

Dec20 Quiz

Tree Troubles

This month's quiz requires a small amount of knowledge about pests and diseases, which as bonsai enthusiasts we should all be well aware.

The questions describe some of the pests and diseases seen in bonsai.

Fill in the answers into the first grid then transfer the letters into the second grid to reveal a useful phrase.

- 1) Unhealthy bronzing of leaves with fine silky webbing. (3,6,4)
- 2) White powdery patches on leaves in dry weather. (6)
- 3) Adults cut out notches on leaf margins. Grubs eat roots. (4,6)
- 4) Adults suck sap. Protected by hard shell. Stay in one place. (5,6)
- 5) Branches covered in white waxy fluff to protect these sap suckers. (6,5)
- 6) Grubs produce irregular shaped blisters or tunnels within the leaf, particularly holly. (4,5)
- 7) White woolly tufts seen on and between leaf scales of conifers. (8)
- 8) Crusty dark bands with cracked or sunken areas of bark.. Branches die if encircled. (6)
- 9) Fungus produces thickening and unsightly swelling in leaves of azaleas. (6,4)
- 10) Large colonies of this honey dew producing sap sucking insect can be a serious pest. (5,3)
- 11) Leaves start with red/brown spots followed by distorted ragged brown-edged holes