# Gikes Peak Bonsai Society



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Last month's club meeting

Bonsai Show

President of PPB has an announcement to make.

This month's club meeting will be on March 17 at Firehouse # 14. 1875 Dublin Blvd. Colorado Springs, CO 80918

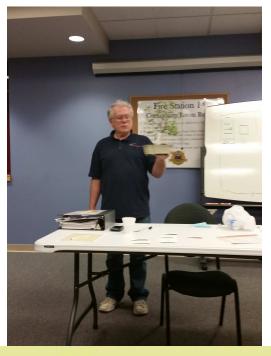


## February 2015 Meeting

In our last meeting we had a white elephant sale where members brought some of their bonsai items that were laying around the house and we auctioned them off. The club made a little bit of money as 20% of the sale went to the club and 80% went to the individual who made the sale. Members brought all kinds of things to be auctioned such as pots, books, a tool box etc. The highlight of the event were the bonsai that were being auctioned as everyone seemed to want to fight over who can bid the highest. I myself walked away with at least three bonsai. We were kind of overwhelmed with pots as most of the members brought pots that were just laying around their house. Needless to say, not all the post that were brought were sold and were taken back home by whoever brought them. It was a fun event and the club got to earn a little bit of money. If you didn't attend last month's meeting then you surely missed out on some amazing bonsai items.









HONEST! IT WAS THE ONLY TREE I COULD FIND!

# Discussion for next meeting

In our next meeting we will discuss Yamadori. The equipments, techniques etc. We will also talk about permits, where to get them and how much they will cost, and a place to go from April 15 to May 31.

## **Our Bonsai Show**

Our Bonsai show is scheduled for July 17<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup> at the new 21C library. It is located near Chapel Hills Mall @ 1175 Chapel Hills Dr. Colorado Springs, CO 80920

### Announcement

Our President Steve Alford wants me to let you all know that he has a very important announcement to make at our next club meeting. So please make sure that you all attend the meeting.

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2015**

#### March 17

Discuss Yamadori: Equipment, techniques etc. Where to get permits and how much they cost. We will also pick a place to go from April 15 to May 31. Those interested may sign up.

#### April 21

Pots!! How to choose the right one. Different styles, types, advantages and disadvantages of each type. Making your own pot. Get ready for the two upcoming tree sales we will be doing in May.

#### May 3

Matt Reel is going to be in Colorado Springs for a workshop from 9:30 am to 1:30 pm. Meeting place will be at Firehouse # 14, details and price to be announced.

#### **May 19**

Discuss soil and getting ready to pot deciduous trees at the end of May and June. We will hopefully be doing a workshop with Matt Reel sometime in May.

#### June 16

Discuss and show how to protect trees from the elements; hail and sun. Plan a nursery crawl for this month where we will go to a local nursery and look for tree material for the upcoming workshops with Potentilla with Todd in September. Look for volunteer to host a workshop at their home for Potentilla in August.

#### **July 21**

Propagating with cuttings, seed grafting and air layering. A workshop will be planned at S&S Bonsai for grafting. We hope to have a show this month or next month.

#### August 18

How to make Potentilla bonsai tree workshop with material we got in June's nursery crawl

#### September 15

Workshop with Todd Schaffer from Denver on Junipers.

#### October 20

Discuss winter preparedness. Polyhouse designs, garage use, basement windows etc. Plan Christmas party for 2015 and nominate people for the next board.

#### **November 17**

Elections. Will announce other agenda later on.

#### **December 15**

Christmas Party. No monthly meeting