

## The Australian Rose Award 2002

The National Rose Society of Australia has granted Mr. Richard Walsh the Australian Rose Award in recognition of his work for *The Rose*.

Richard Walsh joined the Rose Society of New South Wales in 1971 and has been a member of State Council since its inception (1979 to the present time).

He has held many administrative positions within the Rose Society of New South Wales including:

- Chairman of Bankstown & St. George Regional for 5 years
- · Secretary of Macarthur Regional for 9 years
- Editor N.S.W. rose for 17 years
- Vice-President of the Rose Society of New South Wales
  3 years
- President of the Rose Society of New South Wales from 1997 to the present time
- N.S.W co-ordinator Australian Rose Breeders Association since its inception

Richard is a skilled exhibitor and a keen rose breeder, two of his seedling roses **Lifeline** and **Wollongong Gold** have won awards in the National Rose Trial Garden of Australia.

He is a keen and skilled speaker and regularly gives talks on both Modern and Heritage roses in which he has a keen interest.

He has been a delegate for NSW at the NRSA Annual Meetings from 1994 to the present time.

Richard was awarded The T.A. Stewart Memorial Award in 1997.

The Rose Society of New South Wales is gratified that Mr. Richard Walsh has been granted the Australian Rose Award for 2002 for his outstanding service to the cause of the rose.