

# 2022 October 1st Plant Sale

After nearly a year waiting for the new greenhouse to be built and then replenishing the plant inventory, the club held a Plant Sale on October 1.

This was the first sale as a 501(c)(3) organization. Thus, the money made after expenses will be donated to area 501(c)(3) charities.

The sale was a rousing success as people were lined up at the gate before we were open for business.

By the end of the day, we had a new problem – we had sold so many plants that we needed to work hard harvesting and potting so we have enough for the next big sale.



With temperatures pushing 100 degrees in the greenhouse, club members braved the conditions to pot up several hundred plants every week before the sale.



Some of the plants before the sale.



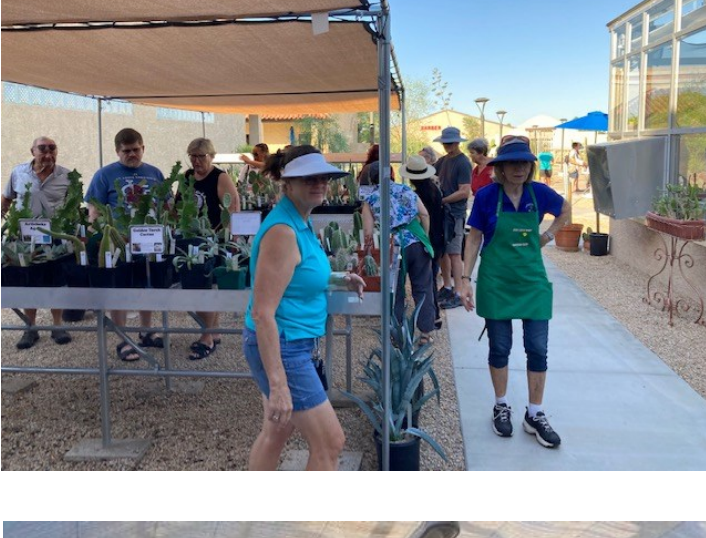
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Tom Shea, a citrus expert, set up a table in the shade and gave free advice on growing oranges, lemons, and grapefruit.



By noon, it was obvious that the day was a success – many empty spots that were full at 8 am.



Most of the preliminary work getting ready for the first sale took place starting at 7 in the morning.



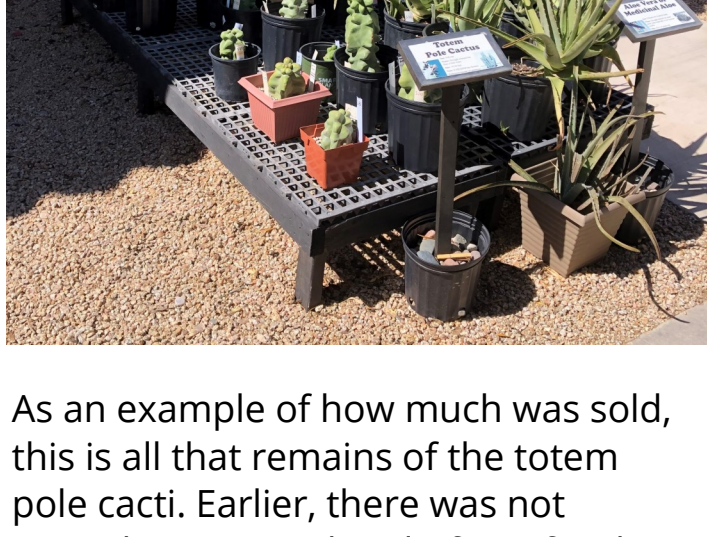
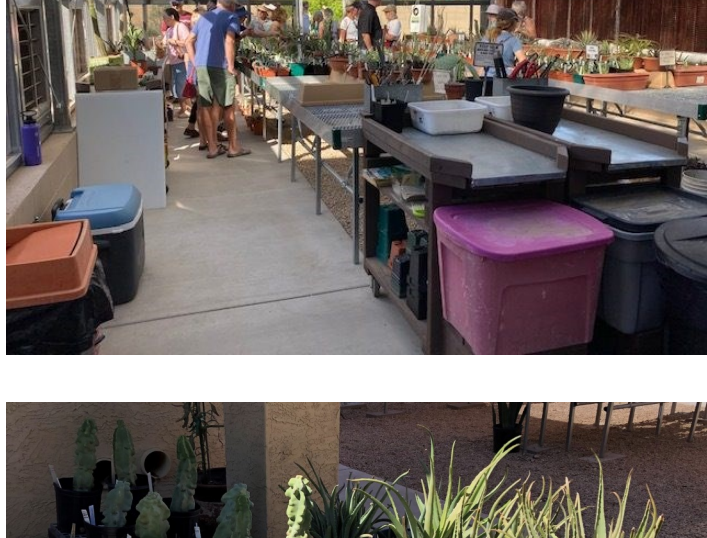
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Bags of the club's special mixture of soil are ready for the sale.



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As an example of how much was sold, this is all that remains of the totem pole cacti. Earlier, there was not enough room for these plants so some pots were set on the ground.



Linda Miller looks over her recent harvest of African Milk Plant cuttings. These proved to be quite popular at the sale with nearly 90% sold by noon.



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Container gardens are a popular item.



Happy shoppers check out the cacti and succulents offered.

