



# Update - August 2015

## REGISTRATION

Registration will be limited to 300 Delegates. *Considerable interest has been shown on a worldwide basis so early registration is recommended to avoid disappointment*

Early Bird Registration Fees are set at \$300-00 (AUD). *This is a considerable discount for what is on offer.* The close off date for Early Bird Registrations is 31st December 2016.

Registration Fees from 1 January 2017 will be \$350-00 (AUD)

Full Registration covers all activities except for the Optional Dinner

Alternate options are available for Delegates / Partners. Day Rates at \$100, Garden Tours at \$20 each, Banquet at \$70 per head and the Optional Dinner at \$50 per head

A formal Registration Form is now being developed and will be made available as soon as we finalizing banking arrangements for the processing of payments.

## ACCOMMODATION

Special Deals for our delegates have been offered by the following:-

<b>Hotel/Accommodation Name</b>	<b>No. of Rooms</b>	<b>Accomm capacity (approx)</b>	<b>Star Rating (guide only)</b>	<b>Walking Distance to The Events Centre</b>
Monaco Apartments	39	67	4.5	5 mins
BreakFree Grand Pacific	74	160	4	5mins
Centrepoint Apartments	58	220	3	5mins

This will give delegates a fairly broad (quality and price) range to choose from. When inspected, all were clean and comfortable as well as being in close proximity to all facilities.

The 2 and 3 bedroom apartments would be suitable for sharing if you wish to reduce your overall Conference expenses

Some units that we inspected did have spa baths and the showers are situated within these spa baths. Anyone who would consider this an issue (eg. the elderly or people with disabilities) should check if this applies to their room before confirming bookings

Further details on prices and booking procedures are provided on our web site.

Links for you to view their facilities are below:-

<http://www.monacocaloundra.com.au/>

<http://www.breakfree.com.au/grand-pacific/>

<http://www.centresort.com/>

**NOTE:** Our Conference falls within the first weekend of the Queensland School Holiday period so early bookings would be essential to avoid disappointment

Other Accommodation options can be found by checking out our Planning and Booking area at:-

<http://sunnybroms.com/links/>

### **PRELIMINARY PROGRAM**

A preliminary program has been placed on our web site for the benefit of proposed delegates.

See:- <https://sunnybroms.files.wordpress.com/2015/05/program-2.pdf>

This will be updated from time to time and we will notify you of any major updates

### **SPEAKERS**

A list of Speakers who have agreed to participate is shown on our site at:-

<http://sunnybroms.com/speakers/>

- A recent addition to this list is Dr. Theresa BERT from Florida
- Our Keynote speaker Chester Skotak will be giving two presentations
  1. Powerpoint presentation
  2. Question and Answer Session

### **PLANT COMPETITION**

A proposed Plant Competition Schedule has now been placed on the web site. Delegates who indicate they wish to enter will be contacted on an individual basis at a later date to discuss arrangements

### **PLANT SALES**

The proposed rules to apply to Plant Sales have been placed on the Web site. Delegates who wish to sell plants will also be contacted individually at a later date to establish space requirements etc.

Sales will be broken into the following segments

- Early Entry Raffle Winners
- Sales for Delegates Only
- Public Sales

## TRANSLATION Button

For the benefit of our Overseas website visitors a new Translation feature has been added.

## PROMOTION

The Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies is helping promote our Conference at their upcoming Bromeliad Extravaganza on Sept. 26, 2015 in Miami, Florida. This promotional activity will reach the majority of the Florida bromeliad societies and also the Officers and Directors of BSI, most of whom are attending their annual Board Meeting in Miami, FL in conjunction with this event.

Any unused promotional material from this event will be distributed through BSI or taken to the 2016 World Conference

We fully appreciate The Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies for their efforts in this regard

It would also be appreciated if you could help promote the sunny broms Conference by:-

- Distributing this update widely to Members in your Society / Group
- Promote sunny broms Conference at your meetings
- Have **Webmasters** place the following link on your Society web site:- <http://sunnybroms.com/>
- Refer interested parties to our Facebook site:- <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100008109618104>

## THINGS to DO

A new page "THINGS to DO" has been placed on our website. This brochure has been produced by the Sunshine Coast Convention Bureau to help you plan your stay on the Sunshine Coast. We are grateful for the support offered through the Caloundra Events Centre.

See: [https://sunnybroms.files.wordpress.com/2015/08/australasian-bromeliad-conference-2017\\_opt.pdf](https://sunnybroms.files.wordpress.com/2015/08/australasian-bromeliad-conference-2017_opt.pdf)

We would love to see you here on the Sunshine Coast in 2017

Sunny broms organizing Committee