

# Southern Highlands Regional Rose Society

## April 2025 Newsletter



Signature Rose Best Friend

### *Congratulations Southern Highlands Rose Society.*



In spite of naysayers from other Rose Society Regions we put on a very successful show.

Even though the RSL was tardy in setting up the Alexandra room, our room preparation was streamlined.

The judging was completed well ahead of schedule.

Thank-you stewards, Robyn & Peter Miller, Pam Mildwater, Roz Wootton, assistants Liz Patton, Jennifer Jackson and Catherine Kyngdon.

The calligraphers Brian and Intan with their result checkers Jeff Lawrence and Stefica were so effective and efficient.

The Miniature Show room was ready for public viewing well before noon with exhibition winners and championship ribbons displayed. The room was a fantastic display!

The judges Ted Morphet, Alex Ross and Deidre Hill provided their assistants very valuable presentation information explaining the reasoning behind judging decisions.

Roz Mulligan and Debbie Darling competently organised exhibitors in the Joadja Room.

The raffle teams excelled. Thank you all who manned the desk from go to close. We made \$442.!!!

The clean up at day's end was stunningly streamlined. All completed in less than fifteen minutes.

Many hands made light work.

*You have no idea how proud I am of the Southern Highlands Rose Society.*

***Our young and inexperienced Society also performed on the Show Bench.***

Congratulations Jeff Lawrence Novice and Reserve Champion.

Pam Mildwater the Floral Design Champion.

Roz Mulligan Reserve Champion.

And all other members who won places. Well done!

To all exhibitors a big thank you for your support. You did give it a go. You are all champions in my eyes.

This month's guest speaker is Deidre Hill the Miniature Show Floral Design judge.

I thought basic design tips would provide great revision after our show experience.

Please do not forget that your Neutrog order closes April 14th 8 am.

***We did it!!***

*Annette*  
Your Chairperson

## 2025 Miniature Rose Show

### Colin Hollis' post on Facebook



Colin Hollis

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Congratulations to the members of Southern Highlands Rose Society on the success of Australia's only Miniature and Miniflora Rose Show . The show, which concluded today, Was a great success Special credit to the wonderful Annette Lane , Chair of the Southern Highlands Rose Society and the driving force behind the Show , Her wonderful Committee, and the members of the group. Thank you to the exhibitors many who travelled from other regions , including one from Northern NSW . The visitors from our other Regionals , Macarthur, Sydney , Northern Sydney Hunter, southern Sydney and Illawarra , many of the visitors helping out .Our State Executive, President, Vice President and Secretary all helped out during the two days . Thank you all who promoted the show including Grahame Ross and a special thank you to Mittagong TSL club thank you also to the judge It was a wonderful weekend enjoyed by many . So again my sincere thanks and Congratulations to Southern Highlands Rose Society



## Moss Roses

I thought you might like to see something different to miniature roses.

This is the moss rose James Vietch dating back to 1865.

Moss roses have the sepals and flower stalks thickly covered with bristles and soft downy glands resembling moss.

Unlike most moss roses James Vietch is very fragrant. The flowers are intense crimson.

Also unlike most moss roses that only flower in spring James Vietch is flowering for the third time.

James Vietch is growing in a pot in full sun on my patio. I purchased my plant bare rooted from Ross Roses last August.



I am thrilled with James Vietch.

*Annette*





## Our Members Choice Show Bench



**Double Delight**

*Tied 1st : Liz Patton*



**Just Joey**

*Tied 1st : Robyn Miller*



**Seduction**

*1st: Robyn Miller*



**Thankyou Rose**

*Tied 2nd: Annette Lane*



**As Good As It Gets**

*Tied 2nd: Marilyn & Noel Dickinson*

## 2025 Miniature Rose Show

*Congratulations to our members who won places on the day!!*

### B & C Grade:

1 vase of miniature roses, 3 cuts or stems, same cultivar

Annette Lane 2nd

1 vase of miniature roses, 4-6 cuts and/or stems

Annette Lane 1st

Robyn & Peter Miller 2nd

### Australian Bred Miniature/Type Roses

1 vase 3 Fully Open roses, miniflora must show stamens

Annette Lane 2nd

1 cut of miniature, minimum 3 blooms

Jo Babb 1st

1 vase miniflora roses 4-6 cuts/stems, min. 10 blooms, same cultivar

Annette Lane 1st

1 vase miniflora, 3 cuts/stems, same cultivar

Annette Lane 2nd

### Miscellaneous

1 potted miniflora rose, not exceeding 200mm pot, in bloom

Annette Lane 1st

### Novice

1 stem/cut miniflora rose

Roz Wootton 1st

Jo Babb 2nd

1 stem/cut of miniature rose

Jeff Lawrence 1st & 2nd

1 vase polyantha rose

Judy Foy 1st

Roz Wootton 2nd

1 m/t rose in a pot

Debbie Darling 1st





## 2025 Miniature Rose Show cont.

### Floral Design

*Weathered Wood & Succulents*  
Pam Mildwater 1st

*Vertical*  
Pam Mildwater 1st  
Roz Wootton 2nd

*Roses contained in Glass*  
Roz Mulligan 1st

*Autumn*  
Jo Babb 1st



left to right:  
Catherine Kyngdon, Jeff Lawrence and Liz Patton



left to right: Peter Miller, Jo Babb and Annette Lane

## *The Show Bench*

*Each month at our meetings we encourage you to bring along your beautiful rose blooms to share your joy with fellow members. A single bloom or a vase arrangement featuring the rose (or both) will enhance our meeting discussion.*

*Members are asked to vote for their favourite presentation.*

*Tallies are added up at the end of each year with the winners in each category receiving a garden centre voucher.*

### **2025 Advocate Store Deadlines**

**Winter** — Order by 14th April 2025, 8am ACST

**Spring** — Order by 14th July 2025, 8am ACST

**Summer** — Order by 13th October 2025, 8am ACST

