



11th APRIL 2010

Greetings to all and before the rush of yet another week descends upon me let me get out a thank you to everyone who made yesterdays Bonsai Workshop such a success. This was indeed a team effort and bodes well for the big exhibition in November. Barry and Malcolm thank you for the extra tables, chairs and gazebo (and we really needed the gazebo!!!) Koekie for your 5am start to the day making all those lovely sandwiches and presenting them so professionally. Barry thank you for shopping for the braai ingredients and to you and Nolan for doing the cooking. It certainly let me off the hook not having to make spag bol!!! Janine supplied all the cakes for afternoon tea and thanks Janine, that was really super of you to donate all these cakes to the Club. Somebody brought along lovely iced donuts whoever it was "thank you" . I dont think anyone went home hungary and some even had a "take away". The tea and coffee proved very popular due to the inclement weather. Thanks to Mark (where were you Mark, we missed you) for the attendance register and the programmes and for getting the info into the ZOB and the Fever. Special thanks to our special guests and old friends Betsy, Carol, Celia and Geoff and let this not be a "one off". It was really great to see you all and to know that you enjoyed yourselves. Messages of thanks received afterwards from Carol, Betsy and Celia were highly appreciated and we will certainly keep you all up to speed with whats happening in the Zululand Bonsai Kai.

To all the members that did not make it I can only say you missed out on a really informative Workshop. Which brings me to the "FIG KING" Shaun, George, Ray and Jack what a great, knowledgable, gifted bunch of guys. Shaun you are a star and thank you all for coming to Richards Bay and sharing all your fantastic ideas with us. I can assure you we WILL produce some great figs for our November Exhibition.

Speaking of exhibition we need to be starting to work on these trees NOW so you have all been warned!!!! pruning, shaping and feeding and of course presentation will be the order of the day. Also trees for sale by members need to be properly presented. No black bags and weeds!!!!

I would like to mention Ed and Yvonne the supplier of our pots and goodies and thank you for the great service. Geoff I would like to take you up on the offer of little "happy gods" so when you have a few moments after work pop over and lets surprise the members. Say no more.

Thank you to each and every one of our members and guests for a memorable event and it looks like this should be repeated soooooooooooooooooooooooooooooon

Very best Bonsai regards to you all. Dont go away, back in a bit.

Liz (Chairman)

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