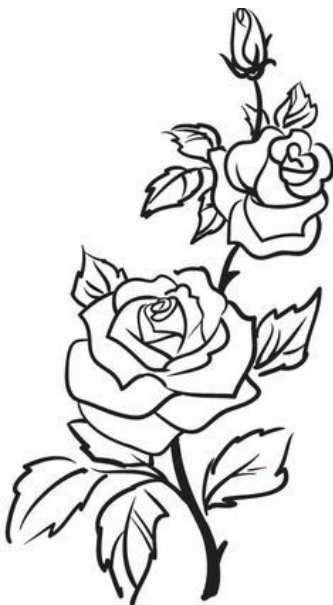


Sydney Regional Rose News

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Monthly meetings
are held on the first
Friday
of each month
starting at 8 p.m. at
the
Newington
Community Centre,
Cnr Avenue of
Europe & Avenue of
Asia
Newington

**Visitors are
welcome**

Meeting nights

Friday, June 3, 2022 @ 8.00 p.m.

at the Newington Community Centre

Friday, 1 July, 2022 @ 8.00 p.m.

at the Newington Community Centre

It is anticipated that these meetings will go ahead.

If in doubt, please check with Jacqueline on 9872 1862

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CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Welcome to the new members who joined recently at the Sydney Royal Easter Show. We hope to see you at a meeting.

If you want to buy **Neutrog product at the cheaper Society prices you will need to take notice of the below paragraph.** I feel sure the buying of fertilizer at a **CHEAPER PRICE** was mentioned when you joined. The next **ordering period for Neutrog product via Sydney Regional will be between 6th June and 8th August 2022.** You still have ample time to contact Neutrog and open your ordering account and see what specials they have on offer. You may also get some specials during the same period which will be delivered with your order. If you want more information please contact Neutrog, phone 1800 656 644 for information. Collection of your order will be at Baulkham Hills at a member's house in September.

Do you want to join our Facebook page? We can be found as Sydney Rose Group on Facebook. As stated earlier the page will start being for our Regional members only with it then extending to all members of the Society and invited visitors later. If you want to join, please contact Kerry Hurst, her details are listed on page 1. You can also speak to her at a meeting. The content of the page is growing, lots of good reading and information.

I have written a number of times noting we make sure there is sufficient space

between members, have masks and hand sanitizer available for members who want to use them.

Thank you to the members who sent in the additional Sydney Regional charge of \$10 per family. You can still send your \$10 per family. Reminder information in this magazine.

The zoom connection with Richard Walsh proceeded favourably on Friday evening. We did have a couple of members who joined in electronically to add to those at the meeting. We are hoping to be able to repeat this type of meeting again, it will depend on what topics members want to converse with via a Zoom meeting. Meryl's entry in the floral art looked good, while the rose blooms from Robyn, Ted, Meryl, Ailsa and Braidan looked good on the show bench.

At our May meeting questions pertaining to the Aust. Championships at Kiama were discussed. A discussion on curl grubs hopefully helped members manage infestations. The lawn beetle larvae is the culprit, it likes to eat tender rose roots and can be easily found in the

bottom of pots. The local birdlife will swoop down for a feed if they are left in the open even when still in their casing.

There is a report and photos from members who attended the National Championships at Kiama in this issue. Sorry if I missed seeing you, I hope you enjoyed the blooms on show. Thank you to those Sydney members who worked throughout the three days helping make it a success.

Pruning your roses should be left until August in the Sydney metro area, later if your area suffers from late frost. **There will be a pruning article in the next magazine at the end of July.**

Condolences to Paul Stanley and family upon the death of Kate who was instrumental in the creation of the Upper North Shore and Hills Regional. Also to members of the Regional who have lost a friend.

If you have not been well, we hope your recuperation is quick and that we will see you at a future meeting. Hope to see you soon. Your questions are always welcome, no question is too small. *Jacqueline*

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING SYDNEY REGIONAL

The 55th Annual General Meeting of the
Sydney Regional of the Rose Society of New South Wales Inc.
will be held at 8.00 p.m.
on Friday, 5th August, 2022
at Newington Community Centre,
Cnr Avenue of Europe & Avenue of Asia, Newington

Please try to attend this meeting.

ALL EXECUTIVE AND COMMITTEE POSITIONS
WILL BE DECLARED VACANT
AND NOMINATIONS CAN BE CALLED FOR FROM THE FLOOR.

AGENDA:

1. Confirmation of the minutes of the 54th A.G.M.
2. Presentation of the Treasurer's Report.
3. Presentation of the Chairman's Report.
4. Election of Office Bearers and Committee members for the following year.
5. Election of appointees to State Council of the Rose Society of NSW Inc.
6. To appoint an Auditor for the following year.
7. To appoint a Publicity Officer for the Regional.

The above notice of the 55th Annual General Meeting
has been authorised by Kerry Hurst,
Secretary of the Sydney Regional of the
Rose Society of New South Wales Inc.

MONTHLY SHOW BENCH – 2021-2022

CUMULATIVE POINT SCORE 21-22			
	JULY 2021/JUNE 2022 Classes 1-10	NOVICE ONLY Class 11	EVA LOUISE TROPHY Class 12
Greg & Robyn East	52.00		12.00
Sharon Matthews		6.50	
Ted & Meryl Morphett	51.70		
Braidan Swan	6.00		
Ailsa Wareham			26.90
Ted & Meryl gained the extra 3 points at the last two meetings for their standard unit exhibit that scored the highest points each evening.			
Our monthly meetings are a good place to learn about preparing and putting blooms onto the show bench. If you get the bush growing correctly blooms always follow.			
Roses on the April showbench: 'Bride's Dream', 'Peace', 'Seduction', 'Tineke'			
Roses on the May showbench: 'Baronne E de Rothschild', 'Burgundy Iceberg', 'Chaucer', 'Crystal Fairy', 'Diana, Princess of Wales', 'Dwarf Fairy', 'Elina', 'Fairytale Queen', 'Gemini', 'Irresistible', 'Joyfulness', 'Kardinal', 'Little White Pet', 'Mandarin', 'Seduction', 'Signature', 'Tineke', 'Tuscan Sun'.			
<i>FLORAL ART</i> - Meryl Morphett – 20 points			
<i>BEGINNERS OR NOVICES</i>			
Class 11 is expressly for Novices. You are invited to place <u>one stem or cut of any rose variety</u> in this class. A cut carries one bloom and bud / buds or more than one bloom with or without side buds. A stem has one developed flower, i.e. no bud or flower has been removed to encourage growth in the remaining bloom. Any new member can enter into this class.			

EXTRA CLASS

Any potted plant in a pot up to 30cms (12") diameter.

Where is your competitive spirit?

The above class of a potted plant operates all year round.

SOIL TESTER

Do you have the means to easily test the PH level in your rose garden?. We have a PH soil test meter. Just push it into moist soil wait a few minutes and the answer appears on a dial at the top of the unit. If and when you borrow the unit you will be expected to return it in good condition. If it is lost, broken or damaged while in your possession you will be held responsible to replace the unit. A register to record each member as they borrow the tester will be kept and the borrower will need to return the tester to the Chairman at her home or at the following monthly Friday meeting.

<p style="text-align: center;"><i>FLORAL ART</i> <i>JUNE 2022</i> 'Winter Begins' Any embellishments</p>	<p style="text-align: center;"><i>FLORAL ART</i> <i>JULY 2022</i> 'Weather Forecast' Any flowers, any embellishments.</p>
<p>In Floral Art you do not necessarily have to have grown the flower or foliage used in arrangements. Bare branches can signify Winter or white flowers to give the feeling of cold or snow. Winter can signify a minimum of material. Winter bulbs can be used out of their pots or soil and replanted the following day to continue their growth. Camellia blooms are Winter flowers that go well with weathered branches or driftwood. Foliage/s from your garden will go well for the title 'Winter Begins'. You do not need to have flowers in your arrangement this month, so, foliage that is colourful, glossy, dull or strappy can be used (foliage arrangement). A good mix of various foliages can create a stunning design. Your focal area can be filled with colourful eye-catching foliage surrounded by complementary foliage. A dried large summer flower (etc.) could be used with a few leaves or twigs to make a Modern Design. Artificial colouring of the bloom is not allowed. You do not want to present a design fully comprised of dried material unless there is some colourful component.</p>	<p>You have a wide choice of design this month. Will it be cold and windy, expecting some snow, early Spring, days of rain ahead, etc. You do not have to keep it to Winter as Winter is not mentioned in the title. You need to state the forecast. If you think it will be windy, then your design should give the impression of wind in your design, leaning a certain way or being twisted together by the breeze. Twigs and vines can be used to help with the windy forecast. Maybe it will be leaning left to suit the materials on hand. Vertical could be a tornado or whirlpool. Your imagination is needed for this title.</p>

CULTURAL NOTES

Have you placed your order for those new rose bushes? Have you had time to prepare the new garden bed, new rose hole with fresh soil or the soil for those pots? You still have time to clean and sharpen your secateurs and pruning saw in preparation for pruning time in August if you live in a frost-free area, if not wait until the end of the frost period which may be September. Pruning guidelines will be printed and images shown in the next magazine due at the end of July. Frost on new tender shoots will turn them brown and you will have to wait for replacement new shoots to appear. **There will be a video about pruning at our June 3rd meeting allowing ample time to organise your pruning plan.**

Optimum growing conditions require 6-8 hours of direct sunlight each day. Some floribunda types will tolerate a little shade but sun and rose bushes go together. Floribunda cultivars will give greater continuity of bloom and are usually more tolerant to inclement weather than hybrid tea roses, but it is best not to

try to get the best of both worlds by planting them together in the same bed, as their growth habit can be so different.

Do you have a bush that isn't looking happy in its present position? It has a special spot in your heart and you would like to keep it. It may be in the wrong soil type – too wet or too dry, not enough sun, too windy, there are some bushes that confound the gardener. Will it be happier in a pot, so try before spade pruning. **If you have a diseased bush, turf it out! Spade pruning - to the compost bin or garbage.** This action may seem extreme but why spend time and money to keep a non growing rose holding a spot that could be more productive with a new rose bush.

If you want to re-use the same space you need to remove all roots and take about a barrow full of soil from the area and fill the hole with good garden spoil. Place the removed soil in another part of your garden away from your roses. Some rosarians do not remove any

soil, as they are just moving a bush to a different location not discarding it because it has died or is diseased.

If the removed rose is going into a pot make sure the pot is larger than the root ball.

Prepare the soil in advance as mentioned in earlier issues. It is best to remove and replant into a pot in the cooler months not in the heat of Summer. The bush will need to be pruned and the roots trimmed. Inspection of the existing roots are important as damaged roots need to be trimmed. Leaving them damaged (untrimmed) will allow disease to enter into the plant.

If you find curl grubs in your garden and pots you will need to apply the treatment for Brown Lawn Beetles which is available at all good nurseries and garden centres. Follow the instructions supplied on the bottle. Maybe they did not like the drowning conditions in the lawn and moved house. The evidence of these culprits is failure to grow, even start to die, as they feed on the roots of the plant. You may see brown

patches in your lawn and these grubs will be found just under the surface.

If you have a garden bed that is not working well in growing roses then you may need to have your soil tested. The right soil ph is important along with the growing medium helping the soil hold moisture and nutrients. If you have over fertilized the garden your plants may suffer from a lack of vigour and deteriorate. This could have happened owing to having too much fertilizer in the soil. It is assumed that the heavy rain would have flushed out some of the fertilizer and the build-up would now be less. In any case a soil test may be the best option. Too much of a particular nutrient can cause a problem within the soil and fertilizer is locked out from the plant's roots. If your roses are growing well, and the ph is right leave them alone.

If you need more advice about pruning or other problems in your rose garden please contact any one of the Rose Consultants listed in this magazine.

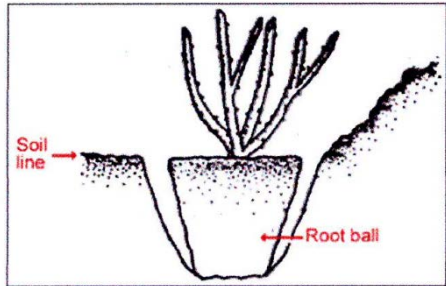
PLANTING A POTTED ROSE

Container grown rose bushes can be planted anytime but the cooler weather allows them to settle in before the next flowering period.

Make sure the soil is moist before removing it from the pot.

Bare-rooted plants need longer to settle in than potted ones, as their roots need to develop and grow. This will not happen until the soil starts to get warm.

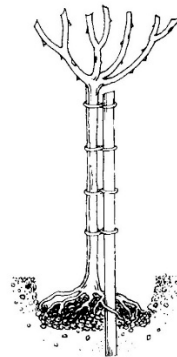
When planting container grown plants you make the hole wider than the width of the pot and slightly deeper. Use the pot to make sure of the width and depth. You want the top of the pot soil to be at the same height as the edge of the hole. You need to encourage the roots to leave the



root ball of the pot so the surrounding soil needs to be friable for the roots to extend and grow successfully so be careful of the surrounding soil type. You may need to slightly ease roots away from the root ball into the new soil being added

Trim off any damaged roots with sharp secateurs. Hold the root ball firmly, backfill with the prepared soil. Three quarter fill the space then gently fill the void with water and allow the soil to settle then top up with more soil. Water again. Do not stamp down on the soil.

Remember to put the stake in first before planting a standard (tree rose) bush. The stake needs to go just under the top bud union. Tie to the stake in a figure 8 fashion using soft pliable material, e.g., stocking. Standard roses are not bush roses. Bush roses are located at ground level while standards are long stems with a grafted rose variety at the top.



PLANTING AND CHOOSING A BARE ROOT ROSE

When choosing a bare root rose the canes should be plump, not wrinkled. The roots should be moist inside the packet.

PROPER LOCATION (Sun, air circulation) Place your bare root roses where they will get at least 6 hours of direct sunlight and good air circulation (but not in strong wind).

PREPARED SOIL: Option

A: Incorporated manure and compost with maybe blood and bone added or/and Seamungus. Watered weekly before planting. About 6 weeks ago.

Option B: with planting mix or aged compost, planting immediately is okay because your added soil is already compost and the incorporated blood and bone, etc., will be there when needed by the fine new roots. Some add a layer of Seamungus onto the mound so there is food for the new growing plant. Be careful in what you add as strong fertilizer will

burn the new roots. Blood and Bone is a slow release additive.

TOOLS & SUPPLIES: Shovel, pruners, a large bucket or similar container for holding the bare root roses. Soak roots in water for 24 hours or heel them in by temporarily planting in loose moist soil (up to a week). Remove from packing material before soaking in bucket or heeling them into the ground.

TRIM BROKEN ROOTS OR

CANES: Treat with bleach (optional). Solution of 10% sodium hypochlorite bleach (1 part bleach to 9 parts water). You can dunk your bare root roses in this 10% solution, wetting them completely and then air-dry (on spread-out newspapers). Be careful when disposing of bleach! Trim any broken roots as these breaks may allow disease to enter. Trim off any broken tips of canes or ends that do not look clean.

DIG A GENEROUS HOLE: or use an ample container large enough to spread out the plant's roots without cutting or bending them. For bush roses,

like hybrid teas, dig a hole 60cms deep and 60cms wide or at least 45cms deep and wide.

RICH SANDY LOAM Use potting soil or add planting mix to sandy topsoil (1 part mix to 2 parts soil).

SUPPORT ROOT

STRUTURE: Mound the soil to form a solid pyramid of soil or container and spread the roots over it.

BUD UNION POSITON: The plant's bud union or "graft" should be slightly higher than the surrounding soil, about 100 - 150mms. Fill hole with soil mix, firming as you go, up to existing soil level.

WATERING BASIN: Form a dam around the perimeter of the hole. Water thoroughly, right after planting, to settle the soil. Try "puddling in" - take a watering hose put a nozzle on it, turn it on to get a good stream and plunge it in around the roots in several places. The water will find any air pockets and flush them out letting soil fill the spaces.

MOUNDING: Some rose experts recommend that you cover the newly planted rose almost completely with mulch uncovering it only after new growth starts.

KEEP SOIL JUST MOIST until new top growth appears and then as needed to keep growth continuing. Your new roses will not require much watering until new leaves appear.

SYDNEY REGIONAL ADDITIONAL PAYMENT

From the Regional Committee

It has been the normal position for all Sydney members to pay an additional amount to help cover the running costs of this Regional.

The amount for this calendar year is \$10.00. It is payable NOW and will be re-negotiated early in 2023. This amount is less than some earlier years of \$15.00.

This payment covers one or two persons at the same address.

You can make a direct deposit into our account at the ANZ bank BSB 012 branch 263 account number 0086 88516

or pay at a monthly meeting. If making a direct deposit please reference your membership number or surname so your payment can be noted.

We do not receive any funds from your membership payment to cover the expenses incurred during the holding of meetings, raffles, printing and postage, etc. When you attend a meeting, you find out information about growing roses, meet people who also love roses as well as helping fund this regional from raffle and supper income. We understand some members live a great distance from Newington and may find it hard to get to a meeting each month, but we are there for you.

RENEWAL OF MEMBERSHIP - DUE 1ST JULY, 2022

The cost of renewal this year has risen. For a single membership it will be \$40 and for dual membership it will be \$45.00. Associated membership will be \$40. Junior membership will be \$5. Please check your membership card for the expiry date and year.

If you joined via Wagner's Nursery or at the Sydney Royal Easter Show your membership is financial until 30th June 2023 as printed on your membership card. All members from now on will only be supplied with one membership card on joining or original issue for longer standing members. If you have lost your card you will need to apply for a new one at an additional charge. You can find out your membership number by contacting Sydney Regional Secretary, Kerry Hurst or myself, Jacqueline Tweedie.

Payment is via the usual means of direct bank deposit or from a Regional meeting. Your membership number is important so please reference your membership number with payment. The banking account details are on the membership card. Please ignore the postal address as Ralph Parsons is no longer involved with accepting payment. The new address is Mrs. G Hayne, 25 Forbes St, Emu Plains, 2750
All the above information is available on the Society web page.

KIAMA NATIONAL ROSE SHOW 30 APRIL – 1 MAY 2022

Exhibitors' gardens often surprise with their bloom production. After all the rain and cloudy days blooms were presented for judging at Kiama. Congratulations to all exhibitors and winners.

Once the rain cleared on the Saturday at lunchtime the visitors arrived. See the presentation photo of the trophy donated by Sydney to the winner for his Grand Champion Unit at the show. Gavin Woods drove from South Australia with blooms in boxes for exhibiting.



The whole event had members very busy setting up the show benches, floral displays, table centres for the dinner, club foyer and stage arrangements. I think some workers did manage to sit down for one of the lectures or floral design demonstration.

The Saturday Night three course dinner and the different style of entertainment was very good.



At the farewell gathering on the Sunday evening Jim presented Gavin Woods with the prize donated by Sydney Regional.



The winning rose pictured is 'Veterans Honour' also known as 'City of Newcastle' and was shown in Class 2, along with 'Marijke Koopman,' 'Dame Elizabeth Murdoch,' 'Magic Show,' 'Delicious' and 'Gemini' by Gavin Woods.

2022 ROYAL EASTER SHOW REPORT

Sydney Regional members, Ted and Meryl, Greg and Robyn gained awards over the three days of the Royal. I have included an assortment of images for you to view. The images cover days 1 & 2



THE CUNNINGHAMS HAVE DOWNSIZED

Lifestyles do change as we grow older. Gardeners who suffer from arthritis or from debilitating problems know how painful it is to labour on hands and knees. Or in a stooping position for hours tending to plants at ground level. Why not do something about it?

But time marches on and the effort necessary to maintain a pristine garden gradually takes its toll. We had to make some compromises. Weekly spraying became fortnightly and later monthly, other interests like more long weekends away from home and grandchildren activities took up more of our busy social life. Similar to downsizing our garden we realized over the years that the house was needing more maintenance that was not part of our future plans. Serious decisions must be made.

Some of our friends strongly recommended downsizing, life can't get any better they said.

We had done some research over time, we decided on a

nearby retirement village that ticked most of the boxes, close to our friends and family. It would also suit our future needs.

Retirement living is an investment in ourselves, our lifestyle and our health and wellbeing.

We decided to take all our miniature type roses with us. Essential maintenance with minis is small scale and demands little physical effort especially on flower pot stands at hip level. Feeding is simple and spraying can be carried out with a trigger pack.

There is a definite surge in the popularity of miniature roses. I must admit that I am an enthusiast of minis and they give such good value for money. They are excellent for those who cannot for one reason or another follow our passion for roses in the scale we used to. Just because we don't grow any large roses doesn't mean we don't like them anymore. I still research all types of roses,

discuss with fellow members and enjoy my voluntary work on roses in the village community gardens. This is part of our life. Our energy might be slowing but the passion for roses continues.

Our smaller rose garden makeover is complete and sensibly downsized, pleasure has returned and penance has wilted.

It is eighteen months since we moved, we have a lot less work to do and a lot more quality leisure time. We moved on and couldn't be happier. Jim & Pat



ELECTRONIC INFORMATION HIGHWAY

The web address is www.nsw.rose.org.au
It has been designed to be interactive with anyone who locks on from anywhere. Member information about events, Rose Consultants, photos of various roses from around the State submitted by members. Log in, will be 'remember' The password is printed in each edition of the NSW Rose quarterly.

THE 'CHARLES MALLERIN' ROSE

I was reading Ludwig's December Newsletter when I was struck by the photo of the 'Charles Mallerin' rose. 'Mister Lincoln' and 'Papa Meilland' are favourite roses of mine and I grow both. Maybe at some time I've also grown 'Oklahoma' but if so, it departed a long time ago.

I quote Ludwig: 'Charles Mallerin' used to be the favourite red in the fifties. After fathering 'Papa Meilland', 'Mister Lincoln' and 'Oklahoma' it went into retirement.

From 'Helpmefind' on the internet:

Dark red Hybrid Tea.

Registration name: 'Charles Mallerin'
(Hybrid Tea, Meilland, before 1947)
Bred by Francis Meilland (1912-1958)
(France, before 1947).



Introduced in France by Meilland et Cie in 1947 as 'Charles Mallerin'.

Introduced in United Kingdom by Wheatcroft Brothers Ltd. in 1948 as 'Charles Mallerin'.

Introduced in Australia by Hazlewood Bros. Pty. Ltd. in 1950 as 'Charles Mallerin'.

Introduced in United States by Conard-Pyle (Star Roses) in 1951 as 'Charles Mallerin'.

Hybrid Tea.

Crimson, darker shading, red reverse. Blackish crimson, rich texture, sparse bloomer. Strong, damask, fruity fragrance. 35 to 45 petals. Average diameter 15cms (6"). Very large, full (26-40 petals), flat bloom form. Blooms in flushes throughout the season. Tall, armed with thorns / prickles, bushy, upright. Large, matte, dark green, leathery foliage.

Height: 47" (120cm).

Spring Pruning: Remove old canes and dead or diseased wood and cut back canes that cross. In warmer climates, cut back the remaining canes

by about one-third. In colder areas, you'll probably find you'll have to prune a little more than that.

Parentage: (Rome Glory x Congo) x Tassin

(explanation for those not familiar with rose terminology,

Seed cultivar was (Rome Glory x Congo)

plant pollen supply from Tassin results Charles Mallerin).

'Charles Mallerin' grows in a lopsided and awkward manner. It produces few basal breaks and few side stems. It defoliates early losing the lower leaves quickly. The blooming stems are very long. The rose labeled as 'Charles Mallerin' at the San Jose Heritage Rose Garden may be 'Mrs. F.W. Sanford'.

(end of quotes from the internet)

So, it was introduced into Australia by Hazlewood Bros in 1950 which is the time that Don Campton worked there. The 1953 Hazlewood catalogue states that 'it has large fragrant dark crimson blooms with a high centre. Strong leathery foliage and a free flowering habit after the style of 'Rouge Mallerin', but a much better grower'.

Don Campton remembers the rose well. 'It was the first of the deep red roses' he said. 'A strong, upright grower, the only fault as far as I was concerned, was that it defoliated early – not unlike 'Papa Meilland'. All red roses seem to get lost more easily – for instance 'Papa Meilland' became more popular than 'Charles Mallerin'. As far as Don can remember, 'Charles Mallerin' never hit the show benches despite it being a 'damn good garden rose'. For quite some time, 'Charles Mallerin' was the number one red rose requested in customers' orders. 'Tassin' is another example of red roses only having a brief window of fame – like 'Charles Mallerin' it, too, came and went.

A politician visited a village and asked what their needs were. The village leader replied: "We have two basic needs, honourable sir. Firstly, we have a hospital, but no doctor." On hearing this the politician brought out his mobile phone. He spoke to someone for some time and then told the villagers that there would be a resident doctor starting in the village the next day.

"And what is your next problem?" the politician asked.

"Well, secondly, kind sir", replied the village leader, "We have no mobile coverage anywhere in this village".

COMING EVENTS

June Meeting - 03.06.22

Newington Community Centre 8.00 p.m.

Topic – Pruning video

Raffle – Winter warmer

June Committee meeting – 09.06.22

Castle Hill Vet Hospital 7.00 p.m.

July Meeting - 01.07.22

Newington Community Centre 8.00 p.m.

Topic – Results from the Royal Easter Show and Kiama Show

Raffle – 1L POPUL8 – a new product from Neutrog. See information on last page

July Committee meeting – 07.07.22

Castle Hill Vet Hospital 7.00 p.m.

A.G.M & August Meeting - 05.08.22

Newington Community Centre 8.00 p.m.

Topic – Members' results of Hybridizing efforts

Trading Table – Members' handcrafts / cooking for sale



ROSE CONSULTANTS

The following members of the Rose Society of NSW Inc. are rose growers of both exhibition (show) & garden roses who have kindly agreed to make available to all members their expertise. If you have problems or questions about rose growing, contact the person listed as living closest to your garden.

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SYDNEY REGIONAL

THREE MONTH MEETING CALENDAR

Please place this note in a prominent position to remind you there is a meeting where you are welcome to come along and ask questions about ROSES

FRIDAY 3rd. JUNE 8pm at Newington Community Centre.
We will be showing a video on how to prune roses at the June meeting. Remember you need to wait until after the frosts have finished to prune your roses. August in the Sydney metropolitan area is soon enough. The garden may look untidy, you can do a clean-up, shortening of stems etc. in preparation for the major pruning to come.

FRIDAY 1st. JULY 8pm at Newington Community Centre.
Which cultivars won at the Easter Show and at the Australian National Championships in Kiama. Members will have images from both events to show on a screen. Nominations will be accepted for the AGM meeting

FRIDAY 5th. AUGUST 8pm at Newington Community Centre.
Annual General Meeting followed by usual meeting.
A TRADING TABLE for members' goods will be held. Baking, handicraft, books, plants are all saleable. Money raised will go into Regional funds unless prior commission arrangements are made for the goods.

All edible food to be covered and ingredients listed.

**Phone Jacqueline on 9872 1862
if you require more information.**

Your friends are always welcome



POPUL8 is an Advanced Soil Biological Formula developed and manufactured by Neutrog designed to not only enhance plant growth and nutrient cycling but to also populate and occupy the biological space in the soil and on plant roots which may otherwise be an available space for plant pathogens to inhabit... Hence its name POPUL8.

POPUL8 contains a diverse base microbiome of some 200+ bacteria and fungi, plus a further 40 specifically selected bacteria and fungi have been identified, isolated and added for their specific purpose and beneficial characteristics.

The wide diversity of bacteria and fungi within POPUL8 are not only capable of preventing, inhibiting and suppressing disease-causing plant and soil pathogens, but at the same time are stimulating and enhancing healthy plant growth, both above and below ground.

Application

Dilute 1 capful (40mL) of POPUL8 per 10 litres of water.

10 litres will treat up to 8m² of soil.

Apply during a time of low UV or prior to a rain event if possible (UV and extreme hot and dry conditions will kill many of the microbes).

Water in after application if possible.

Use & Storage

Store in a cool place away from direct sunlight. Do not mix with fungicides or other bactericides. As this mixture contains natural products it will naturally contain a variety of living micro-organisms. Avoid inhalation of spray mist and wash hands after use. Use diluted POPUL8 within one (1) week of dilution.

