

ARA Award Max Mariner

Max Mariner was born in Tasmania during 1935.

He moved to Victoria and Joined the Victorian Rose Society in 1975.

In 1991 he was elected to the Victorian Rose Society Council and became the organiser of rose pruning demonstrations.

Being interested in shows Max became Show manager in 2002 building up the show and developing a good relationship with exhibitors and sponsors alike.

From the outset Max acted as liaison officer with Morwell Centenary Rose Garden where his efforts contributed to the garden receiving WFRS Garden of Excellence Award in 2009 in Vancouver.

For the last 20yrs Max travelled regularly to Albury-Wodonga giving talks and pruning demonstrations.

In 2001 Max was elected Vice President of the Victorian Rose Society.

In 2004 he was granted Honorary Life Membership of the Victorian Rose Society.

Then two years later in 2006 Max received the TA Stewart Award.

Dabbling in breeding Max bred popular red floribunda Tasman Venture that is a welcome addition to the growing list of Australian Bred Roses.

As well being involved in administration Max wrote a comprehensive document on climbing roses that is widely acclaimed throughout Australia.

These days Max continues to mentor younger members Of the Victorian Rose Society sharing his knowledge and expertise.

The national Rose Society of Australia takes great pleasure in awarding Max Mariner the Australian Rose Award and I would ask Victorian Rose Society President Veronica O'Brien to accept it on his behalf from President National Rose Society of Australia Glynis Hayne and President WFRS Steve Jones.

Nominated by the Victorian Rose Society