

UK Bonsai Association

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**Bulletin
Aug21**

Well the biggest news this month is the lifting of many government social restrictions as from the 19Jul21, hopefully we have all received our two inoculations. Sadly, at this point in the present year, this does not give all event organisers time to put shows together for this present show season. July however is a good indication of things starting to move in a positive direction, we have five events to report on, all good news. The holiday month of August is always slow for events but September is really looking good with plenty of bonsai events scheduled.

The general consensus is that most clubs seem to have already started meetings in the forms of club nights or workshops, and those that have not yet done so, anticipate restarting in the month of September, more good news. We would ask however that whatever event you might attend to respect other people's personal situations, their personal circumstances may be very different to yours, they may still be observing certain social distances or reluctant to share tools with colleagues at workshops. Respect other people.

If you can't physically make one of the events, don't forget we hope to have a report and photos of everything happening on the website.

We would again like to remind everybody that the UK Bonsai Association now has a steering group that meets regularly online to discuss all matters bonsai. If you have any comments or ideas worthy of consideration by the steering group then please don't hesitate to email us. The next steering group meeting on Zoom is scheduled for Sunday 1Aug21 at 1900hrs.

We again ask people that when communicating with the association for whatever reason please to do so by email. There are so many communication platforms that everything is simplified by using just one method of contact.

Virtual UK Bonsai Show Spring/Summer 1Mar21-31Aug21

This is the final month of the current virtual show that has been running since the 1Mar21. Please send in your entries as soon as possible, voting for your favourite tree or pot will take place between the 1Sep21 and 12Sep21. Thank you.

Trees Chuhin Trees



BT034

- Species: Korean Hornbeam (*Carpinus Turczaninowii*)
- Category: Chuhin
- Style: Slanting
- Size: Height of the tree 50 cm / 19.7"
- Potter: Chinese
- Stand: Exotic Hardwood Slice
- History: Owner purchased the tree some 4 years ago from one of my bonsai colleagues, the initial design and carving were all carried out by Kevin Willson, Yamadori School of Bonsai.
- Date of photo taken: 18th May 2021



BT035

- Species: Japanese Maple (*Acer Palmatum Shishishigara*)
- Origin: Little Oak Bonsai, UK
- Category: Chuhin plus
- Style: Informal Upright/Slanting
- Size: Height of the tree 40cm / 16"
- Potter: Unknown
- Stand: Homemade
- History: The tree was purchased in 1996 at an Auction at Little Oak Bonsai, Siddlesham, West Sussex. The purchase was for a 6 year old, 6" high, un-styled raw material in a sort of formal upright style. The same year (1996) the tree was repotted and repositioned into a slanting style. Since that time it has continued to grow in this position. Over the years one or two main branches have been lost due to the brittle nature of the branches. It has been in the same ownership since 1996 (Circa 1990).
- Date of photo taken: 28Jun21



BT036

- Species: Japanese Maple (*Acer Palmatum*)
- Origin: UK
- Category: Chuhin plus

- Style: Informal Upright
- Size: Height of the tree 71cm / 28"
- Potter: Gordon Duffett
- Stand: Homemade
- History: Cutting taken in 1994, pot grown since 2000. Original tree was a seedling germinated in 1989, which had a useless root system and nebari, so cuttings were taken, of which this is one.
- Date of photo taken: 25th June 2021



BT037

- Species: Alberta White Spruce (*Picea Glauca Albertiana*, var. 'Tiny')
- Origin: UK
- Category: Chuhin plus
- Style: Group planting
- Size: Height of the tree 46cms / 18"
- Potter: Chinese
- Stand: Homemade
- History: 4 layers taken from original nursery stock in 2004, and planted up in a raft style group.
- Date of photo taken: 8th July 2021



BT040

- Species: Trident Maple (*Acer Buergerianum*)
- Origin: from a UK nursery in 1986
- Category: Chuhin plus
- Style: Root over rock
- Size: Height of the tree 72 cm / 28.35"
- Potter: Walsall Ceramics
- Stand: unknown
- History: Acquired in 1986 as an immature tree recently set over stone. Styling the tree really started in around 1989 and continues to this day. After trying a range of different style pots over the years I settled on the dark Walsall oval to highlight the root bark. The tree lives happily within the shallow oval pot and was last re-potted this spring. The branching and canopy shape has been developed more in recent years with regard to its winter image.
- Date of photo taken: 15Jul21



BT041

- Species: korean hornbeam (carpinus Turezaninowii)
- Origin: Imported from Japan
- Category: Chuhin plus
- Style: Informal
- Size: Height of the tree 81:28 cm / 32"
- Potter: Japanese
- Stand: Homemade
- History: Bought from Dia-Ichi. Bonsai approximately 10 years ago. Having restyled many of the branches over the 10years. Repotted every 2nd or 3rd year. FLOWERS every year. And also has a good Autumn colour.
- Date of photo taken: 20Jul21

Shohin Trees



BT038

- Species: Japanese white pine (pinus parviflora)
- Origin: Japan (imported from Holland 2016)
- Category: Shohin
- Style: Semi cascade
- Size: Height of the tree 19cm / 7.48"
- Potter: unknown
- Stand: unknown
- History: Imported by the owner in 2016 from a commercial nursery in Holland as a basic informal upright. Restyled with a view to developing a semi cascade image and basic foliage dome established in 2016. Refining and detailed wiring have been repeated each year with the lowest foliage pad established in 2019. The 2021 new growth is just about to explode.
- Date of photo taken: 13Jul21



BT039

- Species: Trident Maple (Acer buergerianum)
- Origin: Acquired from a club colleague in 2012
- Category: Shohin
- Style: Root over rock
- Size: Height of the tree 22cm / 8.5"
- Potter: unknown
- Stand: unknown
- History: Acquired around 2012 as an immature tree from a club colleague. I had been looking after the tree over the summer and my colleague decided to give up the hobby. By 2016 the root ball had been reduced to the extent that she could live happily within the current shallow oval pot I had ear marked. A basic canopy shape was established about the same time and continues to be developed each season (largely by clip and grow). The tree is intended to be displayed in both summer and winter images.
- Date of photo taken: 14Jul21

Mame Trees

No entries in Aug21

Pots

Chu hin Pots



BP028

- Category: Chu hin
- Style: rectangular
- Size: 30x25x7cm
- Potter: Dragonfly Bonsai Pots
- Date of photo taken: June 2021

Shohin Pots

No entries in Aug21

Mame Pots



BP029

- Category: Mame
- Style: moon shap Mame Pot
- Size: H10 x dia 9.5cm
- Potter: MingChen Moreland
- Date of photo taken: 28Jul21

Bonsai Events

Aug21 & Sep21
28-30Aug21 Sat-Mon (Cancelled)
Wirral Bonsai Main Show

High Road, Burton, South Wirral. CH64 8TF.
Adm: Free. Times: 0930-1730/1000-1630/0930-1600.hrs
Contact: Andy Hardman 07513.953646
Email: andy.hardman@hotmail.co.uk
www.wirralbonsaisociety.wordpress.com

29Aug21 Sun (Confirmed)
Bonsai Shed Car Booty,
Wood Stock Lane North,
Hill Park Rose Centre,
Thames Ditton, Surrey. KT6 5HN.
Adm: Free. Times:0900-1200.hrs.
Contact: Andrew Barber 07590.595538
Email: foodsmithltd@gmail.com
Demonstration by:
Will Baddeley & Nacho Salar

5Sep21 Sun (Confirmed)
East Anglian Bonsai Show
Kesgrave War Memorial Community
Centre,
Twelve Acre Approach, Kesgrave,
Suffolk. IP5 1JF.
Adm: £3 or £5 a couple -16.yrs free
Times: 1000-1600.hrs.

Contact: Dave Fryer 07449.801297
Email: daveafryer@aol.com

Supporting Clubs:
Bury St Edmunds & Cambridge Bonsai Club
Ipswich Bonsai Society
Middlesex Bonsai Society
Norfolk Bonsai Association
North London Bonsai Group
Southend Bonsai Society
Supporting Traders:
Ato-Saki Bonsai
Bon-Tag
Bonsai Shed
Bonsaistow
Dei Bonsai Pots
Driftwood Bonsai
Reid Bonsai
Stone Monkey Ceramics
Suteki Accent Pots
Walsall Studio Ceramics
Plus 4 x Private Sellers

12Sep21 Sun (Confirmed)
South Staffs Bonsai Show
Birmingham Botanical Gardens,
Westbourne Road, Edgbaston,
Birmingham, Midlands. B15 3TR.
Adm: tba. Times: 1000-1600.hrs
Contact: David Barnsley 0121.6822200
Email: davidbarnsley@blueyonder.co.uk
Supporting Club: Stourbridge Bonsai
Society

19Sep21
South East Bonsai Fair (Confirmed)
Little Fant Farm, Farleigh Lane,
Maidstone, Kent. ME16 9LY.
Adm: £1 per car. Times:1000-1500.hrs
Contact: Adam Hadley 07765.522117
Email:hadoribonsai@gmail.com

26Sep21 Sun (Confirmed)
National Shohin Exhibition & Car Boot Sale
Markham Grange Nursery,
Longlands Lane, Brodsworth,
Doncaster, South Yorkshire. DN5 7XB.
Adm: Free. Times: 0900-1500.hrs
Contact: Dave Newman 07966.405134
Email: georgeanddavenewman@yahoo.co.uk
Contact: Daryl Harris 07376.582222
Email: darylh@gmx.co.uk
Contact: John Skill 07818.110978
Email: karskill@aol.com

We completely understand that many

shows are currently cancelled or on hold. Keeping the date of an event provisionally marked on the events diary gives everybody a clear indication of your intentions to hold an event on a particular date when we come out of this pandemic. Please check out UKBA website for the most up to date information on events happening in the future. Thank you

Bonsai Event Reports

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Reports & Gallery

18Jul21 Sun

Bedfordshire Bonsai Car Boot Sale
Central Bedfordshire Council Depot,
Claphill, Bedfordshire. MK45 2AF.

21-25Jul21

Cheshire Bonsai Society
Flower Show RHS Tatton Park, Knutsford,
WA16 6SG.

24Jul21

Surrey Heath Bonsai Society
Wood Street Village Show
The Green, Guildford, Surrey. GU3.

25Jul21 Sun

Staverton Bonsai Car Boot Sale
Bradley Road, Southwick, Wiltshire. BA14 9RH.

25Jul21 Sun

Chiltern Bonsai Show
Liston Hall, Chapel Street, Marlow,
Buckinghamshire, SL7 1DD

Club Speaker Nights

At long last clubs are starting to get back to meeting physically with visiting speakers delivering talks and demonstrations. If you are interested in attending a club night as a guest, please confirm all details with the club contact before making the journey. We would ask all guests visiting a club to make a donation of £5 towards the respective club. Thank you.

21Sep21 Tue (1945.hrs)

Middlesex Bonsai Society
Talk by Mark Kerry
Subject: Junipers
Ctc: Chris McEvoy 07983.537069
Email: christopher.mcevoy1@btinternet.com

16Nov21 Tue (1945.hrs)

Middlesex Bonsai Society
Talk by Andy Jordan
Subject: Shohin & Mame
Ctc: Chris McEvoy 07983.537069
Email: christopher.mcevoy1@btinternet.com

Notice Board

UKBA Membership

Thanking you for your support, today 1Aug21 UKBA membership stands at a total of 1768, expanding daily.

29Aug21

Bonsai Shed Car Booty
Hill Park Rose Centre,
Wood Stock Lane North,
Thames Ditton, Surrey. KT6 5HN.

If you wish to sell anything in the auction or have a car boot plot, please contact:
Andrew Barber 07590.595538
Email: foodsmithltd@gmail.com

5Sep21

East Anglian Bonsai Show
A kind invite has gone out to all other clubs if they would like to put on a display at this show, please contact:

Dave Fryer 07749.801297
Email: daveafryer@aol.com

19Sep21

South East Bonsai Fair
Little Fant Farm, Farleigh Lane, Maidstone, ME16 9LY.
If you wish to have a car boot pitch, please contact: Adam Hadley 07765.522117
Email: hadoribonsai@gmail.com

8May22

Expo Bonsai UK
Submissions to exhibit a tree open from 1Aug21 until 31Jan22.

Please e mail: ebuk18 at gmail.com for full details. We are looking for submissions for consideration to exhibit Mame, Shohin and standard sized bonsai. Looking for high quality mature trees which will be displayed in an appropriate manner as with previous ExpoBonsai shows. Each submission will have its own 6ft length for display. Exhibitors may submit for a maximum of three spaces. Submissions will only be accepted through this e mail address.

The show will be in line with any Covid restrictions in place at that time.

New Traders

Maybe a good sign coming out of this pandemic is we have some new suppliers, please find their complete details listed on the UKBA website:

- Beechfield - Mark Akins
- Dei Ceramics - Dawn Isaac
- Hadori Bonsai - Adam Hadley
- Oakfield Bonsai - Rob Derrick
- Oceania Bonsai - Andrew Avraam
- Spectre Ceramics - Chris Jeffreys
- Troll Pots - Tony Oswin

Bonsai Focus 2021 Jul/Aug 171/194

Contact: www.bonsaifocus.com
Latest edition highlighting:
Jan Culek from Czech Republic styles an Pine tree.
Master Oota from Japan grafting new branches.
Bjorn Bjorholm from US works on a pine grown from seed.
Jurg Staheli from Switzerland tries to find the perfect shapes for pots.
Masahiko Kimura from Japan flips a juniper upside down.
Jorg Derliens from Germany finding the right pot.
Martin Nielsen from Denmark divides a single maple into two new trees.

Monthly Tasks

Below is a list of bonsai tasks to be carried out during the month of August, it must be adapted to your localised conditions and is meant only as a general advisory list of tasks for the bonsai enthusiast.

We are now coming towards the latter stages of summer and the trees are starting to slow down their active growth in preparation for autumn and the onset of changes to their leaves if they

are deciduous. Here is a quick generic guide to bonsai in August but for individual species you may need to adjust the guidance as well as the developmental stage your bonsai trees are at.

Watering

Continue to check your trees daily and water as required and you will have noticed they will still be taking up more water and dry out quicker in the hotter weather. Continue to maintain a higher level of watering at this stage. Water in the mornings ideally and if necessary water more than once a day.

Re-potting

None required unless emergency repotting required where the pot is damaged or there is a pest concern or drainage issue. Try not to damage the roots during an emergency repot and just place the tree in another pot of the same size or larger for the time being until the correct repotting season without root pruning or disturbance.

Feeding

This is the time to continue feeding while the trees are actively growing before they start to go into autumn.

Organic feeds are preferable to chemical feeds including products like liquid seaweed and this can be fed daily as part of the watering regime or less often depending on the stage of development of the tree.

Ideal feeding at this time is liquid feed as the watering regime has picked up and you can feed with each watering, and the general rule is little and often.

Pruning

This is the time to prune back all excessive growth on deciduous trees and start to work on removing the larger leaves on a regular basis in preference of retaining the smaller leaves forming after the larger leaves have been removed.

Trimming

Continue to trim long extension shoots to maintain the shape through regular trimming and remove the terminal shoot in some species to aid with creating a more compact form.

Continue to prune tropical trees to maintain their shape and trim the new shoots.

Root pruning

This is not applicable at present unless any trees are being repotted but for the majority of species they should already have been done.

Insects and pests

Check for the repeat infestations of bugs and pests like green and black fly, red spider mite, scale insect, mealy bug as well as vine weevil beetles. With the warmer weather insect pests can start to build up numbers and are more likely to appear on the shoots and leaves and start causing foliage damage.

Watch out for the on set of mildew and prune out any damaged leaves or treat any infestations if found. Spray with insecticide as required or once a month for pest prevention using products like SB Invigorator. Methylated spirits cotton

buds are an effective method of removing scale insects from branches.

Moss and weed control

Continue to keep this in check and treat or remove unwanted moss and remove any newly forming weeds.

Wiring

Wiring can be started on some of the larger branches if the tree has been defoliated but otherwise it is not a good time to wire as the process can damage the foliage.

Protection

Protect from the heat of the sun if the trees have a thin bark like Japanese Beech and provide additional shade and wind protection to avoid leaf scorch or wind burn of the leaves.

Assessment

Continue to update your bonsai records and photograph your trees to record their progress.

Tools

This is something everyone should do each time they use their tools but often it is not easy to do depending on how often you are using your tools. However, it is good practice to clean and sharpen your tools after use and this is a good time to go through your tool kits and clean them up before the start of the pruning season.

Display areas

If you have trees out in display areas check that they are not drying out or getting too much sun and ensure they have shade if required as the temperatures during the day currently are fairly hot.

Propagation

This is a good time to take semi ripe cuttings from this years growth.

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 United States, see website for more badges.

United States Badges



Flat Top Team 1993

Image supplied by Dan Barton



Bonsai Today 1998

Image supplied by Jim Gould



Potomac Bonsai Ass Washington 1996

Image supplied by Paul Bowerbank

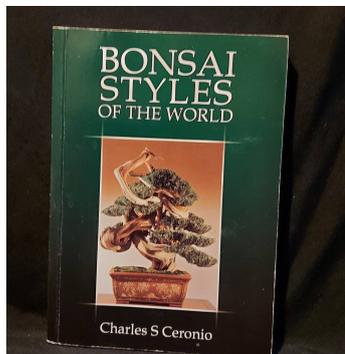


5th World Bonsai Convention

Image supplied by Richard Lock

Books

The book section on the website can be found in the knowledge section, we have nearly sixty books listed and ask kindly if you can recommend a book, old or new and we don't have it listed on the website, please email us an image, the title of the book, the authors name, the date published, the ISBN (International Standard Book Number) and of course can we use your name or do you want to be anonymous?



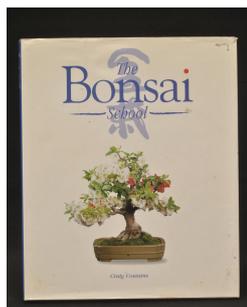
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Bonsai Styles Of The World

Published: 1999

ISBN: 0620326778

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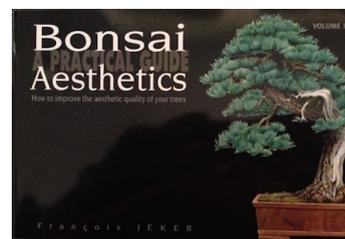


Craig Coussins

Bonsai School - Published: 2002

ISBN: 1856056821

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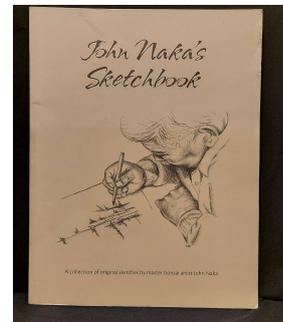


Francois Jeker

Bonsai Aesthetics - Published: 2000

ISBN: 9782951509955

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John Naka

Sketchbook - Published: 2002

ISBN: 970439245

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UKBA Quiz Aug21

LOGISTIC PUZZLE

Pentland Park is the country home of the 3rd Earl of Pentland. Through out the gardens are numerous expensive bonsai. Over a period of many years his well-off relatives have acquired for him numerous beautiful trees.

Can you work out where each bonsai is located, which relative gave it to him and when it was acquired? The trident maple, situated next to the pond, was purchased after 1990.

As was the bonsai kept in the herbaceous boarder, given to the Earl by Aunt Jemima.

The white pine, which was acquired by one of the Aunts is not located in the sunken lawn.

The bonsai bought in 1993 is not the one bought by Uncle Wilfred.

Uncle George's zelkova is not kept in the drive, which is where you can find the bonsai bought in 1980. Aunt Alice's present was given in 1978, while the elm was bought for the millennium

[Tip:- record in the grid all the information obtained from the clues by using ticks and crosses; use elimination and cross-referencing to solve the puzzle].

	Location					Year				Relation					
	Rose Garden	Sunken Lawn	Drive	Pond	Herbaceous Boarder	1978	1980	1985	1993	2000	Aunt Alice	Aunt Jemima	Uncle George	Uncle Horace	Uncle Wilfred
White Pine															
Trident Maple															
Jasper															
Elm															
Zelkova															
Aunt Alice															
Aunt Jemima															
Uncle George															
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Answers to Jun21 Quiz

Answer £100

--- Geoff Conybeare

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