

Somerset Bonsai Society, Tree of the Month critique March 2024

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											
Brian	<i>Prunus Kojo no mai</i>	23	7	7	11	15	10	4	77		Beautifully presented. Nice structure but needs more ramification. Blue pot looks good if a little too big.
Bob	<i>Acer Kiyohimi</i>	21	7	8	12	16	9	4	77	5	Nice tree with much potential. Would look better sitting lower in the pot – there are a lot of dead roots as a consequence of sitting too high. Pot too deep and clunky. Placement in pot looks wrong – too far to left. Aphids!!
Richard M	Larch	22	7	6	10	14	10	4	73		Very neatly presented. Good ramification but tree leans away from view and has an eye-poking lower branch.
Richard P	<i>Prunus Kojo no mai</i>	22	7	9	13	15	10	5	81	7	Lovely! Good overall structure and good root base.
Novice											
John C	Japanese quince	22	6	5	11	12	10	5	71	1	Nicely presented with stand and figurine. A bit overpotted and needs building of ramification