



American Larch Distribution At Mark Huff's Nursery

Mark and Rob King leading with help from others

Directions below

Saturday, May 18th, 2019, 10:00 am

Pre-meeting tree counseling will be available

This is a unique type of meeting for our club where American Larch will be distributed to all members participating in appreciation for your support over the years or, for many of you, your recent enthusiasm. It is a belated celebration of our club's 50th year anniversary organized by Mark Huff and Greg Kanaskie. It will take place at Marks Nursery and Mark, Greg and Rob King will be leading it.

May 18 – Tree Distribution at Mark Huff's

This meeting will be at our usual time of 10:00 but if anyone gets there early, they can review Mark's bonsai collection.

When the meeting gets underway we will pass out three American larch of different sizes to each member participating. Rob King will talk about group planting and the unique requirements for the care of larch. Discussion of how to arrange a clump or forest will be included. We anticipate that there will be extra trees for sale in case anyone wants to expand their grouping.

Rob King will bring the substantial larch forest he displayed at MABS in April. It is anticipated that all members will take the trees home, assemble a clump or forest next spring, and bring their effort to a meeting next year for discussion.

Additional plans for the meeting remain fluid and there is a possibility that we could do an initial styling on one of Mark's trees. After the meeting everyone is free to walk through the nursery looking at possible bonsai.

Mark has a variety of soil media and would encourage a discussion about bonsai soil. He would also welcome members to bring buckets or tubs to take home mushroom soil, stones, mulch, chips, sand, etc. if they want.

Directions:

Take Route 1 to Oxford, PA. Exit onto 472 N. Take the first left on Bethel Road. Stay on Bethel. Go right at the stop sign and then

straight through the four way stop. Take the fourth driveway on the right. There is a big sign.
257 Bethel Road
Oxford PA 19363.

Attention!

Immediate action required!

June 15 – Marco Invernizzi lecture - demonstrations at Longwood Gardens

Please join us on June 15th for a special meeting of Brandywine Bonsai Society. **If there is any possibility that you will want to attend the meeting described below, you must respond to Mary Allinson to put your name on the list of BBS attendees before June 1, 2019. Admission for BBS members is free if you are registered. If you want to attend but fail to meet this deadline, you will have to register through Longwood Gardens and pay their admission fee. So sign up now. Don't procrastinate.**

The first session is at 9:30am at Longwood Gardens for starting a day of bonsai with internationally renowned bonsai artist, Marco Invernizzi. This two-part lecture and demonstration will cover the initial styling and development of a collected 100 year old Engelmann Spruce provided by BBS. The afternoon session will focus on the refinement of a magnificent "finished" bonsai imported from Japan. Advanced wiring, pruning, and styling techniques will be demonstrated and discussed.

Born and raised in Milan, Italy, Marco Invernizzi first became interested in bonsai at age 15 after watching *The Karate Kid Part III*. Invernizzi has studied with Salvatore Liporace in Milan and Masahiko Kimura in Inamachi, Japan; has won a number of prestigious awards; and has been published in more than 15 different magazines worldwide, including an October 2008 *Newsweek Japan* cover photo and feature. Invernizzi has taught bonsai on five continents and tends some of the best bonsai collections in Europe and the United States. Invernizzi is also the designer and creator of the bonsai tool ICHIBAN, handmade by Masakuni, as well as his Green T bonsai turntable.

REMINDER: In order for the club to cover the cost of your attendance at the Longwood bonsai event, do not sign up through Longwood Gardens on your own. You need to send your name and e-mail address to Mary Allinson before June 1. We will compile a list for Longwood Gardens and pay a flat fee for BBS members to attend. The e-mail address is necessary so you can receive a confirmation from Longwood that allows you into the auditorium. Thus far, BBS registration has been underwhelming. I presume that is the result of your normal procrastination.

If you are not sure whether you will attend, it is best to go ahead and send us your name anyway. You can attend the entire day or either the morning or afternoon session. They are independent sessions. Lunch is on your own.

Questions? Feel free to contact Mary by e-mail; you can click the link MaryAllinson989@gmail.com

Rob King about the Dig

The Saturday's dig was really good. There were seven of us from BBS. Even with the rain on Friday, the dirt roads, parking areas and digging areas were fine. There were a lot of trees available. There was no semblance of a nursery; instead it looked more like pockets of woods (think Doyle's digs) found in extremely large open areas. You just wandered around in the wooded area until you came upon something you were interested in. The most commonly found tree was yews. They were from shohin to undiggably large - all with incredible deadwood. Everyone dug at least one yew - I got three shohin. I also got a large diameter wild cherry, juniper and a pin oak. Others walked away with pin oak, cherry, Russian olive, spruce, "crab apple" and zelkova. Prices were \$20.00 or more for yews depending on size, and the cherries, oaks, Russian olives were \$5.00. I'm not sure of the cost of the zelkova or spruce.

The owner told us that anybody is welcome at anytime. It does not have to be a "club" event; it can be individuals. He just needs some heads-up time. Steve has included his phone number to interest club members so they can arrange their own "trips". Especially since we had such a small showing as a club. I like his suggestion.

- Rob

Directions: Follow the local directions below or put the Dover street address in the header into your GPS.

VAN HEININGEN NURSERY

Telephone: (717) 292-4559

6846 Carlisle Rd.

Dover, PA 17315

Take US Rt. 30 to York.

Take PA-74 N/Carlisle Road exit.

Drive 9.7 miles north to 6846 Carlisle Rd.

Look for Van Heiningen's Nursery sign on left

Turn left into unpaved driveway.

When you arrive at the address, turn west into an unpaved driveway. The driveway passes a private home and a barn on the left and takes a hard left turn at the halfway point. When you arrive, please identify yourself to the owner, Randy Rutherford, as a member of Brandywine Bonsai.

I have included a couple pictures of yews that were collected. They have substantial trunks. Foliage is sparse indicating frequent deer pruning. These trees are real survivors. It will be amazing how quickly they will flush out into heavy foliage if they are stored in an area protected from deer. I would expect that with good bonsai mix and heavy feeding after they are acclimated, they will even exhibit back-budding allowing the development of sumo shohin. Steve Ittel



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