

National Rose Society of Australia Inc Service Award 2008

Malcolm Watson, S.M.A., A.R.A.

Having considered all aspects of the criteria for the National Rose Society of Australia Service Award The Rose Society of South Australia nominates Mr Malcolm Watson, who is a member of The Rose Society of South Australia Incorporated, for this prestigious award.

Mr Malcolm Watson has worked tirelessly for the National Rose Society of Australia Incorporated by being:

National AGM Delegate for the Rose Society of South Australia Inc –

1992, 1993, 1997, 1998, 1999

National Vice President - 1999

National President - 2000

National Assistant Secretary/ Treasurer - 2001

National Secretary - from 2001 to 2006

NRSA delegate on the National Rose Trial Garden of Australia Board for five years. From the commencement of the N.R.T.G.A. until 2006, Malcolm duplicated and held the data base of the Trial Garden assessments and typed the minutes of the board meetings.

Malcolm has in the years:

1998 -1999 - together with another Rosarian, researched and drafted the criteria for the National Rose Society of Australia Service Award.

2000-2002 - collated and typed up the information presented for the Australian Judging Rules.

2004 – Helped compile the document for assessing candidates for the Australian Rose Award.

2004-2005 - Drafted the Constitution for the National Rose Society to become incorporated. Researched and instigated the National Rose Society of Australia Incorporated public liability insurance.

Since 1988 he has attended 7 World Federation of Rose Societies World Conferences, being the Australian Delegate in 2000 and 2003. He was an Australian Guest Speaker at the World Federation of Rose Societies Convention in Osaka in 2006, as well as attending 4 World Federation of Rose Societies Regional Conventions.

Due to his exceptional and dedicated work within the National Rose Society of Australia Inc, he was approached, and accepted, the position of Executive Director for the World Federation of Rose Societies.

As described in the above citation, Mr Malcolm Watson is a most worthy recipient for the National Rose Society of Australia Incorporated Service Award.