

# Guidelines

to enter trees in the

# Annual Show

and

# Rules

for the

# Annual Show

# Competition



**BONSAI**  
CENTRAL COAST

# ANNUAL SHOW

All club members are encouraged to participate and enter trees in the Annual show. Entering a tree into the Annual Show does **NOT** automatically enter that tree into the concurrent competition. If you wish to enter your tree into the concurrent competition, see the Competition guideline below.

## HOW TO ENTER TREES INTO THE ANNUAL SHOW

Upon entering the exhibition room record your name and tree description in the **Show Register**. You will be provided a unique number to identify your tree. This unique number must be affixed to the tree.

Ideally all trees should be displayed on a stand and accompanied by a Soe or display stone.

## PICKING UP YOUR TREES AT THE END OF THE SHOW

After the exhibition is finished collect your tree and show the tree number to the attendant. The attendant will cross reference the **Show Register** and note you have removed your tree from the exhibition.

# ANNUAL COMPETITION

As stated above, entering a tree into the Annual Show does **NOT** automatically enter that same tree into the **Annual Competition**. Additional steps and rules apply as outlined below.

## COMPETITION LEVELS

Club members are encouraged to participate in the **Annual Competition** which is arranged in ***progressive levels*** and one ***special category***.

The ***progressive levels*** through which an individual may progress over the years are (in sequential order): Novice, Intermediate and Advanced.

The ***special category is***: Mini. Anyone can enter the mini competition.

## **WHICH LEVEL TO ENTER**

The level in which members enter the Annual Show Competition is linked to the level the members is qualified to enter the Monthly Bench Competition in that year. By way of an example, if a member enters the Monthly Bench Competition at an Intermediate level then they enter the Annual Show Competition at the Intermediate level.

The Mini section of the Annual Show is open to all members and does not have levels.

Members are encouraged to enter multiple trees in the Annual Show Competition.

## **CONDITIONS OF EACH LEVEL / CATEGORY**

**Wire:** All sections may have wire on branches.

Novice and Intermediate may have wire on the trunk. Advanced & Mini must not have wire on the trunk.

**Ownership & Care:** Exhibited material may be the complete work of the exhibitor or may have been purchased in a completed form. Material that has been purchased in a completed form must have been in the exhibitor's care and possession for a minimum period of twelve (12) months before entering the Annual Competition.

**Pots:** Novice, Intermediate, Advanced, and Mini trees must be displayed in a bonsai pot.

**Height:** There are no height restrictions in any level or category other than the Mini category. A Mini must not exceed 20cm from the rim of the pot to the upper tip of the tree.

## **REGISTERING COMPETITION TREES**

Competitors may enter multiple trees in each level they are entitled to enter.

In addition to registering a tree in the **Show Register** (described above), record the competition level you wish to enter the tree.

Having registered the tree in the competition, you will be provided a colour marker signifying that level.

**Novice = Yellow**

**Advanced = Red**

**Intermediate = Green**

**Mini = Orange**

**The colour marker must be clearly affixed within the pot.** Failure to do so will result in the tree **NOT** being judged and therefore ineligible to win a prize.

### **JUDGING**

Judging is typically conducted by a panel experienced club members or a judge from outside the club. Results are averaged, to determine 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place in each category. When members are judges they do not judge their own trees.

### **CONTACTS**

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