9, 2021 at 5:10 PM Carol Wolfe <bromstudio@hotmail.com> wrote:

Graeme, thank you for writing and we always enjoy the journal as well! The *Alcantarea* was given to us by a friend that moved here from California and I am not sure if it came from a nursery or individual. We took the tag at face value and never questioned its name. The pups we have repotted are doing well and we have another, what we thought was *Alcantarea extensa*, in our landscape. And we will have to check it out in the morning and see if it is indeed the same plant! Thanks for writing!

Carol & Tom

Hi Carol & Tom, As a wise man once told me... "never trust a label." :-)

A. glaziouana has lots of pups and they grow well, your plant is definitely a *glaziouana*. I have 4 forms of *A. extensa* including a lovely smaller one with speckled purple leaves...here's a pic from my garden around 10 years ago. It has pups too, not all forms of *extensa* give normal pups, but most do. Note the very scurfy peduncle bracts and the orangy petals. It gets this purple colour in our cool winters.

All the best! Graeme

From: Carol Wolfe [mailto:bromstudio@hotmail.com]

Sent: Monday, August 09, 2021 10:02 AM

To: Assistant Editor

Subject: Re: FCBS Newsletter August 2021

Thanks for the picture and the info. May I use your quote, "As a wise man once told me... "never trust a label." : -) for a title to my correction in the next newsletter? Sounds like a perfect excuse!!!! Have a great day! Best regards, Carol

From: Assistant Editor <assistanteditor@bsi.org>

Sent: Monday, August 9, 2021 5:04:11 PM

To: Carol Wolfe <bromstudio@hotmail.com>

Subject: Re: FCBS Newsletter August 2021

Hi Carol - certainly you may use it, every brom enthusiast should know this quote! Take care over there. We are lucky with zero community transmission of Covid in NZ now :-)

Regards.Graeme

So there it is folks! And our excuse for the wrong name-tag...you got it...NEVER TRUST A LABEL!!
See comparison pictures of the Alcantera on the next page.



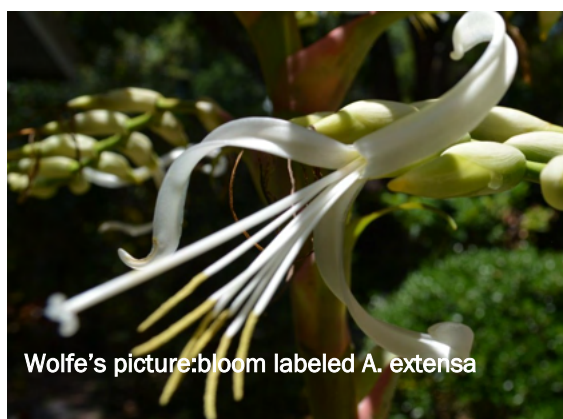
Graeme's picture: *Alcantarea glaziouana*



Wolfe's picture labeled *Alcantarea extensa*



Graeme's picture: bloom *A. glaziouana*



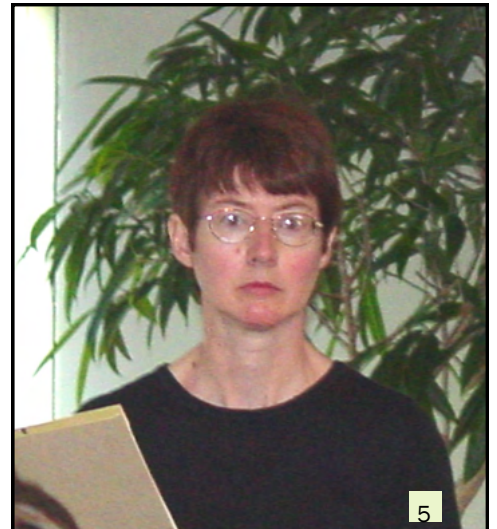
Wolfe's picture: bloom labeled *A. extensa*



Wolfe's picture of *A. glaziouana* aka labeled *A. extensa*—Grassy pups at base.



We know “you know” the names of your bromeliads. How many of these bromeliad people “do you know”?



Photos by Carol Wolfe



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Your membership helps them
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Membership When you become a member of Selby Gardens, you receive access to **45 acres of bayfront sanctuaries. 15 acres Selby Gardens, Downtown Sarasota and 30 acres**

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Admission for 2 children ages 5-17

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**Bromeliad Guild of Tampa Bay
“Fun in the Sun” fall sale at USF Botanical Gardens
as BGTB members sold bromeliads to the public.**

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

November 13-14

Mount Dora Plant & Garden Fair

Donnelly Park, Mount Dora

Sat. 9 am -5 pm; Sun. 9 am - 4 pm

December 4-5

Caloosahatchee Bromeliad Society

Sale at Edison/Ford Winter Estates

2350 McGregor Blvd.

Fort Myers, FL

Sat. 9 am - 4 pm; Sun. 10 am - 3pm

2022

March 26-27

Bromeliad Society of South Florida

Plant Sale

Fairchild Tropical Botanical Garden

10901 Old Cutler Rd.

Coral Gables, FL

9:30 am - 4:30 pm

June 7-12, 2022

24th World Bromeliad Conference

Hyatt Regency Sarasota

Sarasota, FL

www.bsi.org

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