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**MEETS ON THE FOURTH SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH AT THE NORTH KIAMA NEIGHBOURHOOD CENTRE, MEEHAN DRIVE – 1.30-3.30P.M. unless garden visit or rose show. – Refer to newsletter each month for location.**

**NEXT MEETING:- EXCURSION TO THE GARDEN OF INTAN KALLUS AT KANGAROO VALLEY ON SATURDAY 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER.** (See inside newsletter for details)

Photo: *Cherry Bomb – Rose grown by Esther Hernandez and exhibited at the Illawarra Rose Show 28-29 October 2023..... It has a real Christmas appeal.*

Photo taken by Fiona Phillips MP at the rose show.

*Message from the Chair*

**Dear Members**

Another year has almost passed us by, and this is the last newsletter for this year. We have been fortunate to have some very good conditions for growing roses this season, as roses are blooming prolifically in our gardens, and the foliage is staying quite healthy.

The **recent rose show** was quite spectacular thanks to a small band of people who contributed their time and energy, not only over the weekend, but in the months and weeks before and after the show. The great effort to bring roses for exhibition and for floral art is acknowledged and gratefully received from those members who contributed. Also looking beautiful on the show bench were the many bottles of roses brought to the show for display from many in the Illawarra/Shoalhaven areas. So much more mentioned with photos in the newsletter.

**WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS-** Kathleen Gannon & Karen Cairo – both from Gerringong.

**EXCURSION TO KANGAROO VALLEY: Next Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November** we will venture to Intan's home, beginning with a roam around the garden that has many rare roses at midday, followed up by lunch we bring to share and departing between 2.00-2.30p.m. We are happy to car pool for the journey there. See inside the newsletter for more information.

**CHRISTMAS LUNCH = Saturday 2 December:-** We need you to **confirm with Jill Millburn by 13<sup>th</sup> November** your intention to attend the Christmas gathering at the Warilla Bowling Club on 2<sup>nd</sup> December. Payment by EFT or cash is required **by 18<sup>th</sup> November**. We will have a Secret Santa as well. See the attached note. You can bring a gift of no more than \$10 marked F, M or G for women, men or general. We need confirmed numbers to give to the Club two weeks before.

**FEBRUARY MEETING:** Helen Lovel our representative from Neutrog will be coming from Melbourne with lots of information about Neutrog products – bring a friend along. This will be very worth while attending.

I will be going in to Wollongong Private to have a longawaited for hip replacement on 22<sup>nd</sup> November, so I will not be available for a couple of weeks, but hope to make it to the Christmas gathering. I will send the next newsletter out in January.

*Happy Christmas to all -*

*Kristin -*

## THE ROSE GARDEN November- January

The major work over these three summer months will be to ensure that the roses are well watered, perhaps fertilised before the heat sets in, and mulching the ground around the roses to keep in moisture and the soil cool. There will be a few insects wanting to feast on buds and blooms, especially if there are some hot dry winds bringing them in and letting them multiply at the base of your bushes. However, as in the previous newsletters there are some ideas about managing pests.

So enjoy your roses, keep them from getting too thirsty and as they begin to grow lanky towards the end of January, a summer prune (a longer length when cutting a rose bloom from the bush) will help it rejuvenate for the autumn.

## VISIT TO INTAN'S ROSE GARDEN – 18<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER



**See** rare roses and other plants in Intan's garden, overlooking the beautiful mountains of the Kangaroo Valley

**When:** Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> November beginning 12 midday for a ramble around the garden, followed by a shared lunch

**Bring:** lunch to share – pot luck; tea & coffee will be available; walking shoes and some roses if you have some you

would like to share with us.

**Car pool-** If you would like a ride to the Valley please contact Jill, M:0409849534 and we can arrange a pickup.

**Where:** 1521A Moss Vale Rd., Kangaroo Valley. (I suggest you go to the roundabout just before entering Nowra and go that way). The road from Berry across the mountains is a little hair-raising at our age.



## SPECIAL AWARD – AUSTRALIAN ROSE AWARD (ARA) AT NATIONAL MEETING IN PERTH

Whilst I'm not wanting to blow my own trumpet, but it is important as a matter of record for the Illawarra that I was privileged in being presented with the Australian Rose Award in Perth during the National Conference. So to share in the glory- photos of the presentation by new NRSA Secretary Jillian Plester, and of the medal- *Kristin*



## THE ILLAWARRA – SHOALHAVEN FESTIVAL OF ROSES

Congratulations to all involved in making this show such a wonderful success.

- More than 500 people from the Illawarra & Shoalhaven areas and beyond, visited the show over the two days. The Motor Show and the Jazz in Jamberoo Street Festival brought in more visitors to the show.

-Thanks to so many who publicised the event at Garden Club and other gatherings, on the radio, in newspaper articles, on the electronic media to Garden Clubs & tourist sites; by distributing the brochures,

- preparing prize money, floats, banking, organising the schedule, securing sponsorship of classes, -the secretarial receipt and recording of entries, certificates, sashes, hiring venue getting keys

-the contact and oversight of catering by the Gerringong Women's Children Research Group, the Red Cross in doing some heavy lifting on Friday and Sunday afternoon, sweeping & cleaning

-the looking after the roster for entry, taking turns on the entry/raffle table, opening/closing hall

-the wonderful trading table;

-displays of David Austin, Heritage Roses, public private garden blooms, the exhibition,

-judges, stewards, watering of roses at the end of the day, most magnificent floral arrangements,

- the choir, photographic display.

-the rose and floral art exhibitors,  
- those who set up and dismantled, brought in tables and shelves, put out and washed black tablecloths, and general rouse abouts.

-The show was a credit to everyone. I can only show some photos of special moments



Photo by Sarah Moss  
Display of exhibits and from suburban gardens



Intan's Heritage Rose Display



Esther's David Austin Display



Photo by: Sarah Moss  
Joanne with some of her arrangements



Photo by: Sarah Moss  
Janet, Robert, Julianne & Kristin recording winners



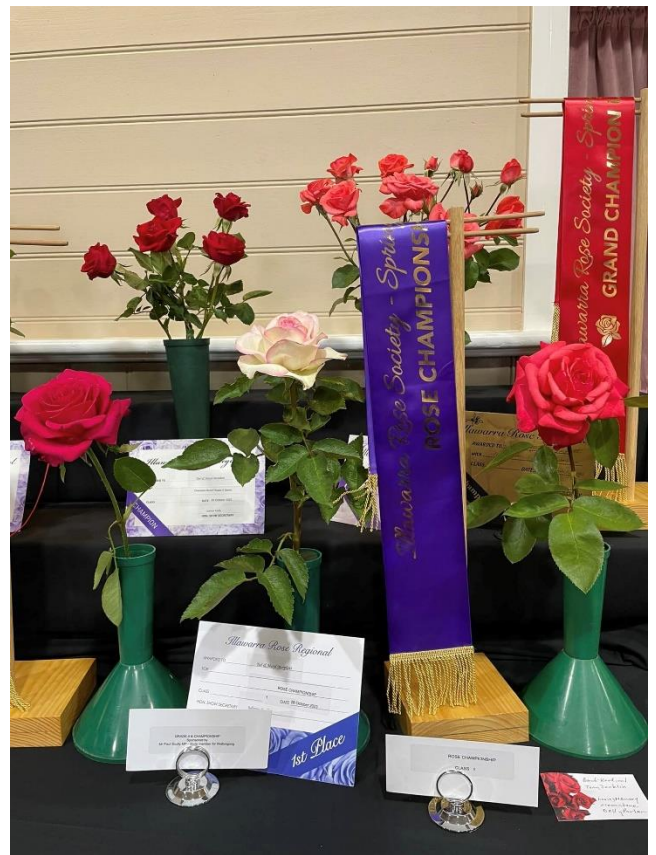
Photo by: Sarah Moss  
Colin with the Alister Clark Cup arrangement



Photo by: Sarah Moss  
Meryl with her Grand Champion- Tony Jacklin floribunda



Photo by: Sarah Moss  
Meryl & Marg judging and steward



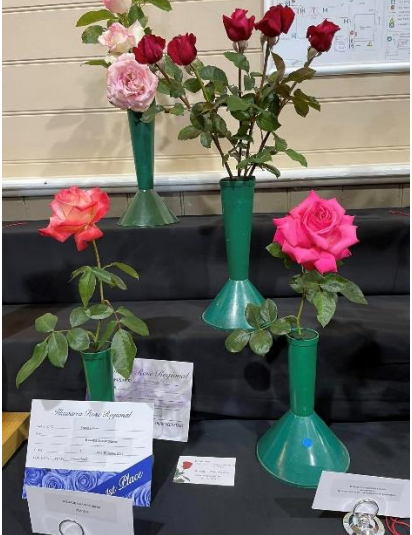
Meryl Morphet – Rose Championship



Photo by: Sarah Moss  
Jill as Steward



Spring Rose Champion- Meryl Morphett Sophie Hernandez – floral art under 12



B Grade Champion- Kristin Dawson  
 Jill Millburn Illawarra Rose Champion Ava Hernandez junior FA Helen Henry Floral Art Champion



## **MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING HELD 23<sup>RD</sup> SEPTEMBER 2023**

1. **WELCOME** to 23 Members who attended the meeting at 1.30 pm on Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2023 by Chairperson Kristin.
2. **APOLOGIES:** Bev Emmett, Shirley Coady and Frans Buskermolen.
3. **MINUTES** of previous meeting accepted as correct. Moved by Lorrie Zammit and seconded by Robyn Hambly. Christmas Party dates to be corrected.
4. **FINANCIAL REPORT:** Everyday Account \$8,811.94, Show Account \$5,947.07, Friends of Peace Park \$3,278.99 Education Account \$6,994.28 and Fixed Deposit \$8,119.81.
5. **MATTERS ARISING:**
  - a. Kristin asked for volunteers to set up displays at show, also more people needed for front entrance and raffle table, Pat Bleuel has a roster with available times. Judith Oyston will organise Trading table and Robert will have EFT Machine available with instructions. Lorraine has Photo Display and labels well under way. Red Cross lads moving chairs and Childrens Medical Research volunteers are serving morning teas and lunches. Members involved in Floral displays will be able to visit Jamberoo Hall on 6<sup>th</sup> October or 29<sup>th</sup> September to check on placement of displays.
  - b. Jill will bring vases, etc from North Kiama Neighbourhood Centre, Hans will bring the other items from his shed on Friday morning before the show
  - c. **Intan** has advised that the Nursery at Kangaroo Valley aren't sure if they can attend but there is a lady with figurines or Fairies and Roses who is keen to attend.
6. Debra Keller did a beautiful presentation on Mottisfont Gardens in the UK plus several other gardens. The roses were spectacular, a small presentation was given to Deb and also to Peter Goodger for his presentation at the last two meetings.
7. Meeting concluded at 3.00 pm with Afternoon Tea being enjoyed by members.

## **SOME AWARD WINNING ROSES FROM THE AUSTRALIAN ROSE TRIAL GARDENS 2023**



Australian Bred Rose Award 2023

By the late Bruce Brundrett – Brian Wagner

with Bernadetta who have budded the rose at Wagner's nursery



**Gold Medal Winner – 2023 Australian Rose Trial Gardens**

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