

## T.A. Stewart Memorial Award 2005

Mr Doug Grant of New Zealand has been awarded this high honour for 2005.

Doug Grant first joined the Royal National Rose Society in England to pursue his interest in breeding roses and follow the trial ground results from around the world. This was followed with membership of the New Zealand Rose Breeders Association and, for over a decade, he has written notes for Rose Breeders in the New Zealand Rose Annual.

Doug has been a valued member of the Franklin Rose Society for 20 years, including holding the office as President. He has been National Show Convenor when Franklin hosted the National Spring Rose Show and Convention.

For the last 13 years, Doug has been on the New Zealand Rose Society as a councillor, vice president and national president for six of those years. He continues to serve on many committees over seeing many forward thinking innovations.

A member of the Rose Breeders Association and on its committee since 1985, Doug has become a rose breeder of note. He was awarded the 'New Zealand Rose of the Year' for his striking red floribunda rose, *Millennium*.

Doug's chosen profession as a crop scientist has ensured that the New Zealand Rose Society has had access to his scientific knowledge, which he always manages to impart in layman terms. The New Zealand Rose Society is fortunate to have such a highly qualified Consulting Rosarian.

Doug represented the New Zealand Rose Society at two conventions of the World Federation of Rose Societies, the 12<sup>th</sup> World Rose Convention in Texas 2000 and the 13<sup>th</sup> World Rose Convention in Glasgow 2003.

The New Zealand Rose Society Inc. is gratified that this high honour has been bestowed on Mr. Doug Grant.