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As we enter the autumn period, the month of October is proving to be a busy one from the point of view of bonsai events. September concluded with the first autumn 'Bonsai Boot Sale' to be held at Thistledome, near Nuneaton and by all accounts, proved a success. It is hoped that this will become a regular feature of the bonsai calendar in future years.

For October, events begin with the Capel Manor Autumn Show on Sunday, 4th October followed a week later by 'Bonsai Europa' a full weekend (10th/11th) of exhibition, traders and demonstrators, organised by Tony Tickle. This should prove an interesting event insofar as Tony is bringing in new, young bonsai artists from across Europe, each with their own distinctive styles.

The third weekend of the month finds some of the bonsai fraternity travelling up to Barnsley for the autumn Bonsai Traders Association show, another opportunity for people to purchase a range of bonsai essentials.

The month concludes with the 2015 Heathrow Bonsai Show. From its' modest beginnings, this has now become an established part of the British bonsai scene.

The Bonsai Judges Training Programme will be running again shortly. So far, three people are confirmed with a fourth possible. The course, being held on Sunday, 8th November and Sunday, 6th December can still take another two people so if anyone has an interest and is recommended by their society, please make contact by e-mail to mkhughes567@btinternet.com.

Regarding 'Bonsai News U.K.', we have received information from seven societies to date which considering there are over 50 FoBBS member societies in the U.K., not counting non-members, this is not the best response. This is a newsletter requested by bonsai societies, so to make it succeed do send in your society details in order that 'Bonsai News UK' can continue as a viable proposition—this is an opportunity to promote your society and what it is doing.

Future Shows

October 10th/11th :

Bonsai Europa: The Castle Armoury, Bury, North Manchester.

Bonsai Exhibition in the UK, a [distinctive approach](#) to Classical Bonsai from European Artists. Eight young artists from across Europe are demonstrating, bringing trees to show etc.

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October 18th

The Bonsai Traders Association, Autumn Show, Elsecar Heritage Centre, Barnsley, Yorkshire. The perfect opportunities to get bonsai essentials.,

October 25th

6th Heathrow Bonsai Show 10:00 – 16:00,

at [William Byrd School](#) Victoria Lane, Harlington, Middlesex. UB3 5EW, UK

November 15th

STOURBRIDGE BONSAI SOCIETY WINTER EXHIBITION OF MEMBERS' TREES

Plus a talk on Bonsai aesthetics by STEVE TOLLEY

Sunday 15th November 2015, 10am-4pm at the Bonded Warehouse, Stourbridge, DY8 4LU *Free Parking*

January 22 –24 2016

NOELANDERS TRIP 2016

Once again, Chrissie Leigh-Walker of Bushukan Bonsai will be organising a coach trip to the 2016 Noelanders Trophy, being held over the weekend of the 23rd/24th January.

The coach will leave the U.K. on **Friday, 22nd January**, returning on the following **Monday, 25th January**.

Further details will appear in the November issue of 'Bonsai News UK' but in the meantime, anyone interested in participating in the trip should contact Chrissie either by phone or e-mail:

Phone: 01702 201 029 Mobile: 07977 100 001 E-mail: bushukan-bonsai@ic24.net



February 28th 2016

SWINDON WINTER IMAGE SHOW 2016

Stratton Leisure Centre, Grange Drive, Stratton St Margaret, Swindon, Wiltshire, SN3 4JY

10:30am to 4:00pm.

March 13th 2016

BONSAI BOOT SALE' AND FEDERATION BRITISH BONSAI SOCIETIES AGM

The Loudon Suite, Birmingham Botanical Gardens.

Show Reports

Sunday 6th September: Dragon Bonsai

Dragon Bonsai Society, located at Ammonford, South Wales held their Annual Bonsai Boot Sale and Auction. It has become an event not to be missed, the welcome and hospitality given by the members of Dragon was fantastic; there were over one hundred people attending from all over England and Wales.

Refreshments were provided by Dragon Bonsai Club. Chris Thomas was once again in his element as auctioneer and kept everyone entertained with everything running smoothly as hundreds of

bonsai trees, pots, scrolls and assorted bonsai items were sold at bargain prices.



Sunday 27th September: Bonsai Boot Sale, Thisledome Centre

The Friends of the National Bonsai Collection's first autumn Car Boot Sale was held at Thisledome Community Centre and Garden in Nuneaton on and proved to be a great success.

There were many "booters" offering an excellent array of bonsai and bonsai related products. The day was blessed with wonderful weather and there was a brilliant turn out of bonsai enthusiasts from across the country together with a number of interested local residents.

The sale raised a total of £210.00 which will be divided between the two charities FNBC and Thisledome Community Centre and Garden. The feedback was very positive with one attendee making the comment "What a stunning place for a bonsai boot sale, absolutely fantastic. Thanks to all concerned; roll on the next one".

In view of the fantastic feedback, it is intended to hold the event again in September 2016.

Thisledome is a charity which provides horticultural work and training opportunities for local people with disabilities.



"All you need to do is to send in a brief report of your Show preferably with pictures and it will appear next month"



We're on the Web!
www.fobbsbonsai.co.uk

Heathrow Bonsai Show Supports Poppy Appeal:

This year's Heathrow Bonsai Show promises to be a great event, with many bonsai clubs travelling from all over the UK and exhibiting hundreds of bonsai trees, from small 3" high trees to some 36" tall trees. The Show, now in its 6th Year, will be raising money on behalf of The Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal. The show on Sunday 25th October returns to the **William Byrd School, Victoria Lane, Harlington Village, Middlesex, UB3 5EW**, open from **10.00 a.m. – 4.00 p.m.**, with refreshments available all day, and a lunch time barbecue.

During the day premier UK Bonsai Artist Corin Tomlinson will be demonstrating his skills and answering questions on all you want to know about keeping little trees in pots.

Entrance fee is only £2 for adults and £1 for Children and OAPs, and all visitors will have their chance to take part in the judging, voting for what they consider to be the best three trees on show; the winning trees will be announced at the end of the day and on our website.

If you require further information please visit the Heathrow Bonsai Show official website



www.heathrowbonsai.weebly.com or call the hotline: 07850 771201.

Club Activities

SOUTH STAFFS BONSAI SOCIETY

Monthly meetings - 3rd Tuesday
Walmley Community Hall,
Crawford Road , B76 1NP 7.30 pm
Meetings take the form of workshops
with occasional speakers where be-
ginners are welcome to bring trees to
work on.
Info. davidbarnley@blueyonder.co.uk
Oct. meeting David Jones, pottery
demo.

THE BONSAI GROUP, Enfield based
wishes to announce that it is for-
mally changing its name to:

NORTH LONDON BONSAI GROUP

REDDITCH BONSAI SOCIETY

A friendly society meets 3rd Thurs.
Webheath Village Hall, Heathfield
Rd, Webheath, Redditch, B97 5SQ.
October meeting a workshop,
November, Mark Skan demo..
Details Richard Gilkes, Secretary

STOURBRIDGE BONSAI SOCIETY

The members meet every second
Sunday, January to November at the
Bonded Warehouse, Stourbridge,
DY8 4LU.
Next meeting 11th October at 12'00
Prospective new members will be
very welcome.
Info. Maurice on 07415 158167.

SWINDON AND DISTRICT BONSAI SOCIETY

Monthly meetings – 2nd Tuesday of month [excluding Dec.]
Coleview Community Centre, Towcester Road, Swindon,
Wiltshire. SN3 4AS 1930 hrs – 2200 hrs
paulbowerbank@lineone.net Tel. 07982 401103.

Facebook – Swindon & District Bonsai Society
Future meetings:

Tues 13th Oct
Tues 10th Nov
Sat 21st Nov
Tues 12th Jan 2016
Tues 9th Feb
Sunday the 28th Feb

Autumn workshop.
Winter Wiring & Critique.
Workshop with Lee Verhorevoort
Review of 2015 & Show display prep.
Show displays and show prep.
Swindon 'Winter Image' show.

MIDLAND BONSAI SOCIETY

Meetings on the first Thursday of every month at Moseley Cricket Club,
Streetsbrook Road, Shirley, Solihull, B90 3PE at 7.30 p.m.
May be presentations by visiting speakers or society members or work-
shops. Occasional visits to other bonsai related places of interest
Details Richard Gilkes, 07803 593024.
October meeting Steve Tolley on junipers, November is a presenta-
tion by Simon Temblett on alternative bonsai

MIDDLESEX BONSAI SOCIETY

Everyone is welcome.
Monthly meeting 3rd Tuesday of each month 7.30pm
South Harrow Methodist Church, Walton Avenue,
South Harrow, Middlesex. HA2 8QU.
Meetings include in-house workshop and visiting speakers.
Contact Roger Gibbs: email roger.gibbs@talktalk.net.

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