

Taunton and Somerset Bonsai Club, Tree of the Month critique January 2022

Member name	Tree species and style	Subject		Technique					Total Score Out of 100	Member votes	Comments
		Overall presentation 30	Pot 10	Roots 10	Trunk 15	Branches & foliage 20	Health & vigour 10	Surface 5			
Advanced											
Mike C	Birch	24	9	4	11	15	10	4	77	3	Good tree/pot combination. Nice trunks and branch structure. Would be good to see some nebari/roots
Alistair H	Cork-bark Chinese Elm	26	10	3	14	18	10	4	85	9	Beautiful tree/pot combination. Good trunk, excellent ramification and well presented. Roots are a bit ugly with clear evidence of previous pot outline.
Richard M	Scots Pine	20	6	4	10	10	10	4	64		Nice aged little trunk. Needs better branch structure. Top moves away from view, so perhaps consider a change of front. Could expose some roots. Pot too big and shiny.
Richard P	Larch	22	7	6	11	14	10	3	73	1	Nice image with good trunkline and taper. Will improve with more branch ramification in time. Pale coloured surface dressing is distracting.
Novice											
Nigel	Hawthorn	20	6	5	12	10	10	4	67		Nice trunk and nebari but branch structure seems a bit random and doesn't "flow". Pot too big!