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Homegrown
Wedding Bouquet
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EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Summer is just beginning in the Northern Hemisphere while the Southern Hemisphere is heading into winter. COVID still controls all of our lives in one form or another although it is easing. Travel is still limited in some cases. But, before you know it we will be in Australia for the World Rose Convention.

June is one of the main months for weddings in the Northern Hemisphere, which shows a return to normal. On this cover, John Mattia shows us a bridal bouquet made of roses from his garden used in his son's wedding.

My photograph for this issue is 'Clair Matin' (MEImont) a 1960 medium pink climber from Meiland that is highly rated in the United States. It is a very clean plant and blooms continuously with clusters of 3-inch blooms.

In this edition, we are featuring updates for the World Rose Convention concerning travel, new speakers, our convention sponsorship with FELCO, in addition to a Favorite Garden and three WFRS Vice President's Reports.

Enjoy!

Steve Jones, Fiddletown, CA, United States



'Clair Matin' (MEImont) (1960, LCI)

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Do you receive our sister publication
by any other name?
This publication is from the WFRS Conservation & Heritage Rose Committee and covers species, old garden, and historical roses and the efforts to collect and save them.
Copies can be downloaded from the WFRS website:
www.worldrose.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



2018-2022

June 2022



Henrienne de Brier
WFRS President

Dear Rose Friends:

It is a real pleasure to be on the road again from one international trial to the other ones in Europe.

The climate again disrupted our international jury days with extremely hot temperature and if last year we had to postpone some trials because we had only vegetation and no flowers this year the flowers came much earlier suffering from the heat. But we cannot complain as this gives the chance to the best new roses to show their real capabilities of resistance in general and we had very good surprises.

It is for me the most agreeable times to see many rose friends and breeders together on the field of rose trial gardens coming from all European countries but not only, and it was a good surprise to meet Sushil Prakash from India in Baden-Baden and Saverne.

But it is more than ever now time to think to our next 19th World Convention. We only have one month before the Early bird Registration rate closes on 29 July. And of course I suggest that you book your registration and tours now.

I strongly encourage our rose lovers to come and I would like to see as well all the WFRS office bearers and many breeders in Adelaide.

When the hosting country puts so much energy into preparing a World Convention it is obviously a great joy to bring together rose lovers from all continents; being in Adelaide in 2019. I can assure you that you will enjoy and love it.

I wish you all the best and I am convinced that we will share some great times in Adelaide.

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



Derek Lawrence

June 2022

I have often wondered if the actual naming of a rose makes it a resounding commercial success or a financial disaster for the breeder? Every hybridizer strives to create something outstanding, whether the new cultivar has a rich perfume, unusual colouring, exceptional vigour, strong disease resistance; or all of these highly sought-after merits. In essence, when the plant is unveiled it must instantly grab the attention of the unsuspecting members of the public who will be captivated by its sheer charms.

Delving into the archives can prove a fascinating pastime. Hundreds of cultivars have come and gone over the years. Maybe a particular plant launched at the RHS Chelsea Flower Show in 1980 ceased to exist because it was prone to blackspot, or was it due to the name that it was given?

The most unusual name that I've ever encountered, which never fails to make me smile, is the 'Topsy Imperial Concubine' rose.

I'm not a rose breeder, but it strikes me that naming a rose after a much admired celebrity can be an enormous tribute, but also catapult the variety into the popularity stakes. Over the years varieties such as 'Ingrid Bergman', 'Julie Andrews', 'Dame Judi Dench' and 'Freddie Mercury' have proved highly sought after varieties.

I make no secret that I am a huge fan of the British singer Alfie Boe. He was a former humble car mechanic who turned internationally acclaimed opera star. Alfie has taken Broadway by storm, conquered the West End of London in the hit musical *Les Misérables* and won the hearts of the nation.

As a rosarian, I was naturally delighted when Harkness Roses introduced his rose in 2020. The 'Alfie Boe OBE' rose takes central stage in my garden and like its namesake, it's an outstanding performer and a rising star. Am I being rather biased? Perhaps. But that's the sheer commercial power of the naming of a rose. Choosing a worthy name is the answer.



'Alfie Boe OBE'

ROSE NEWS

JUST A FRIENDLY REMINDER

The Early Bird Registration ends July 29, 2022! Make sure you register before the costs go up.

Welcome New WFRS Friend for Life!

The Executive Director just informed me we have a new WFRS Friend for Life, a long time friend of mine, Robert Ardini of New York, United States.

From our Executive Director:

Earlier in the year, Past President Helga Brichet, advised the Federation that she was no longer in the position to handle the production and roll out of the "WFRS Award of Garden Excellence" plaques which were made in Italy (photo below). This was most understandable. On behalf of the organisation, I wish to record our most sincere appreciation for the work that Helga Brichet has graciously undertaken in this onerous task for many years.

As ED, it presented me with the opportunity to find a suitable manufacturer here in the UK, where the recognised high quality and prestige of the WFRS garden plaques would be maintained. After much research, I am pleased to advise our Members that I have found a worthy producer.

In essence, the new "WFRS Award of Garden Excellence" plaques will be made from hardwearing black Welsh slate, from a highly reputed natural stone plaque manufacturer based in Cardiff, Wales with fine inscriptions, using 23.5ct Gold Leaf gilding.

Nominations for Garden Awards closed on 30th April 2022. However, I am delighted to report that the Federation has received some inspirational choices that will be presented to Members of the WFRS Awards Committee during the 19th World Rose Convention, being held in Adelaide in October. Any successful nominated gardens will receive their prestigious engraved plaques within two months, after formal announcements have been duly made.



**Former WFRS
Award of Garden
Excellence plaque**

From our Executive Director:

Dear Member Countries of the World Federation of Rose Societies:

I wish to advise you of the dates of the proposed virtual Committee meetings, which will be arranged using the Zoom platform.

The actual timings for each virtual meeting and the supporting 'Agendas' will be published nearer the time.

WFRS VIRTUAL MEETINGS

Promotions Committee Sunday 3rd July

Publications Committee Thursday 4th August

International Judges Committee Sunday 28th August

Conservation & Heritage Committee Thursday 1st September

Combined Breeders Club & International Trials Tuesday 27th September

Other meetings, listed below, will be conducted during the 19th World Rose Convention being held in Adelaide, Australia:

Executive Meeting Number One Friday 28th October 19.00 – 22.00

Convention Liaison Committee Saturday 29th October 8.30 – 10.00

Awards Committee Saturday 29th October 10.00 – 13.00

WFRS Council Meeting Wednesday 2nd November 19.00 – 22.00

Executive Meeting Number Two Thursday 3rd November 14.00 – 16.00

Marita & Thomas Lindner

Normally we reserve passing of WFRS Members to officers, however, in April, Marita and her husband Thomas Lindner died in a tragic car accident. We visited their lovely home during the 2016 WFRS Regional Convention in Uruguay, and Marita served on the WFRS Classification and Registration Committee from 2018-2022. Our hearts go out to their family.

ROSE NEWS (Continued)

From Jolene Adams, WFRS Chairman of Publications

The Publication Committee has an opening to be filled before the WRC in Adelaide as term limits are in effect, which is the Social Media Manager. Here is the job description:

Social Media Manager

The Social Media Manager maintains the Facebook, Instagram, Pinterest and allied pages using information gathered from WFRS sources. The pages are updated as the year progresses so the sites continue to remain relevant and new. Some of the information that is used to refresh these sites each year is sent to the Manager or the Chair of Publications by the Executive Director and the various Committee Chairmen. The rest is solicited by the Manager from the member countries, and gathered from the individual rose trials and the breeders and the chairmen of upcoming events.

The Social Media Manager is answerable to the Publication Committee Chairman and the President.

Applicants are encouraged to visit the various streams for a better understanding of what the sites provide in services to the WFRS. All enquiries should be made to the Chairman of the Publications Committee or Executive Director.

Send your application to the Chairman of the Publications Committee with copies to the President and Executive Director by August 31, 2022:

Jolene Adams, Chairman jolene_adams@sonic.net



Above: Top Citizens Award, Barcelona Rose Trials, ORA Rose 153-238 by Orard., Which is Selected by the Public



Top Two Photos from 2022 Barcelona Rose Trials: Barcelona Prize for Top Scoring Rose, MR-020-BR From House of Meilland. Also Won Best Floribunda, Most Vigorous, Most Innovative, and Top Flowering. Below: The Best Hybrid Tea, KO 11/8224-01 From Kordes. (Photos courtesy of Lluís Abad Garcia)



Don't Wait!

Register NOW for the Early Bird Special for the 2022 World Rose Convention in Adelaide, Australia, before time runs out!

Early Bird ends July 29, 2022, then registration goes up \$200 AUD!

To Register Go To:

www.wrc22.aomevents.com.au

2022 World Rose Convention

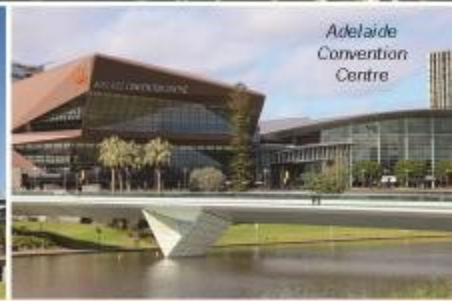
27 Oct – 3 Nov 2022
Adelaide Convention Centre
Australia



Celebration 22



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REGISTER NOW FOR THE WORLD ROSE CONVENTION



You are invited to celebrate and enjoy the gardens, lecture program, tours and social events during the World Federation of Rose Societies 19th World Rose Convention

It's just 5 months until the World Rose Convention is held in Australia. Registrations are now being received for the convention hosted by The National Rose Society of Australia in Adelaide from 27 October – 3 November, 2022. A number of places have also been booked for the wonderful carefully-planned Tours around Australia. The convention program has been almost finalised with exciting opening and closing events, world-class lectures, garden visits and the International Rose and Garden EXPO. It will be an informative and fun-filled event with plenty of time for socialising and making new friends. Some optional extra events have been arranged for you to consider or you can have more free time to relax.

Importantly, for delegates coming to Australia, you no longer need to undertake a negative COVID-19 test before you travel to Australia. Travellers arriving into Australia should complete the Digital Passenger Declaration and declare vaccination status. You are considered fully vaccinated if you have received two approved vaccine doses (booster optional). You must wear a mask for the duration of your flight to Australia but you can remove your mask to eat and drink. To find out what you need to do to be able to travel to Australia visit the Government website: <https://www.health.gov.au/health-alerts/covid-19/international-travel/inbound>

We only have 2 months before the Earlybird Registration finishes on 29 July. We suggest that you book your registration and tours now. Convention Registration is on the website www.wrc22.aomevents.com.au Use the Registration Portal for both the convention and recommended hotels. Enquiries to All Occasions Group, email: conference@aomevents.com Phone: +61 8 81252200.

Bookings Open for Pre-Convention Tour and Post Tours

For an unforgettable holiday experience, join the **Pre-Convention Tour** of Sydney and the Blue Mountains in New South Wales from 22 – 27 October and **Post-Convention Tour** travelling from Adelaide to Melbourne on 4 – 9 November and a **Post-Post Tour** of Tasmania on 9 – 14 November. For itineraries, costs and bookings contact **Oliver Travel**, Adelaide, South Australia <https://www.olivertravel.com.au/rose-tours>



What's Included in the Registration Fee

The **Earlybird Registration Fee** of AUD\$850 includes the Opening Ceremony, a world-class Lecture Program together with morning tea and lunch included on 4 days, and also a wonderful Full Day Tour and special lunch at an elegant, historic landmark in the Adelaide Hills. Registration also includes the various Day Tours and visits to the Adelaide Botanic Garden, Cleland Wildlife Park, Carrick Hill and an afternoon of city tours to private and public rose gardens or take a walking tour to see the 19th century places of interest along historic North Terrace. In addition, Registration gives you entry to the 'International Rose & Garden EXPO' held in conjunction with the convention.



Optional Events with an additional cost

Welcome Reception – AUD \$85.00

National Rose Society of Australia National Dinner – AUD \$110.00

World Federation of Rose Societies Gala Dinner and Awards – AUD \$150.00



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FELCO SA is the global leader in professional pruning shears and cable cutters. The company was founded in 1945 by a Swiss visionary inventor Félix Flisch. Based near Neuchatel, in the cradle of the Swiss watchmaking region, no doubt that the inventor intended to make the pruning shears a true precision object. Synonymous with quality and durability the FELCO brand is today the results of more than 75 years of technological innovations at the service of both professional pruners, private gardeners. Rose lovers around the world recommend using their favourite, top quality FELCO tools made in Switzerland to ensure that each cut is performed cleanly and precisely. Committed to respect the environment “producing for and in harmony with nature”, the company integrated sustainable development and thanks to the interchangeability of the cutting parts, regular maintenance is possible to make the tools almost eternal. <https://felco.com>

FELCO’s generous support is greatly appreciated!

Kelvin Trimper AM
Chairman,
2022 World Rose Convention Committee



BOOK NOW FOR GARDEN TOURS AROUND AUSTRALIA

Three exciting tours have been planned in association with the Convention. These are with Oliver Travel on behalf of the World Rose Convention Committee. For detailed itineraries, costs and bookings visit the website Oliver Travel: <https://www.olivertravel.com.au>

PRE-CONVENTION TOUR – SYDNEY AND BLUE MOUNTAINS, NEW SOUTH WALES

Sat. 22 Oct, 2022 – Thurs. 27 Oct, 2022

Tour Cost (GST inclusive) AUD \$2,300 per person twin share / AUD \$540 Single Supplement. Not included: Airfare from Sydney to Adelaide. Obtain a quote from Oliver Travel.

Arrive in Adelaide. Attend the WFRS Convention Thurs. 27 Oct to Thurs. 3 Nov. 2022

POST-CONVENTION TOUR – ADELAIDE TO MELBOURNE GARDEN TOUR

By coach from Adelaide to Coonawarra, Mt Gambier, Treloar Roses, Great Ocean Road to Melbourne with many visits in and around Melbourne to some wonderful gardens.

Fri. 4 Nov. 2022 – Wed. 9 Nov. 2022 (9th Nov. a.m. coach transfer to Melbourne Airport for onward flights or the tour to Tasmania). Tour Cost (GST inclusive) AUD \$2,650 per person twin share / AUD \$650 Single Supplement.

POST-POST CONVENTION TOUR – GARDEN TOUR OF TASMANIA

Visit some beautiful gardens, great tourist attractions and historic places of interest. Departs Melbourne Airport and returns to Melbourne Airport – includes cost of Return Airline flights with Virgin Australia

Wed. 9 Nov. – Mon. 14 Nov. 2022

Tour Cost (GST inclusive) AUD \$2,900 per person twin share / AUD \$600 Single Supplement.

A deposit of AUD\$500 is required to book a tour. Almost all breakfasts, lunch and dinners included. If you would like assistance with arranging any flights in Australia, Oliver Travel will be happy to help. For further information and enquiries contact: Tania Allen, Oliver Travel Email: oliver.travel@adelaide.on.net



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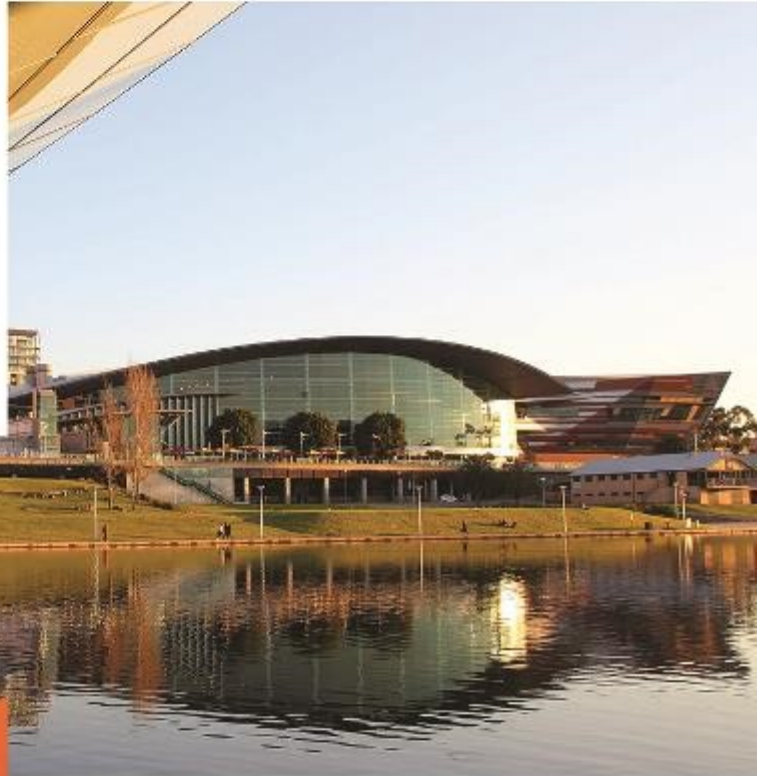
World Rose Convention



27 Oct – 3 Nov 2022
Adelaide Convention Centre
Australia



Celebration 22



INVITATION

The National Rose Society of Australia invites you to Adelaide, Australia to experience, celebrate and enjoy the iconic attractions, gardens, lecture program, tours and social events during the World Federation of Rose Societies 19th World Rose Convention from 27th October to 3rd November 2022.

REGISTRATION OPEN

VISIT THE WEBSITE
www.wrc22.aomevents.com.au
and use the Registration Portal

REGISTRATION FEES

Earlybird Registration \$850 AUD
(10 Jan. – 29 July 2022)

Standard Registration \$1,050 AUD
(from August 2022)

Welcome Reception \$85 AUD
(drinks and finger food)

WFRS Gala 3 Course Dinner & Beverages \$150 AUD

NRSA National Dinner \$110 AUD
(Maximum 220 people)

DAY REGISTRATIONS

(Bookings available from 10/1/22)

Fri. 28 October \$200 AUD

Mon. 31 October \$200 AUD

Tues. 1 November \$200 AUD

Wed. 2 November \$100 AUD
– Full Day Tour
(Maximum 200 people)

Thurs. 3 November \$200 AUD

(Note: No evening meals or evening activities included in Day Registrations)

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Thursday, 27th October

Delegates Arrive

12:00 – 18:00 Registration Open
at the InterContinental Adelaide

18:30 – 20:00 Welcome Reception

20:00 Evening Free

Friday, 28th October

07:45 – 08:45 Registration Open
at the Adelaide Convention Centre

09:00 – 10:30 Opening Ceremony

10:30 – 11:00 Morning Tea

11:00 **CELEBRATION '22**
Celebrating the Rose in Australia
Presenter: NRSA President, Gavin Woods

11:35 **Australia's Unique Fauna and Flora
and the Impact of Humans**
Presenter: Prof. Chris Daniels

12:30 Lunch

13:15 Depart by bus for an afternoon at
Cleland Wildlife Park, Crafers.

16:00 – 21:00 Rose and Garden Expo,
Adelaide Convention Centre

18:00 Evening Free

19:00 – 22:00 WFRS Executive Meeting No 1

Saturday, 29th October

08:30 – 10:00 WFRS Convention Liaison Committee
Meeting

10:00 – 13:00 WFRS Awards Meeting

10:00 – 17:00 Rose and Garden Expo continues

13:30 – 13:45 Official Opening of the
Rose and Garden Expo

19:00 – 19:30 NRSA Dinner – Pre-dinner Drinks
InterContinental Adelaide

19:30 – 23:00 NRSA National Dinner
(additional cost AUD \$110)

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Sunday, 30th October

07:00 – 22:30	Optional Day Tour to Kangaroo Island (additional cost)
08:00 – 18:00	Optional Day Tour to the Clare Valley (additional cost)
08:30 – 13:30	NRSA AGM
10:00 – 16:00	Rose and Garden Expo Final Day
18:00	Evening Free

Monday, 31st October

CELEBRATING THE ROSE IN AUSTRALIA

08:30	The History of Gardening in Australia Presenter: Trevor Nottle
09:20	DAVID RUSTON and his role in putting Australia on the Rose World Map Presenter: Sue Zwar
10:05	Felco Presentation
10:25 – 10:55	Morning Tea
10:55	(Part A) ALISTER CLARK ROSES AND OTHER AUSTRALIAN ROSE BREEDERS: 100 years of Australian Rose Hybridising Presenter: Jim Cane
11:40	(Part B) ALISTER CLARK ROSES AND OTHER AUSTRALIAN ROSE BREEDERS: 100 years of Australian Rose Hybridising Presenter: Tate Hancox
12:20	The Swedish Rose Society Presentation
12:40	Lunch
13:15 – 15:15	Depart for Adelaide Botanic Garden, International Rose Garden
14:00 – 15:15	International Trial Judging – by Invitation ONLY
15:30 – 16:15	Depart and Travel to Carrick Hill, Springfield
16:30 – 18:00	NRTGA Trial Garden Judging Results and Awards, Tour of Grounds, Alister Clark Rose Garden and house. Drink provided
18:30 – 19:00	Delegates return to the city. Evening Free
18:45 – 20:45	NRTGA Awards, Cocktail Party (Invitation only)

OPTIONAL FULL DAY TOURS

SUNDAY, 30TH OCTOBER

(Minimum numbers may apply)

Kangaroo Island \$315 AUD
by coach and ferry

Clare Valley \$100 AUD
by coach includes
Walter and Kay
Duncan's 'The Heritage
Garden' and lunch

**Adelaide tour options with Adelaide
Sightseeing Tours available to book
via the [Website](#)**

VIRTUAL REGISTRATION

Virtual registration bookings will be offered from mid-2022 at approximately 50% of the Earlybird Registration fee and feature high quality streaming of the Opening Ceremony, 3-day Lecture Series and WFRS Gala Awards Dinner for Online Registrants.

WFRS FRIENDS OF THE FEDERATION DINNER

Dinner for the 'Friends of the Federation' on Tuesday 1 November from 19:00 to 22:00 by Invitation only. Invitation letter will be sent.

ACCOMMODATION AND OFFICIAL CONVENTION HOTEL

The Official Convention Hotel is the InterContinental Adelaide, conveniently located next to the Adelaide Convention Centre – special room rates apply for our delegates.

Please book accommodation through the registration portal.

Other recommended nearby hotels are on our [website](#) – offering a range of prices.

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Tuesday, 1st November

CELEBRATING THE ROSE WITH THE PUBLIC AND IN PUBLIC SPACES	
08:30	NEW ZEALAND Rose Gardens, Roses and Breeders Presenters: Doug Grant and Hayden Foulds
09:20	ROSE GARDENS FROM LYON AND ELSEWHERE: Parks and Gardens and their importance for our Cities Presenter: Daniel Boukens
10:05 – 10:35	Morning Tea
10:35	SHRUB ROSES IN TODAY'S GARDENS: The use of Shrub Roses old and new in Public Spaces Presenter: Matthias Meiland
11:25	THE ROSE SOCIETY IN THIS CHANGING WORLD: Activities underway as the ARS celebrates 130 years Presenter: Diane Sommers
12:10	SIR HANS AND NORA HEYSEN: The history of Roses in their garden at 'The Cedars' and in their paintings Presenter: Allan Campbell
12:30	Presentation of the 15th WFRS Heritage Rose Convention Presenter: The Royal National Rose Society of Belgium
12:45	Lunch
13:30 – 18:00	Afternoon Free or Join a Tour City and Private Gardens tour, North Terrace Cultural Precinct walking tour
19:00 – 22:00	WFRS Friends of the Federation Dinner (by invitation only)
19:00	Evening Free

PROGRAM OF EVENTS

Wednesday, 2nd November

08:30 – 18:30	Depart for a day of Art, Wine and Roses in the Adelaide Hills
18:30	Evening Free
19:00 – 22:00	WFRS Council Meeting

Thursday, 3rd November

CELEBRATING THE USE OF ROSES NOW AND IN THE FUTURE

08:30	ROSES IN CUISINE: Using Roses in Beverages and Food Presenter: Rose Kenlish
09:10	NEW ROSE STYLES: Unusual Rose Blooms for the Future Presenter: Thomas Proll
09:55 – 10:25	Morning Tea
CONCURRENT SESSION A	DATABASES AND ROSES: Linea Rosa - a database of rose lineage Presenter: Jacques Moucholle
10:25	
11:10	BREEDERS PANEL: Australian and International Rose Breeders Presenter: Kelvin Trimper AM
CONCURRENT SESSION B	ROSES IN FLORAL DESIGN: A demonstration using Roses in Floral Art Presenter: to be confirmed <i>Re join group at Session A</i>
10:25 – 12:10	
12:20 – 12:50	Presentation of the 20th WFRS World Rose Convention Presenter: Japan Rose Society
12:50 – 13:30	Lunch
13:30 – 18:00	Afternoon Free
14:00 – 16:00	WFRS Executive Meeting No 2
18:00 – 18:30	WFRS Gala Convention Dinner Pre dinner Drinks
18:30 – 22:30	WFRS Gala Convention Dinner and Awards Presentation

Friday, 4th November

08:30	Delegates depart for Post Tour
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PRE AND POST TOURS

There are 3 proposed tours for a great holiday experience with many attractions and beautiful gardens.

**Pre-Convention Tour –
Sydney and Blue Mountains,
New South Wales**
Saturday 22 October –
Thursday 27 October 2022

**Post-Convention Tour –
Adelaide, South Australia to
Melbourne, Victoria**
Friday 4th November –
Wednesday 9th November 2022

**Post-Post Convention Tour –
Tasmania**
Wednesday 9th November –
Monday 14th November 2022

For information and bookings contact
Tania Allen at Oliver Travel
oliver.travel@adelaide.on.net

*The Organising Committee advises this
program may be subject to change.*

UPDATE ON WRC CONVENTION SPEAKERS

Editor's Note: We have added two new speakers to replace two others that had to cancel, Paul Hains and John Nieuwesteeg.

AUSTRALIAN BRED ROSES

The theme of the 2022 World Rose Convention is '**Celebration '22**' a big, bold celebration encompassing everything to do with "roses". The Lecture Program, spread across three mornings, will cover "Celebrating the Rose in Australia", "Celebrating the Rose in Public Spaces" and "Celebrating the use of Roses now and in the future".

The World Rose Convention Lecture Program will highlight some of Australia's important rose breeders. Alister Clark (1864-1949) was Australia's most prodigious pioneer rose breeder. He released 122 roses during his lifetime. Frank Riethmuller (1884 – 1965) released his best roses from 1950 to 1965. The next generation are enjoying considerable success. They include Richard Walsh and Warren Millington in NSW and Paul Hains in Queensland. South Australia's most famous Hybridiser is George Thomson and he has bred many popular roses during his long career. In Victoria, Bruce Brundrett is recognised as one of Australia's most successful rose breeders and the late Dr. Bruce Chapman has left us a legacy of quality roses.

The World Rose Convention Lectures will present some remarkable history, world-class experts, interesting people with stories to tell and many memorable roses.

JIM CANE – Alister Clark Roses and other Australian Rose Breeders: 100 years of Australian Rose Hybridising (Part A)



Jim Cane has had a lifelong interest in the natural world, especially plants and their habitats, and this led to a long professional career in horticulture at the Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens (RTBG) in Hobart. He began as a trainee in 1973, obtained a Diploma of Horticulture and retired 36 years later, serving in numerous roles including Acting Director. During this time Jim developed a special interest in roses and was instrumental in the expansion of the rose collection at the RTBG.

In 1995, Jim was awarded a Churchill Fellowship to study botanic and rose garden management overseas, including at the Europa-Rosarium Sangerhausen in Germany, Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh, Kirstenbosch National Botanic Garden Cape Town and the Royal Botanic Gardens Kew in London. While at Kew he graduated with an International Diploma in Botanic Garden Management.

Jim's love of roses and other plants has been the driving force behind his extensive travel worldwide, exploring the United Kingdom, Europe, China, Tibet, Bhutan, Chile, Argentina, New Zealand and Canada.

Jim is a member of the Royal Horticulture Society (UK), the Alpine Garden Society (UK) the International Dendrology Society (UK), Heritage Roses in Australia and the Rose Society of South Australia. He has served as Honorary Treasurer of the National Rose Society of Australia (NRSA) continuously since 2001 and is currently Treasurer for the 2022 WFRS World Rose Convention. In 2008, he was awarded the Service Medal for outstanding service to the NRSA, in 2018 the Australian Rose Award and in 2020 the TA Stewart Memorial Award (SMA).

While enjoying his retirement in Tasmania, Jim grows close to 100 roses in his large and rambling garden and also runs the family farm with a small herd of mixed breed cattle.

TATE HANCOX – Alister Clark Roses and other Australian Rose Breeders: 100 years of Australian Rose Hybridising (Part B)



Tate is a passionate gardener and rose grower who started helping out his parents in the garden as a toddler. He grows over 1,000 plants, including approximately 160 roses which range from original species to modern shrub roses. He also collects old garden tools, books and memorabilia restoring and protecting these important items of horticultural and botanical history.

In 2018, he completed his Bachelor of Science (Advanced) at The University of Adelaide with a Botany and Soil Science major. In 2022, he submitted his PhD thesis on *Leptospermum* for bioactive honey production in South Australia for examination.

As well as completing his university studies, Tate is an active member of The Rose Society of SA. He volunteers in the International Rose Garden and National Rose Trial Garden of Australia in the Adelaide Botanic Garden as well as at the Twentieth Century Rose Garden at The University of Adelaide. He is an accredited rose pruner with The Rose Society of SA, assisting to deliver public pruning demonstrations. Pruning is Tate's favourite part of growing roses and in 2017 he filmed a television segment on this topic with Gardening Australia. Tate's presentation will continue on from Jim Cane's and focus on the Australian rose breeders from the 1960s until now. He will take you on a journey, highlighting important roses and rose breeders from the past 60 years. He also hopes to show what current Australian breeders are focusing on achieving in the future.



SPECIAL HOTEL RATES FOR CONVENTION DELEGATES



Left: InterContinental Adelaide, Right: King Superior Room

The InterContinental Adelaide (Official Convention Hotel)

***Early Bird Special - King Superior Room** (including breakfast for one) - \$230AUD Per Night (\$162US, 142E)

***Early Bird Special - Twin Superior Room** (including breakfast for two) - \$255AUD Per Night (\$180US, 157E)

King Superior Room (including breakfast for one) - \$255AUD Per Night

Twin Superior Room (including breakfast for two) - \$280AUD Per Night

Oval Hotel (Boutique Hotel at the iconic Adelaide Oval)

Parkland King Room - \$249AUD per night

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Above: InterContinental Adelaide lobby, Below: InterContinental Adelaide Swimming pool



VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORTS

Ahmed Alam Khan (India), WFRS Vice President, Asia

Year 2019 started with rose shows being Organised by all Rose Societies affiliated with the Indian Rose Federation: Pune, Mumbai, Nagpur, Indore, Bhopal, Jabalpur, Jamshedpur, Amravati, Ranchi, Orissa, Kolkata and Hyderabad, which hosted the 37th All India Rose Show and Convention, organised by the Hyderabad Rose Society. All rose societies reported successful rose shows with participants bringing their best roses for display and competition. In many areas citizens participated in huge numbers, with media support and advertising. The Rose Society of Pune hosted their Monsoon Rose Show in September 2019, which was a beautiful show, very well organised and the hall was packed with lovely roses brought by the participants.

The show was inaugurated by Mr. C. Partha Sarthi (IAS), APC & Principal Secretary, Agriculture and Co – Operation Department, Government of Telangana. He spoke at length about the Royal Flower, the rose, and his knowledge clearly depicted that he too was an ardent lover of roses. At the inauguration Ahmed Alam Khan was honoured with the Gurubuxsingh Gold Medal and A. P. Singh with the Vijay Pokarna Gold Medal. Guests of Honour were Henrienne de Briey, President, WFRS and Helga Brichet, Chairman Convention Liaison Committee, WFRS. The hall was packed with flowers from, Pune, Karjat, Kalyan, Nagpur, Jabalpur, Hyderabad and Vikarabad. It was a sight to behold. A strong fragrance emitted from the beauties arranged on the tables and delegates were busy admiring them and discussing the performance of the varieties in different areas. In the middle of the hall were 184 Indian varieties brought for display by Green Valley Rose Garden. It was a mesmerizing sight, with their foreign counterparts spread out surrounding them. The hall was filled with denizens of Hyderabad enjoying the roses.



Left: Jabalpur - 2019, Right: Pune - 2019

Technical sessions were Chaired by Dr. Arvind Sable and Convened by Dr. N. V. Shastri. Papers were presented by Prof. A.S. Waranashiwar - 'The Magic of Liquid Feeding', Dr. N.V. Shastri - 'Hail the Game Changer' and Dr. A.P. Singh - 'Innovative Methods of Propagating 'Roses'.

Year 2020, Rose Societies started off with their Annual Winter Rose Shows, which the denizens of the respective cities wait for each year. Everyone eagerly looked forward to the WFRS World Regional Conference, organised by The Agri - Horticulture Society of India and the Bengal Rose Society under the banner of Indian Rose Federation and held from January 9th to 12th, 2020. The Show was inaugurated by the WFRS President. In attendance were the President of IRF, AHSI and the WFRS Chairman, Convention Liaison Committee. It was a grand affair. The cut flower section was packed with beautiful roses brought from all over India. The open area was full of roses in pots (867 pots) along with chrysanthemums. It was a sight to behold, mesmerizing the viewers and delegates from abroad and India. It was a great event for rose lovers and growers to meet each other and discuss the beauty of roses. Technical sessions were held in the jam- packed hall, followed by a cruise party, which the delegates immensely enjoyed. In February 2020 Jabalpur was the last to hold a rose show and suddenly the pandemic struck leaving the world in awe and despair.

Year 2021 was gloomy for the whole world. The only Rose Society which had their show was the Rose Society of Jabalpur, bringing some relief to the citizens of the city. During the same period the Nashik Rose Society, in consultation with the Indian Rose Federation, organised a virtual show and a record 1267 entries were received from all over the country. The winners were Hitesh

Shah from Jabalpur winning the King of Show. The Queen went to A. S. Waranashiwar from Pune, the Prince to Ahmed Alam Khan from Hyderabad and the Princess to Hassan from Nagpur.



Left: Indore - 2019, Right: Mumbai - 2019

Year 2022 was bad as well, with restrictions from the Government. But the Rose Society of Pune managed to hold a show, after permission was granted by the local authorities and the Police Department, with the restrictions of 50 people in the hall and maintaining all protocols laid down. It was a beautiful show, with tables packed with roses coming from the local participants and from outside Pune. This was followed by the Rose Society of Jabalpur having their winter show, which was once again a very successful show with a large number of participants and viewers. Later the 2nd Online Virtual Show was held and had some 1346 entries coming in from the entire Country. The winners were Prashant Telang from Nagpur winning the King for his entry of 'Louise Estes', Pradip Sarkar from West Bengal taking the Queen for his entry of an Indian bred rose named "Rahul Kumar", Hitesh Shah of Jabalpur winning Prince of the Show for his 'Midsummer Snow' entry and Pradipta Bannerjee taking the Princess of the show, with 'Flamboyant'. Both the virtual shows were professionally, planned and executed with able support from the Indian Roses Federation and its Senior Members, Dr. Vikas Mhaskar, Mr. B. S. Thipse, Mr. R. P. Bhide along with Nashik Rose Society members, Dr. Dhanajay Gujrathi and Mrs. Amita Kale Patwardhan.



Left: Winners at Pune - 2019, Right: Nagpur - 2019 (VP Ahmed Alam Khan (c) in blue shirt)



Above: Hyderabad Rose Show - 2019



Left: Inaugural Ribbon Cutting - Hyderabad - 2019, 'Black Magic', King of Show - Kolkata - 2020



Kolkata World Regional Convention - 2020, Left: Inaugural Lighting the Lamp by WFRS President Henrienne De Briey, Right: Rose Show of Roses in Pots



2021 Virtual Rose Show Winners: Left: Queen 'Touch of Class', Middle: King 'Her Highness', Right: Princess 'Showbiz'
 Below Left: Organisers of Virtual Rose Show - 2022, Right: Winners at the Jabalpul Rose Show - 2022
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VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORTS

Rosario Algorta de Carrau (Uruguay), WFRS Vice President for South America 2012-2022



This will be my Farewell Report, after 10 years serving as VP for the three South American countries: Argentina, Chile and Uruguay. It has been a pleasure to work for the WFRS and I THANK you all for your support!

Here are some of the highlights of my time as VP.

I flew with a group of Delegates from Uruguay to Johannesburg to attend the Rosafrica 2012 World Rose Convention and upon arrival to the airport something funny happened to me: As the bus drove us to the Hotel, I asked the Delegate that sat beside me: "From where do you come from?" He said: Chicago and I answered immediately: "The windy city! You should not miss the lecture about the 'Knock Out' Roses, they are special for your climate!". He started laughing and replied: "I'm Bill Radler, Mr. 'Knock Out'!"

At the ROSAFRICA 2012 World Convention I was elected Vice President of the WFRS for South America for my first term.

As VP one of my tasks is to promote Delegates from my area to travel to Conventions. A large contingent of South Americans attended the 16th World Rose Convention in South Africa: 24 from Uruguay, 10 from Argentina and 7 from Chile.

After the Convention I was invited by Lisette du Plessis to stay at her mother's farm, which had a private Game Reserve and to Vivienne Black's home (Current VP for Africa) to visit her wonderful rose garden. I had met them in 2011 while travelling in a van with Ludwig and Anja Taschner to attend the Monza Rose Trials, visit Beatrice Barni's Nursery, Maressa del Buffalo Rose Garden, Prof Gianfranco Fineschi's Private Rose Collection and then we flew together to Bulgaria, for the Festival of the Rose in Kazanlik, where the famous Rose Perfume from *Rosa damascena* is harvested. All of this was possible because we all have the same love for Roses and the WFRS gives us the possibility to meet people who enjoy them together!

In March 2013, the Executive Committee of the WFRS approved the application from the Asociación De La Rosa De Coyhaique, from the south of Patagonia in CHILE to become an Associate member.

In 2013 I attended the WFRS 13th International Heritage Rose Conference in Sangerhausen, Germany.



Left: Rosario (r) with Henriette de Briey (l) and Lily de Gerache de Gomery (m), Right: Friends of the Federation Dinner, Sangerhausen, Germany

In September, Henriette de Briey, Helga Brichet and myself were invited for lunch at the Castle of Betho (near Hex) and then to "Nuits de Beloeil" by the Prince Wauthier de Ligne. It was memorable. Henriette de Briey kindly invited me to visit her mother Lily de Gerache de Gomery, WFRS founder President, at her home in Mullem, Belgium.

In April 2014, the WFRS Executive Committee approved the application of Rosas Antiguas en Argentina (Heritage Rose Group of Argentina) to become an Associate Member of the Federation.

In May, 23 South Americans (15 from Uruguay, 4 from Argentina and 4 from Chile) travelled to Barcelona to attend the WFRS Regional Convention, Roses in the Sun. The wonderful convention was organized by Matilde Ferrer, Luis Abad and members of the

Spanish Association. After the Convention, I organized a tour of 16 Uruguayans to Slovenia and Croatia. It was planned by Breda Copi (VP for SE Europe) and Vladimir Vremek, who invited us to see the Saint Giovanni Rose Garden in Trieste, where Vladimir is the Curator.

In November -December 2014: I attended the superb WFRS Regional Rose Convention, Rose Eternal, in Hyderabad, India, together with a delegation of 6 members from Uruguay. The spectacular Farewell Party was held at Ahmed Alam Khan's (VP for Asia) complex located outside Hyderabad.



Left: South America Delegates at Hyderabad, India, Right: Rosario (r) In Luxembourg with WFRS VP Mireille Steil (l)

In 2015, a delegation of 28 Uruguayans, 3 from Chile and 2 from Argentina attended the excellent WFRS World Rose Convention in Lyon, France. It was a fantastic opportunity to meet old friends and get to know new ones in a beautiful environment, since we started the pre-tour around Provence. I was elected VP for South America for my 2nd term.

In August, I was invited by Mireille Steil (VP for Central Europe) from the Luxembourg Rose Society to stay at her home. I met members of her Rose Society and visited enjoyable gardens around the area.

2016 was a very busy year as the Uruguayan Rose Society was preparing the 5th South American Regional Convention, Roses in the South, to be held in Punta del Este from 7th to 10th November. Although it was a Regional Convention, we spread the invitation throughout the whole world and when I travelled to the Regional Rose Convention in Beijing, China in June with 14 delegates from Uruguay and 2 from Argentina, I showed a PowerPoint presentation and video with all of the events and tourist information to encourage delegates from abroad to travel to South America.



Left: 2015 Lyon World Rose Convention, Right: Rosario (l) Receiving the WFRS Flag from China with help of WFRS President Kelvin Trimper (m)

We were offering something completely different at the Convention. The Chinese had even built a Rose Museum, where South America was present! Also, I was invited to represent America (one per continent) at the Panel on Modern Roses, together with other important personalities. At the closing ceremony, I was given the Flag of the WFRS, as the next convention was to be held in Uruguay.



Left: Roses in the South Logo, Right: Rose Show of Baskets, Punta Del Este

On 5th November 2016, we started de pre-tour of the WFRS Regional Convention, Roses in the South, in Colonia. On 6th November we visited the Bodegas Garzón (Modern Winery) and a private garden near José Ignacio, a fashionable beach resort near Punta del Este.

We had a Rose Show of Baskets and the Welcome Party was at the Yacht Club Punta del Este, with a Tango Show and then the 259 delegates (117 from Uruguay and 142 from different countries of the five continents), who attended the Convention, danced different rhythms, so we had a very enjoyable start!

We went in 6 buses to visit Inés Díaz de Licandro's wonderful and colorful rose garden and to "Allegro", a garden with 2.000 varieties of roses belonging to a Swedish family, that I take care of during the whole year. We finished at Angela Scalone's new Rose Garden, which surprised everybody because she started planting recently and everything looked marvelous!

The Friends of the Federation went back directly to La Marea Restaurant at the harbour, where we had a pleasant dinner like we do every time we meet.

We visited the Nursery of Octavio Sciandro, who delighted us with his garden of OGR and Modern varieties. Our last stop was Casapueblo, which is a white building and a landmark of Punta del Este where the sunset there is awesome, with the sound of the Candombe music with drums (typical of Uruguay) and we had lots of fun toasting with Champagne!

The last evening, the Executive Committee of the Uruguayan Rose Society and I as VP for South America invited to my home and garden, those delegates and speakers who had come from far away and those who have been involved in the organization of the 5th South American Rose Convention to enjoy a Farewell Party and wish everybody a happy return!

In 2017, 7 delegates from Argentina, 6 from Uruguay and 3 from Chile attended the WFRS Regional Convention in Slovenia, where we enjoyed the didactic lectures and a different, lovely landscape with charming Rose Gardens and Parks.

After the Convention, Henriette de Briey invited me to her home and we went together to Enghien to a lecture and visit of Parmentier Rose Garden and also to the Coloma Rose Garden, both in Belgium, which surprised me for their beauty.

2018, at the marvelous and delightful Fairy Tale of Roses WFRS World Convention in Copenhagen, Demark, I was elected VP for South America for a third and final term.

Patricia Cavallo came to Uruguay in October and together with Inés Díaz de Licandro found many Nabonnand Roses in the countryside. Patricia gave an interesting lecture at the Botanical Garden in Montevideo.

March 2019, The Asociación de la Rosa De Chile in Santiago, Chile, and the Agrupación de la Rosa de Coyhaique (South of Chile in La Patagonia) invited me as VP of the WFRS for South America to give lectures and visit the private gardens of their members and the Municipal Rose Garden as well.

I flew to Santiago, Chile and was received with a Welcome party at the charming home of the Landscape Designer Deanne Goudie. They gave me a beautiful necklace with a blue flower made of "lápiz lazuli", typical stone of Chile. I presented two lectures: "La Vie en Rose" and "Towards Success with Roses".

We spent a full day traveling to Zapallar (beach resort) to the home and garden of Carolina Braun.

The next day, we met at the Parque Araucano with Nora Fuenzalida (1st President of the Chilean Rose Society) and Eliana Flores (Current President). The Rose Garden is part of the parque and was finished in 1986. There are iron structures with *R. banksiae*, many different large climbing roses and wisterias. Also, parterres surrounded by *Rhus crenata*. The gardeners spray only with organic products. 'Iceberg' started at the Rose Garden and now they are all over the city and people call them "Rosa Santiago"!

I flew with five ladies from the Asociación Chilena de la Rosa to the south of Chilean Patagonia invited by Ana María Guillón (President of the Agrupación Chilena de la Rosa) to give lectures and advice.

In January 2020: I flew to India to attend the fantastic WFRS Regional Convention in Kolkata and met so many friends of the roses in a different environment.

As VP for South America, I kept in contact with the members of the three countries when the Covid Pandemic started in March 2020 and everybody was asked to stay at home.

In Uruguay, we did not have a lockdown, but it was not possible to meet so we moved to virtual life! We had Zoom Video Conferences and shared "Stories of My Favorite Rose". A special recognition to our very dear Past VP for South America: Jean Pierre Hounie, great promoter and unconditional collaborator in these activities, who unfortunately passed away, a victim of Covid in December 2020. We visited Jean Pierre at his farm "La Sorpresa" (Art Déco style) before the Pandemic started and he happily showed us his beautiful collection of Heritage Roses combined with Modern Roses as well.

During all these years as VP, I have been invited to judge in Rose Shows of the Uruguayan Rose Society and its Western and Eastern branches. Also, in Rosicultura Argentina.

As VP one of my tasks is to check if the Palermo Rose Garden in Buenos Aires, Argentina, is still according to the standards of the prize achieved in Rosafrica 2012 and every time I went in October it was in full bloom every year: EXCELLENT!

I had the honor of being invited to judge in the New Roses Trials of Geneva (President of the Day), Glasgow, Baden-Baden (President of the Day), Monza, Rome, La Tacita, Le Rouelx (President of the Day), Parc Cervantes in Barcelona, Buenos Aires, Adelaide, Madrid (President of the Day), Kortrijk (President of the Day), Saverne (President of the Day), Parc de la Tete d'Or in Lyon and Bagatelle (several times and in 2020 invited to be President of the Day, but unfortunately we could not go because of the pandemic).



Left: Judging at Lyons Rose Trials, Left: Golden Rose at Baden-Baden with the Late Wilhelm Kordes (l) and Kordes Hybridizer Thomas Proll (r)

Now, it is time to say GOOD BYE as VP for South America, as in Adelaide I will have my last Committee meeting. During this last 10 years, I met so many interesting persons who love Roses as much as I do, that we became friends although we live all around the world.

That is the "Spirit of the Rose". Besides growing the most beautiful flowers, we cultivate friendship at the same time!

VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORTS

Doug Grant (New Zealand), WFRS Vice President, Australasia

The 2021 year was another challenging one for New Zealand rosarians as the Covid-19 virus continued to be part of our lives. There were disruptions to rose events during the year. Nevertheless, there was still considerable interest in growing roses around the country. Rose events held during the year included the Rose Ranfurly Days, the National Annual General Meeting, the National Show and Convention and the International Trial Grounds awards in Palmerston North. In spite of viral challenges with forced lockdowns, a number of District Rose Society events did occur.

Rose Ranfurly Days are the first events on the rose scene in New Zealand each year. These days were initiated by Sam McGredy as a fun and friendly way of getting rosarians together to compete as District Rose Societies against each other. During 2021 the South Island Rose Ranfurly was held in Tapanui in Otago. The winning society for the Ranfurly Shield for the third year in a row was North Otago. The Lower North Island Ranfurly held in Palmerston North was won again by the host Society Manawatu. For the Upper North Island Ranfurly held in Hamilton, again it was the hosts, the Waikato Rose Society, who was successful in winning the shield.



Left: NZRS President Mrs Janet Pike presenting the Frank Penn Memorial Award to Dr Kee Teo and his wife Wan, Right: New Zealand Rose Society Calendar

After a year off, Rosarians from around the country were able to meet again in May for the New Zealand Rose Society (NZRS) Annual General Meeting held in Christchurch. Mr Hayden Foulds (Manawatu) was elected as the new President with Mrs Bev Fletcher (Waikato) and Mr Adrian Bullen (Franklin) elected as Vice Presidents. Mrs Janet Pike (Waikato) became Immediate Past President. Ms Di Duncan (Auckland) was elected to council along with Mr Doug Grant (Franklin), Mrs Daphne Rissman (South Canterbury) and Mrs Eileen Wilcox (Waikato).

The Frank Penn Memorial Award given for services to a district rose society was awarded to Dr Kee Teo of the Manawatu Rose Society. Dr Teo who has been a member of the Manawatu Rose Society since 1974, has made a significant contribution to the local society. This has included a lengthy service as newsletter editor.

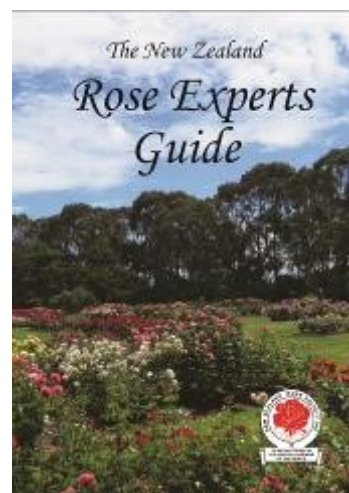
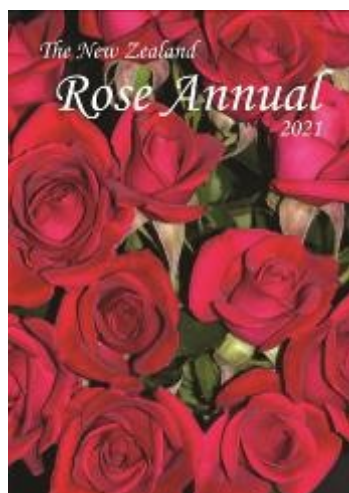
In June, Mr John Paviour-Smith passed away. Mr Paviour-Smith was a life member of the New Zealand Rose Society and a past editor of the 'New Zealand Rosarian' publication. He was also responsible for setting up the NZRS website.

The National Council of the NZRS was able to meet in July. The Council continues to make progress on initiatives that are beneficial to district rose societies and their members. Members are now able to benefit from biological pest control options from Bioforce, gardening tools from Metrogreen and a range of plant protection products through Grosafe. The Society produced another edition of its own calendar with photos submitted by members through a competition. The calendar has now become a major fundraiser for district societies and it is a useful tool in promoting the rose society. The Facebook group 'Roses Aotearoa' continues to grow in numbers of people who follow it.

A major task completed out by the NZRS during 2021 was the updating of the *New Zealand Cultural Handbook*. This publication is provided free to new members when they join the society. A comprehensive re-write was carried out. Individual chapters were written by well-known rosarians with Mr Hayden Foulds editing the publication. This new publication is now known as the *New Zealand Rose Experts Guide*. It has been well received and it has become an important tool in the recruitment of new members. Both the 2021 *New Zealand Rose Annual* and the 2022 *New Zealand Rose Review* were produced for members during the year.

From August onwards, New Zealand went into Covid lockdown with some parts of the country being locked down longer than

others. This caused massive disruptions to the lives of many, although one advantage was that people took to their gardens again. The major disadvantage was the uncertainty for being able to host events. As a result, many spring rose events and shows were cancelled throughout the country. This included the New Zealand Rose of the Year trials in Hamilton.



Left: The New Zealand Rose Annual 2021, Middle: New Zealand Rose Review 2022, Right: The New Zealand Rose Experts Guide

Despite the uncertainty, the 2021 National Rose Show and Convention was held in Palmerston North. A decision was made to downscale this event to a Regional Rose Show with many rosarians still in lockdown and others unwilling to travel. The weekend, as well as containing the show and convention, had the Designer of the Year competition for local floral art groups. There was a display of blooms and photos of past winners from the International Rose Trial Grounds and a visit to the garden of John and Chris Ford as well as a visit to Matthews Nurseries near Whanganui.

The awards presentation for the International Rose Trial Grounds were carried out with Grant Smith the Mayor of Palmerston North presenting the awards. The Gold Star of the South Pacific and the Nola Simpson Novelty Award were awarded to David Kenny from Ireland for 'FLORANZA® Eye Popping' (Kenpopeye). David was also awarded a Certificate of Merit for 'PIXY® Lucky Stars' (Kenhappy) while Colin Dickson from Northern Ireland was awarded two Certificates of Merit, one for 'Dicalfa' and another for 'FLORANZA® Bright and Breezy' (Dicjive). Rob Somerfield from New Zealand was awarded a Certificate of Merit for 'Attention Seeker' (Somsolute).



Left: National Convention visit to Matthews Nurseries Ltd, Wanganui, Right: from left to right Mr John Ford, Mrs Heather Macdonell, Mr Peter Elliott

During the Convention three awards were presented to rosarians by the NZRS President Hayden Foulds. Mr Peter Elliott received the T.A. Stewart Memorial Award for services to the Rose in Australia or New Zealand. Mr Elliott is a past president of the New Zealand Rose Society and is currently the President Emeritus of the Society. Many international rosarians will remember Peter as the convener of the WFRS Regional Convention held in Palmerston North in 2013 and as a WFRS Vice President from 2006 to 2015.

Mr John Ford was presented with the New Zealand Rose Award for service to the rose in New Zealand. Mr Ford is a well-known rosarian, exhibitor and amateur rose breeder. Currently he is the Chairperson of the International Rose Trial Grounds committee in Palmerston North and has previously served on the New Zealand Rose Society Council.

A new award, the New Zealand Rose Society Lifetime Service Award was presented to Mrs Heather Macdonell. Mrs Macdonell retired from her position as the Secretary/Treasurer of the New Zealand Rose Society at the end of 2021. She had served the

Society since 1979 and had given many, many hours of service in this role. Her knowledge, secretarial and financial skills has left the New Zealand Rose Society in a good position. The New Zealand Rose Society has now appointed Mrs Rachael Chalmers of Dunedin as Secretary and Mrs Elizabeth Murphy of Tauranga as Treasurer.

We now move forward to 2022 and hope this is a much more settled year for all rosarians and that border settings will be favourable for travel to the World Rose Convention in Adelaide later in the year. We also hope that overseas rosarians can travel to New Zealand after Adelaide.



Left: FLORANZA® 'Eye Popping' (Kenpopeye), Right: FLORANZA® 'Bright and Breezy' (Dicjive)

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FAVORITE GARDEN

DEREK LAWRENCE, ENGLAND ENJOYS...

THE BAGATELLE ROSE GARDEN

Bagatelle must surely rank as the jewel in the crown for being one of the World's most prestigious rose gardens. It is one of my favourite places. For the rose lover, it is a piece of Heaven on Earth, situated in the Bois de Boulogne in the north-western part of Paris.

Formed as part of the 24 hectare estate containing a delightful Chateau, the park offers visitors sumptuous plantings of various horticultural collections. As you wander around these serene gardens you encounter collections of iris, azaleas, peonys, fuchsias and dahlias. A glade of fine specimen trees acts as a foil to a huge lake providing a home for several species of duck, peacock and a whole range of birdlife indigenous to Paris. The landscape is outstanding.



Left: The Orangerie, Right: The Rose Garden

The historical background of Bagatelle has been of such significance to the gardens, that I feel it is necessary to outline it to fully appreciate how the rose garden was created. The fine Chateau has been associated with French dignities. Comte D' Artois, Louis XV and Napoleon III are embedded into its chequered past. In 1835, the Marquis of Hertford purchased the ailing estate. He was an Englishman of extravagance and a connoisseur of fine works of art. He had the park designed with the style more reminiscent to the English type of landscape, incorporating waterfalls, grottos and large meadows. His diligence paid dividends and Bagatelle blossomed.

In 1870 he passed away, leaving the estate, a colossal fortune and collections of inestimable value to his adopted son, Sir Richard Wallace. The work undertaken by his father was maintained. After Wallace's death in July 1890, Bagatelle was left to the Private Secretary, Sir Henry Murray Scott. By 1900, Murray Scott had great difficulty maintaining the grounds. The thought of the estate heading into decline caused much concern amongst Parisians.

The present garden owes its existence to the foresight, imagination and perseverance of one man, Jean-Claude Nicolas Forestier. He was Curator of Parks and Gardens at Paris City Council. In 1905 he purchased the gardens for six and a half million francs. Forestier was an ambitious character and strived to build great collections of plants. He much admired the impressionist type of presentation created by his friend Claude Monet whose garden at Giverny he appreciated. One of Forestier's finest creations was producing a water lily garden depicting Monet's works. I guess that the success he accomplished fired his imagination further. For 1906 saw the creation of the rose garden. He contacted all the rose growers in France to participate in this new venture. Jules Gravereaux, the founder of the gardens at Roseraie de l'Hay, kindly donated to the City of Paris several hundred varieties. Forestier declared that the garden must always remain a living catalogue of roses. Over a century later, Bagatelle is an exquisite showcase for rose lovers.

Located opposite the Orangerie, the rose garden is flanked by cool, shaded woodland on a slight slope. It gives visitors a magnificent view of the Seine Valley and Mont-Valerien. As you enter the garden, laid out in neat geometric beds, your attention is immediately drawn to the formal pillars, arbours and cones. This vertical emphasis gives the design a sound structure. The paths are of carefully raked shingles bordered by box edgings. The beds inside the edges contain, surprisingly, grass which is impeccably hand cut by scythe. The beds are about four feet wide and in the centre, small earth beds are home to the rose bushes. These are pruned to a height which blends in well with other plantings.



Twenty percent of the varieties are of older types, the remaining eighty percent represent roses from 1920 to the present. Some plants are unique and unavailable commercially and these add intrigue to the tour. As you wander around you will discover a fine collection of climbers and ramblers which adorn the pergolas. Noteworthy cultivars include, 'Alberic Barbier' (1900), 'American Pillar' (1902), 'Golden Showers' (1956), 'Alchemist' (1956), 'Aloha' (1949), 'Bantry Bay' (1967), 'Rambling Rector' (before 1912) and the ever popular 'Kiftsgate' (1954).

The low box hedging surrounds the Hybrid Teas and Floribundas with great effect. A galaxy of bright colours and deep fragrances can be enjoyed from 'Crimson Glory' (1935), 'Ena Harkness' (1946), 'Paul Shirville' (1983), 'Double Delight' (1977), 'Margaret Merril' (1977), 'Papa Meilland' (1962) and 'Iceberg' (1958). Some critics



may say that the Hybrid Tea is on the decline. Bagatelle somehow proves this not to be the case. The Hybrid Teas have a future!

From this part of the garden, you can observe the ornate Empress's summer house, which is on a slight slope. Built to enable Empress Eugenie to attend the Prince Imperial's riding lessons, the summer house was designed to resemble an oriental pagoda. It makes an ideal focal point.

In 1907, the International Trials were instituted by the City of Paris and these remain today. The jury consists of amateur and professional growers, who award various certificates. Outstanding performers receive the Bagatelle Gold Medal, which is much sought after amongst breeders.

Although modern varieties predominate, the gardens do cater for lovers of old roses. 'Old Blush' (1789), 'Rosa Mundi' (before 1500), 'Roseraie de L'Hay' (1901), 'Conrad F. Meyer' (1899), *Rosa Foetida* (ancient), and 'Eugenie Guinoisseau' (1864) are fine examples seen there.

The cascading weeping standards are exemplary. I have never seen such exuberant specimens of 'New Dawn' (1930), 'Felicite Perpetue' (1827), 'Excelsa' (1909) and 'Leverkusen' (1954).

The aura of Bagatelle is magical. The rose garden, which contains over 9,000 bushes was justly bestowed the prestigious 'Award of Garden Excellence' by the World Federation of Rose Societies in 2007.

To revel in its sheer beauty, it pays to walk to the summer house and enjoy the panorama below. At this point one can experience the deep peace, the sense of time standing still, which pervades the whole domain.

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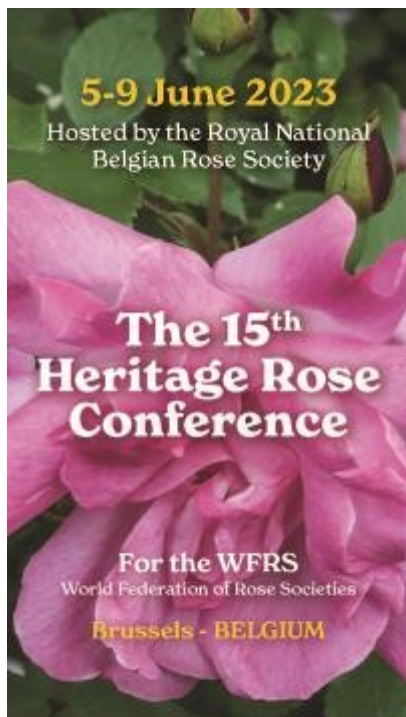
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