



# Palm Beach Palm & Cycad Society

*Affiliate of the International Palm Society*

Monthly Update



January 2019

## UPCOMING MEETING

Wednesday, February 6, 2019, 7:30pm  
at the Mount's Botanical Garden building

**Speaker:** Craig Morell  
Garden Director at the Kampong

**Subject:** "Palms of Kampong"

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## JANUARY "THANK YOU"

**Speaker:** Robin Crawford

**Subject:** "Drone's Eye View of Columbia" IPS Biennial

**Door:** Janice DiPaola

**Food and Refreshments:** Janice DiPaola, Richard Murray,  
and Patrick Morris

**Plants:** Dale Holton, Don Bittel, Richard Murray, Robert  
Miller, and PBPCS

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## FEATURED THIS MONTH:

### *Calyptrocalyx albertisianus*

by Ernesto Rodriguez

*Calyptrocalyx albertisianus* is a medium sized, beautiful, solitary palm, that can attain heights of 15-18 feet. This palm is endemic to the lowland rainforest of New Guinea and was named in honor of Italian naturalist and explorer of New Guinea, Luigi d'Albertis.

Mature specimens have a tan trunk with light cream colored leaf base scars. New emergent leaves are deep cherry red and can last for about 2 weeks before turning brownish orange and then finally to deep green. The inflorescence are small white flowers and fruits are bright red.

From my experience *C. albertisianus* does best in a sheltered location from wind, partial shade avoiding midday sun, and well drained humus-laden soil. Never let the soil dry out between watering. This palm is surprisingly cold hardy and can easily be grown in Palm Beach county.

*C. albertisianus* is a highly ornamental palm and becoming more readily available for cultivation. If finding a suitable spot for one in your garden becomes difficult, this species can be kept in a pot indoors or outdoors for many years. I find this species is easy to grow and very resilient, suffering little shock when transplanting.

**For more information about the *Calyptrocalyx* genus, an article submitted by Charlie Beck can be found on the website in the "Palms that grow well in Palm Beach County" directory and in the 2018 December newsletter.**



*Calyptrocalyx albertisianus* young specimen showing off red emergent leaf

Photo by: Ernesto Rodriguez



Above: juvenile *Calyptrocalyx albertisianus*

Photo courtesy of: D'Asign Source Botanicals

Below: detail of newly opened *Calyptrocalyx albertisianus* leaf

Photo by: Ed Vaile



**FEATURED AUCTION PALMS**  
**for FEBRUARY**



**'Foxy Lady' *Wodyetia x Veitchia***

*Wodyetia bifurcata x Veitchia arecina* better know as 'Foxy Lady' palm is a unique hybrid that grows much faster than either of its parents and is considered very cold tolerant, being found in 9b zones. In some instances a variegated 'Foxy Lady' can occur, but can be easily be scorched by the mid summer sun here in Florida. The apparent parent seed is from *Wodyetia bifurcata*. This has become a popular hybrid with the online community and is highly sought after because of its rapid growth, cold hardiness, and visual appeal.

*Left: mature  
*Wodyetia x Veitchia**

*Photo by: Geoff  
 Stein*

*Right: variegated  
*Wodyetia x Veitchia**

*Photo courtesy of:  
 Dave's Garden*



*Dypsis pembana*

*Photo courtesy of: Floribunda Palms*



*Above: *Loxococcus rupicola* new red leaf bluish*

*Photo by: Ryan D Gallivan*

*Right: *Loxococcus rupicola* in South Kona, Hawaii*

*Photo by: Dr. George Peavy*



## 2018 Annual Holiday Party and Spectacular Plant Giveaway Photos



### SPECIAL DECEMBER "THANK YOU"

Special thank you to all members, your contributions and hard work made the Annual Holiday Party and Plant Giveaway a great success.

Thank you to Richard Murray and Gerry Valentini for taking care of the palms purchased earlier in the year from Jeff Marcus at Floribunda Palms. Thank you to all the volunteers that helped with transplanting the palms when they arrived as well.

Lastly, thank you to all members that donated plants for the giveaway, made amazing delicious dishes, and participated in this wonderful union. Let's do it again next year!

## PBPCS January Ramble

*featuring the gardens of Dominic Colonna, Jack Miller, and Tracy Sutherland*



Dominic Colonna's Garden

*Photos by: Richard Murray*



*Above:*

*Coccothrinax borhidiana 'grove'*



Jack Miller's Garden

*Photos by: Richard Murray*

*Below:*

*"A bunch of old men (palms)"*



## PBPCS January Ramble cont'd

featuring the gardens of Dominic Colonna, Jack Miller, and Tracy Sutherland



Tracy Sutherland's  
Garden  
Photos by:  
Gerry Valentini



Tracy Sutherland received many inquiries during the tour about where to find the slate labels she uses in her garden. She has kindly provided us the information to share with all of our members.

The name of the company is Paw Paw Everlast Label Company and their web address is [www.everlastlabel.com](http://www.everlastlabel.com)

For any inquiries regarding Paw Paw Everlast Label Company products contact Steve by phone at (269) 657-4921 or at [sales@everlastlabel.com](mailto:sales@everlastlabel.com)



# PBPCS joins Tropical Flowering Tree Society for Annual "Pignic" at Montgomery Botanical Center



*Left:*  
TFTS plant auction



*Right:*  
TFTS and PBPCS  
Group photo

*Photo courtesy of:*  
Montgomery  
Botanical Center



TFTS and PBPCS  
Ramble at MBC

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### MARK YOUR CALENDERS

#### UPCOMING EVENTS

##### **2019 Annual Spring Palm and Cycad Sale**

Saturday, April 13, 2019 - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Sunday, April 14, 2019 - 9:00 a.m. - 4:00p.m.

**(PALM SUNDAY)**

at Mount's Botanical Garden

531 N. Military Trail  
West Palm Beach, FL 33415

**DON'T MISS IT!**



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#### **March 2019 Ramble**

The March 9<sup>th</sup> ramble will be at the Flamingo  
Gardens Cycad Grotto

This is a very unique opportunity to have a private  
tour of the garden curated by the designer,  
Chip Jones, and one week before the official grand  
opening.

More information will be provided at our next  
meeting.