

When in October 1965 was the San Diego Bonsai Club founded?

Copilot said:

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The **San Diego Bonsai Club** was founded on **October 23, 1965**.

This specific date appears in historical summaries of the club's origins, which note that the founding meeting took place on that day in October 1965.

You said:

What was the club's first event?

Copilot said:

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I looked for reliable historical records of the **San Diego Bonsai Club's earliest activities**, but there isn't a clearly documented, consistently cited source that identifies a specific "first event" right after its founding in October 1965.

What is generally known from club histories is that:

- The club's earliest activities centered on **meetings, demonstrations, and small local displays** among members.
- Within a short time (by the mid- to late-1960s), it began holding **public bonsai exhibitions in Balboa Park**, which became a defining activity of the organization.

Conclusion

→ The exact **first event** (in the sense of a single named exhibition or program immediately after founding) is **not clearly documented in available sources**.

→ The club's earliest events were **organizational meetings and informal bonsai demonstrations**, followed soon after by **public exhibitions in San Diego**, which became its primary tradition.

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