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Dates to remember

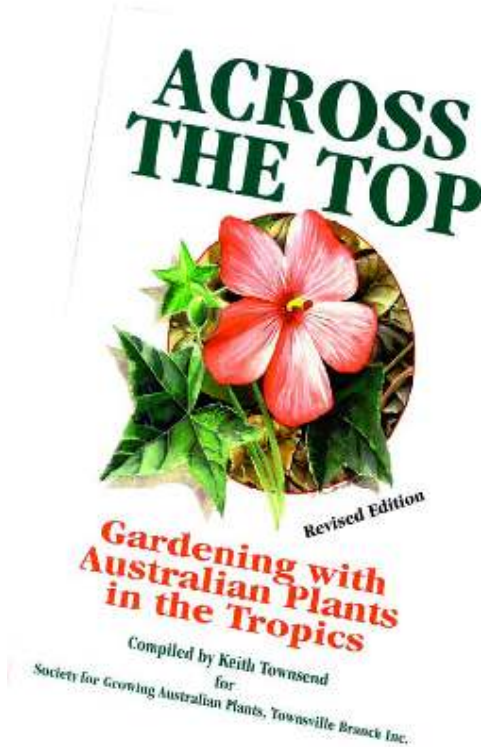
Cairns Branch Meetings and Excursions – third Saturday of each month.

NEXT MEETING will be at the Cairns Botanic Gardens, in the staff amenities area, on Saturday Feb 21st 2009 at 1200. Lunch and meeting will be followed by a walk through some of the Botanic Gardens.

Tablelands Branch – Sunday following the meeting on the 4th Wednesday of the month. Any queries please contact Chris Jaminon 4095 2882 or hjaminon@bigpond.com

Townsville branch General Meeting—8.00pm Wednesday 11th February, Community Centre–Annandale Shopping Centre; Topic of the talk for the February Meeting - Dr. Betsy Jackes will deliver an illustrated talk on “Ferns”

Book Review



From the Townsville Branch

The Revised Edition of “**Across the Top**” is now available!

In the period since it was first released in 1994, many hundreds of taxonomic name changes have occurred, as well as numerous revisions of plant family connections etc.

The Revised Edition takes account of all taxonomic name changes accepted by the Queensland Herbarium and carries forward references from the old to the new name.

A number of additional plant descriptions have also been included.

Gardening chapters have been revised and updated where necessary to reflect current approaches and up to date treatments etc.

This book has proven to be a useful reference source, not only for SGAP Members, but for many interested in Australian Native Plants, including TAFE Colleges, students, those involved in revegetation and those who just

want to grow native plants to promote benefits such as birds and butterflies in their gardens. We are confident that this Revised Edition will serve to give even more satisfaction to readers in the future.

Recommended Retail Price is \$30, but it is available to financial members of SGAP at \$20 (plus postage where necessary)

Books will be available at (Townsville) SGAP meetings or may be ordered from –
Phone (07) 4755 2098 or
noeltownsend@bigpond.com

The Flora of the Cairns Region

Cairns Branch stalwart Bob Jago is currently compiling a comprehensive list of the natural and naturalized plants of the area managed by Cairns Regional Council.

Bob has been documenting the flora that he has encountered in the area over the past five years and is now in the final stages of putting all of that information together; around 3000 species!

Below is a sample page of the final document. Bob has kindly offered to distribute the work to interested Cairns SGAP members. If you are interested you can request a copy from Bob.

**If you have any book reviews, pictures, notes on growing tropical Australian plants or trip reports you'd like published in this newsletter, please send them to me: Tony Roberts–
email travelling_botanist@yahoo.com.au**

Introduced	Taxon	Common Name	Family	Nature Cons. Act	EPBC Act	Endemic to Cairns Region	Nth. Sect.	Sth. Section	Locally Significant	Notes
*	<i>Abelmoschus manihot</i> subsp. <i>manihot</i>	Sunset Hibiscus	Malvaceae				Y	Y		A shrub sparingly naturalised between Mulgrave River & Russell River in disturbed areas. Native to tropical Asia.
*	<i>Abelmoschus manihot</i> subsp. <i>tetraphyllus</i>	Sunset Hibiscus	Malvaceae				Y	Y		Sparingly naturalised in the Daintree area & Gordonvale to Behana Creek in open forest & rainforest margins. Native to tropical Asia.
	<i>Abelmoschus moschatus</i> subsp. <i>tuberosus</i>		Malvaceae				Y	Y		Open forest & rock pavements throughout the region.
	<i>Abildgaardia vaginata</i>		Cyperaceae				Y		P	Known only from Port Douglas
	<i>Abroma molle</i>		Byttneriaceae				Y	Y		Common in openforest & rainforest margins throughout the region.
	<i>Abrophyllum ornans</i> var. <i>ornans</i>	Native Hydrangea	Carpodetaceae				Y	Y		Common in lowland to upland rainforests throughout the region
	<i>Abrus precatorius</i>	Gidee Gidee	Fabaceae				Y	Y		Coastal & open forests throughout the region
	<i>Abutilon albescens</i>		Malvaceae				Y	Y		Low Island & Green Island
	<i>Abutilon auritum</i>	Chinese Lantern	Malvaceae					Y		Uncommon in coastal areas between Yorkeys Knob & Cairns.
	<i>Acacia aulacocarpa</i>	Black Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y	Y		Open forest & rock pavements from Daintree River to Walsh's Pyramid.
	<i>Acacia calyculata</i>		Mimosaceae				Y	Y		Open forest & rock pavements throughout the region.
	<i>Acacia celsa</i>	Black Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y	Y		Open forest to rainforest margins throughout the region.

	Acacia cincinnata	Daintree Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Open forest to rainforest margins throughout the region.
*	Acacia concinna	Soap Pod	Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Class 1 Pest isolated populations Wonga Beach, Little Mulgrave & Goldsborough. Native to Asia.
	Acacia crassicarpa	Brown Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Open forest to rainforest margins throughout the region.
	Acacia falciformis		Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Open forest & rock pavements from Daintree River to Walsh's Pyramid.
	Acacia flavescens	Red Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Open forest & woodlands throughout the region
	Acacia hemignosta		Mimosaceae				Y		Open forest between Buchan Point & Port Douglas.
	Acacia holosericea	Soap Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Open forest & rock pavements throughout the region.
	Acacia humifusa		Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Rock pavements Daintree River & Walsh's Pyramid.
	Acacia hylonoma	Yarrabah Wattle	Mimosaceae	R				Y	Rainforest & margins East Trinity to Behana Creek to Fishery Falls.
	Acacia leptocarpa	Swamp Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Common in open woodlands often with Melaleuca "Tea Trees".
	Acacia leptoloba		Mimosaceae				Y		Open woodlands in the Adeline Creek area.
	Acacia mangium	Sally Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Common & widespread in open forest & rainforests throughout the region
	Acacia mangium x A. polystachya	Brown Sally Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y		In open forest in the Cassowary Creek area south of Mossman & Mt. Whitfield.
	Acacia melanoxylon	Black Wattle	Mimosaceae				y	Y	Rainforest margins in the upper Daintree River area.
	Acacia oraria	Coastal Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Coastal areas, open forest & rainforest margins throughout the region.
	Acacia polystachya	Ellis Beach Wattle	Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Common & widespread in open forest & rainforests margins throughout the region

	<i>Acacia pubirhachis</i>		Mimosaceae				Y		Open woodlands adjacent to mangroves between Cape Tribulation & Wonga Beach.
	<i>Acacia simsii</i>		Mimosaceae				Y	Y	Common in open woodlands & rock pavements throughout the region.
	<i>Acacia ulicifolia</i>		Mimosaceae				Y		Open forest in the headwaters of the Daintree River.
*	<i>Acalypha australis</i>		Euphorbiaceae					Y	Naturalised in the Woopen Creek area in disturbed areas. Native to Asia & northern Melesia.
*	<i>Acalypha hispida</i>	Red Cats-tails	Euphorbiaceae				Y		Sparingly naturalised in lowland rainforest margins throughout the region. All parts toxic. Wear gloves, protective clothing & eye protection when pruning or removing, can cause dermatitis. Native to Indica.
	<i>Acalypha loynsii</i>		Euphorbiaceae	V		Y	Y	Y	Restricted to creeks & rocky areas in rainforest between Freshwater Creek & Wrights Creek at Edmonton.
*	<i>Acalypha wilkesiana</i>	Acalypha	Euphorbiaceae				Y	Y	Sparingly naturalised in coastal areas & off shore islands throughout the region. Native to Fiji & nearby Pacific Islands.
*	<i>Acanthospermum hispidum</i>	Star Burr	Asteraceae				Y		Disturbed areas throughout the region. Native to South America.
	<i>Acanthus ilicifolius</i>	Holly-leaved Mangrove	Acanthaceae				Y	Y	Common throughout the region in mangrove & margins, along creek & drains in near tidal reaches.
	<i>Aceratium concinnum</i>	Hard Carabeen	Elaeocarpaceae				Y	Y	Common in rainforests throughout the region.
	<i>Aceratium doggrellii</i>	Buff Carbeen	Elaeocarpaceae					Y	Common in upland rainforests on Mt. Bellenden Ker & Mt. Bartle Frere.
	<i>Aceratium ferrugineum</i>	Rusty Carbeen	Elaeocarpaceae	R		Y	Y		Locally common in upland rainforests in the headwaters of the Daintree River.

Aceratium megalospermum	Bolly Carabeen	Elaeocarpaceae				Y	Y	Common in lowland rainforests through out the region especially along creeks.
Achyranthes aspera	Chaff Flower	Amaranthaceae				Y	Y	Coastal areas between Low Island & Green Island.
Acianthus borealis	Northern Mosquito Orchid	Orchidaceae				Y		Open forest headwaters of the Daintree River.
Acmena divaricata	Cassowary Satinash	Myrtaceae				Y	Y	Common in lowland to upland rainforests throughout the region.
Acmena graveolens	Cassowary Satinash	Myrtaceae				Y	Y	Common in lowland to upland rainforests throughout the region.
Acmena hemilampra subsp hemilampra	Blush Satinash	Myrtaceae				Y	Y	Common in coastal & lowland rainforests throughout the region.
Acmena hemilampra subsp orophila	Mountain Satinash	Myrtaceae				Y	Y	Common in upland rainforests throughout the region
Acmena resa	Red Eungella Satinash	Myrtaceae				Y	Y	Common in rainforests throughout the region.
Acmena smithii	Lilly Pilly Satinash	Myrtaceae				Y	Y	Common in upland rainforests throughout the region.
Acmenosperma claviflorum	Trumpet Satinash	Myrtaceae				Y	Y	Common in lowland rainforests through out the region.
Acriopsis emarginata	Pale Chandelier Orchid	Orchidaceae	V	V		Y		Very rare in the Forest Creek to Daintree area in open forest & swamp margins to rainforest margins.
Acronychia aberrans	Plasticine Tree	Rutaceae				Y		Upland rainforests between the Daintree & Mossman Rivers.
Acronychia acidula	Lemon Aspen	Rutaceae				Y		Upland rainforests between the Daintree & Mossman Rivers.
Acronychia acronychioides	White Aspen	Rutaceae				Y	Y	Common in lowland to upland rainforests throughout the region.

Acronychia acuminata	Thornton Aspen	Rutaceae	R				Y		Locally common in the McDowall Range & in lowland rainforests between the Bloomfield & Mossman Rivers.
Acronychia chooreechillum	Mountain Aspen	Rutaceae	R				Y	Y	Common in mountain & upland rainforests throughout the region.
Acronychia crassipetala	Crater Aspen	Rutaceae	R				Y		Upland rainforests between the Daintree & Mossman Rivers.
Acronychia imperforata	Logan Apple	Rutaceae					Y	Y	Dryer types of lowland & upland rainforests throughout the area.
Acronychia laevis	Hard Aspen	Rutaceae					Y	Y	Dryer types of lowland & upland rainforests throughout the area.
Acronychia parviflora	Soft Acronychia	Rutaceae					Y	Y	Lowland to upland rainforest throughout the region.
Acronychia vestita	Hairy Aspen	Rutaceae					Y	Y	Lowland rainforests between Mossman & Bramston Beach.
Acrostichum aureum	Golden Mangrove Fern	Pteridaceae					Y		Throughout the region but uncommon.
Acrostichum speciosum	Mangrove Fern	Pteridaceae					Y	Y	Common throughout the region.
Acrothamnus spathaceus		Ericaceae					Y	Y	Locally common in mountain heath & on rock pavements etc.
Acrotriche aggregata	Tall Ground-berry	Ericaceae					Y	Y	Open forests in the headwaters of the Daintree River.
Acrotriche baileyana		Ericaceae	R					Y	Walsh's Pyramid to Mt. Bartle Frere in open forest or heath.
Acsmithia davidsonii	Davidson's Alder	Cunoniaceae					Y	Y	Upland rainforests in the Mossman River catchment & in lowland & upland rainforests between Fishery Falls & Bramston Beach.
Actephila flavescens		Phyllanthaceae					Y		Uncommon in the Adeline Creek area in rainforests.
Actephila foetida		Phyllanthaceae	V	V	Y		Y	Y	In lowland rainforests in the Hutchinson & Harvey Creek area.

	<i>Adiantum hispidulum</i> var. <i>minus</i>		Adiantaceae				Y	Y	Locally common in open forest & rainforest between the Daintree River & Walsh's Pyramid.
	<i>Adiantum philippense</i>		Adiantaceae				Y	Y	Uncommon with a patchy distribution in open forest & rainforest between Adeline Creek & Walsh's Pyramid
	<i>Adiantum silvaticum</i>	Maidenhair	Adiantaceae				Y	Y	Locally common in open forest along creeks & rainforests throughout the region.
	<i>Aegialitis annulata</i>	Club Mangrove	Plumbaginaceae				Y	Y	Locally common in mangroves throughout the region.
	<i>Aegiceris corniculatum</i>	River Mangrove	Myrsinaceae				Y	Y	Locally common in mangroves throughout the region.
*	<i>Aeschynome americana</i> var. <i>americana</i>	American Jointvetch	Fabaceae				Y	Y	Common in distrubed areas throughout the region. Native to central & southern America.
*	<i>Aeschynome indica</i>	Budda Pea	Fabaceae				Y	Y	Common in distrubed areas throughout the region. Native to central & southern America.
*	<i>Aeschynome villosa</i>		Fabaceae				Y		Adeline Creek in open forest. Native to central & southern America.
	<i>Agathis atropurpurea</i>	Mountain Kauri or Blue Kauri	Araucariaceae				Y	Y	Mountain rainforests from the Daintree River south to Mt. Bartle Frere.
	<i>Agathis robusta</i>	Queensland Kauri Pine	Araucariaceae				Y	Y	Lowland to upland rainforest throughout the region.
*	<i>Agave vivipara</i> var. <i>vivipara</i>		Agavaceae				Y		Naturalised to a small extent at Cooya Beach. Native to America.
*	<i>Ageratum conyzoides</i> subsp. <i>conyzoides</i>	Blue Top	Asteraceae				Y	Y	Common & widespread throughout the area in a wide variety of habitats. Native to tropical America

*	<i>Ageratum houstonianum</i>	Blue Billygoat Weed	Asteraceae					Y		Helicopter landing pad Bell Peak. Native to America
	<i>Aglaia australiensis</i>	Brown Ripple-fruit	Meliaceae					Y		Uncommon tree along the right bank of the West Mulgrave River below the West Mulgrave Falls.
	<i>Aglaia brassii</i>		Meliaceae	R				Y		Mountain rainforests in the headwaters of the Daintree & Mossman Rivers.
	<i>Aglaia elaeagnoidea</i>	Coastal Boodyarra	Meliaceae					Y	Y	Common in near coastal rainforests & off shore islands throughout the region.
	<i>Aglaia meridionalis</i>	Rusty Almond	Meliaceae					Y	Y	Common in rainforests throughout the region.
	<i>Aglaia sapindina</i>	Boodyarra	Meliaceae					Y	Y	Common in rainforests throughout the region.
	<i>Aglaia tomentosa</i>	Rusty Boodyarra	Meliaceae					Y	Y	Common in rainforests throughout the region.
*	<i>Aglaonema commutatum</i>		Araceae					Y		Littoral forests behind beaches between Wonga & Four Mile Beach.
	<i>Aidia cowleyi</i>		Rubiaceae					Y	Y	Uncommon in littoral & lowland rainforests throughout the region.
	<i>Aidia racemosa</i>	Archer Cherry	Rubiaceae					Y	Y	Common in rainforests & littoral forests throughout the region.
	<i>Ailanthus integrifolia</i> subsp. <i>integrifolia</i>	White Siris	Simaroubaceae					Y		Uncommon in lowland rainforests between the Bloomfield & Daintree Rivers.
	<i>Alangium villosum</i> subsp. <i>polyosmoides</i>	Canary Muskheart	Cornaceae					Y	Y	Rainforests throughout the region.
	<i>Albizia procera</i>	Forest Siris	Mimosaceae					Y	Y	Common in open forests & rainforest margins throughout the region.

