

Bonsai Wire

Marin Bonsai Club

Monthly Meeting
3rd Tuesday, 7:30PM
Marin Art & Garden Center
30 Sir Francis Drake Blvd. Ross, CA

July 2010

President's News...

We've decided to reinstate the July Newsletter to remind everyone of some club activities that take place in July and August, where we'd love to see you all!

There will be no workshop or demonstration for July as we support the Marin County Fair and have our Summer Show and demonstrations there instead. Please come and participate, and for those who are docenting, setting up the show and generally providing support, many thanks for all your efforts. And Jay MacDonald, we so appreciate all your hard work in making our Bonsai Show so special for Marin.

- Alison Seaman

Beginners Workshop - August 19 and 26, 7:30-9:30 pm at MAGC - This is a great opportunity for friends, family members, anyone you know who might be interested in learning more about the art of bonsai to jump in with this excellent beginner's program. Tim Kong will lead the two class course with assistance from senior club members. Participants will learn about growing, styling, wiring and caring for bonsai while working on trees provided. Call Jeanette Arnold to reserve a place, 415-883-2651. Space will be limited so sign up early. The \$70 fee includes 2 classes, trees, pot and wire.

Club Picnic - Sunday July 25, noon to 3pm at Lone Pine Bonsai Gardens in Sebastopol. We will be joining with the REBS club from Santa Rosa for this event. Come hang out with your bonsai buddies and meet new bonsai friends. The bonus is getting to roam the lovely grounds of Lone Pine and shop for excellent bonsai material to your heart's content. REBS will provide ribs, tri-tip and chicken BBQ and all attendees will bring their favorite side dishes. No chips please!

Sign up sheet for the club picnic will be at the Marin County Fair show or contact Candace at 415-491-1989 or mckassoc@yahoo.com to RSVP. Please indicate the side dish/salad/dessert you will be bringing and note if you would like to carpool with other members. We will meet at the Lucas Valley Road Park and Ride at 11:30am and leave around 3pm. We will provide directions and maps for those wanting to come on their own. Should be lots of fun. Hope to see you all there.

Club Auction - The Annual Marin Bonsai Club Auction has moved to September, but it is not too early to get your auction trees and pots ready for sale. All items should be pruned, weeded and in clean pots to get the best price. This is the club's biggest money making activity and we need everyone's help to make it successful and keep up the good programs the club provides its members.

New Name Tags - Those new members who requested official, spiffy name tags can pick them up at the Marin County Fair. The cost is \$7. Cash or a check at the time of pick up would be greatly appreciated.

- Candace Key

BAY AREA BONSAI EVENT

Kathy Shaner Shohin Workshop/Seminar
Sunday, July 18, 10am to 5pm
San Mateo Garden Center, San Mateo, CA

Fee is \$25 Bay Area Shohin members and \$45 non-members. Please call Phyllis Swanson for a reservation at 650-327-3019 (day) and 650-375-8375 (eve before 9pm).

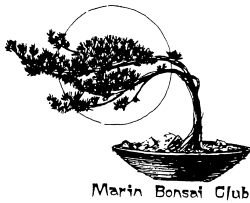
MARIN BONSAI CLUB EVENTS

July 1-5, 2010: Bonsai Show at the Fair
Marin Civic Center auditorium. 11am to 10pm.

July 25, 2010: Club Picnic
Lone Pine Nursery, Sebastopol. 12pm-3pm

August 3, 2010: Workshop
Starting at 7pm, our monthly bring-your-own-tree workshop with Tim Kong and Jay McDonald. Fee is \$10 for members, \$20 for non-members.

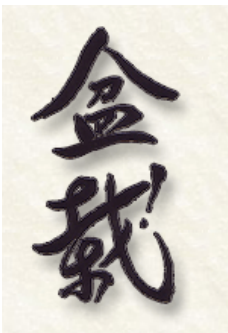
For a full list of currently scheduled MBC events, see <http://www.marinbonsai.org/events/index.php>.



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The Taskmaster – July 2010

When the summer sun blasts at the trees,
their moisture slips away on the breeze,
and the pots get all hot, and the roots cook and rot,
well you better get down on your knees.
There's a God up above on his throne,
but if you pray, it's like nobody's home.
So find bright shade for your trees,
water small pots by threes,
and don't fertilize or they may all be gone.
When the heat wave danger is gone,
and the birds return in full song
you can go back to tending
to tasks never ending,
and making sure nothing goes wrong.
(for all those sweet little trees that trust you so
blindly and so completely)

- The Taskmaster