

KNICKERBOCKER NEWS

Newsletter of the Knickerbocker Chapter of the American Begonia Society December, 2023

Meeting Announcement

**Thursday, January
11, 2024 8:00 to
10:00 pm Zoom
Meeting**

Zoom meeting with American Begonia Society video. "New Discoveries in Asian Begonia Part 1"
Link will be e-mailed separately

About Us

We are the Knickerbocker Chapter of the American Begonia Society. We are located in New York City.

Dues are \$25 yearly payable by check made out as shown below. Mail to Tim K.

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Propagation Meeting Report

We had a very lively group of five people on December 2. Members brought in a plethora of interesting plants. Tim Kokott brought in Begonias; he recently got *B. elizabethae* on the internet. It is a stolon forming plant with spots from the Philippines.

Jay Holmes brought in some nice Columbian pastries filled with guava and cheese. He also brought in some seedlings he has raised over the past few months. He has germinated and grown *Begonia socotrana*, *Begonia pinetorum*, *Begonia elizabethae*, *Begonia togashi*, and *Begonia heracleifolia* var *punctata* from AFABEGO seeds.

Helen Toppins brought in her favorite Begonia 'Lucerna' (*Begonia Corallina de Lucerna*) cuttings.

Wallace Wells brought in plants that Tim Kokott got over the internet last April. They included *B. dracopelta*, *B. Sp. 'Sarawak'*, *B. Sp. 'Sarawak' x lichenora*, *B. Hybrid 'Black Mambo' x 'Angel Glow'* with small black spiral leaves, *B. gironellae* a species from Palawan in the Philippines, and *B. ignita*.

—W.W.

Dues change

By a unanimous vote with a quorum of 5 of the 7 members we raised the annual dues to \$25. This is necessary in view of the rent and other factors.

2024 Future Meeting Dates

Thursday, January 11, 2024 Zoom 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Meeting: American Begonia Society Video "New Discoveries in Asian Begonia Part 1"

Thursday February 8, 2024 8:00 p.m. to 10:00 p.m. Zoom Meeting: American Begonia Society Video “New Discoveries in Asian Begonia Part 2”

March, 2024 TBA. Please e-mail us your suggestions.

Saturday, April 13, 2024 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Knickerbocker Begonia Open House. Plant sales and exhibition.

Saturday, May 11, 2024 Special event; details TBA.

June, 2024 TBA

