

Nepean Blue Mountains Hawkesbury Regional

'Joyce Abounding' Signature Rose of the Regional

> Dates for your Diary 2021

Royal Easter Show Dates Saturday 3 /4April Second Session Day 1 of Roses

Wednesday 7/8 April Fourth Session Roses Day 2

Sunday 11/12 April Sixth Session NSW Championships Roses Day 3

10 April 1 May 5 June General Meeting with Show Bench

> 3July Annual General Meeting

7 August 4 September 2 October General Meetings

9 October NBMH Regional Spring Show

16/17 October National Rose Society of Australia and Illawarra Spring Show Kiama April/May 2021- Volume 13 No. 4/5

"Prickles

Rose Society of NSW Inc.

Newsletter

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Chairman's Message

In our first meeting back in March I was pleased to catch up with the few members who attended. We received apologies from many members and even though Doug, Glynis and Stephanie could not attend in person yet they joined us via Facetime. Such is technology.

Thank you to Emu Plains Sports and Recreation Club for allowing us to change our meeting date for April to Saturday 10. This is due to the fact that the Easter weekend falls on the first weekend of April.

Glynis has included a very detailed Monthly Show Bench Schedule, Standard Unit information from the RS of NSW Inc., photos of the pictorial tutorial standard unit photos by Doug Hayne and notes to assist those who would like to participate in the Monthly Show Bench which will commence at this April meeting and will continue to July.

Members who have sent in their permission forms for details to be sent to Neutrog - thank you. I understand Glynis has sent out a note indicating that she has received your permission. Those who have not forwarded this will not have access to Neutrog unless you send your authorisation to Glynis and she can confirm it with Neutrog. At the end of the newsletter is the new price list for 2021.

As indicated previously Neutrog will inform us of a possible delivery date and will open the ordering system for our Regional. You will be able to collect your product from Winbourne as you did last year and I am happy for it to continue.

Thank you to Gary Wootton who did a demonstration of how to take cuttings for propagation of your roses. Brian Knight recorded the session via video and you can use the link found further in the newsletter to look at the video. There is also a link on budding roses by Jim Cunningham taken last year.

For members who are not experienciing good health we send good wishes and hope you recover soon.

I look forward to a full meeting of members in April.

Notice of Meeting and Meeting Information

Date:	Saturday,10 April 2021 commencing at 10.00 am
Venue:	Leonay Golf Club - you can access via side ramp, front steps
and	elevator
Activity:	Monthly Show Bench
Trading Table:	Any small saleable items and plants which will help with our
	funds. We will have some Walsh and Hains Roses for Sale
Meeting Costs:	\$5pp includes coffee and tea and raffle tickets

Monthly Show Bench Information for 2021

This is the new Schedule for the Monthly Show Bench for 2021 that will commence at the April meeting.

Schedule

Class 1	-	Championship Units - any three standard units - HT, Floribunda, Shrub,
		Decorative, Grandiflora (NND - means can be the same cultivar or class
		of exhibit e.g. three exhibits of full blooms) Open to all
Class 2	-	Championship Units - any three standard units - Miniature/Miniflora
		(NND means can be same cultivar or same exhibit (e.g three Bud to
		Full Bloom) Open to All
Class 3	-	A vase of any flowers from your garden in your own container - can be
		viewed from the front or all round - open to all
Class 4	-	A cut/stem of any rose from your garden- (remember a cut has more
		than one flower on it)
Class 5	-	One Exhibition Bloom - Hybrid Tea roses only (Standard Unit)
Class 6	-	Three full bloom roses - same cultivar - Hybrid Teas, Grandiflora,
		Miniflora or Miniatures can be used in this class (Standard Unit)
Class 7	-	Bud to Full Bloom - four stages same cultivar - Hybrid Teas, Grandiflora,
		Miniflora or Miniatures can be used in this class (Standard Unit)
Class 8	-	A Bunch of 3 same cultivar Hybrid Teas, Grandiflora, Miniflora or
		Miniatures can be used in this class (Standard Unit)
Class 9	-	Standard Unit of a Floribunda - 1-6 cuts/stems ten flowers minimum or
		a Unit of up to 25 Flowers
Class 10) -	A rose from your garden - for first year exhibitors only
Class 11	-	A vase of three stems of a flower from your garden e.g. three Gerbera
Class 12	2 -	Any Standard Unit of an Australian Bred Rose
Class 13	; -	Australian Bred Winner of the Year - Note the winner of this class will be

taken from Classes 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9 and 12

Notes to be read by Exhibitors

1. An activity of the Regional is to hold a Monthly Show Bench which is a mini version of exhibiting and where you can hone your exhibiting skills. It is not compulsory.

- 2. However, if you intend to participate in the Monthly Show Bench please read the following information to assist you. If you feel you do not understand some of the information please do not hesistate to contact either myself, Doug or Bro Jeff. Our numbers are at the end of this newsletter.
- 3. Included in this copy of Prickles are Doug Hayne's pictorial tutorial Standard Units which you can use to assist you in staging your roses for the show bench. I suggest you use it to practice as it will give you an idea of what your exhibit will look like and what the judge expects. The Bunch of Three (Class 8) has the same criteria as the Bunch of Five and applies to all flowers and classes.
- 4. Ensure your flowers are fresh meaning petals are clean, no marks, no dirty or browned stamens, long stems if possible, no whilting or dropping heads (some David Austins do drop their heads (Shrub Classes) and this is aloud but not old flowers.
- 5. A full copy of the Standard Units of the Rose Society of NSW Inc. is included. All Regional shows use these to write their Schedules. Please familiarise yourself to which roses fit the criteria. Once again if you are not sure you can contact myself, Doug or Bro Jeff.
- 6. Standard Units are units that can receive a championship ribbon at show. Bowls, pick the most perfumed rose etc. are not Standard Units and cannot receive a ribbons unless the schedule state they will.
- Classes 1 -3 Open to all; Classes 4-9 C Grade (that is all exhibitors who do not participate in 10) Class 10 - Novice Exhibitors; Classes 11 - 13 Open to All
- 8. Please ensure that your roses DO NOT have prickles on them. Please remove them prior to bring with you.
- 9. As from April it is expected that all exhibitors of more than two years will stage their own roses in vases supplied and Glynis (when attending) or Jeff will tweek them for you.
- 10. New exhibitors will be assisted as in previous years. It would be appreciated if you use fresh floral foam in your vases as they will hold the roses firmly. Floral foam can be purchased for \$1 per block and dethorners \$5. Please use them in your vases.
- 11. Some exibiting items you may wish to bring with you make a small kit to hold the following a dethorner, your own vase/s (which you have already purchased) or they will be supplied at the meeting, floral foam, a small watering can, a pair of secateurs, a spray bottle for water.
- 12. You will be shown how to cut and utilize your floral foam sparingly. Unless you are setting up your roses at home do not cut or soak your floral foam until you actually going to use it. Floral foam deteriorates after being soaked in water.
- 13. There will be 20 vases available for purchase. These are the same vases that are used on the Monthly Show Bench or as extras at the NBMH Regional Show. This means that that you can stage your flowers at home to save time instead of doing at the meeting ad at the end of the meeting you can take you flowers and vases with you. It also means you can use them at home to practise with. Cost will be \$2 each.

- 14. If you can please print out a copy of the Schedule and bring it with you to the meeting so that you can see the classes you will be entering.
- 15. Note that I have included the variety (cultivar) of roses that can be used in the classes.
- 16. It is important to note that floridbundas cannot be used in Classes 5, 6, 7, 8. If you do you will be not receive points for your unit. Meaning you will be disqualified and although judges do not like doing this it is to ensure you have read your schedules and understand the Class requirement.
- 17. There are exhibitor cards which you can find on the bench on which you will write the Month and Year, Class you are entering and Name of Rose on the front on the card. If you do not know the name of the rose please put Unknown. On the back of the card please put your name so we may identify it for points.
- 18. Only your top score will be used in the classes towards your points-score regardiess of the number of enteries per class entered.
- 19. Three entries per class allowed that means three separate vases per class.
- 20. If it is an Australian Bred Rose in most cases the exhibitors' cards will have an Australian Flag on it.
- 21. Please note that the Monthly Show Bench is to assist you in recognising roses, learning to exhibit if you would like to taking away the mystique of showing, a friendly and constructive way to show and at the NBMH Regional we encourage all our members to have a go. We do asked that you familiarise yourself with the rules etc. so that understanding what is expected makes it easier for you.
- 22. Please arrive by 9.30am for the meeting as you will be assisted in staging your roses. Arriving almost at 10am will prevent the meeting from starting on time.

Standard Units of the Rose Society of New South Wales Inc.

A Standard Unit of roses is a higher order one that contains blooms of the same cultivar. It is a unit eligible for a Championship Award, Champion Ribbon or any other Champion or Championship Award given to it by the sponsors or authorities of the particular show it is awarded in.

- 1. A vase of Hybrid Tea Exhibition Rose 1 stem
- 2. A vase of Hybrid Tea Bunch Roses, 3 stems, same cultivar
- 3. A vase of Hybrid Tea Bunch Roses, 5 stems, same cultivar
- 4. A vase of Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora Modern Decorative Roses, 3 stems and/or cuts, same cultivar
- 5. A vase of Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora Modern Decorative Roses, 4-6 stems and/ or cuts, same cultivar, minimum of 10 blooms
- 6. A vase of Bud to Hybrid Tea Full Bloom Roses, 4 stages, same cultivar
- 7. A vase of Hybrid Tea Full Bloom Roses, 3 stems, same cultivar
- 8. A vase of Grandiflora Bud to Full Bloom Grandiflora Roses, 4 stages, same cultivar
- 9. A vase of Grandiflora Roses, 1-6 cuts/stems

- 10. A vase of Grandiflora Full Bloom Roses, 3 stems, same cultivar
- 11. A vase of Australian Roses
- 12. A vase of Floribunda Roses, 1-6 stems and/or cuts, same cultivar, minimum of 10 blooms
- 13. A vase of Floribunda Roses, up to 25 blooms, unlimited stems and/or cuts, same cultivar
- 14. A vase of Shrub Roses, 1-6 stems and/or cuts, same cultivar
- 15. A vase of Miniflora Roses, 4-6 stems and/or cuts, same cultivar, minimum of
- 10 blooms
- 16. A vase of Miniflora Roses, 3 stems and/or cuts, same cultivar
- 17. A vase of Miniflora Roses, 5 stems, same cultivar, displaying bunch form
- 18. A vase of Miniflora Bud to Full Bloom Roses, 4 stages, same cultivar
- 19. A vase of Miniflora Full Bloom Roses, 3 stems, same cultivar
- 20. A vase of Miniature Roses, 3 stems and/or cuts, same cultivar
- 21. A vase of Miniature Roses, 4-6 stems and/or cuts, same cultivar, minimum of 10 blooms
- 22. A vase of Miniature Roses, 5 stems, same cultivar, displaying Bunch form
- 23. A vase of Miniature Bud to Full Bloom Roses, 4 stages, same cultivar
- 24. A vase of Miniature Full Bloom Roses, 3 stems, same cultivar

Cultural Notes

Included is the article of Curl Grub written by Gary Wootton as over the past few monthly some of my roses in my front garden appeared to be losing their vigour and were dying. After much work with fertilizers etc. this was still happening. I then dug five of them up it looked like they had crown gall. After many a discussion with my husband and investigating a product to get rid of the gall we concluded that it may not have been it. So I had the soil removed for as to replace with fresh soil found curl grubs in the soil. It is not unusual for curl grub to get into garden beds and soil as it is more of a common problem with plants in pots particularly roses.

I will be replacing the holes with new garden soil purchased from a supplier and then drench each rose with a solution of Neem oil and the Curl Grub as advised. Hopefully, the other four roses not doing well will recover and improve.

Happy rose growing!!! Glynis

Copies of Prickles

"Prickles" was set up as an electronic based newsletter for Regional Members to keep costs down. However, we understand some members do not have email but would still like to receive this newsletter. If you wish to receive a printed copy of "Prickles" please supply Glynis with self addressed and stamped envelopes for six months and she will print a copy and post it to you.

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White Curl Grub

Today, I would like to talk about the destructive White Curl Grub, or cockchafer in the southern states, as we are getting close to their breeding cycle and therefore the treatment cycle. I would like to look at the Grub itself and the treatments available to eradicate and the preventive control measures for the Grub. The Curl Grub is the C-shaped larvae, of the adult beetle from the Scarabaeidae family.

Description: White and, as the name suggests, sort of curly (more C shaped to be precise) with three pairs of legs during the destructive juvenile stage.



They will grow to about 25 – 30mm in length, and is often confused with the Aussie'witchetty grub'. As an adult scarab type beetle, often known as an African Black Beetle, as an adult they are less damaging to your plants.

Cycle: As an adult beetle, they mate and lay eggs throughout the spring. They hatch as a grub, eat through summer, pupate in autumn and rest over winter.

Likes: They can't resist the roots of potted plants (maybe because the potting mix is softer and makes for easier movement), especially when they are older larva (a teenager to be precise). When younger, they feed on decaying organic matter, which is normally connected to the root system of your plants. They especially love long periods of dry weather (these conditions also help with the main eradication method that we will cover shortly), which is the ideal conditions to feast on your plant roots.

by Gary Wootton

Dislikes: Being immersed in water, they have difficulty in pupating in the wet, especially when one of the following is added to the water:

- Tea Tree Oil, add a few drops, to one litre of water,
- Biodegradable Detergent, add a few drops, to one litre of water, (See notes in the preventative measures section concerning this product),
- Molasses Mixture, one teaspoon to one litre of water, or Eco-neem, quantities as listed on the container.

Eradication: To eradicate this pest you could try one of the following methods, some methods are effective by themselves, or in conjunction with each other:

* Fill a container of water to the level of the top of the pot, then

fill the pot also with water, until the potting mix is saturated, leave for a few minutes (time will of course depend on pot size, potting mix used). The grub will move to the top of the pot in an effort to escape the emergence of the water, were they can be collected for disposal. Any of the above additives may be added to terminate any grubs missed in the saturation exercise. I like this method as there is no requirement to find that you have the grub, to take this preventative measure, or

* If you have found that you have the grub in your pots, remove the potting mix (and the grub) from your pot and re-pot the plant, with new potting mix, do not use the same mix, as the unseen larva may still be present.

Preventative measures: The use of one or more of the following measures should be employed throughout the year to control reinfestation, especially over the mid-spring to mid-summer periods:

- Neem based products, as they concentrate on chewing and sucking insects, used as a drench within the pots should control them,
- Biodegradable detergents, used as detailed above, (Note: If you try this method, make sure that the detergent you use does not contain chemicals such as fragrances, bleaches, sodium or boron as these, if used repeatedly can harm soil micro biota and

increase alkalinity. Don't be tempted to use this method on garden beds.), or

 Keep your pots well irrigated, especially over spring and summer. (Water restrictions permitting) as the adult doesn't like to lay eggs in wet spots.

Non-invasive measures: A method of deterring the adult beetle, from laying eggs throughout the spring in your pots, is the application of fine mulch to the tops of your exposed pots, I find the application of Lucerne chaff to the top of my pots deters the adult beetle from laying its eggs in my pots, with the added advantage of braking down to impart useful nutrients into the potting mix.

Some other advantages are as follows:

- * contains high levels of protein,
- provides many important minerals, including potassium, calcium, iron, folic acid,
- * suppresses weeds,
- * conserves moisture,
- * keeps soil cool in summer and warm in winter, and
- * stimulates healthy root growth,

Conclusion: The above gives methods of organic prevention and control methods to help keep the destructive juvenile curl grub at bay. Remember to make sure to apply treatments from midspring to mid-summer when larvae are emerging from eggs.

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Budding Roses by Jim Cunningham February 2020

Growing Roses from Cuttings by Gary Wootten March 2021

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Points

 Blooms to be fresh & clean.
Blooms dominant feature of exhibit .

> Cultivar named.
> Blooms evenly spaced.
> Foliage to be clean & fresh.
> Blooms to be the same size & half open.
> Stems-no side buds.

*Permission is given for non-profit education purposes as long as accredication is given.

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Exhibiting Roses by Doug & Glynis Hayne

dging Points Blooms and foliage to be sh, clean and undamaged Blooms to be minant feature Permission is is given for non profit education use as long as accredication is recorded.

Cultivar med Blooms enly spaced d not touching Blooms to be typic the type with various stages development preferred No crushing or excessive ps

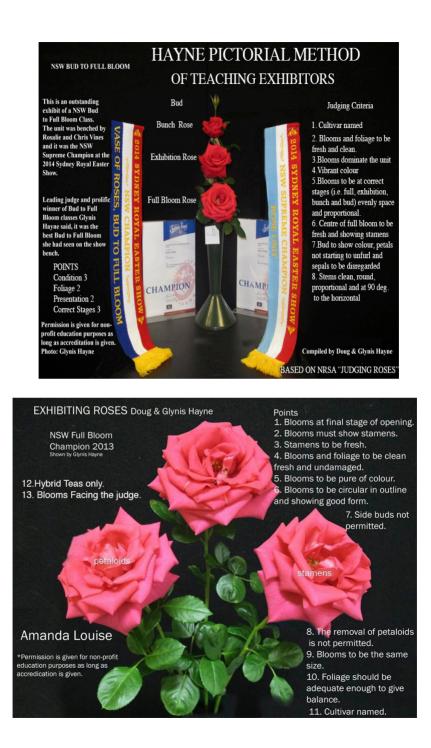
Unit to be balanced for size, ight and width.

Blooms to be pure of colour Number of blooms up to 25

Dr Bruce Chapman

A vase of Floribunda Rose up to 25 blooms, unlimited stems and/or cuts, same cultivar

POINTS ALLOCATION :Condition 4, Beauty 3,Foliage 2 and Presentation



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Bush Tucker	20kg	\$33.00		
Cock 'n' Bull	30L bag	\$8.00		
GOGO Juice NEW ONLINE	20L	\$130.00		
GOGO Juice Ready to use spray pack	2L	\$17.00		
GOGO Juice Concentrate	1L	\$11.00		
GOGO Juice Concentrate	5L	\$38.00		
Gyganic	20kg	\$33.00		
Kahoona	20kg	\$33.00		
Nincompoop	25L bag	\$7.00		
Rapid Raiser	20kg	\$16.00		
Rocket Fuel	15kg	\$15.00		
Rooster Booster	20kg	\$13.00		
Seamungus	20kg	\$22.00		
Seamungus Green	20kg	\$25.00		
Seamungus Concentrate	1L	\$11.00		
Seamungus Concentrate NEW ONLINE	20L	\$130.00		
Seamungus Concentrate	5L	\$38.00		
Strike Back for Orchids	20kg	\$33.00		
Strike Back for Orchids Concentrate	1L	\$11.00		
Strike Back for Orchids Concentrate NEW ONLINE	20L	\$130.00		
Strike Back for Orchids Concentrate	5L	\$38.00		
Sudden Impact for Lawns	20kg	\$33.00		
Sudden Impact for Roses	20kg	\$33.00		
Sudden Impact for Roses FINES	20kg	\$33.00		
Sudden Impact for Roses Conc.	1L	\$11.00		
Sudden Impact for Roses Conc. NEW ONLINE	20L	\$145.00		
Sudden Impact for Roses Conc.	5L	\$38.00		
Upsurge Boosted Lawn Food	7.5kg	\$18.00		
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Whoflungdung Super Mulch	20L	\$15.00	T	

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