

Southern Highlands Regional Rose Society

October 2025 Newsletter



Signature Rose Best Friend

Welcome Rosarian Friends.

At last, it's fun to be in the garden. We have sunshine, flourishing rose bushes and buds soon to bloom.

Thank you Liz, for such a colourful presentation (pictorially and descriptively) of your travels to Japan. You are such an enthusiastic and entertaining speaker and the audience interaction with you was fabulous.

It's official - we have written approval to establish a Renwick Community Rose Garden. This month Stuart Neal will lead a planning workshop to establish the garden. Come with your concepts, questions and concerns so we can establish a working framework.

Intan Kallus worked tirelessly to assist me to prepare the Community Grant Submission seeking financial assistance to establish Renwick Community Rose Garden. As you are aware I am technically handicapped and Intan's ability to accomplish the online submission was amazing. We only had three days to prepare and submit by 4pm Friday September 26th.

Intan was ably supported with input from Jeff Lawrence, Roz Mulligan and Stuart Neal.

A big thank you for your support.

Our official submission number is CFA00047.

All we can do now is HOPE for a successful outcome.

It's nearly show time.

You will find the Show Schedule attached to this newsletter.

Now you are experienced exhibitors after entering last year's in - house show and the NSW Miniature Show this will be a breeze.

The actual rose schedule is identical to last year.

The Floral Design categories are different and entries have to be stimulating.

Read your schedule carefully.

Come to the show prepared and give yourself plenty of time to exhibit your roses.

And enjoy the experience!

Remember October is prime time to fertilise and mulch your precious roses.

Looking forward to seeing you on Wednesday October 15th.

Your chairperson,

Annette



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Subject: Approval to Work on Council Land – Construction and Maintenance of the Proposed Renwick Rose Garden

Dear Ms Lane,

Wingecarribee Shire Council grants consent to the Southern Highlands Rose Society to undertake works on Council land at the Renwick Community Hall grounds, 55 Renwick Drive, Renwick, for the purpose of constructing and maintaining the proposed Rose Garden.

Council will work in partnership with the Society and will provide assistance with the construction and establishment of the gardens.

Should you require any further information, please contact Mr Stuart Neal, Coordinator Open Spaces People and Resources, on (02) 4863 5425 during business hours, Monday to Friday. Please quote the above reference number in all correspondence.

Yours sincerely,

Stuart Neal
Coordinator Open Spaces People and Resources
Wingecarribee Shire Council



Submission CFA00047 received

Thank you. Your submission has been received.

Submission Number: CFA00047

A copy of your submission is attached. You can also return to <https://wingecarribee.smartygrants.com.au> at any time to view your submission, but now that it is submitted it can not be changed.

Thank you,

The team at SmartyGrants

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Gowan Brae

Chris and Ros Bennett have very generously invited our members to start 2026 with an informal meeting in January at their property named Gowan Brae in Burradoo.

Gowan Brae is the garden created by Heritage Rose enthusiast Heather Cant and her husband Richard.

Heather named the property after the rose she endorsed - Gowan Brae.

Heather and Richard developed the garden from a bare paddock over a period of 24 years.

Property size with Federation cottage is 6,475 square meters. Together they planted over 250 varieties of roses.

When Chris and Ros purchased the property in February 2024 the garden had become jaded.

They have worked tirelessly to return Gowan Brae to its former glory with their personal touch.



What an exciting start to 2026!!

Annette



Members Choice Show Bench

Single Bloom



Camellia 'Odoratissima'

1st: Roz Wootton



**Rhododendron
'President Roosevelt'**

2nd: Jeff Lawrence



Camellia 'Brushfield Yellow'

2nd: Roz Wootton

Floral Bowl



Spring Flowers

1st: Catherine Kyngdon



Tulips and Bearded Iris

2nd: 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



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In House Rose Show Schedule – Wednesday 19th November 2025 Renwick Community Centre – Renwick Drive Renwick

Open Class Champion:

- A. Class Exhibition rose
 - 1. One stem exhibition rose.
 - 2. Vase, 3 stems same cultivar
 - 3. 4 stages Bud to Bloom.
- B. Floribunda Roses
 - 4. One cut or stem
 - 5. Vase, 3 cuts or stem same cultivar.

Miniature Champion:

- 6. One stem miniature rose exhibition form
- 7. One vase, 3 miniature roses same cultivar
- 8. One vase, 4 miniature roses same cultivar Bud to Bloom
- 9. One miniflora rose exhibition form.
- 10. One vase, 3 miniflora roses same cultivar
- 11. One vase, 4 miniflora roses same cultivar Bud to Bloom

Novice Champion:

- 12. One Exhibition Rose
- 13. One vase, 3 stems same cultivar hybrid tea or floribunda rose.
- 14. One miniature or miniflora rose
- 15. 3 stems or cuts miniature or miniflora rose same cultivar.

Floral Art Champion

- 1. Christmas Theme Rose bowl at least 6 roses using other foliage or flowers.
- 2. Vertical arrangement.

Floral art can be pre-prepared using own vases and material.

Garden Visits

We have received 2 invitations to visit local gardens:

The first from Mittagong Garden Club

Friday 31st October 10am - 12noon

Eleanor and John Dartnall's Garden "Tavistock"

55 Westgrove Rd, Exeter.

This is a large garden filled with roses, this garden will delight you.

Come and enjoy with the Mittagong Garden Club

You are all welcome. Roz Wootton

and the second from Bowral Garden Club – please reply to president@bowralgardenclub.com if you wish to attend.

Invitation to join the Bowral Garden Club fundraiser for CanAssist

Dear Annette

The Bowral Garden Club would love members of the Rose Society to join us to help raise money for CanAssist Southern Highlands.

We will be having a morning tea on November 24th at 10.30 at Hopewood House, Centennial Road, Bowral. This is a beautiful venue with a lovely garden to stroll through.

There will be a raffle with all proceeds going to CanAssist.

If you or any of your members would like to attend please let me know so we have some idea of numbers.

Kind Regards

Sue Ciscato

President