

**Final Call for Nominations to the  
Board of Directors of the  
International Palm Society**

The International Palm Society is soliciting nominations for the Board of Directors for the directors' term 2002 to 2006. The election will be in the summer of 2002, but nominations must be received by DECEMBER 15, 2001 to allow for ballot distribution with the March 2002, *PALMS*.

If interested in nominating someone (or in being nominated) to the Board of Directors, you must contact Sue Rowlands, Nominating Committee Chairman, and/or Libby Besse, the Administrative Secretary.

**Nomination procedures and requirements (as stated in our by-laws.):** All members in good standing may propose candidates for nomination by writing to the Administrative Secretary of the Society. A nomination must be accompanied by the written consent of the proposed candidate to serve if nominated by the committee and elected by the membership. This must be accompanied or followed by a second nomination from another member in good standing. Required documentation should be sent prior to December 15<sup>th</sup> by email or regular mail to the Administrative Secretary, Libby Besse with a copy to Sue Rowlands, Nominations Committee Chairman.

A member of the Society must be in good standing for two years before being nominated as a director. The Editors and Bookstore chairman are automatically on the board of directors, as is an outgoing President (for 2 years).

**Nominating Committee Ballot and Election Guidelines:** Directors are elected for a four-year term, with terms staggered so that approximately half the Directors shall be elected at each Biennial meeting. As stated in our by-laws "The Nominations Chairman will obtain from the Secretary a tally of membership according to regional distribution of members and use this as a guideline to obtaining and selecting representation worldwide." We are looking for qualified candidates to fill these positions who are willing to contribute to the success of the International Palm Society. Strong considerations are given to members with an

ability and willingness to travel to meetings and a demonstrated interest in the activities of the International Palm Society.

Based on the above guidelines and the number and qualifications of nominees, the Nominating Committee will prepare the slate of Nominees for Directors and the associated ballot to be sent with the March, 2002 issue of *Palms*. Each individual member who is voting must submit his or her own ballot.

There are up to 34 Directors on the Board of Directors. Fifteen will be elected this term. One of the three new members added to increase board participation from geographical areas with little or no representation will be added to Europe in hopes of broadening the representation from the many countries in that area. (Two positions from other areas of the world were added in the 2000 election.)

There will be directors' positions open in the following areas this election:

- Australia - 1
- Southwestern USA - 2
- Asia - 1
- Hawaii and US Islands - 2
- Europe - 2
- Southeastern USA - 4
- Canada & Northwest USA - 1
- South Central USA - 1
- Northeastern USA - 1

The goal is to have several candidates for each board position, but this will depend on receipt of sufficient qualified nominations. We are looking for your input if you have a qualified candidate in mind.

Please direct all questions concerning nominations, elections and requirements of Directors and processes of the Board of Directors as outlined in the By-Laws of the Society to Sue Rowlands and/or Libby Besse.

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*The Deadline for Nominations is  
December 15, 2001.*

*Prospective directors should read carefully the Duties and Expectations of  
IPS Directors, which follow below.*

### **Duties and Expectations: Information for Prospective IPS Directors:**

The Directors have general charge and direction of the affairs and business of the Society, the care and management of the Society's funds and other property, with power to invest, reinvest and transfer the same at their discretion. Directors are expected to take an active role in these activities and serve on appropriate committees set up to concentrate on specific tasks or concerns.

The Board of Directors shall consist of up to thirty-four members, including Officers. Newly elected Officers and Directors take office immediately after the close of the Biennial meeting at which they were elected; i.e., the first meeting held at the 2002 Biennial. A meeting of the new Board of Directors will then be held for the approval of newly appointed committees and other new business. Newly elected Officers and Directors are also invited to observe at the last meeting of their predecessors.

The board meets at least once per year (at the Biennial and Mid-Term Directors meetings). At each of these, Directors are usually tied up in business meetings (conducting the business of the society) for at least one full day. Sometimes additional directors meetings are required.

If Officers or Directors are removed for cause including inattention to the conduct of the Society's affairs or general ineptitude, the vacancies or vacancy so occurring shall be filled by a majority vote of the Directors at their next meeting for the unexpired term of such removed Officers or Directors. This includes members dropped for non-payment of dues.

There shall be an Executive Committee of the Board of Directors. It shall serve at the call of the President and/or Vice-President, who shall serve as Chairman. There shall be at least four other Directors, who shall be appointed from time to time by the President and/or Vice-President. All Directors shall be notified of all Executive Committee meetings and any Director attending shall also be a member of the Executive Committee for that meeting. The minutes and decisions reached and actions recommended at such meeting shall be circulated to non-attending Directors for their approval or disapproval. This is currently done by email to most Directors, with a very few distributed by regular mail or fax. Approval by a sufficient number of Directors which, when added to the number serving on the Executive committee at any meeting, and which constitutes a majority of the Board, shall "render actions of the Committee of the same force and effect as actions taken by the full Board of Directors at a duly conducted meeting

### **Were you listed correctly in the last IPS? Membership Roster**

If you haven't already done so, please look over the *Membership Roster* that you received with your March 2001 issue of *Palms* and let us know if there are any errors in your entries. In particular, many area codes have changed. Is yours listed correctly? If not let us know.

This *Membership Roster* has been provided to all paid members for membership year 2001. Copies will be sent to non-renewing year 2000 members upon request. If by some chance you have not received your copy, please let us know.

Send any corrections via  
Email to [palms@allenpress.com](mailto:palms@allenpress.com) or to the IPS by mail.

## NEWS FROM AFFILIATES AND MEMBERS

### Palm and Cycad Societies of Australia (PACSOA)

Information from several individual branches of PACSOA is given under separate headings below, to the extent that information on local branch activities was provided to the Supplement editor.

For information on *Palms and Cycads Magazine* or Bookstore matters send an email to <pacsoa1@ozemail.com.au>. For Seed Bank information, email Rudy Meyer at <pacsoa2@ozemail.com.au>. For more about membership or general inquiries contact Greg Cuffe by email at <pacsoa3@ozemail.com.au>. Also check out the PACSOA website at <http://www.pacsoa.org.au>.

### Southern Queensland Group, PACSOA

The Southern Queensland Group (SQG) met on May 15<sup>th</sup> for a viewing of a video shot in Nong Nooch Gardens, Thailand. The video features well-known Australian palm person, Michael Ferrero giving an in-depth commentary on the palms. A spectacular large-leafed *Salacca magnifica* was among the plants available for the Raffle.

The SQG held their June outing at the Eudlo Cycad Gardens on the Sunshine Coast. A small group went on from there to Utopia Palms and Cycads.

The July 17<sup>th</sup> meeting featured two guest speakers. Tony Huntington spoke about *Cycas bougainvilliana* and other New Guinea cycads. Greg Smith then gave a presentation on "Growing Palms in Brisbane." The Raffle included a medium-sized *Hydriastele* sp. from New Guinea along with other palms and cycads.

An outing to Stan Walkley's garden was set for August 19<sup>th</sup>. Due to Stan's early start with new species, his garden has many of the largest specimens in southeast Queensland, e.g., *Beccariophoenix*, *Lemurophoenix* and *Polyandrococos*.

For information on the Southern Queensland branch of PACSOA, write the Secretary, PACSOA - S.Q.G., P. O. Box 376, Ashgrove, 4060, Australia, or email Daryl O'Connor <doconnor@austar.com.au> or Michael Gray <mikeg@pacsoa.org.au>.

### Sunshine Coast Branch, PACSOA

Instead of evening meetings, the Group now meets bimonthly at members' houses where, after a brief business meeting, the member's garden is inspected. Hosts so far have been Cheryl Basic in April and John English in June with the August meeting scheduled for Ben Hudson's and Stan Walkley's properties. As usual the group put a display into the Queensland Garden Expo held at Nambour in July. Our allotted space was larger than ever before and our display correspondingly less cramped, showing our plants to much greater advantage.

For more on the Sunshine Coast Branch, write the Secretary, Palm & Cycad Society - Sunshine Coast Group, P. O. Box 1007, Nambour, QLD 4560, Australia or email Jeanne Price <pacsoa@spiderweb.com.au>.

### Far North Queensland Palm & Cycad Society News

The Far North Queensland Palm & Cycad Society (FNQPACA) participated in December 2000 in the year-end plant sale sponsored by The Friends of the Botanic Gardens (held at Flecker Botanic Gardens). Thirty-seven palms were donated for the raffle by local palm nurseries and palm gardeners.

New officers for 2001 are:

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| • President  | Bill Beattie    |
| • Vice Pres. | Michael Edwards |
| • Secretary  | John Roach      |
| • Treasurer  | Wally Smyth     |
| • Editor     | Bill Beattie    |
| • Publicity  | Paul Agnelli    |
| • Events     | Rob Feyen       |
| • Webmaster  | Tony Roberts    |

The July 2001 issue of *Wodyetia*, journal of FNQPACA, featured "Getting to know your *Pigafetta*" by Michael Ferrero, a member profile on Jan Smith and Rob Anderson, "Saw Palmetto [*Serenoa repens*]" by Doug Falconer and various items of local interest. Included was information on introduced palms from Madagascar by Bill Beattie and a "Thank you" letter from former IPS President Phil Bergman for the FNQPACA's efforts in hosting the 2000 Post-Biennial Tour in North Queensland, attended by some 80 IPS members. Special thanks to Ivan Nozaic, Rob Northey and Wally Smyth who represented the heart of the IPS Post Tour

Committee. They and all other volunteers went to much trouble to make the event successful.

For information on the FNQPACA see <http://www.geocities.com/fnqpaca/> or send an email to Bill Beattie, President, at <wmbeattie@hotmail.com>.

### **News from the Sydney Branch (PACSOA) IPS Chapter**

The Sydney Branch, PACSOA, Chapter of the IPS met on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. The speaker was Ian Edwards, who gave a slide presentation about his trip to the Amazon last year. Also included were some of the interesting palms, cycads and hothouse plants that Ian saw during a stopover at the Montgomery Botanical Center and the Fairchild Tropical Gardens.

The Sydney Branch sponsored a major field trip to Sarawak 8<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup> June 2001 for those nine participants lucky enough to attend (eight from Sydney and one from France). At the Branch meeting on July 24<sup>th</sup>, Fred Moody gave a slide presentation on this recent excursion. The usual auction and raffle followed the talk.

For more information about the Sydney Branch, contact President Ian Edwards at <ianse@ozemail.com.au> or IPS Chapter Liaison Representative Peter Kristensen at <kristens@idx.com.au>.

### **North Queensland Palm Society, PACSOA Branch News**

For information on the North Queensland Palm Society, write the Secretary, North Queensland Palm Society, P. O. Box 1731, Aitkenvale, Queensland 4814, Australia.

### **South Australian Branch, PACSOA**

For more information, write the Secretary, Palm and Cycad Society of South Australia, P. O. Box 390, Prospect, S. A., 5082, Australia.

### **Northern Territory Palm & Cycad Society, PACSOA**

For more information, write the Secretary, Northern Territory Palm & Cycad Society, P. O. Box 37979, Winnellie, N. T., 0821, Australia.

## **Palm & Cycad Society of Western Australia News**

The Palm & Cycad Society of Western Australia (PACSOWA) met on June 26<sup>th</sup> to hear Bill Gaynor talk about the cycad genera *Cycas*, *Macrozamia*, *Lepidozamia*, *Ceratozamia* and *Stangeria*. Cliff Britto gave a short talk about two new introductions: *Calyptrocalyx* sp. Mount Lewis and *Brassiophoenix schumannii*.

PACSOWA met again on July 24<sup>th</sup> when Cliff Britto led a discussion on the many diverse palms in the genus *Dypsis*. Raffle prizes included a *Rhopalostylis cheesemani*, a *Brassiophoenix schumannii* and a *Calyptrocalyx* sp. Mount Lewis.

The July 1<sup>st</sup> Gascoyne Park "busy bee" was most productive. Eighty-eight palms were planted on the day, a fantastic effort considering the small number of volunteers. Palms planted on the day were:

- 18 x *Chamaerops humilis* var. *cerifera*  
(blue form)
- 1 x *Coccothrinax argentata*
- 4 x *Coccothrinax inaguensis*
- 4 x *Ravenea* sp. [j1]
- 5 x *Beccariophoenix madagascariensis*
- 26 x *Ravenea xerophila*
- 2 x *Chamaedorea tepejilote*
- 1 x *Pritchardia hildebrandii* var. 'Dwarf Blue'
- 10 x *Trachycarpus latisectus*
- 2 x *Cryosophila warszewiczii*
- 1 x *Butia capitata*
- 3 x *Ravenea glauca*
- 1 x *Archontophoenix maxima*

Additional "busy bees" for 2001 scheduled are July 22, August 19, September 23, October 21 and November 18.

For more information on PACSOWA, contact Barry Shelton <mews@eon.net.au> or President Gary Pike.

Also check out the PACSOWA website <http://palmswest.wawebsite.com.au>.

### **Another Hardy Palm Website**

IPS member Joe Bunnewith writes that his website, *Growing Hardy Palms and Subtropicals in Rhode Island*, remains at the same location, <http://users.ids.net/~joeb>. He is in the process of revamping many of the pages and invites your feedback. Write him at <joeb@ids.net>.

## **Pacific Northwest Palm & Exotic Plant Society News**

The August issue of *Hardy Palm International*, journal of the Pacific Northwest Palm & Exotic Plant Society, featured an interesting article on David Robinson's Earcliff Garden near Dublin, Ireland, as well as several articles on exotic non-palms and an unusual *Washingtonia* in Edmonds, Washington

PNWP&EPS held their annual garden tour in mid-July and this year it was the North Shore of Vancouver. Five gardens were featured and about 60 people braved the 13°C (55°F) summer rain. The gardens varied between mature exotics and a small city lot. The event was very popular.

The Society's summer BBQ was held August 19<sup>th</sup> at Rudi and Donna Pinkowski's home in North Vancouver. An Open House on Saltspring Island was also scheduled for August 26<sup>th</sup>, to start at Bob McGinn's place on Old Scott Road.

September 8<sup>th</sup> will feature an Open House and Tour starting at the home of Phil Davies in Surrey.

PNWP&EPS general meetings are planned for September 24<sup>th</sup> and November 26<sup>th</sup> at VanDusen Gardens. The September meeting will feature Alleyne Cook and his tour of the coasts of France and Spain. Elections will be held in November.

For more information, send an email to the society at [jubaeas@yahoo.com](mailto:jubaeas@yahoo.com) or visit on the web at <http://www.palms.org/pacific>.

## **News from Palmeraie-Union, the La Réunion Chapter**

For information on Palmeraie-Union, contact Chairman Thierry Hubert at < [palmeraie.union@wanadoo.fr](mailto:palmeraie.union@wanadoo.fr) > or fax to the Corresponding Secretary Nicole Ludwig 0262 56 97 36, or send mail to P.O. Box 10, 97429 – PETIE-ILE, LA RÉUNION< FRANCE.

Nicole LUDWIG

Palmeraie-Union will host a visit from Manureva later this year. For more information on this opportunity to visit La Réunion, see "Calendar of Events" column at the end of this *Supplement*.

## **News from New Caledonia**

*Association Chambeyronia* meetings are held the first Wednesday of each month. For any information, contact: President Philippe Cherrier, B.P 1323 - 98845 Noumea, New Caledonia, Fax (687) 28 84 83, Email: < [philpalm@offratel.nc](mailto:philpalm@offratel.nc) >.

## **Fous de Palmiers The French Palm Society**

Throughout France we enjoyed one of the mildest, albeit humid, winters on record. It is often a season we dread but most of our members reported little or no damage to their palms, even in northern France.

The year started out with a get-together in the home of Pierre and Chantal Bianchi, who are correspondents for the association in Roussillon, that southernmost region of France along the Mediterranean, on the Spanish border. More than 20 members enjoyed a spring-like day (in Roussillon they described it as a "California winter") as they toured the garden and made plans for the upcoming year.

Next on the docket was a major plant show at Jacou, in the Hérault, near Montpellier, up the coast but also along the Mediterranean, the weekend of February 9, 10 and 11. The theme this year was orchids and tropicals surrounding ... palms! Among the highlights of the show were the conferences: Pierre-Olivier Albano gave a talk and slide show on tropical palms the first day and the second day he dealt with hardy palms for local gardens, while the last day Valérie Hoher described palms of economic importance. Each of the conferences was well attended and press releases afterwards were full of compliments.

Things really got rolling in March. The weekend of March 10 and 11 Antoine de Tata was in charge of a stand at the plant fair of the Côte Bleue, near Marseille. Thanks to stands such as these more and more people are inspired to plant palms in places not normally associated with them. That same weekend 29 members met at the opposite corner of France, in Nantes, along the northern Atlantic coast, invited by Claire and Jamal Ouagazzal. Nantes, as a seaport, was the site of many plant introductions from former French colonies. The day started off with a visit to the hotel of Mr. and Mrs. Moulet, Westotel, who were kind enough to guide members through their veritable palm

grove not only surrounding but also inside the hotel, where tropical specimens are planted. After that the group headed to the botanical garden to admire the *Trachycarpus* grove and the fabulous palmarum, a greenhouse over 200 years old, the cactus greenhouse and the orangerie. The last stop of the day was to the park, the Grand Blottereau, where the colonial school of botany was transferred around 1950. Here Marc Mansuis guided the visitors for this highlight of the day. The last event of the month was in Roussillon for a plant fair at Ille sur Têt. This included a slide show and talk by Pierre Bianchi, comparing commonly planted palms to other species, just as hardy but rarely used in gardens here.

**Le Palmier N° 26** appeared in March, including articles about the species *Washingtonia* in Roussillon, a portrait of Robert Fortune, the Scottish botanist whom we have to thank for introducing *Trachycarpus* to Europe, a new description of a visit to Florida by one of our members, the story of the transplantation of four adult palms, two *Washingtonia* and two *Jubaea*, destined for destruction if they were not moved and finally a portrait of one of our members. When sending out our magazine we also send out ballots to elect our new Board of Directors, which we do by mail, making it possible for a maximum of our members to vote and, at the same time, invitations were sent out for our annual General Assembly.

Southeastern members met at the beginning of April for a day of visits in Monaco, led by Eric Vermiglio. IPS members coming for the Biennial next year in France will have an opportunity to visit the beautiful gardens here, from those surrounding the casino to the new gardens on the waterfront, on land reclaimed from the Mediterranean. In Monaco land is at a premium and the only way to expand is up, as evidenced by the skyscrapers here or ... out to sea! The weekend of April 21 and 22 Antoine de Tata again welcomed visitors to the plant show at the Cours Julien in Marseille.

The following long holiday weekend, April 27 through May 1, we met in Uzès in the Gard for our annual General Assembly. The results of the election for our Board of Directors and officers were announced (see **Supplement to Palms**, Vol. 45(2) June 2001). The festivities included guided tours of Uzès (a lovely and perfectly restored

medieval town), the annual Festival des Jardins, a visit to a nursery between Nîmes and Montpellier nearby, a dinner that included a magic show put together by Antoine de Tata and his grandson, a photography exhibition with the work of Françoise Maunoury, conferences by Pierre-Olivier Albano, Jean-Christophe Pintaud, Patrice Fauchier and renowned botanist Jean-Marie Pelt, a visit to the Bambouseraie of Anduze (a collection of hardy bamboos growing in a grove planted over 100 years ago) and, last but not least, a guided tour of the Pont du Gard, an aqueduct dating back to the Romans, near Uzès. It was a memorable weekend and we made plans to meet next year in Roussillon for our next General Assembly.

May was the busiest month of all, with plant shows and fairs all over the country. Jean Gourier and Jean-Pierre Gadiollet were present at stands in Brest and Quimper in Brittany while Patrice Fauchier gave a conference at the Horticulture and Arborist Society of the Bouches du Rhône. Dominique Cordonnier organized a plant fair in the Pyrénées Orientales where Catherine Lelievre welcomed the Fous and the general public and answered countless questions about palms. On May 12 Emmanuel Vericel organized a tour of palms in and around Lyon. On that day Christian Rimbaud guided members through the greenhouse of the park of la Tête d'Or while Mr. and Mrs. Pigeot opened their garden in Rillieux la Pape, set on a hillside overlooking the city of Lyon, the Rhône river and the Alps in the distance. The two annual plant fairs at the château de Gaujacq in southwestern France and at the château de Courson near Paris drew crowds again this year.

In June, Christiane and Jean-Michel Hardy welcomed visitors to their lovely garden near the Atlantic coast graced cordylines, cycads, banana plants and a fine collection of palms.

Palms had great press during the course of the spring with national coverage on television and radio and numerous articles in the press, including the magazines *Détente Jardin*, *Rustica*, *Horticulture et Paysage Magazine* and the *Lien Horticole*. And our Internet site enjoys growing popularity with both members and the general public as more and more people in France become "branchés" (hooked up)!

We rounded up the semester with the publication of *Le Palmier* N°27, an issue in which the *Butia capitata* x *Syagrus romanzoffiana* hybrid is highlighted. It includes a portrait of Gilbert Nabonnand, the Frenchman who, during the 19<sup>th</sup> century, was among the first to intentionally hybridise this beautiful palm in his nursery on the Riviera, translations of two articles by Dr. Wilcox, relating his work in producing this hybrid in Florida and the sighting of some up until now unknown specimens growing in a garden between Cannes and Nice. The last article is a detailed account of the Fous de Palmiers trip to Morocco in February to visit the palm groves there.

See separate articles in this Supplement on the 2002 European Biennial. For regular updates, we invite you to visit our website:

<http://www.chez.com/palmiers/biennale.php>

For more information about Fous de Palmiers contact me at:

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Steve Swinscoe

### **La Asociación Espanola de Amigos de las Palmas [Spain]**

For more about the Spanish Palm Society, *La Asociación Espanola de Amigos de las Palmas*, please email the President, Tomás Font <T.Font@ono.com>. Please correct the contact email address for Tomás Font given in the recent *IPS Membership Roster*, as the one listed there should no longer be used for Spanish palm society correspondence.

### **News from Manureva**

The *Manureva* "trait d'union" was released in June. The main interview featured nurseryman Jean-Marie Rey who explained his view of the nursery future in the new open competitive world. That was followed by an article on the unusual and elusive hybrid between *Butia capitata* and *Allagoptera arenaria* (which may be first written on the subject). The description was based on Dr. Young's specimen in Tampa, Florida. The central section featured the President's garden under the snow on March 1<sup>st</sup>, followed by more on a poorly known plant genus, the *Doryanthes*. We saw its fantastic flowers in Oratia (NZ) at Dick Endt's estate. The journal then described meetings and events attended by *Manureva* members: Mimosalia in Bormes les Mimosas in late January, then the orchids

festival in Menton in February, followed by the pradet show in late March. There were also articles on two enthusiasts: Leland Lai from California and Charles Wychgel from Portugal. Nice photographs of *Cryosophila warscewiczii* and *Cyathea dealbata* illustrated that issue.

On June 22<sup>nd</sup> over thirty Manureva members joined together to visit the famed garden les Cedres at Saint Jean Cap Ferrat. The garden supplied several of our members with tall *Cyathea cooperi* some 15 years old Tree ferns are a nice addition to a palm garden for the ultimate tropical look

Although summer is a quiet period, there are several projects under preparation. Among those is the visit to the Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society in New Orleans, Louisiana (USA) by several Manureva members in early September. The fall journey to the Indian Ocean is taking shape with only four empty "seats" left (see *Calendar* feature at end of this *Supplement*). We will spend 7 days at la Réunion, 3 days in Mauritius and 9 days in the Seychelles

The IPS is a unique and extraordinary way to meet with people and make new friends all over the world

If you need information on Manureva or any of the above, please contact me via fax 33 (0) 4 94 64 74 71 or send an email to me at <r.coativy@libertysurf.fr>.

René Coativy

### **European Palm Society**

Winter 2000 issue (No. 41) of *Chamaerops*, journal of the European Palm Society (EPS), featured "More Palms in Tenerife" by Jose M. Zero, "Surprises in Palermo" by Juergen Plaumann, "Palms on the Net" by Lee Mullen, "Zamias and Chiguas of Colombia" by Alvaro Calonje Daly and "Books for your Shelves" by Carolyn Strudwick, and members' letters.

Two-year on-line membership is now £20, with three-year total reduced to £24. Single-year rates remain at £12. Hard copy *Chamaerops* subscription is £15. See details at the EPS website [www.palmsociety.org](http://www.palmsociety.org) or contact Martin Gibbons by fax on +44 20 8255 6192.

### **New Zealand Palm & Cycad Society**

The New Zealand Palm and Cycad Society met in April to hear Hilary Star, manager of Oratia Native Plant Nursery, speak on using New Zealand's natives for

landscaping. She brought display plants with her and demonstrated how they could be used in the urban landscape.

The May meeting featured Gerald de Villiers lecture on the Encephalartos of South Africa. His talk was a highlight. The Society also met on June 5<sup>th</sup>. Barbara Drury, from Taranaki, spoke on her experience with growing cycads.

A field trip was held on June 3<sup>rd</sup> to Alan Franklin's Waimuku Nursery. A major society trip is planned for February 2002 to Lord Howe Island (see Calendar)

Additional meetings are planned for the first Tuesday of each month through December, in Auckland.

For more information on the New Zealand Palm and Cycad Society, email their IPS Affiliate Correspondent Colin Ferguson at <colferg@xtra.co.nz>.

### South African Palm Society

*Palm Enthusiast* Vol. 18 No 2 was mailed at the beginning of July. It contains the following articles.

- A pilgrimage to *Sclerosperma* by Peter Mayotte MD, Winter Park, Florida. A very interesting travel story about one of Africa's most fascinating palms.
- The Amazon Part 3 Rainfall and Climate by Bernard Fischer, Nylstroom
- Pupunha - food from the Amazon Forest story about the local edible palm seeds.
- Pemba - story about Pemba Island of the coast of Tanzania with all the endemic palms by Collen Jansen and Hedy van Winkelhof
- Madagascar Palms for Temperate Climates - Bernard Fischer, Nylstroom
- Wild Population of *Chamaerops humilis* in France - by Robert Pelissier, France
- A palm tour to Mexico Part 1 - by Bernard Fischer, Nylstroom
- Growing *Chamaedorea* - by Piet Vorster Stellenbosch

The Durban Branch of the South African Palm Society had an interesting Slide Show at the beginning of April about *Sclerosperma* in West Africa and the Palms of Cuba by Peter Mayotte MD of Winter Park, Florida while he visited South Africa and Mozambique.

Peter Wunderlin

For more on the South African Palm Society, visit <http://www.sapalm.co.za> or

contact the Secretary, Louise van Rensen, telephone +27 12 3762733 business and +27 12 3762413 home, or email to <info@sapalm.co.za>.

### The Palm Society of Maui

For further information on the *Maui Palm Society*, contact Sunya Echternach, P.O. Box 790893, Paia, Maui, HI 96779 (or telephone messages to 808-280-0788).

### Island of Hawaii Chapter

In early August, the Hawaii Island Palm Society (HIPS) took a field trip to Oahu. The group toured Ho'omaluhia, Lyon, and Foster Botanical Gardens. Ray Baker was the expert guide, and those fortunate enough to attend had a blast. There were only 8 or 9 in the group (depending on who showed up from Oahu and Maui for any particular garden). Ken Banks wrote, "I learned a ton. A real highlight was the end of the visit to Lyon, which was the last place we went. It was late on a crystal clear, breezy afternoon, and we were looking at *Pritchardia martii*. What gorgeous palms! Ray has at least three distinct types there."

Future events planned by HIPS for this year also include:

- Sept. 23: Kona meeting and field trip
- October 7, Brainstorming session for the 2004 Biennial
- Oct 26, 7:00 Slide Show by Ray Baker, of Lyon Arboretum
- Nov. 11, 1:00 P.M. Zoo plant tour
- Jan. 18, 2002 at 5:00 Annual BBQ and Palm Auction

For more information on the Hawaii Island Palm Society, contact President Bo-Göran Lundkvist: <flyg@ilhawaii.net> or HIPS secretary Leanne Swan <larsandleanne@webtv.net>.

*The Hawaii Island Palm Society will host the IPS Biennial in 2004 and this post-tour. More information will be forthcoming on this major event.*

### Palm Society of Southern California

The Palm Society of Southern California (PSSC) held a May 26<sup>th</sup> Palm and Cycad Sale at Quail Botanical Gardens in San Diego County. The first speaker was Lyle Arnold, "Palms of New Caledonia and



the 2000 I.P.S. New Caledonia Biennial." Randy Moore, PSSC's new Treasurer, gave a slide presentation on Fairchild Tropical Garden. The weather didn't cooperate; it drizzled and was cool and cloudy. Nonetheless, the event was a success with 120 members attending. Sales were brisk.

The Society got together for another successful meeting on July 21<sup>st</sup> at Gunther Schwartz's beautiful Santa Barbara garden. A delicious potluck luncheon was enjoyed by all and numerous garden tours were lead by Gunther. It was five years between visits to this spectacular garden and members were impressed by the growth. The afternoon was so lovely visitors stayed throughout the 50/50 auction and raffle that provided the society with record breaking revenues for a Ventura meeting. Ventura Area Chairman, Rob Orth, is leading the way in showing how make members happy. He and wife Jeannie have brought a new spark to the society and show what hospitality is all about.

Future meetings scheduled include

#### 2001

- September 22<sup>nd</sup>: Los Angeles County – Jardin Topagonia, Topango Canyon, hosted by Leland Lai.
- November 17<sup>th</sup>, Orange County.

#### 2002

- January 19<sup>th</sup>, Annual Banquet
- March 16<sup>th</sup> or 23<sup>rd</sup>, San Diego area

The July 2001 issue of *The Palm Journal* focused on Clumping Palms, Diseases and Pests, and *Lytocaryum* sp. Topics for the next few issues are:

- September: Unusual *Chamaedorea* sp. and *Gastrococos crispera*, more Palm Diseases and Disorders
- November: Palms as Houseplants & *Basselinia* sp., final installment on Palm Diseases and Disorders.

News excerpted from issues of *The Palm Journal*, courtesy of Bonnie and Geoff Stein, < Bonsai4me@aol.com >

See the chapter website on <http://palms.org/socal/> for more information on the Southern California Chapter of the International Palm Society.

### Northern California Chapter, IPS

The Northern California Chapter of the International Palm Society met on the

afternoon of July 14<sup>th</sup> at the home of Ms. Edith Bergstrom in Atherton, California. Her established garden is now over ten years old and includes many palms. This garden's strength lies in the composite of various landscape styles and outstanding "hardscapes". Her garden has been featured by the Garden Conservancy, an honor afforded to only a very few of the most outstanding gardens in the San Francisco Bay Area.

September's meeting will be held at the Walnut Creek home of Dick Douglas on Saturday, September 22, 2001.

On Saturday, November 10, 2001, we will be meeting in Oakland at the Lakeside Garden Center. Details regarding these meetings will be supplied later.

Tim Cooke

< trcooke@earthlink.net >

For more information about the Northern California Chapter, contact Dan Sekella, < sekella@pacbell.net > or Tim R. Cooke, Chapter Recording Secretary at < trcooke@earthlink.net >

### Gulf Coast Chapter, IPS, News

The Gulf Coast Chapter of the International Palm Society met on October 15, 2000, at the home of Maxwell and Gloria Stewart in Mobile. Mobile's VP McCune Dudley reported that the West End of Dauphine Island now has several hundred palms. The Dauphine Island Foundation preserve is expected to have palms included in their future plantings. Other areas reported on palm activities in Pensacola, Panama City and other locales. Pensacola plantings include three 8-foot *Phoenix canariensis* and a nice *Sabal causarium*. The Superintendent of Parks has indicated that he would like many more palms planted.

Chapter Officers are currently:

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|-----------------------|------------------|
| • President           | Tom Mignerey     |
| • VP Pensacola        | Larry Morris     |
| • VP, Mobile          | McCune Dudley    |
| • Secretary           | G. Eric Moore    |
| • Treasurer/Historian | Maxwell Stewart  |
| • Editor              | Joe F. Watkins   |
|                       | and Bill Watkins |

The Chapter's 2001 Summer Meeting was held on June 10<sup>th</sup> at the Wayside Park just northeast of the Pensacola – Gulf Breeze bridge, site of several of the Chapter's palm plantings. The meeting featured a Potluck Luncheon.

For information about the Gulf Coast Chapter and the *Fan and Feather* newsletter, send an email to editor Bill Watkins at <watkinsw@aol.com>.

### South Florida Palm Society News

Effective May 16<sup>th</sup>, 2001, the South Florida Palm Society is no longer known as the South Florida Chapter of the International Palm Society. This change was made for several reasons, focusing on the direct needs and visibility of the South Florida Palm Society vis-à-vis the IPS.

Society officers for 2001 are:

- President Steve Stern
- Vice Pres. Ken Johnson
- Treasurer Kurt Bullard
- Recording Sec Katherine Maidman
- Corresp. Sec. Howard Waddell

The South Florida Palm Society held a general meeting on June 4<sup>th</sup> at Fairchild Tropical Garden. IPS Director Howard Waddell gave a multi-media presentation on the 2000 IPS biennial and the palms of New Caledonia.

On June 9<sup>th</sup>, a Broward County Garden Tour was held, featuring several beautiful gardens and a hot lunch at the home of Michael Harris.

The Society also met on August 6<sup>th</sup> at Fairchild Tropical Garden. Chris Migliaccio presented slides from his recent trip to the cloud forests of Costa Rica.

Mark your calendars for the "World's largest sale of rare and exotic palms" at Fairchild Tropical Garden on November 3 and 4. Dozens of growers, both amateur and professional will offer hundreds of interesting and rare palms for sale. This is an event not to be missed.

Howard Waddell  
<hwaddell@prodigy.net>

Requests for South Florida Chapter information (and their current publications) should be sent to Steve Stern by email to <rarepalm@gateway.net>.

### Palm Beach Palm & Cycad Society

The Spring Sale held on April 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> at Caloosa Park in Boynton Beach had sales of \$25,300.

The Palm Beach Palm & Cycad Society met on June 6<sup>th</sup> to hear Mike Harris speak on palms of the Dominican Republic. Mike took members on a tour from north to south

and to the border with Haiti. Species of *Coccothrinax*, *Bactris*, *Zombia* and *Reinhardtia* were described and shown in habitat, as was a rare colony of *Pseudophoenix ekmanii*.

On August 1<sup>st</sup>, the PBP&CS met to hear Sandra Harman speak on Palm Morphology.

The 2001 Annual Picnic has been scheduled for September 8<sup>th</sup> at Ruth Salenbach's 5-acre garden home. Other meetings scheduled for 2001 include:

- September 29-30 Palm Fest 2001
- October 13-14 Fall Plant Sale at Okecheelee Park

The April-June 2001 issue of *Palm and Cycad Times*, journal of the Palm Beach Palm & Cycad Society, featured a nice article on the *Copernicia* palms of Cuba by Paul Craft, a brief on *Areca vestiaria* by Don Bittel, an article on controlling Lethal Yellowing in susceptible species, a pictorial spread on the recent Spring Sale and other articles of local interest. The August 2001 issue had two articles on the "Red Neck and Mealybug Palms (*Dypsis* sp.) and a sobering article on Ganoderma Butt Rot of palms. The article indicates that Ganoderma has been "documented on 59 different palm species. The August issue also provides the program for the 2002 French Biennial (also provided in this Supplement) and local news.

For more information on the Palm Beach Palm and Cycad Society, contact Paul Craft (email to: <licuala@earthlink.net>).

### Palm Fest 2001

Palm Fest 2001, sponsored by the Palm and Cycad Societies of Florida and the Central Florida Palm & Cycad Society will be held on September 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> in the Tampa / St. Petersburg, Florida, area.

The Palm Fest 2001 will open with check-in at Dr. U. A. Young's in Tampa (and a tour of Dr. Young's garden). After lunch on your own, participants will leave for a tour of Ted Langley's garden. That evening will feature a social and banquet.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Andrew Henderson, a well-known author and researcher. Among his works is Field Guide to Palms of the Americas. He conducts guided tours through the Amazon region and his presentation will center on the region's numerous endemic palm species.

Sunday will begin with a tour of Phil Stager's garden, followed by a catered lunch and tour of Gizella Kopsick Palm

Arboretum. The day will conclude with a giant plant auction.

Host hotel is the Holiday Inn Downtown, St. Petersburg, Florida.

There is a registration fee of \$60 per person, payable either at the door or in advance (by August 31<sup>st</sup>). This fee includes the banquet, a catered lunch on Sunday and "munchies" at the social hour. For more about the Palm Fest, contact David Witt <dwitt3@cfl.rr.com> or Ray Hernandez <SubTropicOfCancer@hotmail.com>.

### News from the Central Florida Palm & Cycad Society

The Central Florida Palm and Cycad Society (CFPACS) held their Summer meeting on June 9<sup>th</sup> in Gainesville, Florida. Members toured several different gardens as well as a palm sale. Members were able to see a very diverse group of palms including many hybrids. Tours featured the young garden of Roger and Marilyn Bachmann and to the older garden of long-time palm grower and hybridizer Merrill Wilcox and his wife Laura. Merrill's garden included a nice *Nannorrhops ritchiana* and many larger palms. The group also visited the Kanapaha Botanical Garden, where there is a nice palmetum. Included there were several of Merrill's crosses involving *Butia*, *Syagrus* and *Jubaea*. A ceremony was held in which Merrill along with Don Goodman, Director of the Garden, placed a plaque honoring the French hybridizer Gilbert Nabonnand.

The June 2001 issue of *The Palmateer* featured an article on some of the interesting palm hybrids grown in North-Central Florida. Also featured were "Searching for *Livistona halongensis*, Cat Ba Island, Vietnam", "A Hobbyist's tour of the Palms of Puerto Rico", and a number of other articles of local interest. The newsletter also reprinted an interesting South Queensland Group article by Darryl O'Conner about palms seen on the 2000 IPS Biennial Post-Tour in Far Northern Queensland, Australia.

For more on CFPACS, check out the website at <http://www.cfpacs.com/>, email Dave Witt <bizmark@mindspring.com> or Neil Yorio <neil.yorio-1@ksc.nasa.gov>.

### News from the Southeastern USA (non-Florida) Chapter

George and Judy Phillips, near Madison, GA, hosted the spring meeting of the Southeastern Palm and Exotic Plant Society (SPEPS) on April 21, 2001. About 30 members from as far away as New Jersey attended. The Phillips' home and garden is on the west shore of Lake Oconee – a perfect setting to show off mature *Sabal palmetto*, *Trachycarpus fortunei*, *Rhapidophyllum hystrix*, several *Agave* spp. and large *Eucalyptus* trees.

The Summer 2001 meeting of the SPEPS was held on July 14<sup>th</sup> at the Harry P. Leu Gardens in Orlando, Florida. The Garden is situated on fifty acres and boasts over 300 species of palms as well as many other subtropical and tropical plants. After lunch, the group visited the garden and nursery of Bob and Marita Bobbick. Those who could stay an additional day visited more gardens on Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup>.

A fall 2001 meeting is scheduled for October 13<sup>th</sup> at the Waynesboro, GA, gardens of Don and Belinda Coleman and Chuck Mooney.

The SPEPS now has over 200 members, including a limited number of honorary memberships to horticultural institutions. of Members' residence is quite varied:

Alabama	13	New York	4
California	1	N. Carolina	38
Delaware	2	Ohio	2
Florida	5	Oklahoma	1
Georgia	49	Oregon	1
Illinois	1	Pennsylvania	4
Indiana	1	Puerto Rico	1
Kentucky	1	S. Carolina	30
Maryland	5	Tennessee	18
Missouri	2	Texas	11
Mississippi	2	Virginia	8
New Jersey	2	Washington	1
BC., Canada	1	England, UK	1

For additional information, visit the SPEPS web site at [www.speps.net](http://www.speps.net).

The **Supplement to Palms (formerly Principes)** is always looking for additional news input from or about local palm enthusiasts around the world. Items can be on any subject that will be of interest to members of the IPS. If you would like to contribute anything about palms or palm activities in your area (or elsewhere), email Jim Cain at <palm\_dude@pobox.com> or <jimmydcain@aol.com> or send by regular mail to Jim at 12418 Stafford Springs Drive, Houston, TX 77077, USA.

# BOOKSTORE UPDATE

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**IDENTIFYING PALMS** (M Gibbons, 1993, 80pp., 126 color photos, compact, useful, hardbound, intro-to-palms, guide)..... \$9.00

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**ORNAMENTAL PALM HORTICULTURE** (Broschat and Meerow, 2000, 255pp, some color photos in back; hardback)..... \$40.00

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**PALMEIRAS NO BRASIL** (H Lorenzi, 1996, 310pp, most in full color, native and exotic species- in Portuguese)..... \$50.00

**PALMS AND CYCADS OF THAILAND** (D Hodel, 1998, 299pp., over 400 color photos)..... \$60.00

**PALMS OF NEW CALEDONIA** (Hodel and Pintaud, 1998, 180 color photos- in English and French)..... \$50.00

Special Two Book Set (one of each)..... \$100.00

**PALMS FOR SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA** (Reynosa, Osborne and Stein, 2000, 44pp, quick reference guide to successfully grown palms, common synonyms, palm sources & pronunciation; completely illustrated- over 100 new species!)..... \$10.00

**PALMS IN AUSTRALIA** (D Jones, 1984, 278pp., over 200 color photos- hard cover; OUT OF PRINT... only 3 copies left)..... \$40.00

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**PALMS OF THE AMERICAS (FIELD GUIDE)** (Henderson, Galeano & Bernal, 1995, 352pp., 256 color photos, maps- Excellent! Hard Cover..... \$75.00; Soft Cover..... \$45.00

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**PALMS OF THE SOLOMON ISLANDS** (Dowe, Dennis, McQueen & Birch, 1985, 55pp., 39pp., photos, 8 color)..... \$10.00

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**THE PALMS OF ELDOORDO** (F Kahn, 1997, 251pp., 84 in color, palms of the Amazon forests)..... \$49.00

**THE PALMS OF RIO'S JARDIM BOTANICO** (1992, 15pp., some color)..... \$5.00

**TROPICAL RAINFOREST** (A Newman, 1990, 241pp., world survey of endangered habitats- all color)..... \$30.00

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### **Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society**

The Society held a general membership meeting on June 24<sup>th</sup> at the wonderful estate of Mal and Mich Mele in Covington.

Officers in the Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society for 2000-2001 are:

- President Mark E. Schneider
- Vice Pres. Kenneth Swan
- Sec/Treas Joe E. Baucum
- Editor Joe E. Baucum

For information concerning the upcoming meeting and/or information regarding the Louisiana Palm and Cycad Society, please contact Joe Baucum (Secretary/Treasurer) by email at <theanchorage@worldnet.att.net> or by telephone at (504) 689-4243.

### **Florida First Coast Chapter News**

For information about the Florida First Coast Chapter of the IPS, please email Chapter Secretary Doug Howk at his new email address of <dhowk@mediatone.net>.

### **Palm & Cycad Society of Southwest Florida News**

The email address for the chapter is now SW\_FL\_PalmCycad@hotmail.com. Due to technical difficulties, the chapter website at www.plantapalm.com has not been updated in some time.

Geri Prall, Chapter Representative  
<PalmTreeGardens@hotmail.com>

### **News from the Palm Society of South Texas**

Palm Society of South Texas (PSST) June meeting was hosted by Romeo and Linda Montalvo at their home and garden in Brownsville. Their property was idle for many years when the Montalvos moved in last year. Many mature mesquite and ebony trees grace the landscape, but not nearly enough palms! Many of the palm trees are juveniles that Romeo planted within the last year. Following the meeting, PSST conducted a raffle as a variation to the usual auction of items donated to the group. Donated items included: *Roystonea regia*, *Livistona decipiens*, *Livistona saribus*, *Trachycarpus fortunei*, *Zombia antillarum*, *Syagrus romanzoffiana*, *Dioon spinulosum*, and a big root-ball of Romeo's giant clumping bamboo. Pfizer sponsored food and drinks.

The July 2001 meeting was held at the home of Chuck & Chuck McClendon, Dripping Springs, TX (near Austin).

Other PSST meetings for 2001 include:

- August 18, 2001 - Gordon and Barbara Creighton, Bayview
- September 2001 - Roberto & Perla Robles in Brownsville
- October 2001 - Thad & Alice Magyar in Santa Rosa
- November 2001 - Charlie & Lana Vieh in San Benito

For more information on the above, visit <http://www.raingardens.com/psst/>. The site has photos of each meeting, dates of upcoming meetings and information about membership and PSST T-shirts.

Jana Meiser  
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### **Houston (Texas) Area Chapter News**

The Houston Area Chapter met at the Houston Zoo on June 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2001. Carol Pompilo, Zoo Staff Horticulturalist, conducted a guided tour of the zoo palm plantings and provided attendees with an annotated checklist. Joe Flanagan (Houston Zoo Veterinarian) arranged the auditorium for the meeting, which featured slide presentations by Horace Hobbs and Paul Norris on the IPS Biennial 2000 in New Caledonia and the Post-Tour in Far North Queensland.

Fran & Don Walters hosted the Chapter's July meeting. Thanks to Don and Fran for being such wonderful hosts. Approximately 30 members from the Houston Chapter attended, as well as Romeo and Linda Montalvo, members of the PSST Chapter, who were vacationing in Houston with their daughter. Keith and LaDena Johnson also attended from El Campo. The Walters' garden, located in the museum district, was filled with different varieties of palms and cycads. The front yard's focal point was a large *Washingtonia* surrounded by *Livistona chinensis*, *Dioon edule*, *Sabal minor* and several other interesting plants. The side area was a lush tropical paradise with a water garden and spa. After the garden tour, Fran served a delicious buffet.

Mark Chambers will host the August 25th meeting at his Kingwood home.

Additional meetings for 2001 include:

- September 29 Grant Stephenson, Horticultural Consultants
- October 27 Hobbs' Palmetum, Horace Hobbs and Cynthia Ford

For more on the Houston Chapter of the IPS, please visit the chapter's website at [www.palms.org/houston/index.htm](http://www.palms.org/houston/index.htm) or email:

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Houston Area Chapter, IPS

### **Asociación Venezolana de Palmas (Venezuelan Palm Society)**

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### **IPS Biennial 2002**

#### **Day - 1 Thursday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, 2002**

Arrival of IPS Officers and Directors from Marseille, Nice and Hyères airports, transfer to and check in at hotels in Hyères les Palmiers.

- Mercure and Ibis Hotels in Hyères les Palmiers

#### **Day 0 Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**

07:00 a.m. Breakfast at hotel  
09:00 a.m. I.P.S. Board meeting for the officers and directors.  
10:30 a.m. break  
11:00 a.m. I.P.S. Board meeting  
12:30 p.m. Lunch at hotel  
02:00 p.m. Board meeting (continued)  
04:00 p.m. break  
07:00 p.m. Dinner at hotel

All Biennial attendees must arrive by this date at different airports and transfer to above hotels in Hyères les Palmiers.

- Same hotels in Hyères les Palmiers

### **The European Biennial officially begins!**

#### **Day 1 Saturday, September 21<sup>st</sup>**

07:00 a.m. Breakfast at hotel  
08:00 a.m. Departure for Rayol-Canadel  
09:00 a.m. Visit of Jardin du Rayol, Conservatoire du Littoral (Coastline Conservancy)  
01:00 p.m. Provençal lunch at restaurant "Maurin des Maures"  
03:00 p.m. Return to Hyères: Rendezvous at meeting hall, "Forum du Casino"

04:00 p.m. Conference  
05:00 p.m. Questions and answers  
06:00 p.m. Welcome from President of Provence-Côte d'Azur Region  
07:00 p.m. Buffet dinner at hotel  
08:30 p.m. Conference/slide show  
09:30 p.m. Questions and answers  
• Same hotels in Hyères les Palmiers

#### **Day 2 Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>**

07:00 a.m. Breakfast at hotel  
08:00 a.m. transfer to port for boat trip to les Îles d'Or (the Golden Isles)  
08:30 a.m. Departure for Porquerolles  
09:30 a.m. Visit of Conservatoire Botanique: Collection of date palms, lagoon works  
11:00 a.m. Plantation of the Biennial Palm in the "Jardin des Palmiers"  
12:00 p.m. Visit of the Fort and/or visit of a vineyard and winery  
01:30 p.m. Typical seafood lunch  
04:00 p.m. Return to "Forum du Casino"  
05:00 p.m. Conference  
06:00 p.m. Questions and answers  
07:00 p.m. "Fous de Palmiers" welcomes attendees in Borrels with complimentary buffet dinner  
09:30 p.m. Return to hotels  
• Same hotels in Hyères les Palmiers

#### **Day 3 Monday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>**

07:00 a.m. Breakfast at hotel  
08:00 a.m. Attendees form three groups for staggered visits of Castel Sainte-Claire, Jardin Olbius Riquier and the Villa Noailles  
01:00 p.m. Welcome and cocktails offered by the city of Hyères les Palmiers  
02:00 p.m. Grilled-lunch at "La Coupole"  
03:30 p.m. Return to "Forum du Casino"  
04:00 p.m. Conference/slide show  
06:00 p.m. Questions and answers  
07:30 p.m. Buffet dinner offered by the Rey's Nurseries.  
• Same hotels in Hyères les Palmiers

#### **Day 4 Tuesday, September 24<sup>th</sup>**

07:00 a.m. Breakfast at hotels and check out  
08:00 a.m. Three groups make staggered visits of Hyères les Palmiers nurseries  
12:00 p.m. Lunch offered by the nurseries  
01:30 p.m. Visit of "Jardin des Oiseaux" in La Londe les Maures

- 04:00 p.m. Departure for Nice (by the coast road from Antibes onwards)
- 06:30 p.m. Arrival in Nice, transfer to and check-in at hotels
- 07:30 p.m. Dinner in countryside restaurant (Saint Paul de Vence)
- « La Maison des Séminaires » in Nice (an old mansion newly restored overlooking the Baie des Anges).

#### Day 5 Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>

- 07:00 a.m. Breakfast at hotel
- 08:00 a.m. Transportation to Parc Phoenix along the Promenade des Anglais
- 11:00 a.m. Departure for Cannes
- 11:30 a.m. Walk on La Croisette, lunch at the Palais des Congrès
- 03:00 p.m. Visit of the Villa Thuret garden in Antibes
- 04:00 p.m. Conferences
- 06:00 p.m. Questions and answers
- 07:00 p.m. Return to Nice and free evening
- « La Maison des Séminaires » in Nice.

#### Day 6 Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup>, 2002

- 07:00 a.m. Breakfast at hotel
- 08:00 a.m. Departure for Saint Jean-Cap-Ferrat
- 09:00 a.m. Visit of the “ Villa les Cèdres ” garden
- 12:00 p.m. Welcome from the Maire of Beaulieu-sur-Mer and plantation of a palm-tree in the newly created palm garden, lunch
- 02:30 p.m. Visit of the “ Jardin Exotique ” of Monaco
- 05:00 p.m. Conference/slide show
- 06:00 p.m. Questions and answers
- 07:00 p.m. Return to Nice, dinner of typical Nice specialties
- 10:30 p.m. Return to hotels
- « La Maison des Séminaires » in Nice.

#### Day 7 Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup>

- 07:00 a.m. Breakfast at hotel
- 08:00 a.m. Departure for Menton
- 09:00 a.m. Visit of Maria Serena garden
- 11:00 a.m. Visit of “ Val Rahmeh ”, the Natural History Museum garden in Menton with speech by the Directeur des Cultures of the Museum

- 01:00 p.m. Farewell lunch at Jardin du Pian, speech by Alain Hervé, Founder and first President of Fous de Palmiers, conclusion of the Biennial.

**End of the Biennial 2002**, transfer to airport for attendees either departing for home, or going on the Post Tour for “les Jardins du Sud Méditerranéen”

For more information on the 2002 Biennial, please write to:

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Or, send an email to Steve Swinscoe,  
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*The Gardens to be visited during the Biennial (listed below) will be covered in more detail in the next **Supplement** issue.*

- JARDIN DU RAYOL — (Rayol-Canadel)
- PORQUEROLLES — (Island of Porquerolles)
- JARDIN DES PALMIERS — (Island of Porquerolles)
- JARDIN OLBIUS RIQUIER — (Hyères les Palmiers)
- TROPICAL BIRD GARDEN — (La Londe les Maures)
- PROMENADE DES ANGLAIS AND PARC DE L'INDOCHINE — (Nice)
- PARC PHOENIX — (Nice)
- LA CROISSETTE — (Cannes)
- JARDIN BOTANIQUE OF THE VILLA THURET (Antibes)
- JARDIN BOTANIQUE OF THE VILLA LES CEDRES — (Saint Jean-Cap Ferrat)
- PIAN — (Menton)
- MARIA SERENA (Menton)
- JARDIN BOTANIQUE EXOTIQUE OF VAL RAHMEH — (Menton)

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#### Post Tour for IPS Biennial 2002 Les Jardins du Sud Méditerranéen September 27 – October 4

Details of Post-Tour will be covered in detail in the next issue of the **Supplement**. To check them out in advance send an email to Steve Swinscoe, < Manatte@libertysurf.fr > or visit the Fous website: <http://www.chez.com/palmiers/biennale.php>

## CALENDAR:

### Upcoming Palm Tours and Travels

Tell us what you think about this column. This feature will only prove useful if affiliate societies provide us with adequate notice and details of their upcoming trips. Please send information for inclusion or correction to <jimcain@pobox.com>

#### 2001

**September 29-30 – Palm Fest 2001, Tampa/St. Petersburg, Florida, USA:** Co-sponsored by the Palm and Cycad Societies of Florida and the Central Florida Palm & Cycad Society. See separate write-up in this Supplement issue. For more information on the Palm Fest 2001, contact Dave Witt <dwitt3@cfl.rr.com> or Ray Hernandez <SubTropicOfCancer@hotmail.com>.

**October, 2001 – Fous de Palmier Tour to California, USA.** The Fous de Palmier plans a major excursion to California in October of 2001. If interested in participating, please contact Steve Swinscoe, telephone 33+(0) 5 62 08 91 at <manatte@libertysurf.fr>.

**Nov. 3-22, 2001 La Réunion and Mascarene Islands (by Manureva).** This event is being jointly sponsored by Manureva and the IPS Chapter Palmeraie-Union of La Réunion. For more on this upcoming trip, contact René Coativy via fax 33+ (04) 94 64 74 71 or send an email to him at <r.coativy@libertysurf.fr>.

**November 8-30, 2001: South America. POSTPONED!** The tentative trip by *Manureva* members to temperate South America has been postponed until the fall of 2003 for technical reasons. For more on this upcoming trip, contact René Coativy via fax 33+ (04) 94 64 74 71 or send an email to him at <r.coativy@libertysurf.fr>.

#### 2002

**February 14-18, 2002: New Zealand Palm & Cycad Society trip to Lord Howe Island.** The NZP&CS plans this trip to give their members a rare chance to see four unique palms growing in habitat in their only natural home on earth. *Hedyscepe canterburyana*, *Lepidorrhachis mooreana*, *Howea forsteriana* and *H. belmoreana* occur naturally nowhere other than Lord Howe Island. For more information, contact Dick Endt in New Zealand via phone at 64+ (9)

818-6361 or fax him at 64+ (9) 818-6391. You may also email Dick at <landsendt@paradise.net.nz>

**September 20-27, 2002: IPS Biennial in France.** The year 2002 Biennial meeting of the International Palm Society will be hosted by Fous de Palmier in the south of France. **Full Biennial schedule details are given in separate write-up on the pages immediately preceding this calendar.**

**September 27 – October 5, 2002: IPS Biennial Post-Tour: Gardens of the Northern Mediterranean.** The 2002 Biennial IPS post-tour is also being organized by Fous de Palmier. Full details of the Northern Mediterranean Post-Tour are available on the Fous website <http://www.chez.com/palmiers/biennale.php> and will also be published in the next *Supplement*.

**Fall, 2002, Exact date not provided: South-East Asia and Australia:** From Manureva: "We are already booking for the 2002 fall trip that will take us to Bangkok and Nong Nooch in Pattaya. From there, we will fly to Perth for a few days and meet our good friends there – then Alice Springs before Cairns, followed by two weeks along the coast down to Brisbane. From there we will fly to Bali and Singapore. If you have 36 days ahead of you and US\$3,500 (that is, from Paris to Paris), any adjustment can be made from wherever you come. The journey is open for anyone interested." Contact René Coativy via fax 33+ (04) 94 64 74 71 or send an email to him at <r.coativy@libertysurf.fr>.

#### 2004

**Dates undetermined – IPS Biennial in Hawaii and Post-Tour to Fiji:** The IPS Biennial 2004 will be hosted by the Island of Hawaii chapter, who will also organize a Post-Biennial Tour to Fiji. For early information on these Biennial events, contact **HIPS Chapter** President Bo-Göran Lundkvist (email: <flyg@ilhawaii.net>) More information will be provided in future supplements as well as on the IPS website.

#### 2006

**Dates and location to be determined IPS Biennial.** More information will be in future supplements and on the IPS website.