

UK Bonsai Association

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Bulletin Aug20

Welcome to this months bulletin, unfortunately as we all know the Coronavirus seems not to be going away very soon. Whether a local club meeting or a major bonsai show in some far off distant country, everything's on hold. In the hope that things at some point will get back to some sort of normality we are keeping the UK bonsai events diary as upto date as possible. Unfortunately at the moment quite a depressing job, as I add a future event I am then cancelling it nearer the time, still better for people to have the information and know what's going on. The Virtual UK Bonsai Show is moving along nicely, submissions coming from bonsai enthusiasts of all levels. I have observed the bonsai community split into two distinctive groups, those who collect bonsai and those who create bonsai. This situation is even more complicated as many of us own a mixture of imported bonsai as well as bonsai fashioned from home grown wild or nursery stock. There is nothing wrong with either, both disciplines require the enthusiast to maintain or take the bonsai to a higher level. Its nice to visit a physical show, to see the trees close up and displayed correctly, but what I find missing sometimes is the inability to appreciate the journey the tree and owner have been on. What I find refreshing with the virtual show, is the opportunity afforded to the owner to articulate in words the journey of a particular tree. I talk of the owner educating the viewer as to how the tree got to its present day form, but what about perhaps where the trees going in the future, no matter how good it looks, no tree is finished, its always work in progress. Anyway, enough rambling, a big thank you to all of you who have already submitted trees, and to those of you who have not, we eagerly await your respective submissions.

Virtual UK Bonsai Show 2020

Please enter your submissions for the Virtual UK Bonsai Show 2020 being accepted from now until 20Sep20. Please visit website www.ukbonsaiassoc.org for full information.



Tree No: A046



Tree No: A050



Tree No: A053

- Species: White pine (*Pinus parviflora*)
- Origin: Europe
- Style: formal up right exposed root
- Height of Tree: 76.2cm /30"
- Potter: Chinese
- Stand: None
- History: a large imported white pine brought over from Holland in 2012 and has been in my yard since next year it will have a trim
- Date: 25Jul20



Tree No: A048

- Species: Japanese larch (*Larix Kaempferi*)
- Origin: Yamadori
- Style: Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 55 cms/ 22"
- Potter: walsall
- Stand: home made
- History: This bonsai was placed in my care by Leon Trew a founder club member now retired it was collected in South Wales some 40 years ago the styling has been kept as first created I hope some day to pass it on .This tree is known in Japan as the money pine.
- Date: Jul 20



Tree No: A049

- Species: Yew (*Taxus Baccata*)
- Origin: UK Nursery stock
- Style: Lightning strike, informal upright
- Height of Tree: 56cm/ 22"
- Potter: Japanese
- Stand: Japanese
- History: Carved and styled by Tony Eyers and John Trott 1998. Came into my possession 2007. Put in current pot 2010. Restyled the branch work 2011. Shown at Capel Manner, Heathrow shown t the Chelsea flower on the Bonsai Kai Stand and local.
- Date: 1Jul20

- Species: Chinese Elm (*Ulmus Pavifolia*)
- Origin: China
- Style: Knarled, Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 61cm/ 24"
- Potter: Walsall Ceramics
- Stand: Japanese
- History: Purchased from Zac's Bonsai 2008. Redeveloped right hand side.
- Put into David Joans Pot 2017. Shown at Caple Manor and Heathrow.
- Date: 1Jul20



Tree No: A051

- Species: Chinese Elm (*Ulmus Pavifolia*)
- Origin: China
- Style: Group planting
- Height of Tree: 43cm/ 17"
- Potter: By owner
- Stand: Roger Miles
- History: Created by Cal Humphries. Came into my possession 2002. 7 trees. Made a dish for it and potted it up in 2004, rocks added. Two more trees added in 2016 to make a 9 tree group. Shown at Chelsea Flower Show 2005, on the Bonsai Kai stand
- Date: 1Jul20



Tree No: A052

- Species: Juniper (*Juniperus communis*)
- Origin: UK
- Style: Cascade
- Height of Tree: 40cm/ 15.7"
- Potter: John Stuart
- Stand: Second-hand from Swindon show in 2020, and restored by my partner Cas
- History: Bought at auction in May 2017 from John Stuart and subsequently thinned and restyled.
- Date: 1 May 2020

- Species: juniperus chinensis (Itiogawa juniper)
- Origin: Japan
- Style: Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 59cm/ 23"
- Potter: Japanese
- Stand: Owner
- History: Raw material purchased from LV Bonsai, looked like a bush! Styled by owner and Lee Verhorevoort at one of his workshops in around 2015, tree responded very well and was show ready within 4 years.
- Date: 23rd Feb 2020



Tree No: A054

- Species: Scots Pine (pinus sylvestris)
- Origin: UK
- Style: Root over rock
- Height of Tree: 67cm/ 26"
- Potter: Ian Baillie
- Stand: Dave Cleveland
- History: Purchased tree from bonsai enthusiast who was downsizing his collection. Tree originally collected from New Forest over 30 years ago. Tree restyled with current owner and pot changed in 2018, first shown by current owner at Heathrow show 2018
- Date: 24th Feb 2020



Tree No: A055

- Species: kiyohime maple (Acer palmatum 'kiyohime')
- Origin: Japan
- Style: Broom
- Height of Tree: 50cm/ 20"
- Potter: Dan Barton
- Stand: Owner
- History: Purchased from fellow enthusiast. Tree originally came from Japan via Ladders Nursery. Styling and refinement continued by present owner. Commissioned Dan Barton pot used for tree in 2018. Tree won tree and pot combination award at 2020 Swindon Show
- Date: 23rd Feb 2020



Tree No: A056

- Species: Lodgepole pine (Pinus contorta)
- Origin: UK Yamadori
- Style: Slating
- Height of Tree: 48.3cm/ 19"
- Potter: Japanese
- Stand:
- History: The Lodge Pole Pine was collected from a hillside in Scotland 50+ years ago and has been in owner's possession for 24 years. styled by the owner from raw material
- Date: Feb20



Tree No: A057

- Species: Weeping Birch (Betula pendula)
- Origin: Europe
- Style: Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 106.7cm/ 42"
- Potter: stoneware pot
- Stand: None
- History: The Birch originally came from Belgium approximately 6 years ago. styled by the owner from raw material
- Date: Feb20



Tree No: A058

- Species: Beech (Fagus)
- Origin: UK Yamadori
- Style: Slating
- Height of Tree: 53.3cm/ 21"
- Potter: Korean
- Stand: None
- History: The Beech was collected by me back in 2012 from the owner's aunt's hillside farm just above Pontypool in Wales. Styled by the owner from raw material
- Date: Feb20



Tree No: A059

- Species: Trident Maple (Acer buergerianum)
- Origin: Bonsai Nursery 2013
- Style: Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 36cm/ 14"

- Potter: Japanese
- Stand: Chinese
- History: I bought this tree in 2013 from a bonsai nursery, and since then it has grown quite a lot and developed more ramification. it is now in the Japanese pot I would like it to stay in provided I can keep it to this size.
- Date: 14Jul20



Tree No: A060

- Species: Yew (Taxus baccata)
- Origin: Bonsai Nursery
- Style: Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 48 cm/ 19 "
- Potter: Japanese
- Stand: Chinese
- History: I was given this yew as a present from Amelia in 2010, since then it has had some branches jinned and been in training, it is still ongoing.
- Date: 14Jul20



Tree No: A061

- Species: Korean Hornbeam (Carpinus turczaninowii)
- Origin: Bonsai Nursery
- Style: Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 51cm/ 20"
- Potter: Japanese
- Stand: Chinese
- History: I bought this tree in 2017 as i wanted a larger tree to take to shows, i liked it as is has a really nice taper and i enjoy hornbeams. Repotted into this pot in 2019 and i would like to keep it at this size.
- Date: 14Jul20



Tree No: A062

- Species: Hawthorn (Crataegus monogyna)
- Origin: Wales
- Style: Mother & Child, twin trunk
- Height of Tree: 53cm / 21"
- Potter: Walsall Studio Ceramics
- Stand: Owner
- History: Collected from the Welsh hills during a club dig in March 1999, by a friend. The soil was very rocky with a lot of shale, so it had quite a lot of fibrous roots with two large roots which proved a problem getting it into a bonsai pot. In 2012 the tree changed hands as the then owner reduced his collection to trees of a more manageable size. It was re potted into a larger Walsall pot to gain growth and in 2019 it was the first time ever that the tree has flowered/berried on both sides
- Date: Aug2019



Tree No: A063

- Species: Ezo Spruce (Picea glehnii)
- Origin: Japan
- Style: Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 41cm / 16.14"
- Potter: Japanese
- Stand: Unknown
- Date: Jul20



Tree No: A064

- Species: Downy Birch (Betula pubescens)
- Origin: U.K. Bonsai Nursery
- Style: Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 45cm / 17.7"
- Potter: Possibly Erin but not confirmed
- Stand: Purchased from Herons Bonsai
- Date: Jul20



Tree No: A065

- Species: White Pine (Pinus parviflora)
- Origin: U.K. Bonsai Nursery
- Style: Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 43cm / 17"
- Potter: Walsall Ceramics
- Stand: Walsall Ceramics
- Date: Jul20



Tree No: A066

- Species: Crab Apple (Malus Sp.)
- Origin: Probably Japanese import
- Style: Informal upright
- Height of Tree: 22cm / 8.5"
- Potter: Stone Monkey
- Stand: Owner
- History: Purchased as semi-styled material from Windybank Bonsai in 2005
- Date: 7Apr20



Tree No: A067

- Species: Scots pine (Pinus Sylvestris)
- Origin: Garden centre
- Style: twisted
- Height of Tree: 35.5cm / 14"
- Potter: Davey Jones
- Stand: None
- History: bought from a garden center a 3' tall 70mm wide 1995 whip to be grown with several others to form a group one or two didn't take so this one was wired so I did a twisted trunk by squashing it down choking the base and taking most of the head out I've just it kept pruning it and cutting it back the wire has been left on it all that time
- Date: 25Jul20



Tree No: A068

- Species: San Jose juniper (Juniperus chinensis)
- Origin: UK Garden collected
- Style: semi cascade
- Height of Tree: 61cm / 24"
- Potter: Chinese
- Stand: None
- History: The semi cascade is a san jose juniper approximately 35 year old. Passed on to me about 20 year ago in a chinese cloud pot. This juniper came to me from a good friend about 2004 a very different style I've tipped it over a little lowering the lower branch and I'm now in the process strengthening the pads the aim is to show a unconventional arrangement and layered pads
- Date: 25Jul20

Bonsai Events

Due to current UK lockdown all shows scheduled for Aug20 are cancelled.

Bonsai Event Reports

Due to current UK lockdown no shows in Jul20 to report on.

Club Speaker Nights

Due to current UK lockdown no Club Speaker Nights in Aug20

Notice Board

17Jul20

It's very sad to report on another horrific fire, two in almost as many years, the first was at Southampton Bonsai several years ago and now another fire at The Bonsai Shed on Thursday 16Jul20. The Bonsai Shed, located for many years within Hill Park Rose Gardens at Thames Ditton in Surrey and run by Andy Barber was completely destroyed, with many of Andy's prized trees beyond recovery. Our thoughts go out to Andy, he has worked tirelessly building this business up, The Shed has become a well established haven for bonsai enthusiasts of all levels to meet and work on their trees. In return for all the kindness and generosity shown by Andy over the years, if you wish to make a donation please visit:

https://www.gofundme.com/f/the-bonsai-shed?utm_source=customer&utm_medium=copy_link&utm_campaign=p_cf+share-flow-1

1Aug20

Thanking you for your support, today total UKBA membership stands at 1064, expanding daily.

1Aug20

Bristol Bonsai Society Virtual Show Covid-19 is continuing to impact our activities and as a consequence we are unable to run the planned Bristol Bonsai Society Virtual Show 2020. Thanks to all those who contributed.

16Aug20

Bristol Bonsai Society Show Failand Village Hall, Ox House Lane, Failand, North Somerset. BS8 3TS. Cancelled due to Coronavirus.

4&5Sep21

Greenwood Bonsai Bash Show Ollerton Road, Arnold, Nottingham, NG5 8PR. Cancelled due to Coronavirus Please note Greenwood Bonsai is open for day to day business as usual.

27Sep20

National Shohin Exhibition Cancelled due to Coronavirus

But Car Boot Sale is happening.
 Markham Grange Nursery,
 Longlands Lane, Brodsworth,
 Doncaster, South Yorkshire. DN5 7XB.
 Adm:Free. Times: 0900-1500.hrs.
 Contact: Daryl Harris 07384.275991
 Email: darylh@gmx.co.uk

10&11Oct20 France
 The 8th European Bonsai-San Show
 Saulieu, Bourgogne, 21210 France.
 Cancelled due to Coronavirus.

1May21
 Naked Bonsai Day.
 There's never a better time than now to think
 about submitting a picture for next years
 competition, the competition runs from now
 until 31Mar21, please find below this years first
 entry, see website for more information.



Morten Albek New Book
 For those of you who don't know him, Morten
 Albek based in Denmark is one of Europe's top
 bonsai artists specialising in small shohin trees.
 His new book 'Shohin Through the Seasons' is
 now available, if you grow shohin trees this is a
 must to add to your bonsai library, visit his
 website 'www.shohin-europe.com'.

Monthly Tasks

Below is a very general none specific list giving
 guidance as to the planning of your bonsai
 tasks through the month of July.

- **Watering-** If you are going to water once a day then the preferable time is in the morning. Or if required twice a day morning and evening, smaller trees can be dipped.
- **Feeding-** Reduce and alter feeding schedule as appropriate.
- **Pruning -** Reduce extending shoots and shape to required profile, remove some fruit from overladen trees.
- **Location -** Protect delicate trees from prolonged mid-day sun light and rotate trees for even light exposure.
- **Pests -** Check for pests and treat accordingly.
- **Wiring -** Remove any existing wire biting into wood and wire up any fresh summer growth that needs positioning.
- **Repotting -** Only in emergencies.
- **Air-layering -** The opportunity has now past to start any new air-layers, keep a close eye on existing air-layers for signs of drying out.

Collectables

Pin Badges

Please check out the pin badge section under collectables on the website, if you have any badges we have not listed, please send us an image of the badge and we will add it to the section. Thank you

This month we are highlighting pin badges from the UK. See website for more badges.

UK Badges

Bedfordshire Bonsai Society
 40th Anniversary



Bristol Bonsai Society



Solent Bonsai Society



A	22	N	25
B	21	O	5
C	10	P	1
D	3	Q	7
E	13	R	6
F	8	S	17
G	20	T	16
H	12	U	11
I	15	V	24
J	19	W	2
K	9	X	18
L	4	Y	14
M	26	Z	23

--- Geoff Conybeare

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Quiz

Fill in the grid so that each letter of YEW
 BONSAI occurs just once in each row, each
 column and each 3x3 block.

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Answers to Quiz Jul 20

ALDER	48	BOX	44
BIRCH	64	BRACE	72
BUCKEYE	91	BLACKTHORN	130
CEDAR	54	DRILL	32
ELDER	39	HAWTHORN	100
FAGUS	78	ILEX	50
GUIDE	62	JUGLANS	108
JUNIPER	90	MALUS	80
PINE	54	RED	22
QUINCE	81	SEDGE	66
TAXUS	84	IVY	53
ZELKOVA	100	LARCH	54