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The Bonsai Society meets at the Bellerive Community Art Centre,
17 Cambridge Rd, Bellerive at 7:30 pm on the third Tuesday of the month (February – November)

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Summer BBQ, Sunday 18 January – a big thank you to Will Fletcher for hosting this inspiring and most relaxed event at Island Bonsai. The spread of BYO to share - nibbles, salads, breads, sweets and cakes was a wonderful feast. How fortunate we were that the weather was kind, and the venue and company so enjoyable.

February Meeting: Tuesday 17 February – our demonstrators will work with natives, pines and azaleas and encourage participation from those in attendance. Please bring along any problem trees you would like to work on at this meeting. Trees in training (still growing in garden pots are most suitable) as are Bonsai. Also please bring along a tree or two for our display table.

March Meeting: Tuesday 17 March

Launceston Day Trip: Saturday 21 March. The main purpose of this outing is to visit the Tasmanian Bonsai Centre, “Etosha” on New Ecclestone Road, Riverside where the owner Lynne Farrell will demonstrate the construction of a setting on a slab of cork. Tea, Coffee, Bikkies provided BYO lunch and other refreshments. Time permitting we will continue on to Garden View (wholesale) Nurseries on the East Tamar Highway at Dilston which specialises in flowering trees and shrubs.

Travel will be by carpool with us setting off from the car park outside the main gates to the TCA grounds at 8 am. Stopping in Campbell Town for a leg stretch. Gathering again in the car park behind the shops off Ecclestone Road at the corner of the West Tamar Highway before continuing on to “Etosha”.

Other suggested outings:

- Digs – Conifers at Seven Mile Beach, Natives back of Geeveston.
- Viewing mature trees as inspiration for Bonsai. For example - Natives on Mt Wellington, Lake Dobson/Mt Field. European trees at our Hobart Botanical Gardens.

Your comments and volunteers to lead/co-ordinate these or other outings please.

Communications in:

- Helene Browne 6 months leave of absence effective April 2009.
- Aaron Wierzbicki relocating to Launceston

Hobart Horticultural Society Inc Shows

13 & 14 March - Dahlia, Gladiolus & Floral Art Show (Hobart Town Hall)
1, 2 & 3 May – Chrysanthemum & Floral Art Show (Hobart Town Hall)
11, 12 & 13 September – Daffodil, Camellia & Floral Art Show (City Hall Hobart)
6 & 7 November – Rose, Iris & Floral Art Show (Hobart Town Hall)

Royal Hobart Show

22 to 24 October 2009

Bonsai Exhibitions & Conferences

11 to 13 April – Bendigo Bonsai Club Exhibition, St Paul's Parish Hall, Myers Street, Bendigo. Saturday 10am-5pm, Sunday 11am-5pm, Monday 10am-4pm.
22 to 25 May – “Shine on Bonsai” 22nd National Bonsai Convention, Royal on the Park, Brisbane see our notice board or www.aabcltd.org for details.

Interstate Bonsai Society/Club Websites

WA – www.bonsaisocietywa.com

Vic – www.bonsaisocietyvictoria.org

ACT – www.cbs.org.au

Aust – (Assoc of Austn Bonsai Clubs Ltd) www.aabcltd.org

Qld – www.Bonsiasocietyqld.asn.au