

The Australian Rose Award 2003

The National Rose Society of Australia has granted Mr. Bill Allen the Australian Rose Award in recognition of his work for The Rose.

Bill joined the Queensland Rose Society in 1977 as a keen rose grower.

In 1979 his editorial and publishing experience was recognised when he accepted the position of State Editor of the "Queensland Rose", and has occupied that important and demanding position until the present time – a period of 24 years.

Bill guided our Society into the computer age, in the course of which he has saved the Society considerable expense.

He receives pre-post entries for our major Autumn and Spring public rose shows and produces computer spread sheets allocating space and identifying container requirements for the various types of exhibits, greatly assisting in speedy and efficient setting up of the shows.

Bill is a keen rose grower, exhibitor and is a competent rose judge.

He has been a committee member and served in many subcommittees throughout his membership.

Bill was granted Life Membership of Our Society in recognition of his outstanding contribution to rose culture and the Society generally in this State.

The Queensland Rose Society is gratified that Mr Bill Allen has been granted the Australian Rose Award for 2003 for his outstanding service to the cause of the rose.