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Editor's Preface

Dr Susan Young - Tasmania



I have four rose bushes. Two of them grow up at random through a box hedge on a dry clay bank, and the only care they receive is to get ruthlessly hedge-trimmed every year. They thrive. The other two are supposed to be cascading gloriously over the fence in an abundance of blooms, but they spend most of their time as pathetic skeletons, mercilessly nibbled by the possums.

So why, then, am I editing the Australian Rose Annual? Well, I run a small author services and publishing business in Tasmania, and I have the good fortune to have Jim Cane ARA NSA SMA as a neighbour. It's been a pleasure getting to know the organising members

of the Rose Societies of Australia, who have been very helpful, and learning more about roses as I go. I would like to thank everyone who has contributed material. Outgoing editor, Paul Hains ARA NSA SMA, was very helpful in setting me up with the files from previous years and answering questions, and Kristin Dawson has been especially generous with her time and advice on how the *Rose Annual* comes together.

The Rose Annual is partly a historical record of the operation and activities of the Rose Society, but it is also a place to share the wealth of experience and knowledge members have and simply to celebrate the enjoyment of roses. In compiling the articles for this year's Annual, I see a society with many active members organising and attending events and working at home with their roses. There must be many more members with things to share, and I hope to have a more varied range of articles for the Rose Annual 2024. South Australian events and writers feature heavily in this year's Annual; 2022 was of course a huge year for rosarians in SA, and perhaps next year there will be more contributions from other states. Please, as you enjoy rose-related activities through the year, think of taking a photo or two and writing a short piece for the Rose Annual. Set your phone to take large pictures, so that they're high-res enough for print.

I was fascinated to learn how active the NRSA is in developing and promoting beautiful new rose breeds. In closing, I would like to humbly suggest, from my little corner of Tasmania, that you rose-breeders direct your efforts towards developing a range of possum-resistant roses. I'm sure they'd be a hit.

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NRSA President's Message

Sandra Turner – Victoria



It is a great honour to be the President of the National Rose Society of Australia, a position that I only admired from afar, joining the list of presidents of days gone by who are admired and respected for their leadership and great knowledge of growing, showing and sharing the love of the rose.

As a member of the RSV, I have been privileged with the guidance and knowledge of past presidents lan Spriggs, Steve Beck and Veronica O'Brien. I joined the RSV Committee of Management in 2006 and have been RSV President for the past 4 years.

This year I hope to attend as many State Shows as possible. I look forward to applying myself wholeheartedly to this position and sharing a year of roses without restrictions.

I would like to personally thank Gavin Woods, 2022 NRSA President, for his leadership, knowledge, commitment and dedication for the past year. Gavin is most generous in time and extremely kind with all that he does for the rose. Gavin was also part of the committee that presented the World Federation of Rose Societies Conference.

The WFRS Conference Committee, convened by Kelvin Trimper, worked very hard for 8 years to organise this major event, which included the Adelaide International Rose and Garden Show, an outstanding event and a wonderful success.

Congratulations to Diane vom Berg from South Australia, who was elected President of the WFRS for a three-year term.

Mr. Bob Melville, from Western Australia, was announced as the NRSA President at the 50th National AGM for 2023. Sadly, Bob passed away suddenly late in November 2022. Bob was a lifelong and ardent promoter and grower of roses, following in his father's footsteps. Sincere condolences to Bob's family and friends and the members of the Rose Society of Western Australia.

The National AGM and Rose Show 2023 will be held in Western Australia from Friday 20th October to Thursday 26th October 2023, including a wonderful post-conference agenda to enjoy many fabulous events.

I welcome you to contact me over the next year and I am looking forward to representing you on behalf of the NRSA.

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BERMUDA	Bermuda Rose Society
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CHINA	Chinese Rose Society
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Year	AGM	Sequence	State Held	President
1973	1	Victoria	Victoria	Dr A. S. Thomas
1974	2	Queensland	Queensland	Mr Hugh Graham
1975	3	South Australia	South Australia	Dr Allan Campbell
1976	4	New South Wales	New South Wales	Mr Alex Tylor
1977	5	Tasmania	Tasmania	Mrs L. W. Knight
1978	6	Western Australia	Western Australia	Mr G. F. Melville
1979	7	Victoria	Victoria	Mr B. J. T. Stone
1980	8	Queensland	Queensland	Mr R. D.Kent
1981	9	South Australia	South Australia	Dr Allan Campbell
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1984	12	Western Australia	Western Australia	Mr G.F. Melville
1985	13	Victoria	Victoria	Mr Allan Ferris
1986	14	Queensland	South Australia	Mr David Ruston
1987	15	South Australia	Queensland	Mr Reg Bovey
1988	16	New South Wales	New South Wales	Mr Eric Welsh
1989	17	Tasmania	Tasmania	Mr I. J. Lefevre
1990	18	Western Australia	Western Australia	Mr G. F. Melville
1991	19	Victoria	Victoria	Mr Barry Johnson
1992	20	Queensland	Queensland	Mr Doug Mathew
1993	21	South Australia	South Australia	Mr Dean Stringer
1994	22	New South Wales	New South Wales	Mr Garth Guyett
1995	23	Tasmania	Tasmania	Mr Jim Cane
1996	24	Western Australia	Western Australia	Mr John Coleman Doscas
1997	25	Victoria	New South Wales	Mr Allan Read
1998	26	Queensland	Queensland	Mr Col Bleck
1999	27	South Australia	Victoria	Mr Barry Johnson
2000	28	New South Wales	South Australia	Mr Malcolm Watson
2001	29	Western Australia	Western Australia	Mr Robert Melville
2002	30	Victoria	Victoria	Mr Ross Heathcote
2003	31	Queensland	New South Wales	Mr Richard Walsh
2004	32	South Australia	South Australia	Mr Merv Trimper
2005	33	New South Wales	Queensland	Mr Tony Stallwood
2006	34	Western Australia	Western Australia	Mr Robert Melville
2007	35	Victoria	Victoria	Mr Ian Spriggs
2008	36	Queensland	South Australia	Mr Peter Burton
2009	37	South Australia	New South Wales	Mrs Glynis Hayne
2010	38	New South Wales	Queensland	Mr Tony Stallwood
2011	39	Western Australia	Western Australia	Mrs Vivienne Etter
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2013	41	Queensland	New South Wales	Mrs Glynis Hayne
2014	42	South Australia	South Australia	Mr Kelvin Trimper
2015	43	New South Wales	Queensland	Mr Paul Hains
2016	44	Western Australia	Western Australia	Mrs Vivienne Etter
2017	45	Victoria	Victoria	Mrs Veronica O'Brien
2018	46	Queensland	Queensland	Mr Paul Hains
2019	47	South Australia	South Australia	Mr Gavin Woods
2020/1	48/9	New South Wales	New South Wales	Mr Colin Hollis
2022	50	WFRS Convention	South Australia	Mr Gavin Woods
2023	51	Western Australia	Western Australia	Ms Sandra Turner (Vic)
2024	52	Victoria		7



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MINUTES

50th Annual General Meeting Sunday 30th October 2022 at 9.00a.m. At: The Adelaide Convention Centre

Welcome and opening of meeting:

Welcome and Opening of Meeting:

Meeting opened at 9.00 a.m. with a welcome from the President, Mr Gavin Woods, who called for a minutes silence in memory of Mr Dean Springer OAM ARA who recently passed away.

2. Attendees:	Mr Gavin Woods	NRSA President	South Australia
	Ms Kristin Dawson	NRSA Secretary,	New South Wales
	Mr Jim Cane	NRSA Treasurer	South Australia

Mr Bob Melville NRSA Vice President Western Australia (phone) Mrs Kerry Bradford Delegate Western Australia **New South Wales** Mr Colin Hollis Delegate Mrs Meryl Morphett Delegate New South Wales Mrs Sue Stallwood Delegate Queensland Mrs Shirley Dance Delegate Queensland Delegate South Australia Mrs Diane vom Berg Mr John Humphries Delegate South Australia

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South Australia

Ms Helen Lovel **Neutrog Representative** Victoria

Bevan Dance (Qld), Laurel Sommerfeld (Qld), Barbara Watson (Vic), Mary Frick (SA), Ruth Watson (SA), Celia Painter (SA)

Apologies: Richard Walsh - Registrar Australian Rose Names; Paul Hains (Editor, Web Administrator, VP Australasia.

3. Confirmation of the Minutes of AGM 2021:

A copy of the 2021 NRSA AGM minutes of the meeting held via Zoom on Sunday 17 October at 12 midday. DST (NSW, Vic, Tas) (11 a.m. EST Qld) 11.30a.m. DST SA) and (9.00 a.m. WA) has been circulated to State Secretaries and NRSA Officials and approved prior to being published in the 2022 Australian Rose Annual

Acceptance of the Minutes: Moved: VIC Seconded: QLD Carried

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4. **Business Arising from the Minutes:**

4.1 Director's & Officers Insurance & 2022 Jim Cane/Treasurer This is rolled out annually, usually in August. Approximately \$1800.

5. **Financial Report:**

Audited Report & Summary 5.1

Treasurer, Jim Cane

These reports were circulated 2 weeks prior to the meeting. Mr Cane noted there had been a delay in receiving the report as the auditor required more information for the Convention account.

- There was an overall surplus of \$26.33 for the year down from a surplus the previous year of \$7,815.93 due to changes with the Rose Annual printing, timing of Neutrog royalty payments and and the outlay for Neutrog shares of \$5,000.31.
- The overall financial position is a healthy \$430,004.31but this will diminish quickly as Convention & Expo costs are paid out
- Mr Cane stated that the Auditor Office has been very helpful.

Appreciation of Mr Cane's service

The President expressed appreciation for the enormous amount of work undertaken so competently by Jim for the Convention and this was moved as a motion: SA/ NSW Carried

6. Reports (All reports were submitted and distributed prior to the meeting and taken as read):

6.1 States

- 6.1.1 NSW
- **6.1.2** Old
- **6.1.3** SA
- **6.1.4** WA Mr Melville looked forward to welcoming members to WA in 2023
- 6.1.5 VIC

6.2 **Australian Rose Annual:**

Paul Hains

6.3 N.R.S.A. Web Administrator: **Paul Hains**

National Rose Trial Garden of Australia: 6.4

Chris Kelly

No further information other than praying for reasonable weather for the visit of Convention delegates to the NRTGA.

6.5 NRSA Judges Panel Sub-Committee:

Gavin Woods SA

Mr Woods states that they had not achieved the objectives to launch the standards at this meeting, but will continue working on these for launch in 2023

6.6 **Australian Registrar for Rose Names:**

Richard Walsh

Mr Walsh had notified the Committee that he would not seek renomination in 2023. The Chair noted that there will need to be a decision on the continuation of this position, and depending on a new nomination at the Perth AGM in 2023

6.7 Neutrog Australia:

Helen Lovel

An extensive report was provided to the delegates prior to the meeting.

- In addition, Helen asked the delegates to consider the offer of Popul8 which will retail at \$45 per bottle and was offered online to 2000 members. However only 424 took up the offer. It needs to be promoted more, and the more sold the higher the royalties.
- New products will be released free of charge as a promotion, and this should encourage new members. Suggested that the Societies could consider monthly membership renewals (though this would entail lots of extra work for volunteer staff and not be a viable option). Also suggested the consideration of an annual direct debit to maintain membership.

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- The online system is being streamlined for everyone, and Jacinta, a new staff member will assist members in how to take up a free offer.
- It was suggested that a video on products be sent out to the Societies/ State and Regional to share at their meetings.
- Cultural notes: there is a template available that can be altered to suit each State's conditions and circumstances. Other brands are not to be mentioned in the cultural notes in accord with the agreement. To edit to suit needs and to check in with Helen if necessary.
- Dr. Uwe is looking at a product to reduce odour in chooks.
- More scientists are being employed and to produce cutting edge work for future change in population/soil
- Request from a delegate for the date the order is due by; to email reminders to members. Jacinta to be asked to follow up.

6.8 World Federation of Rose Societies:

Paul Hains

6.9 WFRS 2022

Kelvin Trimper

6.9.1 2022 Meeting Report

Mr Trimper gave a brief report in addition to the written report distributed to the delegates prior to the meeting. There were 60-day registrations, 25 virtual registrations- 30 were needed to break even and there will be a small cost. It is hoped that this will be taken up in the future by WFRS Conventions. It has not been easy, but the Convention will be financially successful, and will break even, with the good crowd at the EXPO on Saturday. The full washup will not be known until Christmas.

- He expressed his gratitude to the States as it could not have been done without that support.
- There were good numbers of Australians attending, though could have had more, but recognizes the difficult times for people, cost and the virus. Similarly, this impacted on numbers from overseas.
- He expressed his deep appreciation to Jim Cane, who had to adapt from a NFP interest group organization as Treasurer, to a business. This entailed working with legislation such as the GST. There were changes in staff at AOG which presented some difficulties for Jim, and it is common to have staff changes at events.
- The cancellation of Kangaroo Island has created more work for the staff as they now will need to notify and reimburse participants.
- With only 4 days to go, it's been a good team effort and thanks were expressed to every person involved.

6.9.2 Appreciation to Kelvin Trimper

The President spoke on behalf of the NRSA thanking Kelvin as without his drive and commitment, this Convention could never have progressed. The delegates responded with an acclamation of his contribution.

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7. 2022 Rose Awards

7.1 Australian Rose Award -

Secretary

Thomas Proll, Matthias Meilland and Gavin Woods were nominated by the Rose Society of South Australia, and Sue Stallwood by the Queensland Rose Society. These nominations were accepted by the Awards Committee and endorsed by delegates prior to the National dinner.

7.2 T.A. Stewart Award

This was awarded to Mrs Joyce Chapman of Victoria.

7.3 NRSA Services Award

Secretary

A ballot was distributed to delegates of each State prior to the AGM and the delegates unanimously endorsed the award to Mr Kelvin Trimper who was nominated by The Rose Society of South Australia.

8. **General Business:**

8.1 Discussion on issue relating to sustainability of Societies at both State and National levels. Capacities to recruit office bearers and succession planning. Suggested strategies

This agenda item stimulated a very vigorous discussion where delegates spoke about their concerns for filling leadership positions, as well as presenting many ideas on how to increase membership. There were two issues, the development of leadership and willingness of younger people to take on roles of responsibility, and the other was maintaining and increasing membership.

It was suggested that it may be worthwhile to have a moderator to work through these issues, to formulate a conference/ forum with the delegates and others and to have some strategies/ ideas on the issue by the Perth AGM.

MOTION: Gavin Woods to structure a virtual forum for an exchange of ideas on this topic within the next three months. S.A/QLD

- Correspondence In: All relevant correspondence has been forwarded to State Secretaries and 9. copied to State Presidents as it came in throughout the year.
 - 9.1 All correspondence relating to reports from the WFRS 2022 Convention Adelaide, Minutes etc. on behalf of NRSA Convention Committee
 - 9.2 Emails from WFRS Executive Director, Derek Lawrence relating to WFRS business Including ballots and distribution of the BAON and World Rose News journals
 - 9.3 Information from Garden Clubs Australia regarding Public & Products Liability Insurance, Voluntary Workers Insurance & Voluntary Workers Policy Wording
 - 9.4 Emails referring to attendance of Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley – at 2022 National Rose Championships at Kiama and for its postponement.
 - 9.5 Emails concerning the honorary position of Editor in 2023
 - Government House signing of condolence book on death of HM Queen Elizabeth II 9.6

10. Correspondence Out:

- All correspondence relating to the administration of NRSA 10.1
- Invitation to Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley to attend the WFRS International Rose 10.2 Convention in Adelaide.
- 10.3 Replies to WFRS Executive Director, Derek Lawrence as required for all consultations
- 10.4 Correspondence with Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley re a commemorative rose for the Governor General's residence at Yarralumla
- 10.5 All correspondence relating to the WFRS International Rose Convention Adelaide
- Sympathy cards and floral tributes as applicable and appropriate 10.6

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MOTION: Acceptance of Correspondence QLD/WA

11. Nominations:

Patrons – Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley
President: - Mr Bob Melville –SA/WA
Vice President - Ms Sandra Turner VIC/NSW
Secretary – Mrs Jillian Plester WA/SA

*Secretary in Transition –Ms Kristin Dawson

Public Officer - RSSA Inc President (as per Constitution) - Mrs Diane Vom Berg

Treasurer - Mr Jim Cane - SA/QLD

**Australian Rose Annual Editor - Ratify: Dr Susan Young SA/QLD

***Web Administrator - Mr Chris Kelly SA/QLD

Registrar of New Rose Names for Australia - Mr Richard Walsh - SA/VIC

NRSA National Rose Trial Garden Member – Mr Merv Trimper & Mr Les Johnson- SA/QLD
WFRS WRC Committee Chair – Mr Kelvin Trimper SA/NSW

Auditor - Mr Justin Bowler SA/QLD

- * Secretary in Transition: MOTION: To assist the new Secretary Ms Kristin Dawson is to provide a mentoring role for six months, and to assist with any follow up from the Convention including assistance to the Treasurer and the Editor. SA/VIC
- ** Editor: South Australia has given Dr. Susan Young honorary membership, and her appointment had been endorsed by delegates to enable her to begin work on the Australian Annual 2023. She will not be attending annual meetings and must be given massive support from the States. The President thanked Jim for his initiative and support in sourcing Dr Young on behalf of the NRSA.
- *** Web Administrator: It will take some time to get a new website up and functioning. The software used for managing the current website is obsolete and not suitable. There is a necessity to seek out a web designer. Quotations for required work are to be submitted to the States for approval. The domain will continue to be hosted by Smiktech.

12. World Federation of Rose Societies Nominations

(3-year terms - 2022-2025):

Office Bearers

- 1] WFRS President -Mrs Diane Vom Berg SA/WA
- 21 WFRS Treasurer
- 3] WFRS Vice President Australasia (Australia) Mr Gavin Woods SA/VIC

13. Any further Business: At the discretion of the President

- i. Mr Bob Melville thanked Gavin as outgoing President. He thanks Kristin for her professional work as Secretary of the National body and said that Jillian will be an excellent Secretary., He thanked all the other State delegates and hopes to see all in WA next year. They are working towards encouraging young people to join and participate, and he thanked all for the honour of being the National President,
- A letter is to be written to Paul Hains to thank him for his work over the years on behalf of the NRSA.
- Kristin thanked all those who took on the task of managing the NRSA stall during the EXPO.

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Thanks were expressed to Gavin for his leadership over these past 12 months and to iv. Kristin for her contribution as Secretary.

14. **Date and Venue for next meeting:**

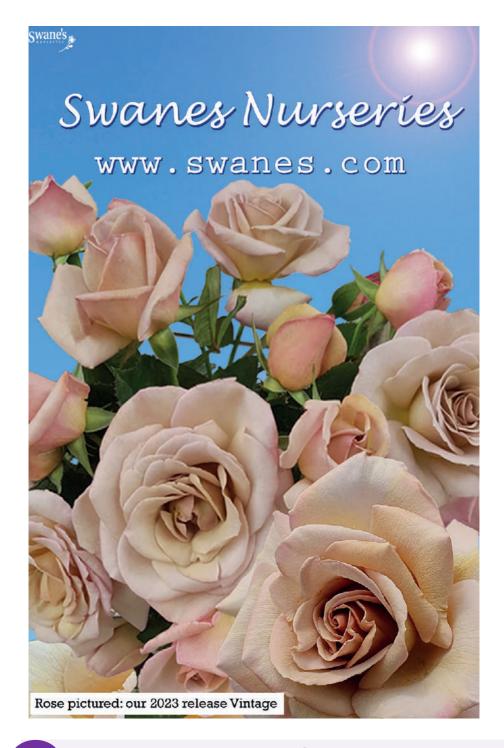
DATE: Sunday, 22nd October 2023.

TIME: 9.00 a.m.

VENUE: The Mopoke Room within the South Perth Community Centre building

ADDRESS: Cnr Sandgate Street and South Terrace, SOUTH PERTH.

15. Meeting Closed: 11.15 a.m.



Financial Summary Report for 2021–2022

Jim Cane ARA NSA SMA – Honorary Treasurer

The overall financial position of the National Rose Society of Australia remains reasonably sound. The surplus of income over expenditure was only \$26.23 compared to \$7,815.93 last financial year. Most of the decrease in the surplus was due to the increased cost of printing the Australian Rose Annual onshore as there was an issue with the offshore printer. As per the 2018 agreement with the states the Rose Annual cost was kept at \$5.35. This contributed to a loss on the 2022 Rose Annual of \$4,168.11 and virtually no surplus overall. There were no savings to put towards the WFRS Convention this year. Some advertisers did return following the downturn due to Covid-19.

Overall state membership increased by 40. The direct distribution of the Australian Rose Annual went very well again. The postage cost per Annual went up yet again, due to Australia Post increasing postage rates.

Income from term deposits is down a little due the low interest rates offered by the bank, but also due to timing of interest allocations. The two term deposits will mature early in 2022/23 and be reinvested.

Given the reasonable NRSA financial situation, I would again be happy for the NRSA to not impose the annual 10 cent capitation fee increase, per each Rose Annual ordered.



NRSA executive and State delegates AGM 2022. Back L-R: Jim Cane (treasurer) John Humphries (SA), Gavin Woods (National President), Helen Lovel (Neutrog), Sandra Turner (Victoria), Chris Kelly (NRT-GA), Colin Hollis (NSW), Shirley Dance (QLD); Front L-R: Kerry Bradford (WA), Sue Stallwood (QLD), Kristin Dawson (National Secretary), Diane vom Berg (SA), Michelle Endersby (Victoria), Meryl Morphett (NSW); Not present - Bob Melville (WA)

NRSA Auditor's Report 2021–2022



STATEMENT BY AUDITOR

The Financial Report comprises the Statement of Receipts and Payments and the Statement of Financial Position and the accompanying notes of the National Rose Society of Australia for the year ended 30th June 2022.

The Committee is responsible for the preparation and true and fair presentation of the Financial Report. This includes responsibility for the maintenance of adequate accounting records and internal controls that are designed to prevent and detect fraud and error, and for the accounting policies and accounting estimates inherent in the Financial Report.

I have examined the books and records of the National Rose Society of Australia for the financial year ended 30th June 2022. As is common for associations of this type, it is not practicable to maintain an effective system of internal control over voluntary contributions and receipts from fundraising activities until their initial entry into the accounting records.

Accordingly, my review related to voluntary contributions and receipts from fundraising activities was limited to amounts recorded.

However, subject to this, the accounts provide a true and accurate record.

Justin Dominic Bowler FNTAA Haon Accounting Services Huonville TAS

13 October 2022

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NRSA Financial Statement 2021–2022

National Rose Society of Australia Statements of Receipts and Payments, 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022

RECEIPTS

PAYMENTS

	2022	2021		2022	2021
Bank Balance 1 July	\$38,315.35	\$31,034.50			
State Levies @ \$2.30	For 2,095	For 2,055			
per Annual	Annuals	Annuals			
Capitation Fee @					
\$1.65	\$3,456.75	\$3,390.75			
WFRS Delegates Fee	(5)(5)(0)(6)(6)(6)(6)(6)				
@ \$0.35	\$ 733.25	\$ 719.25			
Honoraria @ \$0.30	\$ 628.50	\$ 616.50			
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Sub-total	\$4,818.50	\$4,726.50			
Rose Annuals	1000 V 1000 000 000 000 000 000 000 000		Rose Annuals		2 2000-007
State Purchases	\$11,208.25	\$10,994.25	Editor's Hon.	\$ 500.00	\$ 500.00
Advertisements 2022	\$ 3,000.00	\$ 2,500.00	Printing	\$17,469.10	\$7,979.00
Advertisements 2021	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 00.00	Freight/Postage	\$ 8,761.11	\$8,336.68
Freight/Postage	\$ 8,353.85	\$ 7,903.17			
Sub-total	\$23,562.10	\$21,397.42	Sub-total	\$26,730.21	\$16,815.68
Sundries	+20,002.10		Sundries		,
Sales of Stock	\$ 107.00	\$ 64.50	Treloar Error U'Lady		
Term Deposit Interest	\$ 356.77	\$ 535.08	Royalty Wrong A/C	\$3,383.60	\$ 00.00
Neutrog Royalties &	Ψ 000.11		WFRS Sub	\$ 147.19	\$ 00.00
Sponsorship	\$ 9,059.61	\$ 11,060.85	Sec. Expenses	\$ 766.45	\$ 824.61
Postage	\$ 16.10	\$ 18.10	NRTG Annual Grant	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00
RSQLD WFRS Error	\$ 2.042.00	Q 10.10	Website	\$ 00.00	\$ 429.00
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			R Walsh NRTGA	\$ 00.00	\$1,000.00
			Print Savings to 2022	\$ 00.00	\$6,000.00
			Flowers Colin Hollis	\$ 188.00	\$ 00.00
			Kiama Rose Prizes	\$ 400.00	\$ 00.00
			Treas. Hon & Expen.	\$ 774.00	\$1,200.80
			Bank Fees	\$ 9.64	\$ 8.82
			Purchase Neutrog	Ψ 5.04	0.02
			Shares	\$5,000.31	\$ 00.00
			Business Insurance	\$1,633.50	\$1,536.70
			PO Mail Box	\$ 102.50	\$ 00.00
			GCA Aff. & Magazine	\$ 95.00	\$ 55.00
			GCA Insurance	\$ 100.41	\$ 100.41
			Audit Fees	\$ 610.00	\$ 610.00
			Addit Fees	\$ 010.00	\$ 010.00
Sub-total	\$14,965.08	\$ 11,678.23	Sub-total	\$16,589.24	\$13,170.54
Total Receipts	\$43,345.68	\$37,802.15	Total Payments	\$43,319.45	\$29,986.22
Transfer from Term Deposit	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00	Transfer to Term Deposit	\$ 356.77	\$ 535.08
			Bank Balance 30 th June	\$37,984.81	\$38,315.35
Total	\$81,661.03	\$68,836.65	Total	\$81,661.03	\$68,836.65

INVESTMENTS - MEGAN LOUISE FUND

TOTAL	\$51,714.54	TOTAL	\$51,714.54
Interest 2021/2022	\$ 341.18	Term Deposit	
Balance 1 July 2021	\$51,373.36	Balance 30th June 2022 CBA	\$51,714.54

Note 1:

The Megan Louise Fund is currently invested for 13 months, earning

0.35% PA and will mature on 28th August 2022.

STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION AS AT 30TH JUNE

	2022	2021
CBA - Working Account	\$37,984.81	\$38,315.35
CBA - Working Account Term Deposit	\$50,918.29	\$50,561.52
CBA No. 2- 2021 Convention Account	\$119,052.95	\$21,080.56
CBA Term Deposit (ex 2021 Convention A/C)	Closed	\$101,631.70
All Occasions Group 2021 NRSA Trust A/C	\$150,273.80	\$18,156.94
CBA - Investments - Megan Louise Fund	\$51,714.54	\$51,373.36
Stock – Medallions etc.	\$15,059.61	\$14,114.11
Neutrog Shares	\$5,000.31	
TOTAL	\$430,004.31	\$295,233.54

Note 1: Of the \$37,984.81 balance in the working account, \$2,500.00 belongs

to the Malcolm Watson Trophy Fund.

Note 2: Discounting the Megan Louise Fund and the WFRS 2022 accounts.

> there was an operating surplus for the year of \$26.33(actual income received less actual expenditure), compared to a surplus of \$7,815.93 the previous year. The dramatic turnaround is due to the more expensive printing of the 2022 Rose Annual, which showed a loss of \$2,760.85. Neutrog royalties were down due to payment timings.

There was an outlay of \$5,000.31 on Neutrog Shares.

WFRS Convention Financial Statement 2021–2022

National Rose Society of Australia 2022 WFRS Convention Accounts Statements of Receipts and Payments, 1st July 2021 to 30th June 2022

RECEIPTS

PAYMENTS

	2022	2021		2022	2021
1July Balances	631. MODALE O MARKON SA 1931 FI	annon unusarennen A	Sundries 2021 A/C		
NRSA 2022 Account	\$21,080.56	\$50,090.28	M&K Trimper		
AOG Trust Account	\$18,156.94	\$18,877.20	Secretarial Service	SE DESCRIPTION	
		28-03-28-287-28-21-0-0	Consumables	\$ 100.00	\$ 100.00
			ATO GST Payment	\$ 3,571.00	\$1,015.00
			Transfer Neutrog	1,170,185 *1200,18001953	
			Payment Error to		
			Working Account	\$ 00.00	\$3,962.38
			ACC	\$73,617.98	.4.0
			AOG Man. Fees	\$10,000.00	\$ 00.00
			Macarthur Error	\$ 1,565.00	\$ 00.00
Sub-total	\$39,237.50	\$68,967.48	Sub-total	\$88,853.98	\$5,077.38
State Support			Sundries AOG	74-920	
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RSWA	\$ 1,500.00	\$ 1,380.00	AOG Management		
RSSA	\$ 8,000.00	\$ 8,000.00	Fees	\$15,508.00	\$14,424.00
RSV	\$ 1,000.00	\$ 00.00	Promo Brochures	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00
RSNSW	\$ 4,800.00	\$ 4,414.00	Promo Material	0.00	200000000000000000000000000000000000000
RSQLD	\$ 3,792.00	\$ 00.00	Term Deposit		
THE GLE	4 0,102.00		Interest Left in TD	\$ 00.00	\$ 544.19
			NRSA Transfers To		
			AOG Trust Account	\$11,091.14	\$13,703.74
			Convention Ins.	\$ 3,723.79	\$ 00.00
			Web Hosting Error	\$ 549.00	\$ 00.00
			Treb riosting Error	Ψ 545.00	Ψ 00.00
Sub-total	\$19,092.00	\$13,794.00	Sub-total	\$30,871.93	\$28,671.93
Sundries	13				
Neutrog Royalties	\$ 6,845.26	\$ 8,971.22			
Patricks Royalties	\$ 632.00	\$ 1,798.00			
Treloar Royalties	\$ 3,383.60	\$ 3,847.80			
ATO GST Refunds	\$ 2,142.00	\$ 1,113.00			
Sundry Donations	\$ 00.00	\$ 285.00			
Annual Print Saving	\$ 000.00	\$ 6,000.00			
Term Deposit WDra	\$102,306.65	\$ 544.19			
Neutrog Pay Errors	\$ 000.00	\$ 3,962.38			
Heritage Roses Exp	\$ 7,500.00	\$ 000.00			
SA Tourism Comm	\$55,000.00	\$ 000.00			
Macarthur Error	\$ 1,565.00	\$ 000.00			
Sub-total	\$179,374.51	\$26,521.59			
AOG Trust Account					
H/Office to balance	\$ 1,074.85	\$			
NRSA Transfers In	\$ 11,091.14	\$13,703.74			
Adelaide Convention					
Bureau Sponsorship	\$ 00.00	\$ 00.00			
Con. Registrations	\$139,182.66				
Sub-total	\$151,348.65	\$13,703.74			
Total Receipts	\$389,052.66	\$122,986,81	Total Payments	\$119,752.91	\$ 33,749.31
			Bank Balance 30th June 2022 A/C	\$110 0E2 0E	¢ 24 000 E0
			Balance 30th June	\$119,052.95	\$ 21,080.56
			AOG Account	\$150,273.80	\$ 18,156.94
Total	\$389,052.66	\$122,986.81	Total	\$389,052.66	\$122,986.81

World Federation of Rose Societies Report

Paul Hains ARA NSA SMA – WFRS Vice President, Australasia

It has been a great honour to serve as Australia's representative to the WFRS for the last 7 years. In that time I was able to represent Australia as Deputy Chairman of the Promotions Committee from 2015–2018 and was the first Chairman of the Social Media Subcommittee from 2015 until the present. This involved introducing the WFRS to social media and creating and managing a presence on Facebook and LinkedIn. As the WFRS Webmaster from 2018 to 2021, I created a new website for the Federation in 2018; a professional company now manages an updated site on behalf of the WFRS. I've also represented Australia as a member of the Publications Committee since 2016, including involvement with the 50th Anniversary book.

As a Life Member of the Friends of the Federation, I encourage everyone to join either as a Friend for the 3-year term from the Adelaide WRC or as a Life Member. Life Members are listed on the WFRS Website https://www.worldrose.org/friends-of-the-world-federation/. There are 5 from Australia: Les Johnson, Mary Frick, Paul Hains, Diane vom Berg and Gavin Woods.

I was fortunate in my time to be able to represent Australia at a number of conferences as well as speaking in different countries: WFRS 2018 Denmark World Rose Convention (Speaker); WFRS 2018 Denmark WRC (International Panel Moderator); WFRS 2016 Beijing Regional Convention (International Panel); WFRS 2014 India Regional Convention (International Panel Moderator); American Rose Society, New Orleans (Guest Speaker); Federation of Rose Societies of South Africa (Guest Speaker; New Zealand Rose Society (Guest Speaker). On top of these conventions, I also represented Australia at the WRC in Lyon in 2015, and the Regional Conventions in Slovenia in 2017 and India in 2020. It's been one of the great privileges of my Rose Society time to be able to connect with so many people around the world who have remained friends to this day, even as my Rose Society involvement reduces.

My tenure in WFRS roles formally ended with the end of the WRC convention in Adelaide. Such a huge amount of work has been undertaken by all involved to make this WRC happen, along with all of the risks and turmoil with the Covid-19 pandemic. They should be congratulated for seeing it through to the end and for the brave commitment to keep moving forward.

Having served for many years as WFRS Treasurer, Diane vom Berg brings a wealth of insight to her new role as WFRS President. It is a great honour for Australia to have its third World President and having worked with Diane for years, I know she will be excellent for the role. Gavin Woods is stepping into the WFRS Vice President role and he will be another outstanding representative for Australia. Please support both of these leaders as they take on their new WFRS roles.



Rose Society of South Australia Inc.

Diane vom Berg – President RSSA

The past year has again brought many challenges for Council. With restrictions from the pandemic lifted, we gradually returned to members meetings, which were and continue to be held monthly, with an earlier starting time of 6.30 p.m., in the Goodman Building at Adelaide Botanic Gardens. Our Council also met monthly. These were face-to-face or Zoom meetings. Conferencing technology has saved many hours of driving for some of our Councillors.

Three of our branches held significant milestone birthdays in 2021–2022; Chaffey Rose Club 25 years, Roses on Eyre 20 years and Roses in the Heartland 10 years. Members from around the state enjoyed well-planned weekends of garden visits, morning teas, lunches and dinners for each of the celebrations with our Rambling Rosarians travelling to Chaffey and Roses on Eyre.



A very successful Spring Rose Show was held at Garden Grove Nursery - another chance for the society to take the rose to the public – and for the second year, the Autumn Show was held in conjunction with the People's Choice weekend in the Adelaide Botanic Gardens.

← Gavin Woods with Grand *Amore*, winner of the Australian Women's Weekly Interstate Rose Trophy and Grand Champion of Cut Flowers at the 2022 Spring Rose Show.

The society's rose pruning demonstrations were held in June at Carrick Hill and the International Rose Garden at the Adelaide Botanic Gardens, with good attendance at both events. A further rose pruning day was held in conjunction with Roses in the Heartland's Annual General Meeting in July. Thank you to our members who

assisted with these days, either by pruning or with giving out Neutrog samples and information from the society.

The society gave financial support to two major appeals, including one at the Adelaide Botanic Gardens and the other at Carrick Hill, to assist with the upgrading of rose signage at both locations, giving garden visitors information about roses.

Our mutually positive relationship with Neutrog of over 20 years continued and it provided significant benefits to the society and its members, who benefited from heavily reduced prices of Neutrog Products. Members continued to support Neutrog with their orders. The recent Neutrog share offer to societies and individuals was supported financially by the Rose Society of South Australia.

Our Secretary, John Humphries, and I recently met our new Patron, Mr Rod Bunten, at an informal meeting at Government House. The society invited Mr Bunten, along with the Governor, to attend events associated with the Convention, National Championships, National Annual General Meeting and our Christmas Luncheon.

It was with great sadness we learnt of the passing on 17 June 2022 of Doug Gregory, Life Member and Immediate Past President, and Malcolm Kentish. Both were great supporters of the society.

I had the pleasure of visiting Christina McPharlin who had given a generous donation to the society. We spoke about the enjoyment Christina has had over many years by being a member of the society, and that she still took a keen interest in our events. Christina was particularly interested in the 19th World Rose Convention, Celebration 22, and Adelaide International Rose and Garden Expo.

After many years of planning, we were pleased to welcome delegates and participants from around the world to the Celebration 22, hosted by the National Rose Society of Australia in its 50th year, and the Expo. The National and Local Convention and Expo committees continued to meet regularly to plan, consider, and finalise details for this event. It was an enormous effort from many dedicated individuals to ensure the success, participation and delegate experience of the Convention. During the event, there was an opportunity to discuss how other societies around the world have adapted to changes since the pandemic, and the impact of this on members.

In closing, I acknowledge and thank the contribution and commitment of Council Members to the society, in particular Ross Kemp who unfortunately tendered his resignation earlier this year and will not seek re-election. I also acknowledge and thank Rose Society of South Australia members, for their ongoing support in these challenging times where a flexible approach to changed conditions at events was often required.

The Rose Society of New South Wales Inc.

Colin Hollis ARA - President RSNSW

The highlight of the past year for NSW members was the successful staging of the Australian Rose Championships at Kiama on the NSW South Coast. Originally scheduled for 2020, it was twice postponed before finally taking place in May. We thank the National Executive for permitting this event to go ahead.



Mrs Hurley and Collin Hollis planting a *Lady of Australia* rose at Yarralumla

We were delighted that their Excellencies the Governor-General David Hurley and Mrs Hurley attended and that Mrs Hurley officially opened the Championships.

The success of the event was in no small measure due to former State Secretary and Conference Convenor Kristin Dawson, who worked tirelessly over the years to bring the event to fruition. To everyone involved my sincere thanks; you did NSW proud.

Some thirty NSW Members were present at Government House Canberra last 11 November, when Mrs Linda Hurley formally launched the *Lady of Australia* rose, celebrating the wives of the governorsgeneral of Australia. I had, some time earlier, planted 10 of the roses in the garden at Government House so

that they would be in bloom for the official launch in November. I was particularly pleased that this rose was one of the 4 Australian-bred roses featured on the stamps released in September by Australia Post. Their Excellencies have been great supporters of our society from their time at Government House Sydney through to their time at Yarralumla, Canberra.

Members have faced significant challenges throughout the year. The first half plagued by wet weather leading to floods, only to have floods again in the middle of the year, then as we looked forward to summer we were informed of a third consecutive La Niña for the Eastern States, bringing more wet weather and floods. To say the year has been challenging is an understatement. This, with the ongoing threat of coronavirus, has impacted not only membership but attendance at meetings. Many of our usual social functions have also been cancelled. Apart from the Championships in May, only one of our Regionals has managed a Rose Show. Despite these challenges, membership has remained steady.

We held our usual information stand at Sydney's Royal Easter Show. Like many events throughout the year, numbers were down on previous years.

I was delighted to present our most prestigious award, The Bert Mulley Memorial Award, to Macarthur stalwart Margaret Appleby OAM.

Because of restrictions on meetings, our 2021 AGM was postponed until February 2022. Vice President, Roslyn Parsons, decided not to renominate, and the position was filled by Br Jeff Regan. Likewise, Ralph Parsons handed the position of Subscription Secretary to Glynis Hayne. Due to a last-minute withdrawal the position of Editor to replace Susan Wade was not filled. We have not been able to fill the position over the past year, which has caused the Executive some concern. Doug Hayne took over as Historian from Judith Oyston. After 6 years as Secretary, Kristin Dawson stood down and was replaced as Secretary by Carol McVeigh. I want to place on the public record my thanks to Kristin not only for the expertise she contributed but the tireless commitment she gave to the society, and to me, in this demanding role which Kristin filled with distinction.

I thank the executive for their support: Vice President Jeff Regan, Treasurer Jacqueline Tweedie and especially Secretary Carol McVeigh.

A special thankyou to the Executives of the 9 regions. With the challenges of the past year, it has been their commitment that has enabled their regions to survive. This is helped by community activities. Illawarra Region has maintained the two projects Dapto Ribbonwood Peace Garden and Peace Park Kiama, which contains a bed of the Lady of Australia rose. Sydney member Jim Cunningham has been involved with Roxborough Park Rose Garden for many years. This is the largest Public Rose Garden in NSW and when the current upgrade is completed it will have over 5000 roses with over 130 cultivars. At Jim's suggestion some 516 Australian-bred roses have been sourced, acknowledging 11 breeders. The Rose Society of New South Wales sincerely thanks Neutrog, and especially Managing Director Angus Irwin, for the continued generous support and sponsorship given to the society. I also thank Helen Lovel for her ongoing support.



A new bed of Golden Beauty at Peace Park, Kiama Lady of Australia at Peace Park, Kiama

The Rose Society of Queensland Inc.

Sue Stallwood - President RSO

The last 12 months has been an improvement since Covid-19 hit Australia.

With the opening of the rose shows in 2022, trying to get back to the norm, we are still holding a great members list, with even more enrolments.

Our hearts go out to all those people affected by the devasting floods April and May.

Autumn Rose Show

This was the first Autumn Rose Show held by the Queensland Rose Society (QRS) since Covid-19 struck. It was held in May, combined with the Floral Art Society, with great excitement amongst members. The rains we have experienced of late have ruined a lot of gardens, but our exhibitors, pulling together, can still manage to put together a beautiful rose show.

It did rain all weekend, but it was very successful, with beautiful blooms and magnificent floral art. It was overwhelming to see. Congratulations to Ted Hayes for taking out Grand Champion of the Show, for a vase of a deep apricot coloured rose called *About Face*, well deserved.

Thank you to all the exhibitors; you really did a great job. No show without you. All the helpers over the weekend were much appreciated. QRS had a special guest, trainee judge and exhibitor from NSW Rose Society, Braiden Swan, travelling all that way with his exhibits winning prizes, well done! Thank you for exhibiting; it was greatly appreciated.

Thank you to Heather Prior, President of the Floral Art Society, and the committee for agreeing to combine with QRS. It was one of the best shows and the hospitality of your members over the weekend was much appreciated. The next rose show was Spring, 1–2 October at Mt Coot-tha.

The National Rose Show at Kiama NSW went ahead after being postponed from 2021; much to my regret I could not make it with family sickness. I believe it was very successful – congratulations to Colin Hollis and his committee.

Pruning your roses should be done at the end of June to early July; you still fertilize. In September you should start to see the beautiful buds coming out. Exhibitors should be gauging their roses for the Spring Rose Shows coming up.

Darling Downs Rose Society unfortunately folded this year after 30 years, due to the numbers of management needed to run the society carrying it forward. It is very sad. All Toowoomba's current members have come across to QRS. Moving forward we will be having a Spring Rose Show in Toowoomba as usual; our delegate/organiser

is Jodie, who is doing a great job in Toowoomba, looking after the members for us up there. The dates for Spring Shows are in the calendar of events. If you came come along and see the beautiful exhibits and have a chat to our rosarians, Toowoomba region grow very stunning roses.

We were saddened by the passing of our long-time member for over 50 years, Colin Bleck. Col held positions of Secretary, Treasurer and President of the Qld Rose Society and made many friends over the years. He will be greatly missed. RIP Col.

Sadly, Joe Sester also passed away. A member since 1961, Joe was a commercial rose grower for many years, sold potted roses at our Autumn and Spring Shows at Mt Coot-tha, and after retiring always was there to help with the setting up and unfolding of our shows. Joe was so dedicated to the Qld Rose Society Inc. His hard work didn't go unseen over the years. A well respected and beautiful man. He will be greatly missed. RIP Joe.

Two of our most popular men and dedicated rosarians lost this year, a huge loss.

Paul Hains, our World Rose Vice President, who was President of the QRS for several years and wrote two books about growing roses, has resigned due to other commitments. We are sad to lose Paul and wish him all the very best for his future.

Congratulations to Noel Prior and Shirley Dance becoming rose judges for the QRS.

Thank you to my committee for all your hard work and your support over the last 12 months.

I would sincerely like to thank our Lord Mayor, Adrian Schrinner.

Thanks also to all our valuable members, including affiliated clubs Gold Coast Rose Society, Darling Downs Rose Society and Rose Lovers Garden Club, for your support over the last 12 months, as it is still hard times.

A big thank you to our major sponsor, Neutrog Fertilizers, who provide great assistance, and also to Roses by Donelle's Nursery and Florist Shop and a huge supporter of our club, Searles and Qld Organics.

Happy Rose Growing!

The Rose Society of Western Australia Inc.

Bob Melville (d.) - President RSWA

Covid-19 entered WA and many restrictions were put in place. A vote was held and it was decided to keep on going with face-to-face meetings with government constraints adhered to. I really do appreciate the support society members have shown. We even managed a potluck dinner in the middle of winter.

Now that Covid-19 is diminishing in WA, we hope to have a great show this coming October and we look forward to being able to present increased activities and events. We presented two workshops: 'Summer Maintenance and Great Autumn Display' and 'Bulbs'. Thank you for the donations of bulbs from Drewitts of Victoria and Osmocote, who gave us the fertilizer for use on the day.

I presented several talks throughout the year at various Bunnings Stores – Thank you, Lyn and Stacie for your assistance with these. Thank you Robbie Melville who donates the raffle prizes throughout the year. Pruning demonstrations were held at the Uniting Church, Scarborough, Nedlands Peace Gardens, Cambridge Rose Gardens and Meckering. Thank you very much to all who assisted with the pruning at these events. With the number of talks I have been giving, it seems, I have been out more than I have been at home!



We are celebrating our 90th birthday this year. The Government of Western Australia are giving us a cocktail party on 18 October. I have enjoyed looking at the history of the past 90 years of the Society; I have also been discussing with the State Government the possibility of organizing a Rose Garden at Parliament House.

We are looking forward to hosting the 2023 National Rose Show in October next year. A small subcommittee has been established to form the working group for this. The group is working hard to ensure everyone has a wonderful time.

Thankyous: Firstly, thank you, Tonya and Malcolm (the Hon Malcolm McCusker AC CVO QC and Mrs Tonya McCusker AM) for your continued support as patrons of the Rose Society of Western Australia. Thank you to all my hard-working committee. A special mention and thanks go to Carol, our outgoing editor. Welcome Teina, our new editor, and her assistants Angie and Beverley.

The Rose Society of Victoria Inc.

Sandra Turner – President RSV

The past year has been another year of challenges with the ongoing restrictions, and we are looking forward to more meetings and events. Thank goodness for technology, as we are now able to keep in contact with Zoom meetings and emails for our loyal members.

We have had wonderful Zoom meetings with guest speakers who would not usually have been available to attend our face-to-face meetings.

The Twilight Rose Show did not proceed due to restrictions; therefore we had our November meeting on Zoom where our members showed spring blooms, with much discussion regarding the upkeep of their gardens. It is always interesting to see and hear of so many varieties and rose choices made and how members care for their gardens with the many Neutrog products available.

At our December meeting, members prepared a Christmas-inspired display containing roses, and members were encouraged to share information on their home gardens. Members participated on Zoom.

We had an Autumn Rose Show on Saturday 9 April. It was a smaller show that was a wonderful day for members, family and friends to gather for a show of beautiful autumn blooms. The show bench was represented with our experienced, novice and also some first-time exhibitors. Members enjoyed being able to share knowledge and assist Marilyn Monroe Autumn Rose Show on the day. There were our usual wonderful morning and



afternoon teas and also lunches which, as always, were a great way for likeminded rose lovers to share time whilst admiring the blooms.

In April, the Roses by the Seaside National Rose Conference in Kiama in NSW was enjoyed and was an extremely successful event. Unfortunately, I was unable to attend; Diane Sharman attended and presented Mr Jim Cane with his TA Stewart award from 2020 that unfortunately had not been possible to present due to travel restrictions. Also, the 2021 NRSA AGM was on Zoom and the recipient of the TA Stewart award was Mr Peter Elliott of Palmerston North, New Zealand. Due to travel restrictions this could not be awarded at Kiama; therefore it was packed up and sent to Mr Hayden Foulds in New Zealand to present.



Autumn Rose Show arrangement from Victoria State Rose Garden

Our May meeting was a face-to-face meeting. This was also a very special meeting for me, as I was presented by Mr Ian Spriggs as an Honorary Life Member. Due to restrictions this presentation had been held over from 2021 until we were able to meet in person.

Our pruning demonstrations were able to proceed this year over the State, and these were well-represented. Many people attended who took up growing and caring for roses during lockdown and were wanting more knowledge; many others were there who enjoy attending each year as their gardens flourish.

In September we honoured Mr Ian Spriggs with an award and a special lunch to celebrate 50 years of membership of The Rose Society of Victoria Inc. This presentation was held over from 2020 to be able to acknowledge the honour in person. A Royal Horticultural Society of Victoria. John Pascoe Fawkner Gold Medal Service Award was also presented to Ian by President Mr. Don Rickerby, who attended the event with Mrs Jennifer Rickerby, Secretary of the Royal Horticultural Society of Victoria.



Honorary L:ife Membership awarded to Sandra Turner by lan Spriggs

Due to the World Rose Convention in Adelaide, Victoria is not holding a Spring Rose Show as this is the time we usually have our show and members would be attending this wonderful event. We are having, later in the month, a Spring Rose Spectacular at Gardenworld Nursery in Braeside, from Saturday 10 to Sunday 20 November 2022. This will be an exhibition of roses and not a competition; members and representatives from The Mornington Botanical Rose Gardens, The Morwell Centenary Rose Garden and The Victoria State Rose Garden will be providing displays.

Thank you to Mr. Angus Irwin, Managing Director of Neutrog, for the generosity shown to us with the wonderful products, and Helen Lovel who is a great support to myself and members.

I would like to thank the Committee of Management and acknowledge their support to me. We look forward to next year being able to plan and enjoy our social interactions and fewer Zoom meetings, although it was a fabulous way to connect in such times.

David Beard has left the committee, although he will be involved with our meetings and shows. We would like to thank him for all that he does for the society.

Thank you to Carl Ellefsen for the years of being a wonderful Subscription Treasurer. Our new Subscription Treasurer is Diane Sharman.



Local Bunnings display

NRSA Web Administrator's Report

Paul Hains ARA NSA SMA, Web Administrator 2010-11, 2015-20, 2022

The website continues to serve the NRSA well and is updated upon request for changes to NRSA and member state office bearers as they arise. The welcome page includes a scrolling link to the NRSA Facebook Page so it is continually showing updated society news.

Some past editions of the Australian Rose Annual are available for downloading.

The NRSA Facebook page has been well frequented and Kirstin Dawson, our NRSA Secretary, does a wonderful job of keeping everyone updated with information relevant to the NRSA.

The NRSA webpage can be accessed at www.rose.org.au

The Facebook page can be found at https://www.facebook.com/NRSAinc/

I created the current website back in 2015 so it would be a good time for a refresh or redesign to update to modern website styles. After 9 years of performing this role during 3 periods, I have decided to take a step back to allow someone else to rejuvenate the site. It looks like no-one has nominated for this role for the upcoming AGM. The website is an important tool for connecting with members and with the general public to encourage a love of roses. If there is anyone in the membership who has website management skills, then I would encourage you to step up to this role.



Editor's Report 2022

Paul Hains ARA NSA SMA – Honorary Editor, Australian Rose Annual 2017-2022

After completing 6 editions of the *Australian Rose Annual*, this is now my final report as the Honorary Editor for the NRSA. It has been a pleasure to work on the transition with Dr Susan Young from Ashwood Publishing. The great news is that Sue is familiar with InDesign, the program the Annual has been produced in for the last decade. I've passed on the templates along with drafts of previous Annuals to assist with a smooth transition into the role. I am very confident that Sue will produce an outstanding publication that you will all be delighted to receive.

The Australian Rose Annual also needs a lot of help for you, the members of the NRSA. While we have had some great contributions over the years, a few key people have often provided the most articles. It would be wonderful to hear from more of you. The editor's role is a lot more work than anyone other than past editors really grasps. I would ask that the state secretaries also support Sue and send in photos and the updated lists of office bearers straight after their AGMs.

The last edition took a different approach. At the 2020 AGM, Gavin Woods came up with a great idea to produce a book on the 50th Year Celebration. Glynis Hayne then suggested it could be included as the 50th Year Edition of the *Australian Rose Annual*. Unfortunately, discussion on this lapsed after the AGM and no decision was made. As the Editor I later took up Glynis' suggestion and spent months going through past editions of the Australian Rose Annual and State Society newsletters to research the history of the NRSA.

The goal was to provide snapshot in history of the National Rose Society and its development. In doing so, the annual encapsulated the views of past National Presidents. As the society looks forward to the next 50 years, we can ponder how to help it grow and prosper. Respect the past, but look forward to the future. My message, as it has always been, would be to support and encourage the younger members to inspire their long-term participation. The biggest challenge we face is to not revel too much in the enthusiasm of these young members and then overload them to the point that they burn out and walk away.

It's been another challenging year for everyone with the pandemic raging around us. Rose Societies have worked hard to continue activities and maintain relevance to their memberships. You should all be congratulated for this. I'm looking forward to seeing the next edition of the *Australian Rose Annual* produced by Dr Young.

I wish everyone all the best.

National Judges Report

Gavin Woods - Chair, National Judges Committee

A very quiet year has been experienced, with few National Judges making the trip to Kiama NSW for the National Show.

We currently have 20 judges on the books. No applications have been received in the past 12 months for acceptance to the National Judges register.

All judges will be due for renewal during the next 12 months. I will forward the relevant paperwork to state Chief Judges during Autumn 2023.

Our principal objective of the last few years – to publish a reviewed Standard for the judging of cut flower roses – has not been achieved. States have submitted many proposed amendments and these have been coordinated. South Australia holds the 'master copy' of the current Standards publication and I have been unable to procure an editable copy. This will mean that the entire publication will need to be re-typed, involving considerable work.

This, coupled with my commitments to the World Federation Convention, has seen this project take a back seat. It is my intention to have a draft format for State organisations' comment early in 2023. We can then, with a little luck, adopt our new Standards at the Perth AGM.

We have not held a judges meeting this year, however if any judges or state bodies have any pressing issues, please feel free to forward to me.

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International Awards

WORLD FEDERATION OF ROSE SOCIETIES HONOURS

PRESIDENT EMERITUS

"For a Lifetime of service to the Federation"

2009 Mr David W. Ruston OAM (SA)

GOLD MEDAL

"In recognition of outstanding service to the Federation and the Rose by serving and/or retired officers of the Federation, and to Rose Breeders whose work is paramount to the evolution of The Rose."

Dr A.S. Thomas AM OBE (Vic) 1979 2004 Mr David W. Ruston OAM (SA)

ROSE PIN

"For Service to the WFRS"

1988 Mr David W. Ruston OAM (SA)

SILVER MEDAL

"In recognition of outstanding service to the Federation by serving and/or retired officers of the Federation only"

2006 Mrs Margaret Macgregor (Vic)

WORLD ROSE AWARD

"In recognition of dedicated service to the rose by officers of the Federation and in particular officers of our National Member Societies"

2003 Mr Malcolm J. Watson (SA) 2009 Mr Walter, H. Duncan (SA) 2009 Mr A. Dean Stringer OAM (SA)

LITERARY AWARD

2006 "The Joy of Roses", James Young with David Ruston OAM (SA) 2009 "Tea Roses - Old Roses for Warm Gardens", Lynne Chapman, Noelene Drage, Di Durston, Jenny Jones, Hillary Merrifield, Billy West (WA) "A Life with Roses", David Ruston OAM (SA) 2015

2018 "Growing Roses in Subtropical Climates", Paul Hains (Qld)

AWARD OF GARDEN EXCELLENCE

Victoria State Rose Garden (Vic) 2003 Morwell Centenary Rose Garden (Vic) 2009 2015 Mornington Botanical Rose Gardens (Vic) 2018 Oueensland State Rose Garden (Old)

ROYAL NATIONAL ROSE SOCIETY HONOURS

Dean Hole Medal

1936 Mr Alister Clark (Vic) 1952 Dr A. S. Thomas AM OBE (Vic) 1994 Mr David W. Ruston OAM (SA)

The Queen Mother International Award

Mr Ron J. Bell OAM (Vic) 1999

Rose Awards

National Rose Society of Australia Rose Award

1070	Dr. A. C. Theorems AMA ORE (Vis)	2001	No award	
1978	Dr A. S. Thomas AM OBE (Vic)	2001 2002		
1979	Mr J. L. Priestly OAM (Vic)	2002	Mrs Paddy Muecke(SA)	
1001	Mr B. J. T. Stone (Vic)		Mr Ian R. Spriggs (Vic)	
1981	Dr Allan G. Campbell DSO VRD (SA)	2002	Mr Richard Walsh (NSW)	
1982	Mr R. W. Allender (Vic)	2003	Mr Bill Allen (Qld)	
1000	Mr David Ruston OAM (SA)	2004	Mr Col Bleck (Qld)	
1983	Mr Roly Kent (Qld)	2004	Mrs Myrtle Trimper (SA)	
1985	Mr George Melville (WA)	2005	No award	
	Mr Eric Welsh (NSW)	2006	Dr Bruce Chapman (Vic)	
	Mrs Heather Rumsey (NSW)	2007	Mr Walter Duncan (SA)	
1986	Mr W. G. (Ted) Treloar (Vic)		Mrs Margaret Macgregor (Vic)	
1987	Mr Ron J. Bell OAM (Vic)	2008	Mr Barry Johnson (Vic)	
	Mr Ern Pietsch (Vic)	2010	Mr Tony Stallwood (Qld)	
1988	Mr Pat Dickson (Northern Ireland)	2011	Mr Peter T. Burton (SA)	
	Mr Jack Harkness OBE (England)		Mrs Delma Matthews (Vic)	
	Mr Reimer Kordes (Germany)	2012	Mrs Veronica O'Brien (Vic)	
	Mr Sean McCann (Ireland)		Mr Kelvin Trimper AM (SA)	
	Mr Sam McGredy IV (NZ)		Mr Angus Irwin (SA)	
	Mr Alain Meilland (France)	2013	Mrs Judith Oyston (NSW)	
	Mr Ralph Moore (USA)		Mr Max Marriner (Vic)	
1989	Mr I. J. Le Fevre (Tas)	2014	Mr David Austin OBE (England)	
	Mr Reg Bovey (Qld)		Mrs Joyce Chapman (Vic)	
	Mr Dick Balfour MBE (UK)		Mrs Ruth Watson (SA)	
1991	Mr Ted Phillips (Vic)	2015	Mr Graham Wright (NSW)	
	Mrs Connie Ryan (WA)	2016	Mrs Sue Kingsford (NSW)	
1992	Mr Len Johnstone (Qld)	2017	Mr Paul Hains (Qld)	
	Mr George Matthew (Qld)		Mrs Mary Frick (SA)	
	Mr Eric Trimper OAM (SA)	2018	Mr Jim Cane (Tas)	
1993	Dr Allan A. Ferris (Vic)		Mrs Vivienne Etter (WA)	
1994	Mrs Susan Irvine (Vic)		Mr John Nieuwesteeg (Vic)	
	Mr A. Dean Stringer OAM (SA)	2019	Mr Steve Beck (Vic)	
1995	Mr Ralph Lucas OAM (SA)		Mr Colin Hollis (NSW)	
1996	Mr Garth Guyett (NSW)	2020	No award	
1997	Mr Robert Melville (WA)	2021	Mr Bruce Brundrett (Vic)	
1998	Mr Malcolm Watson (SA)	2022	Mr Thomas Kroll (Germany)	
1999	Mrs Joan Broadstock (Vic)		Mr Matthias Meilland (France)	
	Mr George Thomson (SA)		Mr Gavin Woods (SA)	
2000				

National Rose Society of Australia Service Award

Mr lim I Dringthy OAM ADA (Vic)		
MIT JITTI L. PHESHY DAM AKA (VIC)	2021	Mr Paul Hains ARA SMA (Qld)
Mr Ern Pietsch ARA SMA (Vic)	2022	Mr Kelvin Trimper AM (SA)
Dr Allan Campbell DSO VRD ARA SMA		
Mr Ian R. Spriggs ARA SMA (Vic)		
Mr Jim Cane ARA (Tas)		
Mr Dean Stringer OAM ARA SMA (SA)		
Mr Malcom Watson ARA SMA (SA)		
	Dr Allan Campbell DSO VRD ARA SMA Mr Ian R. Spriggs ARA SMA (Vic) Mr Jim Cane ARA (Tas) Mr Dean Stringer OAM ARA SMA (SA)	Mr Ern Pietsch ARA SMA (Vic) 2022 Dr Allan Campbell DSO VRD ARA SMA Mr Ian R. Spriggs ARA SMA (Vic) Mr Jim Cane ARA (Tas) Mr Dean Stringer OAM ARA SMA (SA)

2013

Mr Richard Walsh ARA SMA (NSW)

Rose Awards

T.A. Stewart Memorial Award

1948	Mr Alister Clark (Vic)	1991	Mr Eric Trimper OAM (SA)
1949	Mr Harry H. Hazlewood (NSW)	1992	Dr Phillip Gardner (NZ)
1950	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,		Mr A. Dean Stringer OAM (SA)
1951	Dr A.S. Thomas AM OBE (Vic)	1994	Mrs Nola Simpson (NZ)
1952	Mr Frank Mason (NZ)	1995	Mr S. R. (Ross) Heathcote (Vic)
1953	Mr R. T. Hamilton	1996	Mr Richard Walsh (NSW)
1954	Col. L.J. Kimber (Qld)	1997	Mr Ralph M.Lucas OAM (SA)
1955	Mr Charles Frost (WA)	1998	Mrs Lois Tabb (NZ)
1956	Mr W. A. Stewart (Vic)	1999	Mr F. M. (Maurice) Daw (WA)
1957	Mr Fred Jackson (WA)	2000	Mr Malcolm Watson (SA)
1958	Mr C. V. Holyoake (NZ)	2001	Mrs Heather Macdonell (NZ)
1959	Mr Francis L. Riethmuller (Vic)	2002	Mr Ian R. Spriggs (Vic)
1960	Mr Ralph L. Smith (SA)	2003	Mr Robert Melville (WA)
1961	Dr Philip V. Graves (NZ)	2004	Mrs Sue Kingsford (NSW)
1962	Mr A. W. Jessep(Vic)	2005	Mr Doug Grant (NZ)
1963	Mr Cyril C. Hillary (WA)	2006	Mr Max Marriner (Vic)
1964	Mr Alex Ross (SA)	2007	Dr Bruce Chapman (Vic)
1965	Mr Noel Cutler (NZ)	2008	Mr Walter Duncan (SA)
1966	Mr David Ruston OAM (SA)	2009	Mr Trevor Grant (NSW)
1967	Mr Clifford R. Knight (NSW)	2010	Mr Peter Burton (SA)
1968	Mr Lionel V. Lawrence (Vic)	2011	Mrs Norma Manual (NZ)
1969	Mrs Margaret Knight (Tas)	2012	Mr Laurie Newman (Vic)
1970	Mr J. E. Cummings (WA)	2013	Mr Kelvin Trimper AM (SA)
1971	Mr Hugh Graham (Qld)	2014	Mr Glyn Saunders (NZ)
1972	Mr Allen Brundrett (Vic	2015	Mrs Margaret Macgregor (Vic)
1973	M B. J. T. Stone (Vic)	2016	Mr Tony Stallwood (Qld)
1974	Mr Allan G. Scott MBE (NZ)	2017	Mrs Sally Allison (NZ)
1975	Mr Jim Carroll (WA)	2018	Mr Paul Hains (Qld)
1976	Dr A.llan G. Campbell DSO VRD	2019	Mr Hayden Foulds (NZ)
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1977	Mr Alex Taylor (NSW)	2021	Mr Peter Elliot (NZ)
1978	Mrs Doris H. Milledge (Tas)	2022	Mrs Joyce Chapman (VIC)
1979	Mr Ron J. Bell OAM (Vic)		
1980 (WA)	Dr H. R. (Bob) Elphick AM CBE		
1981	Mrs Heather Rumsey (NSW)		
1982	Mr Ern Pietsch (VIc)		
1983	Mr W. (Bill) Hyde (SA)		
1984	Mr John F. Gover (NZ)		
1985	Mr George F. Melville (WA)		
1986	Mr A. G. (Bert) Mulley (NSW)		
1987	Mrs Connie Ryan (WA)		
1988	Mr Garth Guyett (NSW)		
1989	Mr Eric Welsh (Vic)		
1990	Mr Bill Allender (Vic)		

National Rose Awards 2022 Citations Presentation

The National Rose Society of Australia Awards were presented on 29 Oct 2022 at the Annual Dinner, Adelaide, South Australia.

The National Rose Society of Australia honoured the following Rose Breeders and Rosarians in Adelaide during the World Rose Convention. The following 4 recipients were awarded the prestigious Australian Rose Award (ARA), Australia's highest award for outstanding service to the Rose. At the NRSA annual dinner we celebrated the outstanding contribution of:

Thomas Proll, Kordes, Germany Matthias Meilland, Meilland International, France Gavin Woods, South Australia, President NRSA Suzanne Stallwood, President, Queensland Rose Society

The National Rose Society of Australia Service Award was presented to Kelvin Trimper AM for 27 years' continuous service with the NRTGA Rose Trial Garden and 24 years as Neutrog Liaison for NRSA, and for a high level of involvement in WFRS Conventions including Chairman of the 2022 World Rose Convention and Adelaide International Rose and Garden Expo.

The T.A. Stewart Memorial Award was awarded to Mrs Joyce Chapman SMA in Victoria



Mr Kelvin Trimper, Mr Matthias Meilland, Mrs Suzanne Stallwood, Mr Thomas Proll, and Mr Gavin Woods with their awards.

Australian Rose Award (ARA) 2022

Thomas Proll ARA

As stated in The National Rose Society of Australia's Constitution, the Australian Rose Award can be presented to any person whom the Society deems to have given outstanding service in any way whatsoever to the Rose. In particular, any service which promotes knowledge, appreciation and enjoyment of the Rose by the public, shall be regarded as highly meritorious.

Thomas Proll was born in Barmstedt, Germany, not far from the premises of W. Kordes' Söhne that would, in time, become his employer. He completed his studies at the University of Hanover, where he qualified in Horticultural Sciences, producing his thesis on 'Resistance and Susceptibility of Rosa Species and Hybrids to Powdery Mildew'.



Thomas has worked with Kordes Roses for the past 25 years. Established in 1887, the family-owned business has spanned 5 generations and produced some of the world's greatest roses.

Thomas is a well-known and highly respected rose breeder, known internationally. As head of the breeding department at W. Kordes' Söhne, he has been responsible for the development of new garden cultivars and pot roses since 1998 and now concentrates on the breeding of garden roses which are sent all over the world.

For over 20 years, Thomas and his team at Kordes have focused on producing highly disease tolerant roses and have had many successes at rose trials in Australia and around the world. His focus on disease tolerant cultivars certainly meets today's demand for environmentally friendly horticulture, and his positive influences on rose breeding trends are acknowledged and appreciated.

In fact, over the years the new roses bred by Thomas Proll and introduced into Australia have become some of the most successful roses in Australia. Some of Thomas' roses have taken out top honours at the National Rose Trial Garden of Australia, including Heaven on Earth, Black Forest Rose and Perfume Passion. Many Kordes varieties have thrived under Australian conditions, providing rose lovers with modern shrub roses, mini-flora, groundcover roses, climbers, floribundas and hybrid teas for all landscaping situations. Numerous Kordes varieties are listed as Recommended Roses in the Australian Rose Annual.

Thomas has made several visits to Australia over the years, attended as a quest speaker and shown keen interest in the requirements of the Australian rose market. He has definitely broadened the knowledge and enjoyment of rose growing in Australia and around the world.

This award is presented to a person deemed by the Rose Society of South Australia to have given outstanding service to the Rose. As one of the world's most successful rose breeders, Thomas Proll is a worthy recipient of the Australian Rose Award.

Matthias Meilland ARA



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Matthias Meilland belongs to the sixth generation of one of the most famous rose families in the world, the House of Meilland in France, Meilland International creates innovative rose varieties for the cut flower industry, garden planting and landscaping. With agents in over 62 countries, Meilland International is a leader in the rose world.

Matthias has excelled in bringing a wide range of roses to his 'global territory', which includes Australia.

Born in 1977, Matthias Meilland started to learn about rose breeding as a boy, guided by his grandmother, Louisette Meilland, in France. As a teenager, he followed his father, Alain Meilland, in Central and South America while he was developing the cut flower industry. After studying in California, Matthias joined the family business to manage public relations for the House of Meilland in 2013. Today, he manages the marketing department and is often in Asia and the Oceania region to develop existing and new markets.

Matthias has willingly given presentations in Australia and at other events and conventions around the world on a wide range of rose topics with great insight and educational value. He has also assisted with publicity, social media, donation of rose plants, rose descriptions and rose images over the years to benefit both Rose Societies and the World Federation of Rose Societies.

Matthias has been very generous with his time, making many trips to Australia from his home in France. Working with his agent, Kim Syrus in South Australia, Matthias has introduced many wonderful innovative new roses into our country, including multi-award-winning *Moon Glow*™, *Princess Charlene de Monaco*, *New* Papa Meilland and landscape varieties under the Drift, Knock Out and Meidiland brands.

From the inception of the 19th World Rose Convention in 2015, Matthias has shown great enthusiasm and support for both the convention and its associated exhibition.

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Gavin Woods ARA

On 29 October 2022, Mr Gavin Woods received the National Rose Society of Australia's highest honour, the Australian Rose Award.

Gavin Woods is a true ambassador for both the Rose Society of South Australia (RSSA) and National Rose Society of Australia (NRSA) showing leadership, a wealth of knowledge and dedication in promoting the Rose in cities, regions and states. Having exhibited roses since the 1970s, Gavin became one of South Australia's best rose exhibitors. Using his experience and ability, he has been involved with the administration of floriculture societies for over 40 years.

Gavin's hobbies became true passions as he participated in shows and won State titles and, in 1995, he decided to enter the world of Roses in earnest. Gavin joined the RSSA in 1996, became a member of the Council in 2013 and served as President from 2014 to 2017. He was



awarded Life Membership in 2019, in recognition of his outstanding contribution to the Society while juggling full time employment.

As a champion rose exhibitor, it was a natural progression for Gavin to become a judge of roses at both State and National levels, taking on the role of Chief Judge in 2016. He is also on the National Rose Trial Garden of Australia's management team, representing the NRSA.

After serving as NRSA National President in 2019, Gavin is completing another challenging term this year, deeply involved with the 2022 World Rose Convention and the Adelaide International Rose and Garden Exhibition.

The Rose Society of South Australia Inc.

- 2013-2014: Vice President
- 2014-2017: President
- 2015–present: Co-ordinator of the Rose Section at Mt Barker Agricultural Show
- 2015: Organised the first hugely successful Copper Coast Rose Show in his hometown of Kadina.
- 2016 to Present: Chief Rose Judge
- 2016 to Present: Co-ordinator of the rose section at the Uraidla AH&F Society Show
- 2016 to Present: Co-ordinated and conducted the Judges Training School whereby the RSSA now have 4 newly Accredited Rose Judges.
- 2017-2020: Immediate Past President
- 2019: Awarded Life Membership
- 2020 to Present: Vice President
- Contributed Cultural Notes and other articles for the Rose Society Bulletin.
- Demonstrated Rose Pruning to the public at city and country locations.

National Rose Society of Australia Inc.

- 2010 to Present: NRSA International Judges Sub-Committee.
- 2013 to Present: Attended a number of NRSA AGM's both as an observer and S.A. Delegate.
- 2015 to Present: S.A. Judges Representative and NRSA Accredited Rose Judge.
- 2017: Vice President
- 2018 to Present: NRSA Rose Breeders Representative on the National Rose Trial Garden of Australia Management Board.
- 2018 and 2019: Sought information and design for badges for the Australian Rose Award recipients and NRSA Accredited Judges, then organised the delivery of the badges to the recipients.
- 2019: President and Chairman of the highly successful NRSA AGM held in Adelaide.
- 2020: Vice President
- 2021 to Present: President
- Co-ordinated the Australian Bred Rose of the Year group.
- Travelled 3 times to Western Australia and twice to Queensland to conduct 'Exhibitors and Judges Workshops' which were very successful.
- Contributed articles for the Australian Rose Annual.
- Travelled to Ruston's Roses in Renmark to name the roses for the National Rose Collection

World Federation of Rose Societies

- 2014 to Present: 19th WFRS World Rose Convention Committee member, responsible for the National Rose Show and display at the Exhibition.
- Attended several WFRS World Conventions and Regional Conventions, including Lyon (2015) and Denmark (2018) and several meetings as an observer.
- 2018: Participated as the Australian Representative for the WFRS International Judges Committee meeting in Copenhagen.
- 2020: Appointed Chairman, WFRS International Judges Committee.
- Convenor of competition for the naming of the Australian Bred Convention Rose.

Gavin gives his time and rose-growing skills freely and is sought after as a guest speaker. He is a highly respected rosarian known for his dedication, mentoring and sharing his passion for the Rose.

The Rose Society of South Australia believes Gavin Woods has demonstrated outstanding and exceptional service to the Rose and qualifies for the National Rose Society of Australia's most prestigious award, the Australian Rose Award.

Suzanne Stallwood ARA

We believe Sue Stallwood is a perfect candidate for the ARA Award for the years of her dedication and love of the rose and members. The Committee of the Queensland Rose Society wish to nominate Sue for this prestigious award.

First joining the monthly meetings in the 1990s, Sue exhibited roses and a little floral art at the Paddington Hall back in those days.

After 12 months of exhibiting, Sue and Tony were asked to join the committee. To this day Sue has been a committee member for 29 years and counting. Sue has helped her husband Tony for many years exhibiting roses at monthly and major shows when she could.

In 1992, after attending committee meetings for a couple of years, Sue was promoted to Chief Steward, trained by the old great Fred Halpapp and holding this position for over 25 years. Sue also served a stint as treasurer for 6 months but then passed it over, as she did not like the task of treasurer.



The Chief Steward is responsible at the monthly shows and the Autumn and Spring shows at the Auditorium at Mt Coot-tha. A great responsibility, organizing judges and making sure exhibits are in the right sections before being judged, before opening the show up to the members.

Promoting the Rose: Back in the old days, Sue was involved with setting up to exhibit roses in shopping centres, discussing roses with the public with membership forms on hand, again promoting the rose. She also ran pruning days at New Farm Park and had a special table with information for members and gained memberships by promoting the rose whilst there. With tents, table and chairs set up amongst the beautiful roses, that happened for a few years. It was then moved onto members' properties.

For last 15 years or more, Sue has been involved with preparing the Calendar of Events for the club. Meetings, Open Gardens, Pruning Days, Rose Shows and occasionally lunch or dinners, importantly keeping the members together and not losing contact.

Sue went to every National Convention from 2003 to the last one in 2019 before Covid-19 came into play. Many times she was nominated as a delegate; in 2019 as President representing Queensland.

National AGM Conventions: Sue has helped organise the last 8 or so of these when being held in the State of Queensland, and did the last few of them mostly herself. The last AGM held in Brisbane was organised entirely by Sue; a major task and she pulled it off and was highly commended by her own state members, committee and interstate members. Well-deserved as her heart and soul went into preparing for the interstate and Oueensland members.

While still serving as Chief Steward, Sue decided she wanted to be a judge and took up traineeship for 3 years. She graduated as a judge and did trainee judging and served as a judge at other rose clubs in Queensland and interstate rose clubs.

Within the last 10 years Sue has been promoted to Judge, National Judge and is currently Queensland Chief Judge, after her dedication to the Rose.

T.A. Stewart Memorial Award

Mrs Joyce Chapman ARA SMA

Mrs Joyce Chapman has been a distinguished member of The Rose Society of Victoria Inc. since 1983, serving as Treasurer 1987–1988 and as Vice-President 2003–2015. For over 25 years Joyce coordinated the monthly meeting, keeping attendance records and overseeing sales of rose books and other related items. Joyce was awarded Honorary Life Membership of the Rose Society of Victoria Inc. in 2006 and was honoured with the Australian Rose Award in 2014.

In 1988 Joyce was a committee member for 'David Jones – Festival of Roses', a very successful event, which helped to raise the profile of the Rose Society of Victoria. She was a committee member for the WFRS Regional Conference held in Melbourne in 1999, (Roseweek '99) which celebrated 100 years of the Rose Society of Victoria. This Committee worked for 3 years to plan and promote this event which included an International Rose Show.

Joyce was on the committe for the Australian Rose Conference and Rose Championships held in Melbourne in 2007 and has also attended many NRSA Conferences as a Victorian delegate.

Joyce has won many awards at the Australian Rose Championships, particularly for her bunches and miniature roses. Joyce has also mentored and helped many others to stage their roses with valuable advice and encouragement.

Joyce has also conducted many in-depth training sessions for exhibitors and would-be exhibitors, freely giving her time and sharing her knowledge and expertise.

Joyce is a world-class expert on growing many varieties of roses, miniature roses in particular. The miniature rose *Joyce Abounding*, released in 2012, was named in her honour by her husband, internationally recognised hybridiser Dr Bruce Chapman. This rose has won many awards on the show bench.

Joyce is an outstanding ambassador for the rose and has built strong relationships with many prominent rosarians and rose-growers, both in Australia and overseas.

Her experience of 40 years and her professional approach is invaluable and she is a great asset to The Rose Society of Victoria Inc. with her wealth of knowledge and expertise.



Joyce Abounding

NRSA Service Award (NSA) 2022

Kelvin Trimper AM ARA SMA NSA

Kelvin Trimper AM joined the Rose Society of South Australia in 1975 and has made a significant contribution on a local, national and international level, especially to the National Rose Society of Australia (NRSA).

Kelvin is a well-known rosarian who has over 5 decades of horticultural and rose growing experience. He is a past president of The World Federation of Rose Societies (WFRS) (2015–2018), the National Rose Society of Australia (2014) and the Rose Society of South Australia (RSSA) (2007-2009). He was on the RSSA Council for 9 years and was awarded Life Membership in 2012. He currently serves as a RSSA Vice-President.



His leadership and extraordinary contribution

to horticulture, urban development and community service was acknowledged when he was appointed a Member of the Order of Australia (AM) in 2018. He received the Australian Rose Award in 2012 and the T.A. Stewart Memorial Award in 2013. His service to the WFRS was acknowledged with a Gold Medal in 2018.

Partnership with Neutrog Australia

Kelvin Trimper was instrumental in the mutually beneficial partnership between the Rose Societies around Australia and Neutrog, which has resulted in over \$1 million paid in royalties to the societies for their endorsement of *Sudden Impact for Roses* and also a similar amount in product donated to gardens throughout Australia and assisting with other promotions over the past 20 years.

During the 1990s, efforts were made by Kelvin, on behalf of the RSSA, to work with a fertiliser company to produce a special purpose rose fertiliser. Neutrog subsequently picked up the idea. After 3 years of trials, *Sudden Impact for Roses* was launched in 2001 with the first royalties to the RSSA in that year. Eventually other state societies and the NRSA added their endorsement. The formal partnership with the RSSA began back in 1998 and is still going strong today. Importantly, the royalties that have flowed to the NRSA have secured its financial viability. Kelvin has served as NRSA Neutrog Liaison Officer for the past 24 years.

The National Rose Trial Garden of Australia Inc.

Kelvin has been a National Rose Trial Garden of Australia board member since its inception in 1995 and Chairman for the past 20 years. Implementing best practice, the Trial Garden is acknowledged as one of the leading rose trials in the world. The People's Choice Award was created under his direction. He received a National Rose Trial Garden of Australia Service Award in 2005.

Conventions

Kelvin has attended 5 World Rose Conventions, 9 Regional Conventions and two International Heritage Rose Conferences. He also delivered lectures at 10 of these conventions.

As an energetic and hard-working WFRS Vice-President from 2009 to 2015, Kelvin represented Australian delegates and personally coordinated and led popular group tours enabling large numbers of Australians to be part of the largest contingents at these conventions.

Starting in 2014, Kelvin took responsibility for Australia's bid to host the 19th World Rose Convention and served as Chairman of the organising committee from 2015 to completion in 2022. In addition, the Adelaide International Rose and Garden Expo has become a commercial reality and demonstrated Kelvin's passion, 'can-do' attitude and tenacity to carry on when many others would have given up. The result was a significant grant from Events SA and several Gold Level sponsors.

Over the years, Kelvin has successfully used his extensive knowledge to become one of Australia's leading guest speakers on the rose and rose culture. He has also written many articles on rose culture, recommended roses and WFRS events for Rose Society publications, the *Australian Rose Annual*, *World Rose News* and gardening magazines. He also serves as an accredited Rose Judge.

Given Kelvin's dedication, knowledge and passion for the rose, professional management and leadership skills, willingness to serve the NRSA, as well as the societies in Australia, his record can certainly be regarded as outstanding, and he is a worthy recipient of the National Rose Society of Australia Service Award.

Australian National Rose Championships 2020–2021, Kiama

Roses by the Seaside- Kiama Pavilion, 29 April–2 May 2022 Kristin Dawson – NSW

The Rose Society of NSW Inc was to host the Australian National Rose Championships in 2020 but was twice thwarted in 2020 and 2021 from hosting the event because of the pandemic. However, the NSW Conference Committee had put in a great deal of planning work for hosting the event, including securing state and local grants. Also, the next state to host was South Australia, but this was to be included with the WFRS International Rose Convention in Adelaide in October 2022. Therefore, at the NRSA AGM held by Zoom in October 2021, the National Rose Society of Australia Inc. gave the go-ahead for these championships to be held as an Autumn National Rose Show 2022, without the usual AGM attached, but including the usual social functions and excursions.

In the week leading up to the event in Kiama, NSW and the Illawarra Rose Region had been blasted with heavy flooding rains which impacted the roses growing in the local gardens. Undaunted, the committee kept working towards the 29 April date, registering over 120 people from interstate and NSW to participate in the various activities.



Entrance display featuring Kiama lighthouse and blowhole.

For two days before the event, members were busy preparing the hall with magnificent floral displays, including a replica of the Kiama lighthouse with boat, oars, seagulls, and Blowhole decorated with roses and Baby's Breath. Colourful photographs of roses presented in competition lined the display stands.

With this setting, more than 66 delegates were welcomed by the Mayor Cr Neil Reilly, at a cocktail celebration at the

beautiful Kiama Pavilion, overlooking Kiama Beach with its rolling waves. Though there was not the usual number of delegates from each state, a most enjoyable and successful event took place over the 4 days. In the early hours of Saturday morning, those exhibitors fortunate enough to have roses not destroyed by the flooding rains busily set up their exhibits. Thankfully Gavin Woods was able to drive over from South Australia with some magnificent roses, which were greatly admired by the public and won several awards.

Later in the day, we waited with excitement for our patron, Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley, who was accompanied by His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), Governor-General of the Commonwealth of Australia, to open the Rose Show. Mrs Hurley spoke about the personal challenges of so many represented within the organisation during the pandemic and the resilience of many within this region who have been affected by floods and the 2019–2020 bushfires. Two granddaughters of Jill Millburn, Secretary of the Illawarra Regional Rose Society, presented Mrs Hurley with a posy after her speech. Local political representatives were present, including Mrs Fiona Phillips MP, federal member for Gilmore, Mrs Anna Watson MP, state member for Shellharbour, the Mayor Cr Neil Reilly, and Jane Stroud. CEO of Kiama Council.

On Saturday evening, 65 members and friends attended the National dinner at the Kiama Leagues Club, during which we were entertained by 3 tenors who posed as waiters during the meal. Their singing and their humour gave much enjoyment. The stage and tables were beautifully decorated with roses and lighthouses created by Joanne Fisher and her floral art team. During this dinner the Australian Rose Award was presented to our most wonderful rose



Special guests at the opening of the show: L-R. Lady Mayor Wendy Reilly, Mayor Cr Neil Reilly, Kristin Dawson – National Secretary, Colin Hollis – President Rose Society of NSW, Her Excellency Mrs Linda Hurley Patron, His Excellency Governor-General David Hurley, Gavin Woods President NRSA, Mrs Fiona Phillips MP Federal Member for Gilmore, Ms Anna Watson MP State Member for Shellharbour.

breeder, Bruce Brundrett ARA, who sadly passed away in November 2022. At the same event, Jim Cane was presented with the TA Stewart trophy and award for his great contribution to the National Rose Society and to the cultivation of the rose. Paul Hains ARA SMA, who was unable to be present, was awarded the Silver Medal, the Service Award for his contribution over ten years to the National Rose Society of Australia. This was received in his absence by Gavin Woods, the National President.

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Six exhibition roses

Other activities during this National Rose Championships weekend were a lecture series with a theme of managing our rose gardens during this time of climate change and minimising the impact on our environment. Judith Little delivered a very enjoyable floral art demonstration, and other speakers included Graham and Diana Sargeant from Silkies Rose Farm, and Dr Uwe Stroeher from Neutrog, who provided a most interesting session on his research into the development of Popul8, a wonderful product to enhance growth in our plants. Those who attended these sessions were fortunate to receive a complimentary bottle of this product.

Some members visited the Nan Tien Temple, the Wollongong Botanic Gardens, rose gardens at Pioneer Park, a reserve being developed along Springhill Rd and the Port Kembla industrial precinct on the way back to Kiama. The group was led by Wollongong City Volunteer Dot Hennessy. Another excursion was by a small group to the Donald Bradman Museum at Bowral on the Monday.

Our farewell to those who travelled from far and wide to attend the National Rose Championships and Conference was at a farewell buffet held at the Kiama Pavilion. During this event, Gavin Woods was presented with a trophy for the Rose Champion Unit – five *Veteran's Honour* in bunch form.

Our sincere thanks not only for the several years of preparation by the Conference Committee and the volunteers who assisted from the Regions and particularly from the Illawarra Rose Region, but to the Kiama Council, Destination Kiama and Destination NSW for the funding that enabled us to hold such an enjoyable event despite the challenges of a pandemic, bushfires, and flooding rains.



Veteran's Honour. Champion Unit Gavin Woods – Vase of 5 bunch roses

Winning Exhibitors and Champion Roses

The successful exhibitors at these National Rose Championships (2020-2021) were:

The Australian Rose Championship

1st Melbourne Town, Signature, Tineke, Moonstone, Lynn Anderson, Bugatti (E & M Morphett)

The Australian Bunch Championship

1st Gemini, Tineke, Fairytale Queen (E & M Morphett)

The Australian Miniature Rose Championship

1st Baby Jack, Figurine, Mandarin (I & M Thackeray)

The Australian Old Garden/Shrub and Species Championship

1st Molineux, Paris 2000, Cherries 'n' Cream (E & M Morphett)

The WFRS Hybrid Tea Bowl

1st Fairytale Queen, Elina, Marilyn Monroe, Diana Princess of Wales (E & M Morphett)

The WFRS Floribunda Bowl

1st Seduction, Brass Band, Hannah Gordon, Sir Cliff Richard (E & M Morphet)

Kristin Dawson Certificate of Excellence

WFRS Hybrid Tea Bowl

South Australian State Rose Championship

1st Playgirl, City of Quingdao, Bright Spirit, Gemini, Red Gem (G. Woods)

NSW Rose Championship

1st Fabulous, Gemini, Colorama, Our Rosamond, Bugatti (G. Woods)

NSW Autumn Championship

1st Marijke Koopman, Veterans Honour, Dame Elizabeth Murdock, Magic Show, Delicious, Gemini (G. Woods)

Our congratulations to Ted & Meryl Morphett, to Gavin Woods and to Maureen and Ian Thackeray for their successful exhibits. It was no small feat to bring roses after so many weeks of flooding rains and storms in NSW, and for Gavin, a journey with them from South Australia.

Neutrog Report to Rose Societies of Australia





NEUTROG ANNUAL REPORT

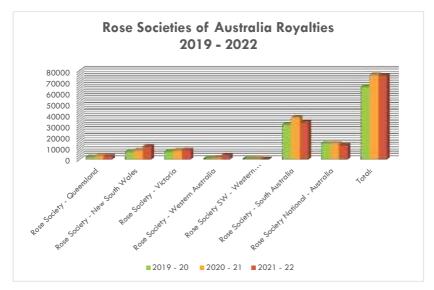






Neutrog wish to thank each and every member for their continued efforts and support. Everyone has faced challenges over the last two years and we believe that by working together we have significantly reduced the impact both personally and professionally.

FINANCIALS



Neutrog Royalties 2021-22

Queensland	\$3301.14	
New South Wales	\$11970.92	
Victoria	\$8894.62	
Western Australia	\$3928.61	
RSSW WA	\$538.60	
South Australia	\$33981.21	
NRSA	\$13305.34	
TOTAL	\$75920.44	

Neutrog Royalties 2020-21

Total:	\$76338.53
NRSA	\$14948.32
South Australia	\$38098.46
RSSW WA	\$969.79
Western Australia	\$1669.16
Victoria	\$8575.15
New South Wales	\$8656.88
Queensland	\$3420.77

Neutrog Royalties 2019-20

Queensland	\$2586.67
New South Wales	\$7076.44
Victoria	\$7258.65
Western Australia	\$1154
RSSW WA	\$1014.16
South Australia	\$31677.64
NRSA	\$14911.52
Total:	\$65679.08

















RSQ 3yr increase 24.26%

RSNSW 3yr increase 51.39%

RSV 3yr increase 20.25%

RSWA 3yr increase109.81%

RSSWWA 3yr decrease 61.25%

RSSA 3yr increase 7.01%

RSN - 3yr decrease 11.38%

NATIONAL 3yr increase 14.46%

For the past 3 financial years the growth nationally for rose societies has been extremely positive. A couple of small decreases, which can be attributed to various economic and local factors. Royalties throughout the states have grown by 14.46%, which is indicative of the hard work and contribution from all members. Your efforts have been very much appreciated and we thank you all for your ongoing work and effort which supports this growth.

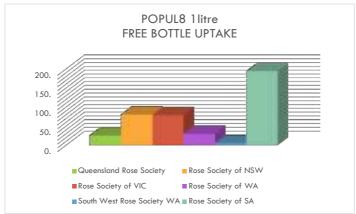
This is extremely exciting to Neutrog, as it underpins the enormous benefits that flow to the rose societies, and importantly to the wider community. All of the Neutrog team have attended many garden club presentations throughout the years and we see how societies and clubs support their own community as well as the wider community.

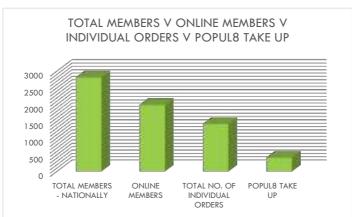
ONLINE STORE

The purpose of Neutrog's online store is multi-faceted and mutually beneficial to both Neutrog and Societies.

Neutrog offer to the Societies a premium product at a substantially reduced price. That price is not accessible to the wider gardening community. The more engagement & greater uptake we receive through direct purchases the more financial benefit is gained by both Neutrog and Societies.

- Access to product via the Society members use and talk about
- This increases sales for Neutrog
- Societies receive a bigger royalty





TOTAL MEMBERS NATIONALLY	ONLINE MEMBERS	INDIVIDUAL ORDERS	POPUL8 TAKE UP
2821	2000	1429	424

Summary — POPUL8 1 litre bottle was a free offer with a retail value of approximately \$45. 424 units ordered out of 1429 orders placed.

The take up of free offers from Neutrog is important. It is a reflection of the numbers of members; what has changed and how many people understood or were aware of the offer.

Prior to all future new products being released to the gardening community, on-line members will be able to access at no charge.



MEMBERSHIP & SUBSCRIPTION

Neutrog appreciate that each year there will be the addition of new members to the societies, but also natural attrition. We hope that through our relationship, the value of a society membership is such that membership decline is kept to a minimum.

Communication to members throughout the year of the benefits available to them through the relationship with Neutrog can play a role in retention and acquisition.

Neutrog have noticed a significant number of non-renewals of membership. Neutrog believe that there is a true opportunity for societies to work to reduce this slide.

If those members, who did not renew, were they aware that they could access POPUL8 at no charge with a value of approximately \$45 - compared to the cost of membership renewal of \$35 - already they would have covered the renewal cost.

We see a key part of our relationship is to assist in any possible way - we certainly want the societies to continue to grow and flourish. It is of mutual benefit, and if you have any feedback, which we could assist with, then please contact us.

Have members considered a monthly subscription debit rather than a yearly renewal?

CULTURAL NOTES

South Australia, Victoria & NSW have completed their quarterly (seasonal) "Rose Cultural Notes" which are then published in The Rose News for each state and by Neutrog in our Pooh Bah Times and as well as social media. These are very important to ensure the general public get the most relevant information about growing roses in each State. As the endorsement agreement in each state is of an exclusive nature, it is not permitted to mention or recommend other brands. To do so will be considered in breach of the agreement. We encourage the remaining States to complete their quarterly Cultural Notes as soon as possible. Once completed for each season, they will remain as such – until such time as an update is required. Neutrog are able to provide templates for each season which allows each state to update to suit their climate.

WHAT NEUTROG ARE WORKING ON

LITTERRIEGS

Litterbugs is a product that commenced trials with Adelaide University and is focused on commercial chicken growers. Litterbugs neutralises the ammonia present in chicken litter which, if left to build up, can be the cause of discomfort to chickens being raised in shed environments. Litterbugs as a product, demonstrates Neutrog's commitment to not only to R&D for end user products, but also to exploring how biologically activated products can be applied to other industries to improve animal health and welfare.

'TABLE 8'

Under the working title of "T8", is the development of a completely new range of biological products from Neutrog. The first product released under the T8 brand has been POPUL8. Over the coming months the next step in this series development will be engagement from endorsing club members to collect soil samples in their gardens to form part of a Research & Development (R & D) trial.



2022 WFRS World Rose Convention and Adelaide International Rose and Garden Expo Report

Kelvin Trimper AM ARA SMA NSA 2022 WFRS World Rose Convention Committee Chairman

The National Rose Society of Australia (NRSA) hosted the 19th WFRS World Rose Convention in the beautiful city of Adelaide from 27 October to 3 November 2022. After two years of uncertainty we provided a hybrid model for the first time, namely both in-person and online. When the week finally arrived it was the coldest and wettest spring weather in a decade, but we took all that in our stride; the gardens were outstanding and the convention was a great success.



Henrianne de Briey with Diane vom Berg as WFRS President

Despite the impacts of Covid-19, bushfires, floods, spiralling costs and other global issues, we welcomed 252 full-time delegates and 79 Day Registrations with 30 Virtual online registrations. Delegates came from 25 member countries, eager to catch up with friends and acquaintances and celebrate our collective love of roses. Many years ago, when the theme 'Celebration' was chosen, we never imagined how apt it would be for rose lovers in 2022 – and celebrate we did! The Lecture Program included 'Celebrating the Rose in Australia, 'Celebrating the Rose in Public Spaces', 'Celebrating the use of Roses now and in the future' and 'Celebrating the Rose around the world'.

While the World Federation of Rose Societies (WFRS) Executive and Council are

gathered together, some administration tasks are carried out at World Conventions, including the installation of new office bearers. It was with great excitement that Immediate Past President, Henrianne de Briey, presented the 'chain of office' to South Australian Diane vom Berg and inducted her as the incoming President for the next three years.

On these special occasions, only at World Conventions, the WFRS presents coveted awards for books, rose gardens and individuals involving members from around the world.

The Literary Award winners were *The History of the Rose in Denmark* by Torben Thim; Historical Roses in the Europa Rosarium Sangerhausen by Hella Brumme and Eilike Vemmer; The Handbook of Wild Roses in Japan by Yuki Mikanagi; Luxembourg – Land of Roses by Heidi Howcroft (Author) and Marianne Majerus (Photographer); Rose Atlas – World of Roses by Dr Tommy Cairns and Luis Desamero and Rosa: The Story of the Rose by Peter E. Kukielski and Charles Phillips.

WFRS Awards of Garden Excellence were presented to the International Rose Garden, Adelaide Botanic Garden, South Australia; the Rose Garden at Shanghai Cheshan Botanic Garden, China; Zweibrücken Rose Garden, Germany; East German Rose Garden, Forst, Germany; Everland Rose Garden, South Korea; Roseraie Chateau de Munsbach, Luxembourg; the Rose Garden in the Arboretum of Volcji, Potok, Slovenia and Rosenlunds Rosarium, Jönköping, Sweden.

Several awards were presented to recognise individuals. In particular, Helga Brichet was presented with the WFRS President Emeritus Medal in recognition of outstanding service to the Federation and the Rose. Henrianne de Briey received a WFRS Gold Medal in recognition of her excellent contribution during her term as WFRS President.

The Gala Dinner and awards presentation concluded with the handover of the WFRS flag to the Mayor of Fukuyama and the delegation from Japan where the 20th World Rose Convention will be held.



The National Rose Society of Australia and Rose Society of South Australia also hosted the Adelaide International Rose and Garden Expo, a sensational three-day horticultural event with around 2,500 attendees, staged for the public, to coincide with the Convention at the Adelaide Convention Centre. A highlight of the EXPO was the National Rose Show and Australian Rose Championships, and Gavin Woods ARA is to be congratulated for taking out the top prizes. Another successful element was the world-wide online digital rose photography competition, which attracted over 700 entries, demonstrating that photography is very popular with rose lovers and gardeners!

I especially thank all who opened their gardens, helped with floral arrangements, staged blooms for the show and volunteered in other ways. We appreciated your contributions.

For 7.3 years our organising committee members worked tirelessly, generously volunteering their time attending to the administration, fundraising and planning of these events, and I offer my sincere gratitude to them all.

I particularly want to thank Melanie Trimper (Secretary of our local organising committee), Jim Cane ARA SMA NSA (Treasurer), Diane vom Berg and Gavin Woods ARA for the thousands of hours they individually contributed to make our Convention and Expo a tremendous success.

The National Rose Society of Australia formed a committee comprising a representative from each state society and the NRSA President, Secretary and Treasurer. Each state society was allocated a target for fundraising for every year from 2016 to 2022. Over \$109,000 was raised and I thank each state society for their efforts.

I also thank Rosalie Vine and her colleagues who helped organise the Pre-Convention Tour in NSW, Sandra Turner and friends in Victoria and the South-East Branch of the RSSA for their help with the Post-Convention Tour from Adelaide to Melbourne. Finally, an acknowledgement of the great work by Oliver Travel in managing the pre and post tours and helping many of our overseas guests with their travel arrangements.

The 2022 World Convention will be remembered as a successful event which brought people closer together by sharing our love of roses.



Adelaide International Rose & Garden Expo



The Adelaide International Rose and Garden Expo was a highlight of the 19th WFRS World Rose Convention. Staged for the public at the Adelaide Convention Centre on 28–30 October, hosted by the National Rose Society of Australia and Rose Society of South Australia and co-ordinated by Gavin Woods ARA, this garden exhibition had something for everyone.

The Expo transformed the Adelaide Convention Centre into an oasis, with spectacular and unique floral displays, featuring well over 10,000 perfumed rose blooms, made possible by the generous support of Meilland International and Tony's Flowers plus local garden-grown flowers. The National Rose Show and the Australian Rose Championships were the centrepiece, encircled by trade booths selling tools, plants, products and more.

Nature Play SA ran free children's activities, showing children how to make 'sunflower bee bombs' from clay, soil and seeds as well as 'bee hotels' for native bees, proving you're never too young to start gardening!

A 'Speaker's Corner' featured an extensive line-up of international, national and local garden experts including popular local garden icon Sophie Thomson. Talks on a wide range of horticultural topics were programmed hourly and there were live floral art demonstrations and a fabulous floral fashion parade.

This event received generous support from the South Australian Tourism Commission through Events SA, and from great sponsors such as FELCO, Peats Soil & Garden Supplies, Neutrog Australia, Garden Grove, Heyne's Wholesale Nursery, Green Adelaide, Heritage Roses in Australia, the Rose Society of SA and Botanic Gardens of SA. Jurlique launched a new range of rare rose cosmetics.

Adding to the celebration, the City of Adelaide synchronised their 'Flower Days' with the Expo, with beautiful and creative installations around the city, including in front of the Convention Centre.

(FACING PAGE PHOTO L to R) World Rose Convention Committee (Representatives for SA and National): Kerry Bradford (WA), Suzanne Stallwood (QLD), Michael Elwood, Colin Hollis and Kristin Dawson (NSW), Gavin Woods, Melanie Trimper, Kelvin Trimper, Diane vom Berg and Jim Cane. ABSENT: Sandra Turner (VIC) Tania Allen, Stephen Forbes, David Meyer and Pat Toolan (SA) and Rosalie Vine (NSW)

WFRS Convention Name the Rose

Australian-Bred Convention Rose Named 'Australian Beauty' **Melanie Trimper – South Australia**

The 19th World Federation of Rose Societies' World Rose Convention, hosted by the National Rose Society of Australia in Adelaide, 27 October to 3 November, included a 'Name the Rose' competition involving the WFRS's 33 member countries. After a long world-wide search for the perfect name befitting this special occasion, the Convention rose was named Australian Beauty. The rose was bred in Victoria by award-winning rose breeder, the late Bruce Brundrett, and plants are available for sale from Wagner's Rose Nursery.

Rose enthusiast Ms Intan Kallus invented the name. Intan is an amateur rose breeder and member of both Heritage Roses in Australia and the Rose Society of NSW (Illawarra Branch). She lives in Kangaroo Valley in NSW and has been a keen rose grower for over 50 years. She said, 'I am very



Australian Beauty

honoured to have suggested the winning name and for Bruce Brundrett to approve of the Australian-bred Convention Rose being known as Australian Beauty!'



Australian Beauty

Bruce Brundrett's family has spent almost 130 continuous years in the rose industry growing roses. In 2002, Bruce retired from the rose production business to concentrate on breeding only, and created and released 10 remarkable rose varieties commercially. Bruce is regarded as one of the best Australian rose breeders, and won multiple awards at the National Rose Trial Garden in Adelaide. Wagner's Rose Nursery is the agent for Brundrett Roses in the Australian market. Sadly, Bruce Brundrett passed away on 11 November 2022.

WFRS Hall of Fame and Old Rose Hall of Fame

WFRS Rose Hall of Fame and Old Rose Hall of Fame Inductees Melanie Trimper – South Australia

Mr Anthony Tesselaar and Mr Reinhard Noack were in Adelaide to receive the painting and acknowledgement of *Flower Carpet Pink* being inducted into the WFRS Rose Hall of Fame at the opening ceremony of the 19th WFRS World Rose Convention at the Adelaide Convention Centre.

The creator of *Flower Carpet Pink*, Werner Noack, passed away recently at the age of 95. Fortunately his son, who is carrying on the family business Noack Roses, attended to receive the award. Anthony Tesselaar, based in Victoria, has managed the Flower Carpet collection of roses globally since its inception. Sales of this rose now exceed 100 million plants globally in 34 years.

Werner Noack bred *Flower Carpet Pink* in Germany in 1988, and he was one of the first to market his new varieties as 'ground cover



Anthony Tesselaar and Reinhard Noack

roses'. *Flower Carpet Pink* was introduced in Australia in 1991. It features small deeppink double blooms, produced in clusters, throughout the season, with arching, bushy and spreading growth (60cm tall x 1–2m wide) with glossy, disease-resistant foliage.



Flower Carpet Pink



Flower Carpet Pink

These roses captured the imagination of all gardeners but particularly non-gardeners. No deadheading and no routine spraying is required, simply an annual prune, a thick layer of mulch to smother weeds, and regular water in the first year until established.

There is no better proof of performance than multi-year trials held around the world. To date, the Flower Carpet collection has received 11 gold medals and 14 other international awards. Noack's Agent in Australia, Tesselaar, also carry out their own trials to ensure that new varieties will be outstanding performers in our region as well. Flower Carpet® now has 12 varieties in the collection.

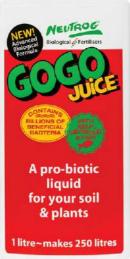
WFRS Old Rose Hall of Fame

Inducted into the WFRS Old Rose Hall of Fame was *Comte de Chambord*, a repeat flowering Portland rose from 1860 bred by Moreau-Robert. This is a charming rose with true Old Rose character. It has a light magenta colour and large flowers which open flat and quartered. Blooms have a lovely intense Old Rose Damask scent. It is a hardy upright shrub bush growing up to 1.5m. This rose is stocked by Wagner's Rose Nursery.



Comte de Chambord





BENEFITS OF



- Maximises nutrients available to plants
- Increases resistance to pests and disease
- Reduces heat and frost stress
- Feeds the soil



WFRS Convention – A Personal Perspective

Shirley Dance, Queensland

On 27 October 2022, 250 rose-lovers from all over the world met to celebrate the 19th World Rose Convention in Adelaide, South Australia, Some had already participated in a Pre-Convention Tour of Sydney and the Blue Mountains.

The first day was quite leisurely, with registrations taking place at the InterContinental Hotel. This allowed time to catch up with local and overseas friends, some of whom we hadn't seen since the World Conference in Copenhagen in 2018. The Welcome Reception was held that evening at the Adelaide Town Hall, providing a great opportunity to socialise, mingle and enjoy some wonderful South Australian cuisine.



Queensland display

The Opening Ceremony the following morning was one of the highlights of the Convention. The Adelaide Convention Centre entrance was adorned with floral arrangements featuring roses and other beautiful flowers, whilst the inside was decorated with flags from all the participating countries. After lunch, we were treated to a tour of Cleland Wildlife Park which allowed everyone to get up close and personal to some kangaroos, wallabies and koalas. The overseas visitors were in awe of our native wildlife. On our return to the Convention Centre, we were able to have a sneak peek at the Rose and Garden Expo, which had been very skilfully set up by the many dedicated volunteers.

Saturday morning, after Judging, was spent having a more in depth look at the winning entries and the other stalls. The Official Opening was by the Deputy Premier, who also presented the trophies to the winners. Most of us took the opportunity to have a restful afternoon in readiness for the National Dinner at the InterContinental Hotel. Special guests for the evening were His Excellency General the Honourable David Hurley AC DSC (Retd), Governor-General of Australia, and his lovely wife Linda. Mrs. Hurley presented the Championship Awards. This was followed by the presentation of the Australian Rose Awards

The Australian contingent were up early the following morning to attend the NRSA AGM, whilst the overseas visitors did a Tour to the Clare Valley and others attended the final day of the Rose and Garden Expo.

Monday morning, the 31st, was taken up with some very interesting lectures. I particularly enjoyed Sue Zwar's presentation on David Ruston. After lunch, those involved in the judging of the Trial Gardens travelled to the Botanic Gardens. Spirits were high despite the damp conditions. The Judging Results and Awards took place at a cocktail party at Carrick Hill, a historic heritage property 20 minutes from Adelaide. A popular choice was Mary Frick's rose, *Amber's Gift*, which won the Australian-Bred Rose of the Year Award.

Tuesday morning was taken up with some very interesting lectures including a presentation on the 15th WFRS Heritage Rose Convention to be held in Belgium in 2023. The choice of a City Tour or Private Gardens Tours filled in the afternoon splendidly.

Wednesday 2 November saw most of the visitors depart for a full day of art, wine and roses in the Adelaide Hills. After visiting two magnificent gardens, we were treated to a delicious lunch at Auchendarroch House, Mt Barker, which is owned and operated by 3 generations of the Wallis family. The final garden we visited was The Cedars, at Hahndorf. This historic home, studio and garden, owned by renowned landscape artist Sir Hans Heysen, has been lovingly maintained since his death in 1968. After such an exhilarating day everyone was pleased to have a quiet evening – except for those who needed to attend the WFRS Council Meeting.

On our final day of the Convention, we were treated to more interesting speakers, including Steve Jones from America and Thomas Proll from Kordes, Germany, and Kelvin Trimper led a Rose Breeders Panel. The Presentation for the 20th WFRS Rose Convention in Japan in 2025 concluded the program. That evening we witnessed the official handing over of the Flag at the Gala Covention Dinner at the Adelaide Convention Centre. We were also privileged to see our own Diane vom Berg (SA) become the next World President. An honour which Diane so richly deserves.

The following morning we farewelled our Australian and overseas friends, some of whom were continuing on post-Convention tours to Melbourne and Tasmania while others were returning to their respective homes. All in all, we agreed that it had been a wonderful Convention, 7 years in the making. A special thank you to the Organising Committee for such a memorable occasion.



From left: Shirley Dance, Bevan Dance, Sue Stallwood, and Roslyn Jenner-Dixon

National Rose Trial Garden of Australia Inc.

Chris Kelly – Secretary, National Rose Trial Garden of Australia

I have much pleasure in submitting the 26th Annual Report on behalf of the Management Council of the National Rose Trial Garden of Australia Inc., to the delegates of the National Rose Society of Australia Inc.

It has been a very good year in the trial garden, with a pleasing number of roses to look after and assess. The edging of the garden beds and new paths has been completed by staff from the Adelaide Botanic Garden. Planning is underway for an International Judging Panel to be held in the garden on Monday 31 October as part of the WFRS Convention. It is anticipated that about 50 judges will take part on the day and then later in the evening attend the awards presentation at Carrick Hill, where the winning rose from the judging will be announced together with all the other awards.

The 2021 Awards Presentation was held on 25 October 2021 at Carrick Hill, using Zoom for some exhibitors, and the evening was recorded and posted to our Facebook page.

- In 2021 Heaven on Earth, entered by Treloar Roses and bred by W. Kordes' Söhne

 Germany, won a Gold medal and also the Marion de Boehme Award for the
 Best Rose of the Trial, Australian Rose of the Year and The Rose Hills Perpetual
 Challenge Bowl for the best floribunda in the trial.
- A Gold Medal, The Governor of Gifu Award for the most fragrant rose in the trial, was awarded to *Delightful Parfuma*, entered by Treloar Roses and bred by W. Kordes' Söhne – Germany.
- A Gold Medal, The Irwin Award for the most Pest and Disease Resistant Rose in the trial and the WFRS People's Choice winner was awarded to *Afrikaans*, entered by Treloar Roses and bred by W. Kordes' Söhne – Germany.
- A Gold Medal, the Davis Trophy for the Best Australian Bred Rose and the Hamilton Gardens NZ Perpetual Challenge Award for the Best Hybrid Tea Rose, was awarded to Jessica's Rose, entered by Brundrett Breeding and bred by the late Bruce Brundrett.

All told there were 4 Gold, 6 Silver,18 Bronze Medals and 12 Certificates of Merit awarded on the night.

This year, 2022, we will award 1 Gold medal, 5 Silver medals, 10 Bronze medals and 10 Certificates of Merit. The Award Presentation will be held on October 31 at Carrick Hill, which is a historic house and garden in Springfield. We have produced the Awards Booklet as usual, and it will be available for download on our website. Thanks to the exhibitors for their continued sponsorship of the Awards Booklet.

Twenty-three entries have been received and planted this year, 2022: 3 mini/flora, 2 hybrid tea/grandifloras, 11 floribundas, 6 shrubs and 1 climber, entered from the following countries: 6 Australia, 8 Germany, 4 USA and 5 UK.

The 'People's Choice' weekend was held on Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 April 2022 in conjunction with the Rose Society of SA's Autumn Rose Show in the Adelaide Botanic Garden. 550 people participated in the weekend by entering their 5 favourite roses in the trial garden. The most popular rose chosen by the public overall was *Vulcano*, a grandiflora entered by Treloar Roses and bred by W. Kordes' Söhne. The winner of the People's Choice competitions elected 4 out of the top 5 roses chosen and received \$1000 worth of prizes from our sponsors: Neutrog Australia, Garden Grove Supplies, Rose Introducers of Australia and The Rose Society of South Australia.

A Thankyou Afternoon Tea was held on Sunday 11 September 2022 at the Adelaide Botanic Garden for our volunteer maintenance workers, rose assessors and NRTGA Council members. This also provided opportunity to update our volunteers with the latest information on the upcoming assessment year, the World Rose Convention and International Judging Panel in the trial garden. The NRTGA Council is very appreciative of the support our volunteers give to making the trial garden the success it is.

Members of the NRTGAM an agement Council 2021/2022.

Mr Kelvin Trimper AM	Chair	Nursery and Garden Industry of SA
Mr Kim Syrus	Vice/Chair	Rose Introducers of Australia
Mr Chris Kelly	Secretary	Appointed by NRSA
Mr Steve Neale	Treasurer	Nursery and Garden Industry of SA
Mr Daniel Knight		Rose Introducers of Australia
Mr Les Johnson		NRSA Rep and Publications Officer
Mr John Sandham		ABG (Proxy for Botanic Garden Director)
Mr Gavin Woods		NRSA Rep of Australian rose breeders
Mr Merv Trimper		NRSA Rep and Trial Garden Co-ordinator

We thank the Adelaide Botanic Garden staff and appreciate greatly the support and help they give. We likewise thank Neutrog Australia, RIAUS and Garden Grove Supplies for their continued support of the trial garden and especially mention the Neutrog staff who maintain the NRTGA website. We also thank the NRSA for their continued financial support. Many thanks must be given to the Management Council members for their continued assistance and support during 2021–2022.

At the 2021 AGM, the application cost of \$160 per rose entry was retained.

The audited financial statement for the year ending 30 June 2022, prepared by the Treasurer, Steve Neale, and audited by Mr David Jeffs, Auditor, will be ratified by the NRTGA Management Council at the December 2022 AGM. After this approval, the Secretary will forward a copy to the Secretary and Treasurer of the NRSA.



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National Rose Trial Garden of Australia Awards 2022



AWARD: Silver Medal

BED NUMBER: 128

NAME: Pink Forest Rose BREEDER: W. Kordes' Söhne, Germany CODE: Korpiforo

TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Slight EXHIBITOR: Treloar Roses, Australia



AWARD:

TROPHY: The David Ruston Trophy for the Best Climber of the Trial

BED NUMBER:159

NAME: Golden Pierre de Ronsard BREEDER: Meilland International, France

CODE:6807-01-3

FRAGRANCE: Strong TYPE: Climber EXHIBITOR: Corporate Roses, Australia



AWARD: Silver Medal

BED NUMBER: 128 NAME: Pink Forest Rose

BREEDER: W. Kordes' Söhne, Germany

CODE: Korpiforo

TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Slight EXHIBITOR: Treloar Roses, Australia



AWARD: Silver Medal

The David Ruston Trophy for the Best Climber of the Trial TROPHY:

BED NUMBER:159 CODE:6807-01-3

NAME: Golden Pierre de Ronsard TYPE: Climber FRAGRANCE: Strong BREEDER: Meilland International, France EXHIBITOR: Corporate Roses, Australia



AWARD: Silver Medal

BED NUMBER: 176 NAME: See You In Pink

BREEDER: W. Kordes' Söhne, Germany

CODE: Korhulth002

TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Slight EXHIBITOR: Treloar Roses, Australia



AWARD: Silver Medal

TROPHIES: Gerald Meylan Perpetual Trophy, Best Shrub or Ground Cover of the Trial

BED NUMBER: 177 CODE: X566-B1

TYPE: Shrub NAME: FRAGRANCE: Slight BREEDER: Tom Carruth, Weeks Roses, USA EXHIBITOR: Swane's Nurseries, Australia



AWARD: Bronze Medal

BED NUMBER: 137 CODE: VISILOST

NAME: TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Strong BREEDER: Martin Vissers, Belgium EXHIBITOR: Landsdale Rose Gardens, Australia



AWARD: Bronze Medal

TROPHY: The Governor of Gifu Award (Japan) for the Most Fragrant Rose of the Trial

BED NUMBER: 157 CODE:8809-09-HF

NAME: TYPE: Climber FRAGRANCE: Strong BREEDER: Meilland International, France EXHIBITOR: Corporate Roses, Australia



AWARD: Bronze Medal

TROPHIES: The Davis Trophy; The Australian Bred Rose of The Year; NRSA Sponsorship;

CODE: FRIaboutu BED NUMBER: 174

NAME: Amber's Gift TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Moderate EXHIBITOR: Mary & Ian Frick, Australia BREEDER: Mary Frick, Australia



AWARD: Bronze Medal

TROPHIES: Hamilton Gardens NZ Perpetual Challenge Award for the Best Hybrid Tea of the Trial

World Federation of Rose Societies People's Choice Award 2022

BED NUMBER:117 CODE: Korcolipas

NAME: Vulcano TYPE: Grandiflora FRAGRANCE: Slight BREEDER: W. Kordes' Söhne, Germany EXHIBITOR: Treloar Roses, Australia



Bronze Medal AWARD:

TROPHY: The Dean Stringer Trophy for the Best Miniature or Mini Flora of the Trial

BED NUMBER: 101 CODE: Meibenbino

TYPE: Miniatures FRAGRANCE: Slight NAME: Zepeti BREEDER: Meilland International, France EXHIBITOR: Corporate Roses, Australia



AWARD: Bronze Medal

BED NUMBER: 100 CODE: Waljoy NAME: Rae Of Sunshine TYPE: Miniature

BREEDER: R. & R. Walsh, Australia EXHIBITOR: Richard & Ruth Walsh, Australia

FRAGRANCE: Slight



AWARD: Bronze Medal

BED NUMBER: 172

NAME: Paolo PejroneGiardiniere BREEDER: Rose Barni, Italy

CODE: BAR PEJ 6564

TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Slight EXHIBITOR: Wagner's Rose Nursery, Australia



AWARD: Bronze Medal

BED NUMBER: 170 CODE: Koraugneru

NAME: Love Affair TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Moderate BREEDER: W. Kordes' Söhne, Germany EXHIBITOR: Treloar Roses, Australia



AWARD: Bronze Medal

BED NUMBER: 134 CODE: Korknaufoc

NAME: TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Moderate

BREEDER: W. Kordes' Söhne, Germany EXHIBITOR: Treloar Roses, Australia



AWARD: Bronze Medal

BED NUMBER: 136 CODE: 4076

TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Slight NAME:

BREEDER: Bruce Brundrett, Australia EXHIBITOR: Brundrett Breeding, Australia



AWARD: Certificate of Merit

BED NUMBER: 116 CODE: X193-9 NAME: Cherry Blossom

TYPE: Grandiflora FRAGRANCE: Moderate BREEDER: Christian Bedard, Weeks Roses, USA EXHIBITOR: Swane's Nurseries Australia

AWARD: Certificate of Merit

BED NUMBER: 123 CODE: U512-2

NAME:

TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Moderate

BREEDER: Christian Bedard, Weeks Roses, USA EXHIBITOR: Swane's Nurseries Australia



AWARD: Certificate of Merit

BED NUMBER: 106 CODE: SPE 13/0060-01

NAME:

TYPE: Hybrid Tea FRAGRANCE: Moderate

BREEDER: Jan SpekRozen, Netherlands EXHIBITOR: Landsdale Rose Gardens, Australia



AWARD: Certificate of Merit

BED NUMBER: 173 CODE: 6354-06-9

NAME:

TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Moderate

BREEDER: Meilland International, France EXHIBITOR: Corporate Roses, Australia



AWARD. Certificate of Merit

BED NUMBER: 104 CODE: SPE 13/0066-03

NAME:

TYPE: Hybrid Tea FRAGRANCE: Slight

BREEDER: Jan SpekRozen, Netherlands EXHIBITOR: Landsdale Rose Gardens, Australia



AWARD: Certificate of Merit

BED NUMBER: 115 CODE: Korgolvida

NAME: Suffragette - The Vida Goldstein Rose

TYPE Grandiflora FRAGRANCE: Moderate

BREEDER: W. Kordes' Söhne, Germany EXHIBITOR: Treloar Roses, Australia



AWARD: Certificate of Merit

BED NUMBER: 158 CODE: Korpueblu NAME: Quicksilver TYPE: Climber

FRAGRANCE: Moderate

BREEDER: W. Kordes' Söhne, Germany EXHIBITOR: Treloar Roses, Australia



AWARD: Certificate of Merit

BED NUMBER: 124 CODE: VISPERSUN NAME: TYPE: Floribunda

FRAGRANCE: Slight BREEDER: Martin Vissers, Belgium

EXHIBITOR: Landsdale Rose Gardens, Australia



AWARD: Certificate of Merit

BED NUMBER: 135 CODE: VISDOCBLUE

NAME:

Type: Floribunda

FRAGRANCE: Moderate

BREEDER: Martin Vissers, Belgium

EXHIBITOR: Landsdale Rose Gardens, Australia



AWARD: Certificate of Merit

BED NUMBER: 125 CODE: TAN00681 NAME: Heidi Klum TYPE: Floribunda FRAGRANCE: Strong

BREEDER: Rosen Tantau, Germany EXHIBITOR: Knight's Roses, Australia

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Australian Registrar's Report

Richard Walsh ARA NSA SMA - SA

This year, up to the time of writing the report, there have been 17 new roses known to be registered from 7 breeders, one for the first time. Some are there by way of report only as one breeder has registered his own and posted on Help Me Find (HMF), subsequently providing details for the record. An updated list of Australian bred roses was provided to the NRSA Web Administrator to post on the website. Roses were all submitted on Modern Roses (MR) and posted on HMF.

What is registration and how can it be done? As the American Rose Society is the official registrar of rose names in the world, registration can only be effected through it. To register a rose, go to www.modernroses.org and click on Register a Rose. Fill in the information required and submit. Alternately, I am willing to help or submit on behalf of breeders/members. All you have to do is email walshroses45@yahoo. com.au or phone 0409 446 256. Breeders/members who submit personally can have their roses included in the NRSA report for the *Australian Rose Annual* and on its website by forwarding details to me for inclusion. Please note, posting on HMF does not register a rose, although the information from it can be accessed by students and researchers alike.

I would urge all breeders to give the parents of their seedlings being registered, if known, for the sake of scholars, researchers and other breeders. It does not give breeders any chance of gaining an advantage, nor can NOT registering a rose with its breeding details stop another breeder from using it in a cross, so there is absolutely no point in not providing this valuable information.

Australian Rose Registrations

Name of Rose	Class	Colour	Raised/Bred by	Pedigree	Reg. Year
Purplea (ABRpur)	S	m	Dr Stephen Abrahams	Red Velvet x unknown	2022
Darling Dorothy (Dixdorothy)	F	pb	Vivienne Dixon	Bordeaux x unknown	2022
Darling Steve (DIXsteve)	HT	dr	Vivienne Dixon	Salmon Panarosa x Firefighter	2022
Gloria Dawn (DIXglor)	F	ab	Vivienne Dixon	Gallipoli Centenary Rose x unknown	2022
Inspirational Women (DIXwomen)	F	m	Vivienne Dixon	Blue for You x unknown	2022
Double Durston (Stella and Charlie)	Т	ab	Dianne Durston	Anna Olivier x Duchesse de Brabant	2022
Brindabella Blush (GRAblh)	HT	lp	John and Sylvia Gray	Brindabella Flair x unnamed seedling	2022
Brindabella Delicious (GRAdel)	HT	pb	John and Sylvia Gray	Brindabella's Raspberry Tiger x unnamed seedling	2022
Brindabella Faith (GRAfth)	HT	W	John and Sylvia Gray	Brindabella Bouquet x unnamed seedling	2022
Brindabella Redtop (GRArtp)	F	rb	John and Sylvia Gray	Brindabella Flair x unnamed seedling	2022
Brindabella Stellar (GRAstr)	F	pb	John and Sylvia Gray	Brindabella Pure Heart x unnamed seedling	2022
Brindabella's Apricot Belle (GRAbell)	HT	ab	John and Sylvia Gray	Brindabella's Delta Tiger x unnamed seedling	2022
Brindabella's Dream Tiger (GRAdmtg)	HT	pb	John and Sylvia Gray	Brindabella Pride x unnamed seedling	2022
Adeliza of Louvain (MILliza)	S	ab	Warren Millington	(Kathleen x Paul's Himalayan Musk Rambler) x L'Ange de Lesdain	2022
Enzo (MILrenzo)	F	nr	Warren Millington	The Firebird x Apache (KORcatemp)	2022
Isabeau de Montreuil (MILtrea)	S	ab	Warren Millington	unnamed seedling of <i>R. virginiana</i> x Bamako	2022
Joan de Vère (MILere)	S	ly	Warren Millington	a seedling of Archimedes x unnamed seedling	2022

Name of Rose	Class	Colour	Raised/Bred by	Pedigree	Reg. Year
Joan of Valois (MILoan)	Hmult	pb	Warren Millington	Heart to Heart x unnamed seedling	2022
Juliana de Soules (MILsoul)	HMult	pb	Warren Millington	(Kathleen x Paul's Himalayan Musk Rambler) x L'Ange de Lesdain	2022
Sibyl de Neufmarché (MILneuf)	HmMult	pb	Warren Millington	Ghislaine de Féligonde x unnamed seedling	2022
Tuppence (MILpense)	HMult	pb	Warren Millington	unnamed seedling x unnamed seedling	2022
Li Yuan (SOMmsla)	S	dp	Laurel Sommerfeld	Slater's Crimson China x Knockout	2022
Our Sunny Son (SOMmgold)	LCI	my	Laurel Sommerfeld	Golden Gate x unknown	2022
Scout's Honour (SOMmsco)	MinFl	pb	Laurel Sommerfeld	Scout's Rose x Sylvia Hannah	2022
Cutie Eye (WALjuneamigo)	MinFl	yb	Richard and Ruth Walsh	June Honey x PEJamigo	2022
Mary Ward (WALwuffles)	F	W	Richard and Ruth Walsh	Vanessa's Gift x Violina	2022
Purple Stars (WALstars)	S	m	Richard and Ruth Walsh	Blue for You x (Pimprenelle x DELmovi)	2022
Senator Marise (WALmar)	HT	yb	Richard and Ruth Walsh	Baronne de Rothschild x June Honev	2022



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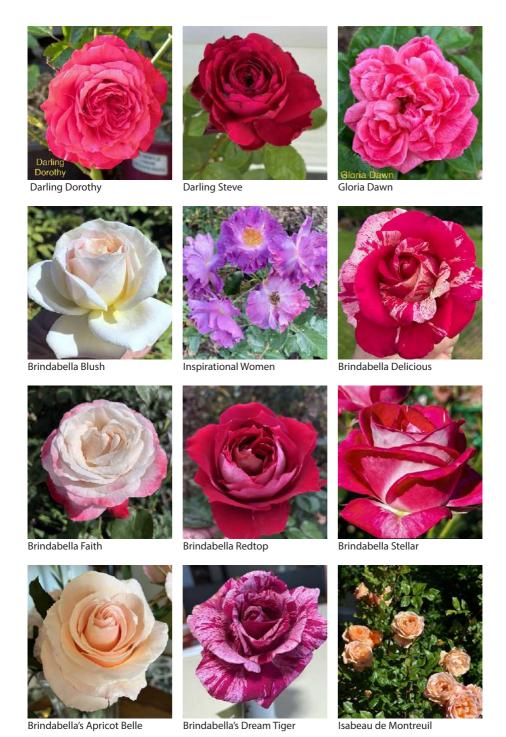
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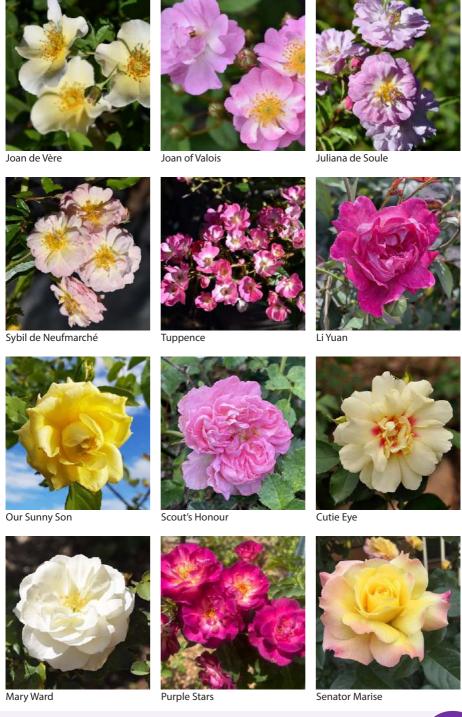


Double Durston



Enzo





Ian Spriggs 50 Years Membership Celebration

The Rose Society of Victoria Inc. 50 Years Celebration – Mr Ian Spriggs WRA, ARA, NSA, SMA

It was with the greatest of pleasure that The Rose Society of Victoria Inc. held a lunch on Thursday 15 September at the Wheelers Hill Hotel, to honour and celebrate Mr lan Spriggs for his 50 years of membership and service to the Society – a wonderful milestone he achieved in February 2020.

lan joined The Rose Society of Victoria Inc. in February 1970 and was made an Honorary Life Member in 1986. He has held the following positions with great distinction:

- President, Rose Society of Victoria Inc. 2006–2012 Vice President, Rose Society of Victoria Inc. 1991-1994
- Treasurer, Rose Society of Victoria Inc. 1975–1986, 1989 Committee Member 1975, 1987, 1988, 1989

lan has also held other major positions and has received many prestigious awards as follows:

- Editor, Australian Rose Annual 1995–2006
- President, National Rose Society of Australia 2007, 2012 Australian Registrar of New Names 2002-2004
- Foundation President, Australian Rose Breeders Association 1992
- T. A. Stewart Memorial Award 2002 Australian Rose Award 2002
- National Rose Society of Australia Service Award 2007
- World Federation of Rose Societies Awards Committee: Chair 2006–2012 World Rose Award (Bronze Medal) 2015

He is a noted rose breeder, grower, very successful exhibitor and consultant rosarian. Roses bred:

- Annie's Sona
- Australian Sunrise

lan was instrumental with the submission of The Victoria State Rose Garden to the World Federation for Garden of Excellence, which was awarded in 2003.



Annie's Song

Since moving with his family to Morwell, lan has been a very valued member of the volunteer team at the Morwell Centenary Rose Garden.

He has also been a frequent visitor and supporter of the Mornington Botanical Rose Gardens, especially at pruning time.

lan is a very well-known rosarian internationally and has attended many WFRS Conventions.

In addition to these wonderful achievements, Ian has promoted the rose as a guest speaker at many garden clubs and organisations over the years.

He has always served the Society with honour, sincerity and kindness.

He is always supported by his wife, Sadie, who also served on the Committee for a number of years, and also his two sons, Michael and Matthew



Sandra Turner with Ian Spriggs

He is a great friend and mentor to all of us in the Society and he richly deserved this wonderful celebration.

John Pascoe Fawkner Award 2022 Mr Ian Spriggs

The John Pascoe Fawkner Gold Medal Service Award for meritorious and significant service to horticulture was honoured and awarded to Mr Ian Spriggs by the Royal Horticultural Society of Victoria. The medal and a certificate was presented by Mr Don Rickerby, President of the RHSV who attended the special lunch with Mrs. Jennifer Rickerby, Secretary of the RHSV. It is a very prestigious honour and very well deserved by Ian.

The RHSV service medal is named after John Pascoe Fawkner, founder of the original Victorian Horticultural Society, now the RHSV. He was an early pioneer, Victorian politician and successful businessman.

Our congratulations to lan on receiving this award.

East Coast Trial Garden Inc.

Richard Walsh (Hon Secretary)

The transition from St Joseph's Spirituality and Education Centre, Kincumber, to Christian Brothers Community at Mulgoa has been smooth, with more support from the local community available to assist. There have been a few teething problems but we believe these have been overcome.



Senator Marise Payne, Richard Walsh and Steve Beck



East Coast Trial Garden opening with Glynis Hayne, Melissa MacIntosh and Ruth Griffiths

Statistics on current roses in trial: the first intake at Mulgoa had 11 varieties involved, two of which were imported roses and the others all Australian bred. This trial is due to be completed in May 2023 as there were no climbing roses involved. Three plants of each variety are trialled for a period of two years. In the second intake begun in winter 2022, there are 10 varieties, three of which are imported and include our first climbing rose. We only require two plants for a climber and



HOR Temptress

the trial is extended for one year with no assessments taking place in the first year. This trial will finish in May 2024, except for the climbing variety which will complete its trial the following year.

The current situation at Mulgoa: it has been difficult for the garden managers, Doug and Glynis Hayne, because of the excessive rainfall we have experienced, but things have become fairly normal in this area now with plans underway for installing a watering system. Rabbits are also a problem, necessitating protective

barriers around the plants. The residents have also arranged for the rabbits to be removed professionally as they have become a pest generally in the area.

Events for the year: there have been two open days held, the first on July 23 to present awards for our second trial completed at Kincumber. Our patron, Senator Marise Payne, attended and presented the Gold Medal to Steve Beck for his entry of the Horner rose 'HORtemptress', a Silver Medal to Gary Wootton for Gold on Gold and a Bronze Medal to Garv Wootton also for Our Marlene. We congratulate these exhibitors and Gold on Gold express our thanks also to the other



entrants without whom there would have been no trial. A rose (Senator Marise) has been registered to honour our patron and will be released hopefully in winter 2024 as a fundraiser for the garden. It is a yellow blend Hybrid Tea bred from **Baronne de** Rothschild x June Honey.

Our second big event for the year, on November 11, was the official opening of the garden at Mulgoa by Melissa MacIntosh, federal member for Lindsay, in whose electorate the garden exists. Melissa was instrumental in helping us gain a Community Federal Grant, for which we were most grateful. She was presented with an arrangement of Australian-bred roses and a copy of the book Growing Roses by Paul Hains. Our patron was also present on the day and it was a very special social occasion.



Our Marlene

Assessment: Assessments take place from summer of the first year through to autumn of the second by a team of five assessors coordinated by committee member Denise Murphy. Assessment is on the basis of Growth and Vigour, Foliage Cover, Disease Resistance, Heat Tolerance, Flowering Ability and Wow Factor. Fragrance is assessed separately by a team of residents organised by Brother Jeff Regan, our liaison person at the Community. All assessments are done on the basis of Poor 1-2, Fair 3-4, Average 5-6, Good 7-8. Excellent 9-10.

Forum and Friends: our Editor, Richard, continues to produce our quarterly digital publication, Rose Breeders Forum, The small subscription of \$10 per annum also entitles subscribers to become 'Friends of the East Coast Rose Trial Garden Inc.' Contact him at walshroses45@yahoo.com.au for further information

Brother Jeff Regan: Jeff was the one who first suggested the possibility of holding the trials at the Edmund Rice Christian Brothers Community and has been a constant supporter and helped us at every stage. We are grateful to him for being a liaison person with the Community, helping find solutions to the problems which inevitably arise and helping out by making facilities available when we hold our functions at the Centre.



Senator Marise

Thanks to the committee and supporters:

We are grateful to the members of the committee who have been meeting monthly by Zoom to make the necessary decisions and organise the functions; to Ruth Griffiths our President, who holds us together; to Braidan Swan for managing our finances; to Denise Murphy for co-ordinating assessment and the team of assessors; to Richard for keeping us on our toes with reminders and editing the Forum; but especially Glynis and Doug, who are a tower of strength as garden managers and fulfilling duties as Vice-President, Minutes Secretary and Public Officer.

Neutrog: our thanks also go to Neutrog and in particular Paul Dipuglia for the support from Neutrog in supplying us with products that are essential for the management of such a project.

The future: It has been a great experience and we are still on a learning curve, but as we move forward we are growing more confident regarding the value and relevance of our trial garden. We remind ourselves of the importance of having a rose trial in the humid coastal areas of the Fast Coast of Australia and look forward to a future that makes a difference.

Vale Bruce Brundrett ARA 1940–2022

lan Spriggs

Members will be saddened to learn of the passing of Bruce Alister Brundrett in November 2022. Bruce was a third-generation nurseryman and rosarian from the renowned firm of S. Brundrett and Sons.

Bruce's life story is told 'in his own words' in an article he wrote that was published in Victorian Rose News, Spring 2021. The citation for the 2021 ARA published in the 2022 Australian Rose Annual also gives a lot of information on Bruce's involvement in roses.

I first met Bruce through his father Allen in my early days in the Rose Society. Bruce had an incredible capacity for hard work, obviously passed on from his father, and would often be seen in a whole variety of roles relating to the nursery. Whether it be driving the tractor and the delivery truck or hoeing, Bruce was at the forefront of any physical activity.



Bruce was an extremely generous person, arranging and preparing the massive displays of roses for the stand at every rose show the Rose Society held. The society's show equipment was stored in a garage at the farm for many years at no cost to the society. He was also very generous to many non-profit organisations, raising many thousands of dollars for charity.

Bruce was heavily involved in the establishment of the Wilson Botanic Park in Berwick. It is a unique development established in a disused quarry.

In the early days, Allen would often show me seedlings both he and Bruce were raising. Rows of polystyrene boxes housed many seedlings at the farm.

Following the death of his father in 1994, Bruce released two of Allen's seedlings as a tribute - Brundrett Centenary and Allen Brundrett. Brundrett Centenary, a floribunda/groundcover type variety, became quite popular (parentage was Sea Foam x Marlena).

In the early 1970's Bruce and his dear wife Shirley moved to a one acre property in Warren Park Place, Narre Warren South, only a few doors from the writer. It was here that Bruce's rose breeding truly flourished, raising many award-winning seedlings.

Unfortunately, Shirley became unwell and passed away in 2012. Bruce was devastated and eventually named one of his seedlings Shirley's Rose after his late wife.



Shirley's Rose

Although Bruce kept largely to himself, we would occasionally have a chat about roses or view his seedlings. I will always remember the big wave and smile he would give me as he drove past our property and saw me working in the front garden.

At Bruce's funeral, Brian Wagner paid tribute to Bruce's involvement in rose breeding and the rose industry. He also displayed a number of his seedlings and mentioned that there were several in the pipeline.

The Rose Society of Victoria Inc. President, Sandra Turner, also spoke most eloquently about Bruce's involvement in the Rose Society, his kind generosity and willingness to pass on his knowledge to others.

We will miss Bruce Brundrett, but his legacy will live on through the many wonderful roses he has raised. We will miss his kindness, generosity and knowledge but will remember his friendship and engaging smile.



With the Governor-General, General David Hurley and Mrs Hurley

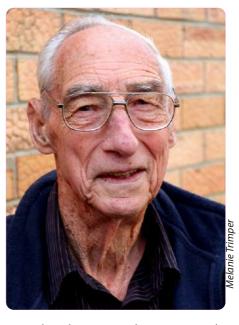
Dean Stringer OAM ARA SMA 1928–2022

Melanie Trimper - Rose Society of South Australia

Allan Dean Stringer was born on 18 July 1928 at Port Broughton and was the youngest of 3 children. He passed away peacefully on 4 October 2022 aged 94. He was a loving husband to Ivy, who passed away in 2009, and was a great father to Philip, Suzanne and Jennifer.

Dean's involvement with both the Rose Society of South Australia and The National Rose Society of Australia was simply outstanding. He joined the Rose Society 40 years ago in 1982. He was a Council Member in 1984, Vice-President 1987-1990 and President in 1990. He travelled all over Australia as a delegate and was Vice-President in 1992 and National President in 1993. Distance did not deter him: that old competitive streak saw him enter the Australian Rose Championships in Perth, Tasmania, Sydney and Melbourne.

Then, with an eye on the future, he took on accreditation of judges. While at it, he joined a panel to revise the National Judging rules. He soon became a highly respected judge and travelled to all States to judge the championships.



Dean was also instrumental in Adelaide's Rose Festivals in the 1990s and was appointed Coordinator. These were enjoyable events, albeit an enormous amount of work.

Then, you guessed it, he had another brilliant idea – in 1994 he heard discussions about a trial ground for roses in Australia, decided it should be in Adelaide, and worked hard to make it a reality. We all stood back in awe as we watched Dean negotiate with the National Rose Society of Australia, the relevant state government bodies, and the director of the Botanic Gardens. He also gained positive support from the Rose Introducers of Australia, the nursery and garden industry and subsequently the Australian Rose Breeders Association

Dean then made it happen: he either instigated the job or did it himself, including judging rules, entry conditions, forming the governing Management Council, helping write the constitution and recruiting enthusiastic volunteers. He assisted in every

aspect of planning and maintenance. Dean held the position of Secretary for 13 years and his personal commitment was the key ingredient in its success. In 2019, Dean received the inaugural Life Membership Award of the National Rose Trial Garden, as his family watched on. An award so richly deserved.

Speaking of awards, Dean has received every award a talented and passionate rosarian could wish to achieve in Australia. Dean received the T. A. Stewart Memorial Award in 1993, the Australian Rose Award in 1994, and in 1997 an OAM for service to floriculture through promoting knowledge and appreciation of rose cultivation and to community health as a member of the Board of Modbury Hospital'. He received a National Rose Society of Australia Service Award and Life Membership of the Rose Society of SA in 2008, and the prestigious WFRS World Rose Award in 2009. All a fitting tribute for his leadership, dedication and exemplary service.

These very special awards and achievements and Dean's wonderful family are testament to a life well lived.

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Vale Bob Melville ARA SMA 1944–2022

One of Australia's foremost rosarians, HMAA member and one of Perth's best-loved horticulturists, Robert Hardman Melville, died unexpectedly at home in his beloved garden in Carmel in the Perth Hills on November 26, 2022, aged 78.

Bob Melville was born 16 Jun 1944 to George and Vera Melville and was one of 6 children. He will be sadly missed by his partner Tess and children Rob, Michelle and James and their families.

Bob was the president of the Rose Society of Western Australia and also the president of the National Rose Society of Australia. He was a Life



Member of the Rose Society of Western Australia and an International Rose Judge, who travelled the world judging in Barcelona, Glasgow, Geneva and throughout Australia.

His love of the rose and promoting it to the community knew no bounds and he was a much-loved speaker and presenter. At Garden Week, garden clubs, societies, workshops, local community events or even being interviewed on the radio, Bob was always happy to share his gardening and rose wisdom.

He could be larger-than-life, was outspoken on a wide range of horticultural and business topics and had a flair for fashion that always saw him stylishly attired when not in his boots, shorts and cap, cheekily tilted to the left. Bob's effervescent, entertaining and cheeky personality would always shine through. Although not always politically correct, he would have the public enthralled, in awe or in stitches, usually all three!

In 1977 Bob opened Melville Nurseries in Carmel. The display gardens showcased over 1200 rose varieties including Heritage roses, David Austin, Delbard and climbing roses. After a period of time, a lot of hard work and red tape, Bob was successful in opening the 'Rose Heritage' tea rooms on the same property, naming them after his childhood home on Kalamunda Road. Many Perth families spent hours in the nursery, display gardens and on the terrace of this very successful venture. The nursery was much loved and frequented as a destination. At one time he had the biggest commercial collection of roses in Australia.

His innovative and inquisitive nature led him to the development of growing roses in pots, using large jam tins before the advent of plastic pots and a special mix of jarrah sawdust and sand. Amazingly, Western Australia became the first place in the world to start producing roses in pots. The Rosa Fortuniana rootstock transformed rose growing in Western Australia and Florida in the United States, as roses grafted onto it could survive the high temperatures, dry heat and sandy soils better. These roses also showed increased health, vigour and growth.

Bob was a 'hands on' person who loved to speak with people and constantly promoted the Rose to community groups, rose shows and garden festivals. He was instrumental in introducing very successful workshops on his property for Rose Society members and the public.

Bob and Melville Nurseries were the champions of Perth Garden Week and the Perth Garden Festival, winning many awards for the overall 'Best in Show' display over the years. The intricate landscape displays showcased roses, annuals, vegetables, cottage garden plants, trees and garden structures in colourful and inspirational ways. Renowned for creating beautiful floral displays, he generously provided anything he had, including roses as prizes for raffles and fundraisers.

In 1991 Bob Melville was presented with the Australian Rose Award from the National Rose Society of Australia, which is a high honour awarded to someone for being a promoter of roses and growing roses in Australia. He also received the T.A. Stewart Memorial award, a rare, high honour awarded for rose growing. Both Bob Melville and his father George Melville received this award.

Bobs' favourite rose was hybrid tea *Double Delight* and it was a delight to know him. Bob's love and knowledge of roses will live on. Rest in Peace Bob.



Double Delight



Vale Ray Paulsen

Grace and Robert Warren – Oueensland

Ray was a long-time member of the Gold Coast Rose Society, having joined the society with his wife Estelle in May 2002. He passed away at Gold Coast Private Hospital on Wednesday 2 November, the result of an accident some days earlier.

Ray was always a positive and willing worker for the society. Despite recent health

challenges, Ray continued to contribute his extensive experience and knowledge at GCRS events.

Ray became a qualified State Judge in 2010 and had continued as a valued judge ever since, at GCRS yearly and monthly shows, as well as QRS and Darling Downs annual shows. Ray took his judging seriously and always wanted to give a fair result to all exhibitors. The late Len Johnson spent many hours with Ray in his training days with ORS.

Every year, at the GCRS show, Ray and Estelle would unfailingly help with the Friday set-up. On the Saturday morning, Ray would judge various sections and classes and then assist at the admission or raffle tables for the weekend. while Estelle assisted in the kitchen.



In the earlier years of their association with the GCRS, Ray and Estelle would stage many exhibits at the annual and monthly shows. They also exhibited at Darling Downs and QRS shows. Over the years they had many successes.

Robert had an association with Ray through the Gold Coast TAFE College Ridgeway Annex at Heeb Street, where Robert taught Horticulture and Ray taught IT in the 1980s. In recent years they have had many conversations about those early days at the College and Robert will miss Ray and their camaraderie.

Ray will be greatly missed for his quiet, friendly nature, his vast knowledge of roses and his willingness to participate and share his experience and wisdom.

The members of the GCRS send their condolences to our dear friend and member Estelle and her family, at this sad time.

Vale Joe Sester, Col Bleck

Joe Sester Susanne Stallwood ARA – President, QRS



It is with much regret that I have to tell you all I was told very sad news of the passing of Mr Joe Sester on the 22 August 2022.

Joe, a very dedicated rosarian, and his wife Jo joined QRS on 1 October 1961 (61 years ago).

For many years Joe sold rose bushes at our Autumn and Spring Shows. He was a commercial grower back in those days – always helping, setting up and unfolding at our major shows. Even after he retired from commercial rose growing, Joe still came to our shows, even our monthly shows. Joe was a huge supporter of ORS.

Both Joe and Jo came to the pruning day last June at Ted Hayes and after that went and visited Tony Stallwood at the home; Tony was thrilled. I was fortunate to see and speak to him at our Christmas in July Luncheon at Richlands Hotel.

It is so sad. RIP JOE, you will be greatly missed.

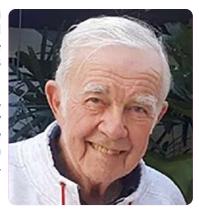
Col Bleck 1936–2022 Susanne Stallwood ARA – President, QRS

It was very sad news to learn of the passing of our friend Col Bleck. Col was a dedicated rosarian, held many positions on the committee – Secretary, Treasurer, President – and was honoured with a life membership.

A very respected man amongst the rosarians, who made many friends over the years. Col grew many beautiful roses, in turn exhibiting at the rose shows and winning many championships. Colin Bleck was a great man, who will be greatly missed.

Heather and family, our condolences.

RIP Col, 24 January 1936-29 April 2022



Vale Fred Halfpapp

Bevan and Shirley Dance - Queensland

Joyce and Fred Halfpapp joined the Queensland Rose Society on 1 October 1966, when they lived at Holland Park. They exhibited their roses at the monthly shows, which were then held at Paddington, and the Autumn and Spring Shows at City Hall.

Joyce was a fully qualified hairdresser, but her passion was floral art. She completed many floral art courses and along with two of her friends was asked to arrange the flowers at Government House on a monthly basis. Joyce entered beautiful exhibits in the Floral Art classes of the Autumn and Spring Shows and became a very respected rose judge. Fred and Joyce thought nothing of driving to the Gold Coast or Toowoomba for Joyce to judge at their rose shows.



Fred's speciality was the setting-up of the tables and tiers which displayed the exhibits. I believe the tables they used were solid timber and extremely heavy – nothing like the foldable plastic ones we use these days. The tables had to be carted from under a member's house to the show venue and then returned when the show was over. Fred was eventually convinced to take on the position of Chief Steward and in this role, he was responsible for taking the entries for the shows, organising the judges and stewards for the day and tallying the exhibitor points after the judging was completed. Fred was awarded Life Membership and he and Joyce continued their roles with QRS even after moving to Toowoomba in 2005.

In 2013 the Queensland Rose Society presented Fred with a Prestigious Service Award to show their appreciation of his service to the society for more than 50 years. Joyce and Fred continued to enjoy their association with QRS up until Fred's death in March 2021.

New Brundrett's Releases

Wagner's Rose Nursery

It's time to celebrate one of the best rose breeders Australia ever had – Bruce Brundrett – who recently passed away, leaving his legacy to Wagner's Rose Nursery to continue the propagation of his beautiful roses.

We are pleased to announce two new Bruce Brundrett creations for 2023 season, and we are committed to releasing new Brundrett's varieties every year.

Bruce's Dream

Named after Bruce Brundrett and his passion and dedication to roses, this is a very special rose, considered by Bruce himself to be one of his best varieties.

This new rose won Bronze Medal and the Hamilton Gardens NZ Perpetual Challenge Award for the best Hybrid Tea of the Trial in 2018.



Bruce's Dream

Its classic shaped buds open to reveal intense yellow/apricot petals that slowly

fade to a cream colour. The foliage is dark green with large leaves and the plant is very healthy and disease resistant. It's a perfect variety for cut flowers.

Fragrance is moderate and height is approximately 120cm.

Australian Beauty



Chosen and named by the National Rose Society of Australia for the triennial World Rose Convention held last October in Adelaide. this variety is a very romantic and elegant rose, with delicately tinted buds opening out to reveal a beautiful flat multi-layered rosette of petals ranging from the lightest pink to pale peach tones, with a hint of gold at their centre.

The plant grows upright to approximately 120cm, is healthy and very free flowering, with mid-green foliage.

Australian Beauty

Its soft tones and romantic look will make it an ideal cut flower rose for a bountiful arrangement or a beautiful wedding bouquet.

Bruce Brundrett spent his entire life in the rose industry; he started growing roses in the family business in 1956, at the rose nursery in Moonee Ponds established by his grandfather in 1893. The business evolved over the years to become S. Brundrett and Sons by 1961, and finally ceased trading in 2002.

Thereafter, indulging in his passion and his dreams, Bruce became a rose hybridiser and is now recognised as one of Australia's most successful rose breeders, with many of his creations receiving important awards. Bruce passed away on 11 November 2022, aged 82.



Bruce's Dream

Australian Beauty and Bruce's Dream are introduced and grown by Wagner's Rose Nursery, one of the largest and longest-running rose nurseries in Australia – based in Kalangadoo in the South-East of South Australia – and growing roses for 70 years.

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Pre-orders for next winter can be placed online or by calling the nursery on 08 87393321.

Ross Roses New Releases

Samsara

Cycle of life – Samsara – a new beginning.

To celebrate India's 75th Anniversary of Independence, the Australian Government commissioned the selection and naming of a new Australian rose for the occasion and chose one from Ross Roses of South Australia. Bred by rose hybridist Andrew Ross, this strongly perfumed rose also celebrates the partnership and achievements of Indian-Australian communities.

Samsara rose has ruffled cupped blooms in shades of soft pink, flowering in profusion through spring and autumn with good coverage over summer, on a densely foliaged bush 1.5 m tall and 1 m wide.



An extremely healthy bush, it could be added to a mixed rose bed or allowed to flower on its own along a path or steps, or placed in a collection of pots on the patio where its delicious scent can be fully appreciated.



Intrigue

Striped roses are most intriguing, for every flower offers an interesting display of colours to delight. Here we have an intense fragrance to add to the charm of this lovely rose.

Produced from *Granada*, an old garden rose, where a striped flower in yellow and red shades was discovered. Growing 1.2 m-1.5 m tall, flowering in profusion on long picking stems. This will be a decorative addition to the rose garden.

Werribee Park

An Australian-bred rose of distinction bred by the Late Dr Bruce Chapman, creator of the popular roses *Amazing Grace, Flemington Racecourse, Joyce Abounding* and many more. We are privileged to be able to release this rose for home gardeners, a stunning striped rose to honour his lifetime of rose hybridising.

Masses of distinctive striped blooms with sweet fragrance, freely flowering all season. Also a good cutting flower produced on a healthy bush with dark green foliage.

Named for the Victoria State Rose Garden where many of Bruce's roses can now be seen.





David Austin Roses New Releases

New Releases for Winter 2023

Emily Bronte (Ausearnshaw)

English Shrub Rose

Colour: Soft Pink Apricot Fading To Cream; Flowering: Repeat Flowering; Fragrance: Strong, Tea/Old Rose

Ideal for: Mixed Border, Pots & Containers, Rose Hedges, Rose Border

Extremely beautiful, with distinctive, strongly fragrant blooms.

An exceptionally beautiful rose; the distinctive blooms are very neat and rather flat. Each bloom is a lovely soft pink, with a subtle apricot hue, the smaller central petals deepening to rich apricot and surrounding a button eye, which unfurls to reveal deep-set stamens. The strong Tea fragrance becomes more Old Rose, with delicious hints of lemon and grapefruit. It forms a bushy shrub with strong, healthy, upright growth.



Why we introduced this rose ... The Brontë Society asked us to name this rose to celebrate the bicentenary of the birth of the novelist, Emily Brontë. Her much-loved novel, Wuthering Heights, was published in 1847, a year before her untimely death at the age of 30. It is a dark tale of passion and revenge, centred around the relationship between Cathy Earnshaw and Heathcliff.

The Mill on the Floss (Austulliver)

English Shrub Rose

Colour: Mid pink; Flowering: Repeat Flowering; Fragrance: Medium-strong, Fruity

Ideal for: Pots & Containers, Rose Borders, Mixed Borders, Shady Areas

Bears large clusters of small, neat, deeply cupped blooms, each eventually revealing a small boss of stamens. Initially mid pink, verging on lilac-pink, they pale as they open, the individual petals beautifully defined by their carmine edges. Held nicely above the foliage, they not gracefully on gently arching growth, and have a sweet



fruity fragrance. A healthy variety; it makes a bushy shrub, clothed in glossy foliage

Named after the novel by George Eliot, first published in 1860. The story centres around the fiercely intelligent Maggie Tulliver and her beloved brother, Tom. As Maggie matures, she increasingly struggles to reconcile Tom's bourgeois standards, and the provincial attitudes of the community in which she lives, with her own desires.

Tottering-by-gently (Auscartoon)

English Shrub Rose

Colour: Yellow; Flowering: Repeat Flowering; Fragrance: Light-medium, Musk

Ideal for: Mixed Borders, Rose Hedges, Attracting Bee's, Rose Hips

Masses of single yellow flowers, held in large, open sprays.

This variety's beauty is found both in the simplicity of its single flowers and the spectacular display they create when viewed en masse. Held in large, open sprays, the yellow flowers open to reveal golden stamens. Paling prettily over time, they have a light musky scent, with fresh notes of orange peel. It flowers freely, repeating regularly throughout the summer. A large, healthy shrub; its growth is rounded and branching.

Why we introduced this rose ... Named to celebrate the 25th anniversary of Annie Tempest's classic weekly cartoon. First published in Country Life magazine in January 1993, Tottering-by-Gently depicts the everyday capers of Dicky and Daffy Tottering, and their family, at Tottering Hall. The tongue-in-cheek humour cleverly addresses differing social perspectives of our time. Copyright Annie Tempest @ Tottering.com.



RSV Spring Rose Spectacular

Michelle Endersby - Rose Society of Victoria

In 2022 we were fortunate to have the opportunity to attend a WFRS Rose Convention in our home country and a contingent of 26 Victorians, including many first-time convention attendees, made their way across to South Australia. We all enjoyed a once-in-a-lifetime experience of exceptional lectures, tours, social events, and the company of like-minded rose lovers and treasured friends.

Given the participation and involvement of our members and our Gardens of Excellence volunteers in the Convention and post-tour visits, the Committee of Management decided to substitute our annual Spring Show for a Spring Rose Spectacular Display at the Gardenworld Garden Centre in Braeside on 19-20 November. and spectacular it was.



Despite challenging weather conditions in the lead-up of days of rain, wind, hail, lower than average temperatures and few hours of sunshine, we were blessed with an abundance of fragrant, beautiful, and unblemished blooms to put on display. On



the Saturday morning we were amazed to see the contributions from the Victoria State Rose Garden, the Mornington Botanical Rose Gardens, the Morwell Centenary Rose Garden, and the private gardens of our members. What a sight it was to see the collective efforts of our state rose gardeners in one place.

The impressive display of roses was greatly appreciated by the steady stream of visitors to Michelle Endersby, Sandra Turner Gardenworld, who took the time



to smell the roses and take lots of photographs. Virtually, we were astounded by the warmth and engagement from rose lovers nationally and internationally in response to our video and photographic recording of the weekend on our Facebook page. All sorts of rose-related questions were answered and new members were signed up, whilst trolley-loads of rose bushes made their way to the registers.



Our efforts in taking the rose to the public have been an important exercise in increasing the awareness of the Society, with many people commenting that they didn't know there was a Rose Society of Victoria and were delighted to discover us. It is always a pleasure to see people taking up rose growing for the first time, as well as hearing about the magnificent efforts of seasoned rose growers whose only complaint is that they can't fit another rose in!

We would like to thank all of those who contributed to the success of the weekend and look forward to participating in future events sharing our love of the rose.

Souvenir de la Malmaison – A Mystery?

Andrew Ross - South Australia

Souvenir de la Malmaison is surely one of the world's most famous old garden roses. The delicate soft pink flowers are fully double and possess the most delightful sweet fragrance. In Australia it grows a neat compact plant making it ideal for virtually any rose garden.

The rose is classified as part of the Bourbon family of roses, yet recently a customer gave me some information which has me now auestioning if this is correct.

I recently asked Frank in north Queensland about his *Francis Dubrieuil* and how it grew in tropical conditions. He stated Teas are one of Souvenir de la Malmaison the best old roses to grow in his climate, and



commented that he felt **Souvenir de la Malmaison** does not seem to be a Bourbon as Bourbons just do not grow well in his region. He believed this variety must have considerable Tea genes in it to perform so well in his climate.

Records show **Souvenir de la Malmaison** is listed as parentage **Mme Desprez** (Bourbon) crossed with unknown Tea, possibly *Devoniensis*. Having possibly *Devoniensis*, a Tea rose, in its breeding could account for its ability to grow in the tropics; however, the thought of **Souvenir de la Malmaison** possibly being a Tea got me thinking.

The description of **Souvenir de la Malmaison** in Dickson's *The Old Rose Adviser* makes these points.

- In 1840, Monsieur Beluze Sr. sowed the seeds which produced this splendid rose.
- 1842 the breeder affirmed that he had produced the rose, which was out of the ordinary. Monsieur Plantier declared that this was one of the most fortunate obtentions – the question was, which variety produced the seeds.
- Over and again the Societe d'Horticulture Pratique du Rhone hoped to resolve the question, eventually determining that the Bourbon Mme Desprez produced the seeds for *Malmaison*, as seeds collected and sown were *mostly* collected from Mme Desprez and it looked more Bourbon.

Could this admission that seeds were collected also from the other rose mean it may possibly be a *Devoniensis* (possibly) crossed with *Mme Desprez* cross, which would mean it is in fact a Tea?

This is speculation, but based on the Oueensland growth factor, is this something to be looked into further?

In researching, one major point has stood out as interesting regarding Souvenir de la Malmaison: its ability to create new roses through 'sporting' while very few others in the Bourbon class have done so. Just look at all roses in this group and something is very strange.

- Reine Victoria sported to Mme Pierre Oger.
- Mme Isaac Periere sported to *Mme Ernst* Calvat.



Devoniensis

 Souvenir de la Malmaison has sported Kronprinzessin Viktoria, Mme Cornelissen, Mlle Berthe Clavel, Mlle Marie Therese de la Devansaye, Malmaison Rouge, Capitaine Dyel de Graville and Souvenir de St Anne as well as to a Climbing form.



Souvenir de St Anne

No other Bourbons have sported climbers except Zephirine Drouhin, which has made Kathleen Harrop and Martha. However I have major reservations whether **Zephirine Drouhin** could also be classified a Bourbon, especially when it just doesn't fit in with all the others. and parentage lists breeding as 'unknown'. How in over 100 years, with tens of thousands of bushes worldwide, has a climbing sport never been found on any other Bourbon except Souvenir de la Malmaison?

In the Teas we see an incredible amount of natural mutation with nine bushes sporting to other cultivars, and more importantly, twelve bushes have sported to a climbing version. The growth of the climbing version of Malmaison is similar in leaves and thorns to that of some of the Tea climbers

I hope this observation from Queensland, together with documented evidence of the possible wrong seed parent and now the genetic inability for Bourbons to sport into climbers, may see some of the rose sleuths around consider this as a project to tackle to see if **Souvenir de la Malmaison** may actually be a Tea rose.

Alister Clark and His Roses

Jim Cane ARA NSA SMA – Tasmania

Alister Clark was a remarkable man. The author of Modern Roses in Australia in 1930, V.B. Rossi, cited Alister Clark as one of the foremost rose breeders in the world at that time, and that the best new roses were being bred in Australia. T.R. Garnet, in his 1990 publication Man of Roses, Alister Clark of Glenara, states that 'from about the commencement of the first world war until his death and indeed for some years after, his name was on everyone's tongue whenever roses were under discussion'.

Clark's main aim as a breeder was to produce roses that were hardy in the hot dry climate of southern Australia. To this end he made original use of crosses to Rosa gigantea, which produced in the second generation some of the toughest



and most freely blooming roses ever bred: Lorraine Lee (1924) and Nancy Hayward (1937) have never lost public favour. Black Boy (1919), Lady Huntingfield (1937) and Squatter's Dream (1923) are roses which have been unknown or underrated outside Australia but are still grown here.

Background



Lorraine Lee

Alister Clark was the son of an immigrant Scottish tenant farmer who did well in Australia. leaving his family with several outback cattle stations, as well as 'Glenara', a big property in a valley at Bulla, north of Melbourne.

Alister's father, Walter, emigrated from Argyllshire with his first wife, Margaret McKindlay, in 1837. Unfortunately she contracted fever on the voyage and died shortly after arrival in Australia. Walter gained employment with Alexander McLeay, the patriarch of another Scottish family of 17 children. McLeay's brother George founded various farming estates in the Riverina area and surrounds. Walter eventually became working partner on these properties.

Walter was an astute and skillful farm manager and invested shrewdly at the time of gold discovery in Australia in 1851. He became a wealthy man, and started on the building of Glenara homestead in 1857. Here he laid out the garden and planted a vineyard, orchard, native plants and ornamentals. By 1863 there was a wide range of roses.

Whilst living in St Kilda, Walter met Annie Cooper, a lady 20 years younger than he. They married and had five children, but unfortunately Annie died after the birth of her fifth child. Not long after, Walter appointed a friend, John Kerr Clark, as guardian of his five Black Boy



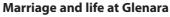
children in the event of his own death. Tragically that happened soon after. On 18 March 1873, he was riding in a buggy on a steep slope above Glenara homestead when it overturned. He died the next day from his injuries.

John Kerr Clark was to prove a good guardian of Walter's children. He tried to sell Glenara, which had now grown to 3,218 acres, but no buyer could be found. He then decided that Walter Clark's estate would not be distributed until the youngest child Jessie, came of age in September 1886.

The children were now to be based at Westella, a house in Hobart, Tasmania. Alister and his brother, Walter, attended Hobart High School. All the children lived in Hobart, for four years apparently happy and successful in many activities.

There were various overseas adventures for Alister and his siblings. Alister attended Sunningfield House, Ascot, England, a preparatory school where he excelled. At

sixteen he went to Loretto School just outside Edinburgh. By 1884 Alister was studying law at Cambridge and playing golf for the university.



He returned to Australia in August 1887, when Glenara, now 4,079 acres, was sold in 36 lots. To the delight of the locals Alister was able to buy the Glenara homestead and the surrounding 830 acres, paying nearly £16,000 for it.

He had several trips to New Zealand and in April 1888 announced his engagement to Edith Rhodes, a very wealthy woman of Elmwood, Christchurch. They were married in July 1888. As a result he never worked, giving himself



Lady Huntingfield

over to the business of being a gentleman, huntsman, polo player, racehorse owner, golfer, photographer, and rose and daffodil breeder.

Alister and Edie settled back into Glenara in 1891. This was to be a whole new phase of life for Alister. He busied himself with farming, gardening and visiting nurseries. He also laid out a golf course at Glenara and was a founding member of the Royal Melbourne Golf Club. He took up polo, as well as continuing with hunting.

Rose breeding

Alister commissioned two English nurserymen, Easlea and William Paul, to search nurseries of Europe to find all 111 varieties of roses that William Robinson had named as worthy in his book, *The English Flower Garden*. He would use some of these in his breeding.

In April 1902 Glenara won several classes at the National Rose Society's Autumn rose show. Alister was a founding member of the National Rose Society. In June 1903 he was elected as its President.

That year at the National Rose Society Spring show, he won prizes for best rose in the show with Mrs. E. Mawley and for a collection of 24 blooms.

Alister was an avid racing fan and in 1917, on the formation of the Moonee Valley Racing Club, he was elected Chairman and remained so until his death. To this day there is still a horse race named after him, the Alister Clark Stakes, and the winning owner, trainer and jockey all receive a bunch of roses.

Alister's reputation as a rose breeder peaked in 1916, when he was made a life member of the National Rose Society and given a Gold Medal for his services to rose culture.



Lady Medallist

Alister Clark-bred Roses

The first rose he bred and released was *Lady Medallist* in 1912. He gave this rose to a society as he did with many others. It was named after a racehorse! Soon afterwards he bred the well-known climber *Jessie Clark* (1915), a large pink rose and obviously a *Rosa gigantea* hybrid. The other parent is *Madame Martignier*. It is claimed to be the largest single rose in cultivation with blooms of rich clear pink and flowers early in the season. Two other lesser-known varieties came next, *Rosy Morn*, a favourite of Alister's, and *Sunny South*.

Lorriaine Lee, released in 1924, is a recurrent

flowering tea rose, bush or shrub and very suitable as a hedge. It is a cross of *Jessie Clark* with *Capitaine Millet*. It has been very popular since its introduction, still widely grown, and probably Alister's best known creation.

It is recorded that for twenty consecutive months, Alister picked a bunch from one single *Lorraine Lee* bush to take to the Rose Society's monthly shows. This was one aim of his breeding, from the beginning: to breed roses that flowered all year round and could survive and flourish in the harsh Australian climate.

The Dean Hole Memorial Award

On 7 January 1936, Mr. A.D.G. Shelly, President of the National Rose Society in London, the parent body of other rose societies throughout the world, wrote to Alister Clark as follows:

The Dean Hole Memorial Medal is the highest honour that the Council of the National Rose Society can confer upon any one of its members. It is only given in exceptional circumstances where the recipient has been thought worthy, by having earned it through the work he has done for the rose.

The medal was presented by the president of the National Rose Society of Victoria, Mr. James

Jessie Clark Allan, on behalf of Mr. Shelly.



Continued new releases

By the beginning of the Second World War, Alister was reaching the peak of production of new seedlings. Forty-four new roses were released from 1938 to 1942. He would only release roses that had been trialed in his own garden and in nurseries and gardens in Europe and America. They could not be purchased from him directly but only through rose growing firms of repute.



Sunny South

Unfortunately, due to the war, 'rose growing firms of repute' did not have the resources to multiply stock, so the roses were not available from the trade for the rose growing public to purchase. This is a pity, because Alister himself considered these later varieties better than their predecessors but many of them have disappeared.

Aims of Rose Breeding

Alister first became interested in roses when as a young man, he was at the Dublin Horse Show, and was so struck by roses he saw in a marguee, that he became a lifelong devotee. Alister himself wrote that 'a box of La Boule d'Or Roses at a Richmond Show in England so won my imagination as a boy that I had to take up rose growing at Glenara'. He preferred decorative and garden roses. He grew up at Glenara until aged nine, where there were extensive plantings of roses so, their alluring charm and beauty would have been imprinted in his brain right from the beginning of his life.

Overall, Alister's main aim was to produce good garden roses for the public to grow and enjoy. Such roses must be able to stand up to the lack of water and hot summers. He also thought that with the milder winters here, roses should bloom almost year-round. Garnett quotes him as saying that 'a rose must have a sound constitution, and resistance to such drawbacks as black spot, dieback and mildew.' He also described the rose that he wanted was one which will make a pleasing bush, hold itself well, bloom through autumn, and be able to last in water and keep its colour when picked. He gave most of his roses to Horticultural Societies all over Australia and New Zealand for their own financial benefit, but never made any money from them himself. It was pure enjoyment for him.

Name Choices

Alister dedicated 65 Glenara seedlings to women. Of the 138 seedling roses registered and released between 1912 and 1952, nearly 70 were named after relatives, friends and acquaintances he admired.

Nancy Hayward (1937) is another *Jessie Clark* cross. It is a bright cerise large climber and still popular today. This rose is considered the most beautifully coloured of all the Gigantea hybrids.

Kitty Kininmonth, (1922) is a large deep-pink climber. It is from an unnamed seedling by *R Gigantea*; *Countess of Stradbroke* (1928) is a glowing dark-crimson climbing HT. It is a cross of *Walter C. Clark* by an unknown rose. In the 1939 *American Rose Annual* this rose is rated the best climbing rose in the world. It is still grown today. *Marjorie Palmer* (1936) is a rich pink hybrid *Rosa Wichuriana* recurrent bedding rose. It is a







Countess of Stradbroke

cross of Jersey Beauty by an unknown rose. Amy Johnson, a large pink climber, was bred in 1930 and is named after the famous aviator who flew solo from London to Darwin that year; the first woman to do so. *Peggy Bell* (1929) is a recurrent salmon-pink HT rose good for hedging. Mary Guthrie (1929) is a rich pink polyanthus rose. great as a bedder and seldom without flowers. Its parentage is Jersey Beauty X Scorcher. Mrs Albert Nash (1920) is a brilliant red recurrent HT. The parentage is unknown. **Gwen Nash** (1920) is a climbing HT of a rich pink with a white base. Clark considered it the loveliest thing his seed Mrs Albert Nash pans had produced and its beauty in full bloom was breathtaking.



Preservation of Alister Clark roses

There are many projects around Australia to find, grow and preserve as many of Alister Clark's roses as possible. There was a memorial garden created not long after his death, but unfortunately it soon fell into disrepair. The Victoria State Rose Garden at Werribee Park has a good collection of Clark's roses.

My favourite collection of Clark's roses is in the Alister Clark Memorial Rose Garden at Bulla, close to Glenara and only 10 minutes from Tullamarine Airport. It comes under the Hume City Council and is maintained with the help of a large group of dedicated volunteers and was a real community project from the beginning. Its first open day was in October 1998. The garden is recognised as the most complete collection of Alister Clark's roses in the world.

It is a very fitting memorial and acknowledgment that Alister Clark, 1864–1949, was indeed a visionary rose breeder and grower of the absolute highest order.



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Most Influential Roses in History

Andrew Ross - South Australia

Throughout history tens of thousands of roses have made it to the market, some with long currency and others only surviving a few years.

Among them are some that have incredible stories or have contributed to society to become what I call 'influential roses'. I have compiled my list of what I consider to be those varieties that have had the most impact in the rose world. These are my top twelve in no particular order:

Trigintepetala

Often called the 'Kazanlik Rose'. *Trigintepetala* is an incredibly old rose from around the early 1600s. As a member of the Damask family, it possesses the most incredibly sweet fragrance. It is this fragrance which it is known for, and it is planted in large numbers for the collection of rose oil from its flowers



R. Foetida Lutea

In Bulgaria there exists a 'Rose Valley' near the town of Kazanlak where most of the rose petals are collected. Rose petals are collected early morning before dawn and oil distilled the same day. Other countries such as India and Iran also have large production of this rose for its oil.

Due to its high value in the commercial world, *Trigintepetala* is my first 'influential' rose.

Foetida Species



Foetida Persiana

I am sure there would be few rosarians that would know of the name *Foetida*, but really all rose lovers should be aware of the significance of these varieties. Originating from the foothills of Georgia, these yellow and orange flowered roses have a significant role in the development of modern roses. Since there were no yellow roses in Europe, the introduction from Persia was an important contributing factor in the development of yellow and orange varieties.

Sadly, it also was a major contributing factor in the health issues yellow and orange roses possess now, as the areas they naturally grow in have dry conditions where Black Spot is not prevalent. Its introduction into breeding programs introduced the genes for poor health into the modern roses. Still, it cannot be denied that it opened up the rose world to a much more diverse range of coloured roses.

Stud Chinas

Slater's Crimson China, Parson's Pink China. Hume's Blush Tea Scented China and Park's Yellow Tea Scented China.

These four roses were a significant step forward in the development of the roses we have today. All four possessed differences to the roses existing in Europe at the time. They were perpetually flowering, had different scent, and leaves were more dwarf in size.



Park's Pink China

When combined with the roses in Europe, a whole new range of roses was created. Tea roses were a group of roses which owed their existence to the China roses. These in turn were crossed with the group Hybrid Perpetuals, giving us what we now know as Hybrid Tea.

It all began back with these early roses from China.

Iceberg

Iceberg has been given the title of one of the world's favourite roses. Created by Kordes and introduced in 1958, it was named Schneewittchen, but for the English market this was changed to the easier-to-say *Iceberg*.

For me it has been instrumental in the resurgence of roses into home gardens. Back in the 1980s it seemed all new gardens wanting roses had Standard *Iceberg* with its masses of white flowers in bloom all season, especially in the capital cities. Although it was the Standards that made this rose so popular, bushes also were sold in thousands and planted in massed beds in parks and majority of gardens.

Today it has lost a lot of its appeal, but its significant contribution to the rose world makes it one of my top varieties.

Lorraine Lee

I am sure some will say, 'how can an Australian-developed rose be a rose of significance?'

Bred by Alister Clark in 1924, this rose was a breakthrough, as the breeder marketed it as a winter-flowering rose. All nurseries started growing this new cultivar, and after only a few years its popularity was set.

It has been stated that in its prime, half of all roses grown in rose production nurseries in Australia were *Lorraine Lee*. This rose can still be seen with plants growing in old farmhouses and older properties which would have to be close to 100 years old.

Talisman

Talisman will undoubtedly raise a few eyebrows as to why it could be included in a list of significant varieties. But those of an older age and in the rose industry will know just how significant it is.

Bred by Alexander Montgomery of USA in 1927, this rose was a breakthrough in colour never seen before. When it was first grown, nurseries sold it for ten times the price of the existing roses. Such was the unique nature of this rose variety that it demanded a much higher price than any other rose on the market.

Due to its consumer demand it is a significant rose.

Constance Spry

There may be some who do not know this variety, but I consider it significant, being the first variety bred and introduced by David Austin. The variety is not especially important in itself, but how the breeding by David Austin changed both the retail market and other hybridisers in their breeding programs cannot be ignored.

Constance Spry was introduced onto the market in 1960 using a cross with the Gallica variety **Belle Isis** and the rose **Dainty Maid**. Although only a once-flowerer, it was the start of what all rose growers will be aware of: the wonderful creations by the master rose breeder David Austin.

Red Riding Hood

Everyone loves to see huge sweeps of roses in mass colour in parks and gardens, mostly using roses we call floribundas. The term floribunda was classified in 1930 by Dr J N Nicholas, describing the newly developed rose *Red Riding Hood*, bred by Poulsens of Denmark.

Poulsens crossed a Polyantha *Madam Norbert Levavasseur* with a Hybrid Tea *Liberty* to create this variety, which originally was classified as a Hybrid Polyantha. It has a shrub nature, growing quite tall to about head height. From this initial creation we now see some of the world's best-selling roses, all classified under the same classification – floribunda

Due to its breakthrough as a new 'type' of rose, I call it a significant variety.

La France

Here is another rose that has historical meaning. *La France* was bred in France by Jean-Baptiste André Guillot in 1867, likely being a seedling of *Madame Falcot*. It is generally accepted that *La France* was the first rose which could be given the title of Hybrid Tea.

The cross-pollination of the Hybrid Perpetuals with the Tea roses created the roses we know today as Hybrid Teas. Several other roses, such as *Soliel D'Or* or *Victor Verdier*, also may lay claim to being the first Hybrid Teas; however most world authorities still will bestow this title to *La France*.



La France

The term Hybrid Tea became a new class of rose when British rose breeder Henry Bennett introduced a number of roses which had the pedigree of 'Hybrids of the Tea Roses'. *La France*, bred earlier, also has this pedigree.

Peace

I doubt there would be a rose enthusiast that would not know of the *Peace* rose, and many know of the incredible *Peace* story.

Created in France by Meilland in 1935, propagation material was smuggled out as forces invaded France. Named in France *Madame A Meilland*, in Europe *Gloria Dei* and *Gioia*, but the name *Peace* was given in the USA after the war.

Today there are many sports of it, including a climber, and it is still grown in large numbers. It is said most modern roses being bred today can have the *Peace* rose traced back somewhere in their breeding.

For its story, its breakthrough, development and popularity I include it as one of my roses of significance.

Flower Carpet

In Flower Carpet I do not see a wonderful rose but an incredible marketing exercise.

During the early 1990s a series of ground-cover landscaping roses hit the market. The Meidiland group were the roses of choice until a new rose came along, bred by a breeder unheard-of in Australia, Werner Noack from Germany.

The uniting of the breeder with the rose introducer Anthony Tesselaar saw the power of a good rose with wonderful marketing. Tesselaar took growing away from the traditional rose-growing nurseries and placed it in the general nurseries. Here we

saw quick-growing plants sold in pretty pink pots in markets the traditional rose growers did not cover.

After the *Pink Flower Carpet* came a number of different colours; however, the pink will always be the most successful rose marketing to date and likely forever.

Today millions of plants have been sold, so it must be included as a rose of significance.

Pierre de Ronsard

Filling out the last place in my roses of significance is a climbing rose known as *Eden* Rose or Pierre de Ronsard. Bred in 1985 by the Meilland Company of France, the story of how it came to the market is interesting.

As was told to me by the breeder, this variety was quickly identified as a rose of interest in their new seedlings. As the culling process began throwing out seedlings each year that did not reach their high standards, this variety just kept on being selected. There was little plan for its introduction, as climbers had little market, but they knew it was exceptional. It was sent to Deane Ross in Australia as one of their many new seedlings, and Deane immediately identified it also as a wonderful new rose worthy of release. The name was designated as *Pierre de Ronsard* as this sounded more elegant than Eden Rose.

Today it is probably the most popular climber in the country, and I did hear one nursery state it is their number one selling rose.

For its story and sales success, I include it as a rose of significance.



Pierre de Ronsard

Award of Garden Excellence International Rose Garden, Adelaide Botanic Garden

Melanie Trimper - Rose Society of South Australia

The World Federation of Rose Societies presented an Award of Garden Excellence to the beautiful International Rose Garden (IRG) at the WFRS Gala Dinner on 3 November 2022, during the 19th World Rose Convention. This is a first for South Australia and makes this garden only the fifth rose garden to achieve this award in Australia.

Established in 1867, roses have always been a feature of the Adelaide Botanic Garden. Today's glorious collection has over 2,700 roses encompassing 350 cultivars and is a real attraction, receiving over 700,000 visitors per year.



Adelaide International Rose Garden

Opened in October 2000, the IRG is maintained by the horticultural staff of the Botanic Gardens and State Herbarium, with the generous assistance of over 1,200 volunteer hours annually, provided on a weekly basis during the growing season by members of the Rose Society of South Australia to ensure the garden is maintained to the highest standard. In addition, there has been generous support from Neutrog (donating fertiliser and mulch) and rose nurseries (Knight's Roses, Wagner's Rose Nursery, Corporate Roses and Treloar Roses).

In 2021, the Adelaide Botanic Gardens Foundation raised and donated more than \$65,000 of funding to support the upgrading of both the IRG and the National Rose Trial Garden. Revitalisation works included new plant labels, bedding identification labels, new edged paths, new trellises, hundreds of new rose plants, a fertigator, irrigation upgrades, high quality mulch and signage.

The design is deliberately sunken so as to allow a surprise element. Together with the roses, a range of unfamiliar Australian companion plants add seasonal colour. The IRG collection of roses includes Old Fashioned and Heritage roses, Modern Shrub, Hybrid Tea, Floribunda, Climbing, Polyantha, Tea, Miniature, Australian-bred and landscape varieties, including Ground Cover roses. The garden also contains the National Rose Trial Garden of Australia, recognised as one of the best in the world.

The IRG is used for functions, weddings, education and horticultural training purposes with public pruning demonstrations and garden tours. It is an oasis of beautifully landscaped rose gardens, of world class standard, which is open free to the public.

Delegates to the World Rose Convention were also at the International Rose Garden on 31 October to witness the official opening of the statue of Queen Adelaide – this was done by Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson AC, Governor of South Australia. The statue depicts Queen Adelaide holding the rose *Queen Adelaide*, bred by Meilland in France, and was created by sculptor Scott Eames FRSASA.



Queen Adelaide statue, International Rose Garden, Adelaide Botanic Garden



A beautiful place to sit next to *Lady of Shalott* at the International Rose Garden

Saving the Ruston Collection

Andrew Ross - South Australia

Most rosarians in Australia are aware of the name David Ruston, and his rose collection grown in Renmark in South Australia. At his property he grew around 5,500 varieties including Heritage Roses, Hybrid Teas, Floribundas and Ramblers. The collection was officially named 'The National Collection of Roses' due to its enormity.

But how did the collection begin and, now David has passed, what will become of it?

David's love of roses began as a schoolboy when he helped at the Renmark Plant Nursery. Here he learnt all about roses under the guidance of owner and mentor, Margaret Storey. Margaret was a keen rosarian herself, with incredible knowledge, and responsible for supplying plants to the town and its local residents including David's father.

Margaret should know about roses as she learnt from her father and brother, George and Alex Ross. All she knew was passed on to David, whose knowledge on budding, pruning and all aspects of rose culture developed alongside being exposed to the latest new rose varieties coming through Margaret's nursery.

David's interest soon saw him obtain more rose varieties to add to his father's garden, and the collection soon numbered hundreds of plants. Every year more rose varieties were added, with fruit trees having to be removed to provide land for his rose-growing passion.

What changed David's small garden into the start of his collection was a friendship with Deane Ross. Deane would regularly visit his Auntie Margaret in Renmark, and visiting David was always part of the trip.

In the early 1960s Deane, along with Heather and Roy Rumsey, started importing roses – mostly Heritage Roses from the UK and USA. As was customary both these businesses gave David the newly imported Heritage Roses as it was his interest also to grow them in his own expanding garden. At the time Rumsey's had just been appointed the Kordes agents to Australia and Deane Ross had the Meilland agency, with new introductions from these breeders also provided.

In the next decade more agencies were gained, to companies such as Swanes and Brundretts, who also began donating their newest introductions to David's collection. With the closing of the Rumsey nursery, the new Australian agent Ted Treloar continued to provide the Kordes new roses. Other great names of the rose industry at that time were Nieuwesteeg, Melville, Wagner and several smaller importers also providing roses to David's garden, so at its peak it became a garden with virtually every known rose variety that could be found.

In the early 2000s, sadly, David's age caught up with him and he could no longer care totally for all the roses. His niece Anne took over operations, changing the business to incorporate a wedding garden and café for visitors to relax looking out over the property.

Anne improved the property with better irrigation, and a group of experts also started working towards helping with this valuable collection. With many plants of incredible age, some areas did need to be removed.

Heritage Rose members commenced a massive planting program of old roses, creating the National Tea and Noisette collections, while some of Australia's leading rosarians undertook the identification of many of David's early plantings.

Several visits took place to identify these roses. Varieties such as Beaute (1953). Volcano (1950). Eden Rose (1949). Fantastique (1943), Tamborine (1956), Fantastique Message (1955), J.B. Meilland (1939),



Roundelay (1954), and Madame Chiang Kai-Shek (1942) were all identified, and propagation material taken to save these rare roses.



Message

With our strong family connection with David, I too was worried about where the National Collection was heading. David's passion was roses and he worked tirelessly growing, maintaining and adding to this national treasure, but who in the future would also have this passion and how would the collection survive?

Looking at the list of varieties was fascinating. So many on the list I had heard of but were no longer grown by anyone. Why? Mostly as newer roses were released many older ones had been discontinued, and consumer tastes.

also saw some go just due to the lack of interest in that colour or type of rose. However, there were also just as many that had significant roles in our past and should be saved for our history's sake.

What to save of these old roses was the biggest question.

I divided them into several key areas:

Australian-bred

Australian-bred roses are our history and *must* be saved. Many have been planted in different council gardens, with the Alister Clark garden in Bulla, Riethmuller in Toowoomba, Morewell, Werribee, Araluen and Konjonup. We also have Roundelay collected many of these and have around 400 varieties collected.



Heritage Roses

Heritage Roses included around 800 varieties. Most have been saved in various sites through the work of Heritage Roses members. Our nursery specialises in these roses and we already had over 700 of these in our garden.

Climbers and Ramblers



Tamborine

Climbers and Ramblers are a hard one, for many sported climbers are not great and questions must be asked if these should be saved. David found many sports in his garden, with climbers the majority. Should a *Climbing* Mister Lincoln, Climbing Queen Elizabeth or **Climbing Children's Rose** be kept? Ramblers are a different situation, as there are fewer varieties and they have been specifically bred, so we have undertaken to plant most along our property fence line.

The fascination of English Roses bred by David Austin never wavers even though there are now several hundred. The earliest varieties such as Constance Spry, Wife of Bath, and The **Yeoman** or **Glastonbury** are now well and truly gone from nurseries' lists, but I feel they are

also historic so endeavoured to save them. My collection numbers just under 200 varieties, including these rare early ones.

Early Modern Roses

The early modern roses span from the 1920s through to today. It's impossible to save all of the thousands of varieties even if we wanted to. Many of these early roses really should never be saved, in fact should never have been introduced. I feel it is the most significant in our history that need to be saved. The first Floribunda from Poulsen, the first Hybrid Tea, early introductions from Peter Beales, Roger JB Meilland Pawsey, Harvey Davidson or Ralph Moore.



David's National Rose Collection was created by a passionate man whose life revolved around both his enjoyment of collecting and his love of the rose. No-one can save it entirely. We can save individual parts of it through the varieties growing in it but really, we must just enjoy it for what it was and remember it at its best.

David was a unique man. I am proud about our family connection with him and will remember fondly so many wonderful times wandering through his expansive garden, taking in the scents drifting in the air, picking asparagus and sipping ice cold lemonade in his cool rooms.



Australian-Bred Roses: 25 years

Andrew Ross - South Australia

In 2023 Ross Roses will celebrate a quarter of a century of introducing Australianbred roses.

Our first involvement with an Australian breeder was in 1995, when South Australian breeder Ray Courage approached us to see if we could introduce the roses he had bred for him. At the time we were Master Agents for Meillands of France and could not represent any other breeder, but we did obtain propagation material to at least trial for him and advise on their potential.

Only a few years later, the Meilland Company advised they were changing their Australian agent, and we were then free to represent any breeder we wished. With quite a few overseas breeders having incredible roses we could introduce here, we considered carefully which of these would be the best for us to approach – breeders in Japan, USA, England, India, France or Italy.

Early steps

While considering our options, we were advised that a local breeder in Mt Barker had a new rose to be introduced the following year as the major introduction for the Adelaide Rose Festival. I travelled to his property to obtain propagation material as, although the rose was to be the major introduction, no plants had actually been made yet.

When I drove up his driveway George Thomson met me at the main shed, and after introductions he took me to his garden. There were roses everywhere, with many I had never seen before. I saw a beautiful yellow rose and asked what it was. No name – new seedling. What is that purple rose? No name – new seedling. After a dozen or more of these the thought of representing Australian breeders was a definite consideration. I felt like a kid in a candy store. So much quality and none on the market yet.

The roses both Ray and then George had bred were exceptional, dispelling the myth that Australian-bred roses were no good.



Howard Florey

Looking at the current Australian market at the time, there were virtually no Australian-bred roses on any grower's lists. All that could be found easily were *Lorraine Lee*, *Victoria Gold*, *Black Boy* and *Nancy Hayward*, grown by the largest wholesale growers. We could see a huge opportunity to get the roses onto a market where virtually no opposition existed.



Victoria Gold Black Boy

Australian True Blue Collection

An approach was made to both men and we created a brand, 'Australian True Blue Collection'. We felt it was better to create a brand with all breeders participating, instead of trying to promote each individual breeder. This was a long-term vision as new breeders could also join under this banner.

After Ray and George, others also were approached or approached us. Bruce Chapman from Melbourne, Ron Bell from Melbourne and Gordon Nolan from South Australia were all breeders with something to see. We met Fran Pearce, Wendy Matther and a few smaller breeders all creating roses in their gardens.



Mawson Love's Gift

I consider a variety's success to be like a three-legged stool. Take away one leg and it falls over. My legs were Quality, Availability and Marketing. If a variety does not have good quality, no matter where it is available or how hard we promote it, it will fail. And if we promote hard with incredible quality but it can't be purchased anywhere, it will also fail.

Once all preparation work was done, a collection of roses was needed for release to the Australian public. Ten varieties were initially selected: Australia Fair, Flinders, Mawson, Summer Glow, Onkaparinga, Red Cavalier, Howard Florey, Philadelphia, Tapestry and Loves Gift.

In 2000, a national release was executed with major presentations in *Better Homes and Gardens, Gardening Australia, Your Garden* and *Burkes Backyard*. The segment on *Burkes Backyard* saw 1,200 emails in 12 hours at a time when only one or two were normally received each day. Tens of thousands of plants were sold out across the country with this first promotion.



Onkaparinga

Expansion in Australia

With the initial success, the second stage of the promotion took place. All rose nurseries across Australia were approached to grow these new roses, with Knights Roses, Adelaide Roses, SA Rose Growers, Roses and Fuschias, Treloar Roses, Brocklands, Roworth, Melville and Monbulk Roses among the initial businesses to help grow these varieties. I still remember one grower who said to George, 'Don't waste your time breeding roses – they will never be as good as overseas-bred.'The laugh is, they are now one of the larger growers of Australian-bred.



Philadelphia

Thank You

Getting Australian Roses into Overseas Markets

Our third stage was getting Australian-bred roses overseas so royalties would return to the hybridists in this country. Incredible numbers of hours were untaken talking with nurseries in New Zealand, Japan, the Netherlands, England, Canada, Italy, France and India. Most were excited to see what had been developed and getting propagation material sent became a priority.

For some countries it was easy as no restrictions existed, but a few were hard work. An example was Japan. To send to Japan we needed a Phytosanitary Certificate to prove the shipment was free of specific pests and diseases.

Australia: 'What are we looking for?'

Japan: 'Nothing specific, just a health certificate needed.'

Australia quarantine: 'But we must inspect for something to give a certificate.'

Japan: 'Nothing to inspect for.'

Australia: 'So we can't give a certificate'.

Japan: 'Just look for 'mango curvy spotted beetle' [fictitious name].

Australia then undertook a two-year study in all quarantine facilities across the county, in all regions, to assess and make sure the pest or disease did not exist in this country. After this time it was then cleared to provide a certificate for this consignment or any other breeders wanting to send to Japan in the future could then do so without delay.

This process happened in several other jurisdictions and now most barriers have been cleared it is open to any breeder of roses to send to those countries as well. Few know these facts and the massive number of hours Maureen Ross undertook for this to happen. Maureen also had the importation of roses directly into the USA placed on the USA/Australia trade negotiations. Australia: 'The subject of importation of new roses to the USA.' Reply from USA ... 'Can't happen as you have wilt and dieback in your country – next item on the agenda!

Getting through official channels was the aim but with this blunt 'No!', getting there has to be through a third party country such as the Netherlands, England, Canada or Japan.

One by one the overseas nurseries received their new roses and placed them in trial. Some found growing in their climates proved unsuitable, or growers did not see a market for them. Although disappointing, it was better to have them not introduced and keep the Australian-bred name strong than introduce rubbish and destroy the market for breeders in the future. We just needed to select more good ones and offer more choices.

With the introduction of the roses here in Australia there came incredible investment. Varieties needed to be protected, with many Plant Breeder Rights–protected and a larger number Plant Patent–protected. All had trademark protection, and some

considered for registered trademark protection. For every rose sold a royalty label was needed with a vault of labels printed. Advertising to try and make the public aware of these wonders was the largest expense, with all areas of the media used.



Increasing Acceptance of Australian-bred Roses

It has been incredibly hard work but now we see the Australian brand accepted. Our early work has opened the doors for other breeders to now develop. Warren Millington has his roses available from Hannamann's Nursery and the centres they supply. Paul Hains has seen his roses accepted by Swanes and now a few other nurseries. Brindabella has developed a number of varieties sold direct through their nursery. Wendy Matther organised for Knights roses to introduce and supply her *That's Life* rose. Lastly Richard Walsh, one of the best current breeders, has seen Green E Roses, Wagners and Treloars stock a few of his varieties and we too have now added his best roses to our list.

As a nursery we do have many options where our sales can come from with several areas not covered in the market yet, but my passion is still to help small local breeders achieve the chance of getting their roses into gardens.

We are proud of all we have done so far but where the future lies is cloudy. Some of the initial rose breeders we initially worked with are not with us now and there are very few great new varieties available to introduce, so our time as a major Australian-bred introducer may be limited. We do need more interested rose growers learning how to breed roses for it is both interesting and potentially rewarding.

Here is where my three-legged stool comes back into place. Without more quality new varieties, the future of the Australian-bred rose could be at risk and it could all fall over. This would be a tragedy, for Australia is an ideal country to develop its own roses and we have come so far in its development.

New Zealand Report 2022

Hayden Foulds - President, NZ Rose Society

After a disruptive couple of years, 2022 was somewhat of a more settled year for New Zealand rosarians with a return to normality towards the end of the year.

With Covid-19 spreading around the country in the first part of 2022, many events were cancelled, including the three Ranfurly Days usually held around the country.

The 2022 New Zealand Rose Society AGM was held in Palmerston North in May, with a good attendance of rosarians from around New Zealand. Mr Havden Foulds (Manawatu) continues as President, with Mrs Bev Fletcher (Waikato) as Vice President. Mrs Janet Pike (Waikato) remains as Immediate Past President, Ms Di Duncan (Auckland), Mr Doug Grant (Franklin) and Mrs Daphne Rissman (South Canterbury) remain on the National Council with Mr Hamish Cheetham (Gisborne and East Coast) elected, Mr Adrian Bullen (Franklin) and Mrs Eileen Wilcox (Waikato) stepped down from council.



New Zealand Rose Society Council 2022 – 23. *Back row*: Mrs Rachael Chalmers, Mrs Janet Pike, Mrs Daphne Rissman, Mrs Bev Fletcher, Mrs Elizabeth Murphy. Ms Di Duncan. *Front row*: Mr Hamish Cheetham, Mr Hayden Foulds, Mr Doug Grant.

Mrs Alison Ludemann from the North Otago Rose Society received the Frank Penn Memorial Award. Mrs Ludemann has been a member of the North Otago Rose Society since 1996 and has served in many positions in the society. She is currently Secretary and Newsletter Editor.

The New Zealand Rose Society (NZRS) Council was able to meet in August and continues to make progress on initiatives to benefit rose societies and their members. Membership benefits continue with Bioforce for biological pest control options, Metrogreen for gardening tools and Grosafe for plant protection products.

The NZRS also continues to produce its own calendar with photos submitted by members through a competition. This is a major fundraiser for local rose societies and a useful tool in promoting the Rose Society and membership benefits. The Facebook group 'Roses Aotearoa' continues to grow with people seeking out advice from experienced rosarians. An initiative due to be launched early in 2023 is New Zealand Rose Finder, an online searchable spreadsheet of all the rose varieties grown in New Zealand.

The NZRS continues to produce two publications for its members under the editorship of Hayden Foulds. The 2022 New Zealand Rose Annual was produced in September and themes in this year's edition included miniature type roses and rose breeding. The 2023 New Zealand Rose Review was published in February and remains an invaluable guide to new roses on the market in New Zealand.

In September, Mr Ben Pratt of Tasman Bay Roses in Motueka passed away. The Pratt family has run Tasman Bay Roses for many years and Mrs Alison Ludemann, reciepient of the his passing is a great loss to the rose growing industry in New Zealand.



2022 Frank Penn Memorial Award with NZRS President Mr Havden Foulds.

World Rose Convention

Seven rosarians travelled to Adelaide for the World Rose Convention in October. They had a great time and enjoyed meeting rosarians from Australia and around the world. Mr Doug Grant and Mr Hayden Foulds presented a lecture on 'New Zealand Roses, Rose Gardens and Rose Breeders'.



WFRS Vice President (Australasia) Mr Doug Grant presenting the World Rose Award to Mrs Fran Rawling.

At the convention dinner, Mrs Fran Rawling of Dunedin was announced as one of the recipients of the World Rose Award, Mrs Rawling has given many years of service to Heritage Roses in New Zealand and is a driving force behind the collection of Heritage roses in the Dunedin Northern Cemetery. Her award was presented to her in late November in Dunedin by Mr Doug Grant, Vice President (Australasia) for the World Federation of Rose Societies.

November and early December is rose show and trial season in New Zealand. After numerous cancellations last year due to Covid-19, it was a relief that most events could be held in 2022

National Rose Show

After a hiatus of three years, the National Rose Show was held in Auckland by the Auckland Rose Society. With the theme of 'All that Jazz', there were some beautiful entries from around New Zealand. The Champion of Champions for Large Roses

went to a Fully Open bloom of Loving Memory entered by Paul McKeany of the Waikato Rose Society. The Champion of Champions for Miniature type roses was a small stem of Kaikoura exhibited by Janet Pike, also of the Waikato Rose Society . Janice Walker of the Northland Rose Society won the award for best exhibit in the special section classes with an arrangement in the class 'The Great Gatsby'. The show was officially opened by the Governor General of New Zealand, the Right Honourable Dame Cindy Kiro, who along with her husband Dr Richard Davies enjoyed viewing the roses on show. A potted Aotearoa Loving Memory. rose was presented to Dame Cindy and will be planted at Government House in Auckland.



At the National Dinner, the New Zealand Rose Award was presented to Allison Scott for service to the Rose in New Zealand. Mrs Scott has been a long time member of the Hutt Valley Rose Society and is still very active in the society.

Rose of the Year Show



'Strawberry Blonde

The New Zealand Rose of the Year competition was held in Hamilton in mid-November The overall winner was Strawberry Blonde (Sonnanmar) bred by Rob Somerfield of New Zealand. Rob also won awards for the Best Hybrid Tea with *Tabasco* (Sombousel) and the Best Floribunda, Childrens Choice Award and New Zealand bred rose with *Inkspots* (Sompurspot). The Best Climbing Rose was awarded to Doug Grant of New Zealand for Cream **Passion** (Grajan) and the Most Fragrant Rose was awarded to *The Chelsea Rose*

(Athycomp) bred by Mike Athy, also from New Zealand. The only overseas-bred rose to win an award was *Princess Anne* (Auskitchen) from David Austin, which won Best Shrub Rose

NZRS International Rose Trials

In late November, the latest winners were announced at the NZRS International Rose Trials in Palmerston North. The Gold Star of the South Pacific was presented to Allison Scott (Mattcard) bred by Bob Matthews of New Zealand. The Silver Star of







Tabasco

Inkspots

Cream Passion

the City of Palmerston North was awarded to *Autumn Glow* (Forglow) bred by John Ford of New Zealand. Certificates of Merit were presented to Rob Somerfield of New Zealand for *Smitten* (Sombabypin) and *Spellbound* (Sombing); and Rose Tantau of Germany for *Lampion* (Tan06004)







Allison Scott (photo: Samantha Matthews/Matthews Nurseries)

Autumn Glow

Smitten

The summer of 2022–23 has been one of the wettest on record for many parts of New Zealand, especially Northern and Eastern parts of the North Island. Rosarians in these areas have escaped relatively unscathed from the destruction. We can only hope for better weather for the rest of 2023.

Rose Gardens of South Australia

"Blooming Marvellous" **Melanie Trimper - South Australia**



Light Square in Adelaide's CBD, featuring Floribunda City of Adelaide

South Australia has many well-known rose gardens, where it is estimated more than 2.5 million roses are under cultivation across the city and regional areas. Adelaide is often referred to as 'the City of Roses' as it features several significant rose gardens



Veale Gardens, South Terrace, Adelaide

and many street plantings. Throughout the Adelaide Parklands and city streets there are around 25,000 rose bushes and many are planted within formal garden settings that are a sensory spectacular with each new flush, thanks to the year-round efforts of the City of Adelaide's dedicated team of horticulturalists.

Veale Gardens

Veale Gardens is one of the city parks well worth a visit. There are many walks through the park around the beautiful rose gardens and water features.

Established in 1963, Veale Gardens is located on South Terrace and named after William C. Veale, who was Adelaide's Town Clerk from 1947 to 1965.

In spring, the roses are magnificent and feature over 50 varieties. The City of Adelaide is very proud of this well-maintained garden which is in top condition after some recent replanting and refurbishment over the past three years to bring the garden back to the highest standard.



Iceberg roses at Veale Gardens

Rymill Park Rose Garden

The Rymill Park Rose Garden has been a feature of Adelaide's East Parklands over many decades. The rose garden was first established by the City of Adelaide in cooperation with the Rose Society of SA and opened in 1961. The Rose Society has been regularly involved in refurbishment programs. Recently a decision was made to redevelop part of the area and some of this garden will disappear. However, a lovely section adjacent to the Adelaide Bowling Club, along Dequetteville Terrace, Kent Town, containing large beds of roses remain and these beautify the parklands for all visitors to enjoy.



Rymill Park Rose Garden



Rymill Park Rose Garden

Adelaide International Rose Garden

The Adelaide International Rose Garden is set on 1.5 hectares in the Adelaide Botanic Garden. Over 2,700 rose plants represent 350 different varieties and roses trained on pillars and arches are a feature.

Mass displays of roses have been exhibited in various locations through the Botanic Garden over its long history. This modern, landscaped garden was opened to the public in October 2000, is free to enter and is supported by a wonderful group of volunteers.



Urrbrae House

One hundred years ago, pastoralist and businessman Peter Waite made a bequest to The University of Adelaide: his mansion and 54 hectares of prime land. His gift specified that half was to be a park for the public to enjoy and the other half to be used for the study of agriculture. His legacy is the Waite Arboretum, established in 1928, and the Waite Institute, which has achieved an international reputation for agricultural teaching and research. Waite was truly a man of great vision.



In 1991, the centenary of Urrbrae House, an ambitious project commenced to redevelop the gardens. The result was a blend of history, art and landscape design

incorporating a Twentieth Century Rose Garden with over 200 varieties. Two roses survive from Peter Waite's time, a *Cecile Brunner* hedge and *Madame Alfred Carrière*.



Urrbrae House rose garden

Camawald

Camawald in Coonawarra is a privately owned and highly acclaimed large country garden on 4 hectares in the South-East region of South Australia, owned by Sue and John Zwar. Established in 1976, Camawald is in the heart of the world-famous Coonawarra wine region, surrounded by farming country and vineyards. It is about 370 km from Adelaide.



Camawald, showing a trellis with *Lamarque* and *Renae*

The property has rural panoramic views, lawns and rose gardens with shady trees to create a tranquil setting. In summer, the ramblers flourish. Some only flower late and so in December are putting on a superb show. With the wide variety of roses at Camawald there are always plenty of blooms throughout spring and summer.

The oldest part of the garden features large exotic trees but their invasive roots make rose growing difficult. Of interest there is a massive old red gum, now horizontal, which fell without warning in 2005. At first, Sue and John were devastated but then realised they had a new sunny area for re-planting. The fallen tree was 300–500 years old, and identical to its mate still standing across the drive.

The 'vegetable garden' west of the house is a haven for the gallicas which are fast covering the whole area. This area is rabbit proof – a necessity and a big advantage.

Southwest of the garden is the 'arboretum'. This area was originally planted with indigenous plants interspersed with almond trees. The almonds have been replaced with species roses and exotic trees. The roses have overflowed into the working part of the farm and bountiful ramblers can be found covering sheds and fences.

Sue and John set up a spacious B&B and added simple rose beds to beautify the area, including ramblers covering the fence along Rocky Castle Road. For more information on Camawald Coonawarra Cottage B&B see their website, www.camawaldcottage.com.au.

The Heritage Garden

The Heritage Garden, Gillentown, Clare Valley, was established by Walter and Kay Duncan in one of Australia's oldest wine regions. Since 2002, Walter and Kay have developed a beautiful garden on two acres, featuring over 2,000 roses and of particular significance 500 of them are heritage roses. Additional plants, such as delphiniums and foxgloves, create an overall scene of abundance and colour. This is one of South Australia's best private rose gardens. The Heritage Garden also offers B & B accommodation, https://theheritagegarden.com.au.



The Heritage Garden, Clare valley

Auchendarroch House Rose Garden

Auchendarroch House is one of South Australia's most significant heritage houses located in Mount Barker in the Adelaide Hills. The lovingly restored Heritage-listed Victorian mansion and gardens is a delightful place to visit.



Auchendarroch House

The property was originally the site of The Oakfield Hotel, built in 1860, until businessman and leading pastoralist Robert Barr Smith built a handsome 30-room country mansion around the old hotel for the family's summer residence. Soon after completion he named the property 'Auchendarroch', meaning 'holy place of the oaks'.

In 1921, it was converted into a convalescent home which served the community and defence personnel over the next 50 years. Although the house and garden



Auchendarroch House Rose Garden

had a 'checkered career' and eventually fell into disrepair, fortunately new ownership provided a fairy-tale ending. Bob Wallis and his daughter, Michelle, were inspired by the possibilities and made it their mission to painstakingly restore it to its former glory. The family purchased the house and 5 acres of land in 2000. No expense was spared in faithfully restoring the house and gardens.

Roses link the gardens transforming the site into a romantic unified design. The garden design today interprets the cultural and historical importance of the property where themed gardens have links with the past, reminiscent of the people who lived and worked there.

The beautiful mature trees are complemented by camellias, bulbs and herb garden but it is the look, charm, beauty and fragrance of the numerous rose gardens which truly create a unique setting.

Auchendarroch House is now an elegant reception venue set amongst the magnificent Heritage-listed Oaks. Explore the award-winning gardens, book for high tea and see the majestic rooms of Auchendarroch House or have a casual meal at the tavern which has views of the rose garden. This historical landmark is a favourite spot for locals and visitors.

There are many more notable rose gardens, both public and private, and space does not permit including more, but contact your local Rose Society for advice. Australians like growing roses; the evidence is over 2,500 current members of the National Rose Society of Australia who are passionate about the rose. We would love you to visit our beautiful South Australian rose gardens in the springtime when you are in Adelaide or one of our famous wine regions.

(Unless otherwise credited, photos by Melanie Trimper)



Souvenir de la Malmaison arches at Auchendarroch House Rose Garden

The Future of Australian-Bred Roses

Richard Walsh - South Australia

I read the following in an article on 'Roses Abroad – The Rose In India' in the May/June edition of American Rose. The series of articles is edited by Steve Jones, former ARS (American Rose Society) and WFRS (World Federation of Rose Societies) President. The article was written originally by Dr Narendra K. Dadlani.

Even though there are a couple of thousand varieties bred in India, their availability for growing is still limited. Most Rose Nurseries in view of low demand, largely due to lack of awareness of their worth, continue to multiply popular exotic varieties, some of them very old, like Queen Elizabeth, Mr Lincoln, Crimson Glory, First Prize, Christian Dior, Eiffel Tower, Montezuma, Double Delight, Virgo, White Masterpiece, and many more as their demand continues. Institutions like The Indian Rose Federation and the Rose Society of India, among others are making efforts to popularise the Indian roses through their rose shows and publications. A major challenge in Indian rose growing is lack of trial grounds which could guide the rose lovers about the comparative positive features of the available varieties, both indigenously bred and exotic.

A prophet is not without honour except in his own country.

How similar this is to our experience with Australian-bred roses in Australia! For some reason there is this perception that the Australian-bred varieties are somehow inferior to the imported ones, despite the fact that Australian-bred roses are performing well in trial in Australia ... even in the National Rose Trial Garden, which operates under World Federation of Rose Societies (WFRS) criteria developed by a majority of European breeders that favours their style of roses; the NRTGA goes even beyond the WFRS requirements.



Nellie Neil (George Dawson)



Australian Bicentennial Rose (Ron Bell)

Annie's Song (lan Spriggs)

Even though its charter includes 'to develop and promote Australian Rose Breeding', the governing body, the Management Council, has never had an Australian breeder among its numbers and only one representative (appointed by the National Rose Society since the change in the constitution) for Australian breeders compared to two among the importers and another two from the nursery industry, which also mainly caters for overseas breeders. No wonder almost every issue raised by Australian breeders has been vetoed by this group of administrators, and no wonder many Australian breeders have become disillusioned with its support for the home-grown product and voted with their feet! The 'fair go' Australian motto here does not even offer a level playing field.

Ideas for Promoting Australian-bred

So how do we promote Australian-bred? One of the criticisms of the Australian breeders is that we are only part-timers, amateurs, small operators, and cannot guarantee supply beyond the current breeder who is not one member of a continuing dynasty or part of a multi-million dollar international organisation. Like the Indian breeders, we have to depend on the National and State Rose



China Sunrise (Laurie Newman)

Societies to promote our roses through their publications and shows. Just as the Rose Society of NSW has held a Miniature Rose Show, there is no reason why one of the shows each year could not be devoted entirely to Australian-bred ... and seriously, how many of the state societies' recommended roses in the back of the Australian Rose Annual are Australian bred?



Dame Nellie Melba (Bruce Chapman)

Can we go further, however, and use social media to promote Australian-bred roses; can we encourage the inevitable positive reactions to demand or request them from the big nurseries? These nurseries often sell out of the Australian-bred roses early, but is the reason for this that they do not propagate sufficient plants, or that they are unwilling to allow demand to interfere with the commercial success of their imports and they do not wish to be seen to be promoting roses



Our Amanda (Richard and Ruth Walsh)

which compete with their agencies? Whatever the case, we can only hope the consumers in Australia get on board and demand the home-grown product.



Hello Yellow (Eric Welsh)

The time is now and it is urgent. We are losing breeders through age and illness as well as disillusionment. It is probably only a matter of time before nursery closures and changes to biosecurity laws make imports less available and if we lose our local industry, there will be nothing to fall back on, so fair go Aussies ... support your local breeder and do not accept substitutes for the roses you request.

Where now can you buy roses bred by George Dawson, Ron Bell, Ian Spriggs, Laurie Newman, George Thomson, Trevor Grant, Bruce Chapman, Warren Millington, Paul Hains and ourselves? Just ask folk who have been trying to source Australian-bred roses for new gardens how difficult it is. Our roses have not just been bred for Australian conditions ... they have been bred IN Australian conditions.



Mrs Mary Thomson aka Pink Ribbon (George Thomson)

Toowoomba Rose Trial Garden

Jamie Jensen – Toowoomba Rose Trials 2022

We have had some fantastic results for the 20/21/22 Oueensland State Rose Garden Trials. With the great weather conditions this year the trial roses have excelled. We have had several of the entries receive medals which is encouraging for us all. I would like to thank you all for your ongoing support of the trials. This year we have three gold medals, three silver medals and a bronze medal.

I would like to congratulate the late Bruce Brundrett, Richard and Ruth Walsh and Gary Wootton, who are all medal winners: Bruce with two golds and a silver, Richard and Ruth with a gold and bronze, and Gary with two silvers.

It will be a pleasure transplanting the gold medal winning roses into the Rod Hultgren Bed and watching them flourish for many years to come.

Once I again I thank you all for your support with these roses and helping keep the trial rose program running in Toowoomba.

Gold 2022 - Submitted by Bruce Brundrett





Gold 2022Submitted by Richard and Ruth Walsh



Silver 2022



Submitted by Bruce Brundrett



Submitted by Gary Wootton



Bronze 2022Submitted by Tate Griffiths

Rose Society of South Australia Inc. Recommended Roses

Hybrid Tea Roses

*Amazing Grace **Eiffel Tower** Peter Frankenfeld *Just Joey *Baronne E de Rothschild Elina Kardinal *Pope John Paul II *Rest Friend *Firefighter *Let's Celebrate (AB) *Queen Adelaide *Chicago Peace *Sunny Sky Lolita Oueen Elizabeth City of Newcastle Glorious *About Face Red Intuition *Gold medal *Crown Princess Mary (AB) Claude Monet *Spirit of Peace *Dame Elisabeth Murdoch *Good Samaritan Marilyn Monroe St Patrick Daniel Morcombe Heaven Scent Moonstone Sunstruck *The Children's Rose Diana Princess of Wales Helmut Schmidt *Mister Lincoln Timeless *Double Delight

Joyfulness Blackberry Nip* Duet *Mother's Love Remember Me Tineke

Floribunda Roses

*Apricot Nectar **Gold Bunny** *Madam President *Eyes For You **Brass Band** Daybreaker Lacy Parasol*AB Seduction Merrymaker Europeana Iceberg Simply Magic Fabulous *Soul Sister *Perfume Perfection Tuscan Sun Flemington Racecourse (AB) La Sevillana *FireStar Victoria Gold (AB)

Climbing Roses

Altissimo *Graham Thomas (S) Jeanne Lajoie (Min) Pinkie, Clg *Florentina Cla Pierre de Ronsard **Dublin Bay** *Guy Savoy Marmalade Skies, Clg *Nahema *Renae Gold Bunny, Clg

Modern Shrub and Other Shrub-like Roses

*Abraham Darby *Bright as a Button Love's Gift (AB) *Sally Holmes *Ambridge Rose Edgar Degas *Molineux *Scabrosa *Munstead Wood Bonica '82 *Summer Memories Henri Matisse* *Buff Beauty *Jude The Obscure *Penelope *Sophy's Rose Carabella (F) (AB) Eye Shadow *Chippendale *The Sauire *Princess Alexandra of Kent *Claire Rose *Charlotte *Troilus

Old Garden, Species and Heritage Roses

*Duchesse de Brabant **Ballerina** *La Reine Victoria Perle d'Or *Cecile Brunner *Gruss an Aachen (F) Monsieur Tillier *Roseraie de l'Hay *Comte de Chambord *Lamarque Mutabilis The Fairy (Pol.) *Crepuscule *Lady Hillingdon *Mme Isaac Pereire *Zephirine Drouhin

Miniature and Miniflora (Mf) Roses

Baby Boomer Green Ice Magic Show Radiant **Beauty Secret** Irresistible Mini Champagner *Red Gem (AB)(Mf) Cricket Bordure Nacrée Minnie Pearl Rise 'n' Shine Delicious (AB) Jean Kenneally Party Girl Pepita *Figurine Loving Touch Pirouette *Sweet Chariot Golden Gardens Magic Carrousel **Pretty Polly** Joyce Abounding (AB)(Mf)

(AB) denotes "Australian Bred"



* Denotes Fragrance

Rose Society of New South Wales Inc. Recommended Roses

Joyfulness

Kardina

Hybrid Tea Roses *Admiral Rodney Amazing Grace (AB) *Aotearoa April Hamer (AB) Baronne E de Rothschild *Bewitched Brigadoon

Bugatti City of Newcastle *Diamond Jubilee *Double Delight

Duet *Flina Esmeralda Gemini Glorious Gold Medal Good Samaritan

Lvnn Anderson Madam Teresa Marchen Konigin Marilyn Monroe Melbourne Town (AB) *Mister Lincoln Governor Macquarie (AB) Happy Anniversary Moonstone *Hilton Edward (AB) Mudgee Red Isn't She Lovely Our Rosamond (AB)

Peter Frankenfeld Pink Silk *Pope John Paul II Princess de Monaco Oueen Elizabeth Red Devil Royal Highness Silver Linina St Patrick Tineke *Valencia

Floribunda Roses

*Apricot Nectar Blueberry Hill Brass Band *Bridal Pink City of Goulburn Day Breaker

*Elizabeth of Glamis **Evelvn Fison Fabulous** Flemington Racecourse (AB) Imperator

French Lace **Gold Bunny**

*Margaret Merril Mawson (AB)

Hannah Gordon

Icebera

Imp (AB)

Red Gold Seduction Sexv Rexv Victoria Gold (AB) White Spray

Pink Parfait

Climbing Roses

Altissimo **Dublin Bay** Golden Showers Handel *Iceberg Mme A Meilland (Peace) Michele Meilland New Dawn *Pierre de Ronsard

*Renae Sparrieshoop *Titian

Modern Shrub and Other Shrub-like Roses

*Abraham Darby Bonica Charles Austin Charles Darwin *Cardinal Hume *Dortmund

*Graham Thomas Hanza Park *Heritage * Jude the Obscure Kookaburra

Flower Carpet

Light Touch (AB) *Lucetta Many Happy Returns *Mary Rose Molineux Phantom

Rock 'n' Roll *Sally Holmes *The Prince Triple Treat *White Cloud White Meilland

Old Garden, Species and Heritage Roses *Charles de Mills

*Comte de Chambord Crepuscule

*Duchesse de Brabant

*Fantin Latour *Henri Martin *Konigin von Danemark *Lady Hillingdon

Lamarque *Mme Hardy *Mrs John Laing Mutabilis

*Old Blush R. banksiae lutea Roseraie de l'Hav Sombreuil

Miniature and Miniflora (Mf) Roses

Baby Boomer *Baby Jack Carrot Top Child's Play *Delicious Joyce Abounding

*Figurine Hot Tamale Irresistible Jean Kenneally **New Hampshire** Lovina Touch Lilac Festival (AB) (Mf) Magic Carrousel Magic Show *Party Girl Benardella Ruby

Radiant Red Gem (AB) (Mf) Rise 'n' Shine Sarah Anne (AB) (Mf) Snow Bride

White Dream (AB)(Mf)

* Denotes Fragrance (AB) denotes "Australian Bred"

Fllie

Queensland Rose Society Inc Recommended Roses

Hybrid Tea Roses

*Aotearoa Admiral Rodney Baronne E. de Rothschild Brigadoon *Brisbane Blush (AB) *Charles de Gaulle City of Newcastle

Double Delight

Folklore Gemini Dame Elisabeth Murdoch Diamond Jubilee Gold Medal Diana Princess of Wales **Good Samaritan** Happy Anniversary Floribunda Roses Celine Delbard

Duet

Elina

Fame

*Lady Endo (AB)

Fairy Tale Queen

Falling in Love

Champagner

Eyes for You

Gold Bunny

Dainty Bess

Dublin Bay

Iced Vovo (AB)

Apricot Nectar **Brass Band Bridal Pink** Brindabella Bouquet Carabella (AB)

Climbing Roses Altissimo Climbing Kardinal Crepuscule

Modern Shrub and Other Shrub-like Roses Abraham Darby Be Bop Belle Story Benjamin Britten **Betty Cuthbert** Bonica

*Chartreuse de Parme Golden Celebration Happy Child Home Run Jude the Obscure Knockout

Duchesse de Brabant

Old Garden, Species and Heritage Roses **Buff Beauty** La Reine Victoria Camellia Rose Lady Hillingdon Cecille Brunner Lamarque Monsieur Tillier Crepuscule

Miniature and Miniflora (Mf) Roses **Baby Boomer** Baby Jack *Delicious (AB) Fairy Garden (AB) **Figurine** Heart Breaker Hellow Yellow (AB)(Mf)

Irresistible Jean Kenneally Loving Touch Magic Carrousel Magic Show Neon Sunset (AB) Vibrant (AB)(Mf)

*Heaven Scent Kardinal Lvnn Anderson *Lady Endo (AB) Melinda Gainsford Memoire *Mister Lincoln Moonstone Mudgee Red *The Children's Rose

Gov. Marie Bashir (AB) Hannah Gordon *Honey Perfume Iceberg *Margaret Merril

Peace

Lamarque Leander Lorraine Lee (AB)

LD Braithwaite Love's Gift (AB) Mary Rose Molineux New William Shakespeare *The Squire

Mrs Herbert Stevens Mutabilis Penelope Perle d'Or

Paris 2000

New Hampshire Pacesetter Rainbow's Fnd Rise 'n Shine

Benardella Ruby Tracey Wickham (AB) Rebel Red (Mf)

Perfect Moment Pink Kardinal *Pope John Paul II Marilyn Monroe Princess de Monaco Signature Silver Lining St Patrick

Playboy Queensland Gold (AB)

Tineke

Toni (AB)

*Violina

Royal Qld Show (AB) Seduction Sexy Rexy

Pierre de Ronsard Pinkie Sparrieshoop

Pat Austin Sally Holmes Teasing Georgia *The Dark Lady Troilus

Reine des Violettes Rugosa Alba Souvenir de St Anne's Souvenir de la

Malmaison

Work of Art Eric The Red (AB) (Mf) Lenny (AB) (Mf) Joyce Abounding (AB)(Mf)

Grace's Reward (AB) (Mf)

⁽AB) denotes "Australian Bred" * Denotes Fragrance

Rose Society of Western Australia Inc. Recommended Roses

Hybrid Tea Roses

Alec's Red **Best Friend** Brigadoon City of Newcastle Christian Dior Corso Diamond Jubilee

Diana Princess of Wales Double Delight Duet

Gold Medal Good Samaritan Harmonie Holterman's Gold Honey Dijon Just Joey

Falling in Love

Firefiahter

Gemini

Elina

Kardinal Lady Rose Marilyn Monroe Moonstone Pascali Peace Perfect Moment Peter Frankenfeld Pope John Paul II Pink Kardinal

Princess de Monaco **Red Intuition Royal Highness** Spirit of Peace Summer of Love Sundance Sunstruck Svlvia The Temptations

Touch of Class

Floribunda Roses

*Angel Face Bonica Blue For You **Brass Band Bridal Pink**

Day Breaker **Fdelwieiss Eves For You** Fire and Ice *Friesia

Gold Bunny Iceberg Knock Out Satchmo Seduction

Sexy Rexy Shocking Blue Simply Magic *Sweet Intoxication Violet Carson

Climbing Roses

Altissimo Blackboy China Doll, Clg Cocktail Gold Bunny, Clg **High Hopes**

Happy Child

*Iceberg, Clg Handel Lorraine Lee, Clg (AB)

Pierre de Ronsard Pinkie Whiskey

Modern Shrub and Other Shrub-like Roses Grace

*Abraham Darby *Ambridge Rose Augusta Louise (HT) Candlelight Darcy Bussell

*Heritage John Clare *Jude the Obscure *Gold Celebration I D Braithwaite

*Mary Rose Molinuex Munstead Wood Princess Alexander of Kent *The Prince *Redoute

*Sharifa Asma

Sweet Catlin (F) *Tamora The Knight Wife of Bath *Winchester Cathedral

Old Garden, Species and Heritage Roses

Baby Fauraux (Pol) Ballerina (HMsk) Buff Beauty (HMsk)

Cecille Brunner

Crepuscule Duchesse de Brabant

Felicia (HMsk)

Chinensis Mutabilis

G. Nabbonard Gruss an Aachen (F) Little White Pet

Mme Isaac Pereire

Souvenir de la

Malmaison, Clg Zephirine Drouhin

R. rugosa alba

Roserie de L'Hay (HRg)

Miniature Roses and Miniflora (Mf) Roses

Antique Rose Avandel Baby Jack **Beauty Secret** Figurine Green Ice

Janna Jean Kenneally Little Dragon Mary Marshall Minnie Pearl Pacesetter

Party Girl Pepita Pink Porcelain Pretty Pollv Rise 'n'Shine Royal Ruby

Snow Twinkle Starina Sunblazer Sunmaid Sweet Chariot Teddy Bear

(AB) denotes "Australian Bred" * Denotes Fragrance

Rose Society of Victoria Inc. Recommended Roses

Hybrid Tea Roses

*Amazing Grace (AB) *Aotearoa April Hamer (AB)

*Baronne E de Rothschild

Best Friend

*Brigadoon Camp David The Children's Rose *City of Newcastle

Dame Flisabeth Murdoch Dame Nellie Melba (AB) Diamond Jubilee

Diana Princess of Wales *Double Delight

*Elina *FIIe Gemini Glorious Grande Amore Ingrid Bergman

*Just Joey Kardinal Loving Memory

Marilyn Monroe *Melbourne Town (AB)

*Memoire *Mister Lincoln Moonstone

*Our Rosamond (AB) *Papa Meilland **Paradise** Parole

Peter Frankenfeld *Pope John Paul II Oueen Elizabeth St Patrick

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Floribunda Roses

Annie's Song (AB) *Apricot Nectar

Fairytale Magic Flemington Racecourse

(AB)

*Blueberry Hill **Gold Bunny** Brass Band Firestar Grimaldi Cathedral City

Hannah Gordon Playboy Home and Garden *Scentimental

Seduction *Margaret Merril Mawson (AB) Shady Lady

*Victoria Gold (AB)

Climbing Roses

Aloha Crepuscule

Altissimo Crown Princess Margareta *Nancy Hayward (AB)

Dublin Bay

*Pierre de Ronsard

*Renae Titian (AB)

Modern Shrub and Other Shrub-like Roses

*Abraham Darby *Ballerina Bonica *Buff Beauty *Cornelia

Felecia *Graham Thomas *Heritage LD Braithwaite *Leonardo da Vinci Many Happy Returns *Mary Rose *Munstead Wood Olivia Rose Austin *Penelope

Roseraie de l'Hay *Ruaspin *Sally Holmes *Sonia Rykiel Sparrieshoop

Triple Treat

Old Garden, Species and Heritage Roses

*Alba Semi-plena *Anais Segalas *Comtesse Du Cayla Devoniensis *Fantin Latour *Jacques Cartier *Lady Hillingdon Lamarque *Mme Alfred Carriere Mme Hardy

Mutabilis Perle d'Or *Ouatre Saisons *Stanwell Perpetual

Miniature and Miniflora (Mf) Roses

Baby Boomer *Figurine Green Ice

Magic Carousel Irresistible Jeanne Lajoie

Loving Touch Magic Show Pirouette

Red Gem (AB) (Mf) Rise 'n' Shine The Fairy (Poly) Jovce Abounding

(AB) (Mf)

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