

The Australian Rose Award 2003

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

Col joined the Queensland Rose Society in 1960 and was elected to the Committee in 1964. He has been an active and dedicated member in a wide range of Society activities until the present time.

Col was elected Deputy Chief Show Steward in 1968 and advanced to Chief Show Steward in 1974 and 1975 He was elected Deputy President in 1979 and 1980 and assumed the Presidency on the death of Hugh Graham in 1980 and was then confirmed President in 1981. He was elected Secretary in 1986 and occupied that position until 1992.

He then occupied the position of Treasurer from 1995 to 1999 and has stood in as Acting Treasurer when required on several occasions when needed.

He has addressed many Garden Clubs and Queensland Government Horticultural Sections and is one of our most experienced and qualified rose judges.

Col is an Honorary Life Member of the Queensland Rose Society Inc.

Col was a delegate to N.R.S.A., A.G.Ms. in Tasmania 1989, Perth 1990, Brisbane 1992 and N.S.W. in 1997.

He served as N.R.S. President in 1998.

The above information confirms his history of dedicated service to the Rose for over 40 years and the Queensland Rose Society Inc. is gratified that Mr Col Bleck has been granted the Australian Rose Award for 2003.