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President's Message: Ignacio De La Torre

As we reached the half-way point of the year, the club held its first summer repotting clinic headlined by Bob Hale who has become the club's go-to repotting expert. Once again, Bob delivered an informative presentation on repotting. This time around the focus was on summer heat-loving plants and there was an ample number of members who brought in appropriate trees to repot at this time of the year.

There are many ways to place a tree into a bonsai pot. We try to teach one simple method so that we know that members have been exposed to one method and have a baseline for repotting. From there, they can move on to more advanced repotting techniques.

A special thanks to Bob and the team who helped make this event a success. Their work is what keep our club moving forward.

And, once again, Carla Marasco filled in for me during the meeting. She did a terrific job. It's not always easy to run the meeting so I appreciate greatly that she offered her help.

At our upcoming meeting, we continue the Program Committee's efforts to increase educational opportunities by focusing on wiring, a very important skill in bonsai. Mark Edgar will lead a presentation on wiring basics followed by a hands-on workshop in which members will have an opportunity to practice wiring. If you are new (or newer) to wiring, this is an excellent time to learn from members with advanced wiring skills. Read about the program details in the newsletter.

And a notice that our meeting in September will be held at the War Memorial building located at the north end of the San Diego Zoo parking lot. The program for the meeting will be Bring Your Own Tree. There is much that can be done on our trees during this time including cleaning, wiring, and design layout. More information to come in next month's newsletter.



San Diego Bonsai Club Spring Show

Upcoming Meeting August 13, 2023: 10:30 AM. Casa del Prado Balboa Park

Classes: see page 4.

Feature Article: "Hot Weather Care" By Charlie Mosse, see page 5.

Bonsai Task Calendar for San Diego County www.sandiegobonsaiclub.com

Resources: visit our website for information on private instructors and other resources to advance your bonsai skills



## August Meeting: Mark Edgar; Wiring Presentation, by Ignacio De La Torre

The August program focuses on wiring. Wiring is an important skill to learn and one that is difficult to master. Poor wiring can negatively affect a tree. This is a great hands-on opportunity for those members who have had little or no wiring experience. It is better to learn this skill early than to develop poor wiring habits (from personal experience).

Mark Edgar will conduct a bonsai wiring practice session at the August 13 club meeting. Mark will set up practice items in Room 101 by about 9 am. Club members are encouraged to stop by and practice wiring and learn some of the wiring basics. This practice session is designed with beginners in mind. Cathy Edgar, Matthew Gelacio, and Carla Marasco will also be available to help with wiring so there will be plenty of individual help.

Club members are welcome to bring in a wired or unwired bonsai for a wiring critique, but we will not be wiring your individual tree at this session. We ask that those members who want to wire their own tree, bring them to next month's 'Bring Your Own Tree 'program when time can be dedicated to individual trees. Cathy and Mark Edgar have offered to help members wire their trees during next month's session. (More info on the September meeting in the next Bonsai Wire).

After the business meeting Mark will present "Wiring Basics" for 30-40 min. After the presentation the practice table will resume for another hour or so.

8:30 a.m. Beginners class. Room 104.
9:00 a.m. Wire Practice. Room 101
10:30 a.m. Club meeting begins.
11:00 a.m. Wire Presentation 30-40 minutes
11:40 a.m. Wire Practice. Room 101
1:00 p.m. Club meeting ends

### Library: by Sonya Holmquist

The July/August 2023 edition of Bonsai Focus has so many interesting articles, I could almost fill a magazine with them – but someone already did! There are three articles on pines, two on forest plantings, a peek at the new 'Avant-garden' exhibition at the Pacific Bonsai Museum, beautiful pots by the Italian ceramist Giuseppe Lombardo, the usual gallery of exquisite bonsai from international exhibitions, and so much more.

In 'Pine issues' candle and shoot cutting improve two black pines by eliminating excess buds on one and redistributing the strength on the other. In 'Are They Twins?' a double trunk pine is transformed by jinning the entire weaker trunk. And in 'Taking Over' a father passes his experience of starting pines from seeds on to his son.

Jerome Kellerhals creates a forest planting of bald cypress seedlings. To help him position and balance the planting, Kellerhals builds a bamboo framework in the bottom of the bonsai pot. Forests often lose their shape and balance as the trees develop, and the late Takeo Katsumata reworks two of his earlier pieces: Chinese Spicebush and Bamboo group plantings.

You'll have an extra month to enjoy this or any of the other magazines and books, since the library will not be open in September. Thank you, Cheryl, Abe, and Cristina.

# August Bus Trip: Nisei Week Japanese Festival, Downtown Los Angeles

*Date confirmed!* On Saturday, August 19, we will take a bus to attend The Nisei Week Japanese Festival (<u>https://niseiweek.org</u>). A Bonsai exhibition will be part of the festival, held in the Little Tokyo District of Downtown Los Angeles. This annual Japanese cultural event includes Japanese arts, entertainment, exhibits, food, and more. On the way to L.A., we will visit the House of Bonsai nursery to explore and shop for new trees and materials. The bus will pick up passengers at Balboa Park and at a freeway adjacent location in Carlsbad. Approximate trip times are from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Registration will be available on the club website. An e-mail message will go to all members with details when the registration link is live. Members without access to the website may be able to register at the August meeting if space is available.

# September 2023 Fall Show

The Fall Show will be held Saturday, Sept. 23, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m. & Sunday, September 24, 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

This year we will have only one day, Friday, Sept. 22, from 8 a.m.- 7 p.m. for all setup, exhibit load-in, and sale item load-in. Please consider volunteering during this setup day, many hands make light work.

- Show set-up begins at 8 a.m. sharp.
- Load-in of exhibit trees will begin no earlier than 2 p.m.
- Load-in of sale items will be limited to the hours of 4-7 p.m.
- Pre-show volunteer purchases will be limited to 7-8 p.m.

Another big change for the show is that all sales will be <u>cashless</u>. This will streamline our ability to charge sales tax to buyers instead of sellers and will allow us to avoid securing large amounts of cash during the event. Be sure to bring debit/credit cards to the show for purchases. We will have sign-up sheets for showing trees, demonstrating techniques, selling items, and all volunteer positions for setup, daily operations, and teardown at the August and September meetings. If you are interested in signing up for a show activity and will not be able to attend either meeting, please send an email to me.

## Membership: by Udaykant Pandey, VP

Please welcome following members to the club who have joined since July-2023. Club membership stands at 527.

Deborah Shultz Mary Witztum Joe Witztum Suzanne Thomas Mike Shelly Preston Parrett Christopher Roper Chris Adams Noah Pennington Ellen Gupta Michael Reyes Jason Wang Anne Susalski



August is here and after a long cool spring and early summer, it is and continues to be hot! Keep an eye on your watering and ensure that your trees do not dry out. In my neck of the woods, it continues to be in the mid 90's and higher. When it gets like this, you may have to water twice a day. Check your soil to see whether is needs watering or not. There has also been a lot of wind lately too. This will dry your trees out just as much as the excess heat.

## Beginning Class: - Juniperus procumbens – Nana – Susan Ronan

## August 13 – September 10 – November 12

In the first session of the Fall Beginners Class, you will learn about the horticulture of your tree, the basics of bonsai and how to start styling your tree. The instructor will go over the various tools used, explain soil components and what the styles of bonsai trees are. SOLD OUT!

## Intermediate Workshops:

## August – Ficus salicaria – Willow Leaf Ficus - John Jackson

Many of you have asked me multiple times for a Ficus workshop. I have finally obtained some very nice Ficus nerifolia that were grown by Eric Jacobson. These trees are very nice and are a great start to becoming a bonsai. They already have size, movement, taper and nebari! John Jackson, our local ficus expert has volunteered to lead this class (back-to-back workshops from John!!) The cost will be \$95.00. SOLD OUT!

## September – Chaenomeles japonica – Japanese Quince – Fred Miyahara

Fred Miyahara will be leading a workshop with Chaenomeles japonica, flowering Japanese Quince. These trees make for interesting clump styles with beautiful flowers. These have white with a pink tinge flowers. They can flower multiple times during the year and make elegant bonsai. Fred has experience with these, and this should be an excellent class. This class is limited to 6 attendees. The cost is \$45.00. SOLD OUT! October – NO WORKSHOP OR BEGINNERS CLASS – LAKE POWAY PICNIC AND SALE

New members are always excited about taking the beginners classes, and several have asked to be put on a waiting list for the next class. Please note that sign-up sheets for all classes and workshops are first available at the Bonsai Club meeting TWO months before the classes/workshops are held unless otherwise specified... We do not start a waiting list until after the sign-up sheet has been put out at the meeting and filled. A reminder that all beginning classes, workshops and skills classes are taught from 8:30 am to 10:15 am on

### club meeting days at Balboa Park unless otherwise specified.

Also, don't forget to bring any trees that you would like some help or advice on from our excellent bonsai masters at the club. Help is located in the back of Room 101 to the right of the stage. If you have any ideas that can improve our programs or have skills that you would like to share, please contact me at the monthly meeting or at wfgraham3rd@gmail.

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# Feature Article: Hot Weather Care, by Charlie Mosse

There is an important note to add to the information in the Bonsai Calendar for post-potting care that was alluded to, but not really explained. One must consider how much time there is after a re-pot, or other significant work, for a tree to recover before the weather/season changes. A cold snap, heat spike or heat wave can slow a plant's recovery from a significant procedure. These events naturally slow recovery by slowing photosynthesis and root growth, which is the growth that is needed to help replace the energy stores used in the recovery, as well as to store energy for the next season. If you are doing significant work in prime time, there is adequate time for the tree to recover before the season changes.

In the case of re-potting, a cut root has to go through several steps before new roots start to grow. Root regrowth can be a slow process for conifers; a shorter process for deciduous, semi-evergreen and broad-leafed evergreens; and a fairly quick process for warm weather plants especially during the warm months. Experience will show you that root re-growth is predictable when you start with a healthy tree, and you are repotting during prime time. All of the procedures we perform on trees stresses them. The more that is done, the more stress there is on the tree.

The goal is to give the roots enough time to fully recover and get growing again. The tree will utilize its stored energy from the previous growth cycle to produce the next roots and leaves. With good fertilizing and watering techniques, the tree will ultimately store the energy it needs for the next round of work. A healthy tree will be strong enough for the usual techniques we use and to withstand other stressors like heatwaves, being knocked off of a bench, soil dug up by an animal, unseasonable cold snap, over-fertilizing, or pesticide spraying...any event that causes the tree to suffer. A healthy tree will bounce back over time. The amount of time it takes to recover depends on the species, how badly it was stressed and the care it receives.

While we are on the subject of stress, the heat is here. At times it gets too hot for the tree to take up enough water to cool the leaves and the pot can and will get so hot that the roots get "cooked", that is, injured or killed. Cooked roots cannot absorb water properly, if at all.

The foliage of most of the plants we grow can withstand a lot of heat and direct sun in nature and in bonsai pots. Some relief for a potted plant is beneficial, however, prevention is best. **Reducing or eliminating sun exposure on the pot is critical.** Roots normally grow in the ground where the conditions are cooler and more stable. In the pot, the soil temperature will be, at the least, the ambient air temperature, cool in the morning and hot during the day. With the pot in the sun, the soil temp will climb 10-40 degrees above ambient air temperature, at times for the entire pot, or at least the part of the pot in direct sun. The smaller the pot the more susceptible it is to rapid heating and root damage.

Here is a list of things you can do to mitigate heat stress:

- Cover the pot entirely with the material extending over the edge of the pot to shade the sides like avoiding sun exposure to the pot from 10 am to 4 pm. Some of the common things used:
  - 1. Cloth materials like an old bath towel, bed sheet of 2-3 layers, old t-shirt, frost protection fabric or any material that you can water through.
  - 2. Styrofoam by cutting a hole for the trunk, a slot to slide it around the trunk and overhang to shade the sides.
  - 3. Aluminum foil. Allow an air gap between the foil and soil/pot where possible.



- 4. Thin piece of wood like Cedar 5/8" board. Like the styrofoam, cut a hole for the trunk and a slot large enough to slide the wood around the trunk and over the edges of the pot.
- 5. Drainage screen. Same preparation as for the styrofoam.
- Move the plant to a shadier area. Filtered shade is best especially for an extended period of time.
- Create some shade. 40%-50% is good for inland areas and 30-40% in cooler areas.
- Put plants under the growing/display bench.
- If your area is windy, create some additional wind screen or move to a less windy spot. Wind is a powerful and unrelenting desiccator.
- Using a tray or flat, add some pumice or coarse sand and place trees into the pumice or sand to cover the sides of the pot. Be sure the tray drains.
- Put pot into a larger pot and add pumice or sand or other substrate. Cover the sides of the pot.
- Place pots into a raised planter or raised bed, burying the pot up to the top edge of the pot. Cover the pots as above.
- Cover the soil in the pot with a layer of pumice or long strand sphagnum moss. Cover the pots as above.
- Misting the soil surface helps but it is very temporary. If the soil is covered with sphagnum moss or cloth, then misting the cover until it is wet will last longer than misting bare soil.
- Wetting the ground under and around the plants will cool the immediate area a bit and add humidity around the plants. This will help reduce the stress on the leaves and the demand on the roots.

As always, only do significant work on healthy trees. If a tree is not healthy and the work must be done, you will need to take additional precautions to help the tree recover on a timely basis. If you have an issue with a stressed tree, the best thing to do is to bring it in to a meeting for some hands-on help. Also, you can post photos on the SDBC Facebook page with a description of the problem or post the same on the SDBC website. Think prevention before the heat hits.

# Thank you: by Ignacio De La Torre

Thank You to Susan Carter and Lien Lieu for stepping in to help prepare the coffee and table. We thank the following members who donated to the June Refreshments Table:

Brian Jackson, Shirley	Griffin, Margaret and John	and
Kavanaugh, Adrian and	Jackson, Jaya Kaelberer,	
Tony Mangina, Jackie		

and SDBC.

Thank You to Paul Lawrence and Keith Carter for running the raffle. We thank the following individuals who donated to the June Raffle Table:

	Shirley Kavanaugh,	Camille Newton
Brian Jackson	Jenny K. Chin	Cristina Vargas.
Eric Jacobson	Margaret and John Jackson	Ignacio De La Torre
Scott Flack	Cindy Pecile	
Chris Strows	Gary Jones	
Ken Bross	Sue and Keith Carter	

We also thank Janet and Bob Liggett who donated a quilt to the club. The quilt, which includes images of bonsai, was made by Nancy Reisman as a gift to Marty Mann. Upon his passing, his family gave it to the Liggett's. The quilt was routinely hung-up during meetings. The quilt will again be hung up for meetings and special events.



When it comes it repotting your bonsai, it's all about timing, according to Bob Hale, whose presentation at the July SDBC meeting neatly coincided with the second annual summer repotting workshop.

A former club president, Bob provided key advice about what, when and how to repot to make sure your tree thrives.

"If you repot at the wrong time of year, the chances of your bonsai dying go way up," he said. In the warmer summer months, you can repot tropical trees such as olives, bougainvillea, and ficus. Only repot junipers, pines, elms and maples during the fall and winter months. Bob recommended consulting the club's recently released "Seasonal Task Schedule for Bonsai" prepared by Charlie Mosse and Susan Ronan for more details.

Repotting generally can be done every two years, Bob advised, though that can vary, depending on the individual tree. One clue that it's time to repot is that water pools on top of the soil and takes some time to soak into the pot. If that happens when it's the

wrong time of year to repot that tree, he suggested soaking the entire pot in water to saturate the root ball to get you through until the timing is right.

Bob then showed members how to repot using a tree from his wife Janice's collection. His demonstration included a discussion of the right mix of soil to use, how to prepare the pot and how to trim excess roots from the root ball. For repotting, he uses "club mix" soil (40% pumice, 40% scoria and 20% fir bark) on his larger trees and "Boon mix" (one-third each of pumice, scoria and akadama) on his shohin bonsai.

Other key tips from Bob for repotting:

- Minimize the amount of time your tree is out of the pot to prevent the roots from drying out.
- Don't bare-root the tree when trimming roots. Just cut off excess roots on the bottom and sides.
- Place a layer of pumice in the bottom of the pot before adding the regular soil mix.
- Compact the new soil around the tree by poking with chopsticks held at an angle to make sure you get the soil under the root ball.
- After repotting, add a thin layer of ground up sphagnum moss to prevent the topsoil from drying out.
- Wait 2-4 weeks before fertilizing the tree after repotting.





We don't have many bonsai that flower, but Aldo Pia's bougainvillea can put on a good show.

Mori Suemori, our new pavilion shohin caretaker, compares bark removal tools with new Pavilion volunteer Susan Ronan.

We had 329 volunteer hours for the month of May, including Keith and Sue Carter, Nate Chongsiriwatana, Julia Chow, Brenda Crann, Cathy and Mark Edgar, Sandra and Nasser Forutan, Josh Frampton, Sonya Holmquist, John Jackson, Jaya Kaelberer, Carla Marasco, Sandi Marasco, Jeanne Mckinney, Carol Ann McManus, Charlie and Sylvia Mosse, Cindy Pecile, Susan Ronan, 'lyn Stevenson, Mori Suemori, Dennis Wagner, Ken Zito. Year to date we have donated 2551volunteer hours.

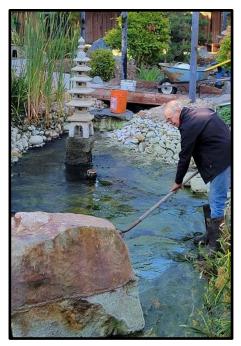




John Jackson's son-in-law finished the new donor board. The old donor board was weathering poorly and became hard to read. The name plaques will be installed soon. The new board is definitely a great addition to the Bonsai Pavilion entrance.

John Jackson, Nate Chongsiriwatana, Josh Frampton, Dennis Wagner, and Mark Edgar helped install the donor board on the wall. We dug some holes, mixed some concrete and lifted the heavy metal structure into position. Josh holds one of the supports while





John is thinking "this is a lot of duck muck; how big were those ducks anyway?"

Nate readies one of the support holes for concrete. John and Dennis inspect the hole for the other support to see if Mark really broke another pipe while digging.

With the appearance of hot weather, we performed our annual pond cleaning work on a sunny Monday and Tuesday in July. The pond gets filled with stinky silt over time and has to be cleaned. The cleaning team was composed of John Jackson, Dennis Wagner, Ken Zito, Cathy Edgar, and Mark Edgar. We had three power washers in order to reduce the cleaning time required so we could finish the messy work before the Park opened at 9 am. The cleaning team worked very hard to clean the pond and it does look nice. We sincerely hope the ducks muck some other pond in the future.



Ken stayed clean the whole time while the rest of us were severely compromised with respect to cleanliness. White socks were a gutsy move.







I like to make a fashion statement when I clean the pond. I've always been a trend setter. Cathy was taking the pictures so no picture of her. She was a bit mucky at the end as well.

Meanwhile.... Carol Ann McManus trims the root-overrock trident maple. The bonsai is looking good.





Shimpaku Juniper, donated by Sally Prestele

Thanks to our July volunteers, Charlie, and Sylvia Mosse. Summer heat has finally reached the JFG after an unusually cool spring and early summer; the trees are loving it, but the moss is in retreat.

Three new trees (pictured) were recently added to the collection: Two were donated by Sally Prestele: a beautiful bunjin-esque shimpaku juniper and an exquisitely developed raft-style prostrata juniper. Thank you, Sally! The third is a Sy Dayton California Juniper transferred from the Safari park collection. Dr. Seymore Dayton (1923-1984) was a prominent researcher in the field of coronary artery disease and chief of staff at the La Jolla VA Hospital. The tree recently got a repotting with an beneficial angle change from the talented gang at the Safari Park. It will be excellent company for our existing California Juniper donated by Sherwin Amimoto. Thank you, Safari Park collection!

Come by the JFG sometime to see these new trees and take in the garden in its midsummer glory.





California Juniper, donated by Sy Dayton

Raft Prostrata Juniper, donated by Sally Prestele

# Treasurer's Report: by Jaya Kaelberer

SAN DIEGO BONSAI CLUB - TREASURER'S REPOR Java Kaelberer as of 30 June 2023	•			udget
Accounts have been reconciled with Union Bank statements				
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BANK ACCOUNT BALANCES (QuickBooks)				
SDBC Checking	\$80,258			
Japanese Friendship Garden	\$2,343			
Bonsai Pavilion Checking	\$24,341		-	
TOTAL FUNDS:	\$106,943			
SDBC Income	Actuals	Comments	ы	udget
Total Donation Income	\$1,211	\$355	Ś	3,850
Total Grant Qualcomm			Ś	2,500
Total Education Income	\$6,384	\$1,915	Ś	11,100
Total Fair Awards			Ś	150
Total Membership Income	\$7,202	\$600 : New members	Ś	8,000
Total Monthly Program.		No change from previous month	Ś	480
Total Raffle & Auction		\$774: \$274: general mtg., \$500: spark silent auction		14,000
Total Show Income		No change from previous month	Ś	8,100
Total Special Projects Income		No change from previous month	Ś	4,400
Total Tool Sales		\$711: sales	Ś	3,500
Total SDBC Income	\$37,485	8-7	Ť	\$56,08
SDBC Expenses		\$	bı	udget
Total Bonsai Pavilion	\$962	\$576 : pot, new shelf, display signs	\$	9,000
Total Education	\$3,408	\$1225 : Yannick Kiggen workshop	\$	10,100
Total Japanese Friendship Garden		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$	1,500
Total Library	\$145	No change from previous month	\$	500
Mas Takanashi Grant			\$	1,000
Total Membership	\$629	\$270 : new badges	\$	1,500
Total Monthly Program	\$2,802	No change from previous month	Ŝ	7,550
Total Newsletter	\$455	\$132: mailchimp, newsletter copies	\$	1,070
Total SDBC Club Expenses		\$		
Total GSBF Liability Insurance	\$2,345	\$155: additional insured, Lake poway	Ŝ	3,500
Other	\$967	\$112: NFS items for tool table	\$	2,370
San Diego Fair		No change from previous month	Ś	300
Power of one scholarship		No change from previous month	Ś	300
Total SDBC Fall Show		· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	\$	950
Total SDBC Spring Show	\$2,714	\$78: Food for volunteers	\$	2,450
Total Special Projects	\$4,505	No change from previous month	\$	7,800
Total Taxes		No change from previous month	\$	4,090
Tool Table Expenses		\$1,600 : tool supplies	Ś	2,100
Total SDBC Expense	\$21,935	ð		\$56,08
Net SDBC Income (Loss)	\$15,550			\$
Pavilion Silent Auction Square Income has been moved from SDB0	C to Pavilion			
Our income to date is greater than the budget by	\$19 k			
Our expenses are less than the budget by	\$34 k			

Important Note:

SDBC is looking for a treasurer for the calendar year 2024. Do you want to be part of a board that makes decisions on club priorities and direction? Do you have a good knowledge of Microsoft Excel? Do you enjoy puzzles and problem solving? Are you comfortable on the internet? Are you organized, careful and conscientious?

If so, the treasurer job is exactly a match for you! Note: Prior accounting knowledge is not necessary but welcome.



# Club Meeting Minutes: by Carla Marasco

## CLUB MEETING 7/09/23 10:30am start

- President Ignacio De La Torre (Carla Marasco filled in) Intro.
  - August Meeting will be Aug 13<sup>th</sup> in Room 101
  - September Meeting will be at War Memorial Building (North end of Zoo parking lot)/Classes will remain in Rm 104
  - Website Update-we will be adding a revolving photo display of our bonsai collection at the Safari Park and Japanese Friendship Garden
  - Open Board spots for next year are:
    - President (2yr Term)
    - Treasurer
    - Education
    - Membership
- Treasurer Jaya Kaelberer
  - Current Account Balance \$100K in Club & Pavilion accounts
  - Sales Tax for April-June will be paid this month along with some other expenses.
- Special Projects Phaedra Ehring
  - Nisei Week Bus Trip on Aug. 19<sup>th</sup> (more info to come in email/web/newsletter)
- Membership Uday Pandey
  - We currently have 523+ members.
- Education Bill Graham
  - Aug Tiger Bark Ficus (John Jackson)
  - Aug Beginner class Susan Ronan (1<sup>st</sup> session)
  - Sep Flowering Quince
  - Oct No Classes (Lake Poway Picnic)
- Safari Park John Jackson
  - SDBC members are eligible once they have been in the club for a minimum of 1 yr. and gone through Safari Park volunteer training process.
  - New Donor board is being installed at the park.
- Japanese Friendship Garden Neil Auwarter
- No Updates
- Special Events Kyle Icke
  - Upcoming Programs:
    - Aug-Wiring (Mark Edgar)
    - Sep-1<sup>st</sup> Steps with New Tree (Carla Marasco)
    - Oct-Lake Poway
    - Nov-Visiting Artist
    - Dec-Holiday Event
  - Introduction of Presenters Bob Hale (Repotting)
- Other
  - None

June20, 2023 SDBC Board Meeting Minutes President Ignacio De La Torre called the Zoom meeting to order at 6:30pm

**In attendance**: Ignacio De La Torre (President), Kyle Icke (First VP), Bill Graham (VP for Education), Phaedra Ehring (VP for Special Projects), Jaya Kaelberer (Treasurer), Uday Pandey (Membership), Carla Marasco (Secretary), Sue Carter (Past President)

# OFFICER REPORTS

- President's Items (Ignacio De La Torre).
  - Carla Marasco filled in for Ignacio while he's away during the July Meeting.
  - Morning & Afternoon Repotting Sessions
  - Presentations Bob Hale (Repotting) & Charlie Moss (NPK/Continued Fertilization) tent.
- 2024 Board Positions
  - Membership / Treasurer / Education / President (2yr term)
  - Need to appoint a search committee to locate candidates for open positions.
  - Looking into options for recording club meeting presentations to be uploaded to view on web.
- Programs (Kyle Icke)
  - Jul Summer Repot (Bob Hale) / Fertilizer Continued/NPK (Charlie Moss) tent.
  - Aug Wiring (Mark Edgar)
  - Sep Where to Start on a Bonsai/Basics (Carla Marasco)/ BYOT Question & Answer session (bring tree & questions for senior members to help with)
  - Oct Lake Poway Picnic Oct 8<sup>th</sup>
  - Nov CBS Visiting Artist (Bob Pressler)
  - Dec Holiday Program / Tree Decorating
  - There are several interested in presenting for the club next year / schedule pending.
- Education (Bill Graham)
  - No Update
- Special Projects (Phaedra Ehring)
  - August 19<sup>th</sup> is Nisei Week Bus trip nursery stop location is pending/will work on adding sign-ups to web page.
  - October is the Lake Poway Picnic planning has begun.
  - September Show in planning stage/committee to be formed for misc. tasks.
- Treasurer (Jaya Kaelberer)
  - No Update
- Membership (Uday Pandey)
  - Membership currently at 503
- Secretary (Carla Marasco)
  - N/A
- Past President (Sue Carter)
  - N/A

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45pm.



## San Diego Bonsai Club Board

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VP Membership:	Udaykant Pandey udaykant@gmail.com
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## **Appointed Positions**

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### SDBC Upcoming Events: MEETING TIMES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE

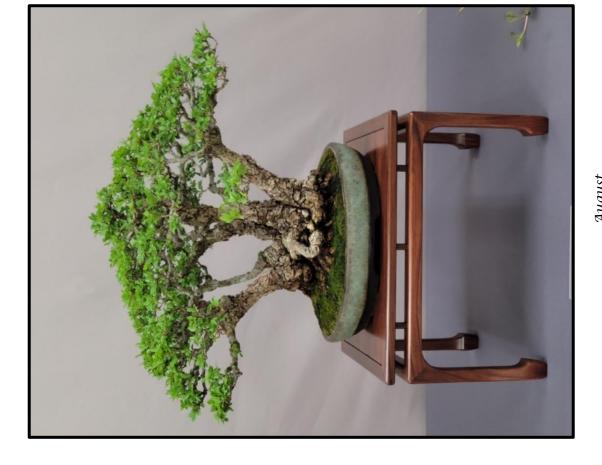
Month	Date(s)	Location	Rooms
August meeting	13	Casa del Prado	101 and 104
September meeting	10	War Memorial bldg. Auditorium Balboa Park	104 class
October meeting	8	Lake Poway	Pavilion
November meeting	12	Casa del Prado	101 and 104
December meeting	10	Casa del Prado	101 and 104

Fall Show	Sept 22-24	Casa del Prado	101

\*Note: The SDBC meetings are subject to availability of the rooms in Casa Del Prado. Our preferred date for the second Sunday of each month sometimes conflicts with other clubs show or special event, so we choose an alternative day.

<u>Japanese Friendship Garden Bonsai workdays</u>: Wednesdays, contact Neil Auwarter for volunteer information.

San Diego Safari Park Bonsai Pavilion Workdays: 1st and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays of the month, contact Mark Edgar for volunteer information.



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