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the Regional

Nepean Blue Mountains Hawkesbury Regional Newsletter

“Prickles”

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Dates for your Diary 2020

2020

1 February

Jim Cunningham
Budding

7 March

Kim Hamilton
Cactii and Succulents

4 April

Veronica O'Brien
Victoria State Garden

2 May

Bruce Higgins
Darvill Nursery
African Violets

6 June

Stephanie Grigoriou-
Judges
RFS Volunteer

4 July

AGM

1 August

5 September

3 October
Meeting

10/11 Spring Show

Chairman's Message

It is with great sadness that I pass on this news - Ben Swane AM and legend of the 'rose world' passed away earlier this month at the age of 92. For many roses were synonymous with "Swane's Nursery" which turned 100 years this year. We will hold a minutes silence in honour of Ben who was one of the NBMH Regional's Members. Although not actively involved with the Regional, Ben would always pass on his greetings and kind words through the Hayne's. We have sent a card and condolences to the Swane family. We also wish Suzanne (Ben's wife) a speedy recovery from illness. Vale Ben Swane.

This weather, I am sure, have tried many of you in your gardens. Hopefully we will continue to experience some relief with further rainfalls.

At our February meeting being the first for 2020 we are indeed very pleased to have Jim Cunningham - long time member of Sydney Regional who will be demonstrating "How to Graft or Bud" a rose. This will be most interesting for all as you will learn how to propagate a rose from budding.

In March, Kim Hamilton who owns a Cactii and Succulent Nursery in Cranebrook will be our guest speaker.

April will see Veronica O'Brien - former President RS of Victoria and Chairman of the Werribee State Garden Volunteers do a presentation on the Victorian State Garden.

I believe that Glynis has organised for some African Violets to be available for sale from Darvill Nursery at the April

meeting. The violets will be in flower at this time. Bruce Higgs has offered them to our members for sale and will be our guest speaker in May on how to care for them etc.

In June we will have Stephanie Grigoriou-Judges, a member of Macarthur Regional who is also a member of the RFS come and speak to us about her experiences in the recent terrible fires.

Some of our members have lost property etc. and we send them loving thoughts and hopefully we may one day assist with helping regrow some of their lost plants.

Thank you to all who assisted with our Christmas lunch and we also thank Samantha Harper and Ken Smith for their presentation and that members were able to take home a small flower arrangement again.

Doug Hayne continues to get well and had his last round of chemo on Wednesday and hopefully will be joining our meetings again soon.

Remember the Monthly Show Bench continues and included is the Schedule and requirements.

If you are suffering ill health at present, we hope that your health improves and look forward to seeing many of you in the new year.

Remember Trivia Questions are taken from this newsletter.

Jeff

Notice of Meeting and Meeting Information

Date:	Saturday, 1 February commencing at 10.00 am
Venue:	Leonay Golf Club - please use side entrance ramp
Activity:	Jim Cunningham - Budding Roses
Trading Table:	Any small saleable items and plants which will help with our funds.
Meeting Costs:	\$5pp

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Monthly Show Bench Information for 2019/2020

This is the Schedule for the February Monthly Show Bench for 2019/2020. Note that all Australian Bred Roses should have a sticker on as there is a winner for the best Australian Bred Rose on the day. Please ensure you read the requirements below

Schedule

- Class 1 - Championship Units - any three standard units (HT, Floribunda, Shrub) be in units of 3 single vases (not a single vase - must be three vases)
- Class 2 - Championship Units - any three standard units (Miniature/Miniflora) must be in units of 3 single vases (not a single vase - must be three vases)
- Class 3 - A vase of any flowers from your garden in your own container
- Class 4 - A cut of a Rose/Miniature/Floribunda/Miniflora/David Austin
- Class 5 - One Exhibition Bloom
- Class 6 - Three Fully Opened Roses - same cultivar
- Class 7 - Bud to Fully Open Rose - same cultivar
- Class 8 - A Bunch of 3 - same cultivar
- Class 9 - A rose from your garden - for first year exhibitors only
- Class 10- A vase of three stems of a flower from your garden e.g. three Gerberas
- Class 11 - Any Standard Unit of an Australian Bred Rose.

Please ensure that your roses DO NOT have prickles on them. As from October it is expected that all exhibitors of more than two years will stage their own roses in vases supplied and Glynis or Jeff will tweak them for you. New exhibitors will be assisted as in previous years.

SHOW BENCH PROGRESSIVE SCORES - 2019/20 SEASON

As at end of December Meeting 2019 (3 months results)

Name	1 3 Standard Units	2 3 Stand- ard Mini/ MF Units	3 Vase Any flowers your vase	4 A Cut of a Rose (Hy/FI/ M/Mf/ DA)	5 One Exhibit -ion	6 3 Full Blooms	7 Bud to Full Bloom (4)	8 Bunch of 3	9 A Rose (1 st exhibitors only)	10 Vase of 3 Stems of flowers eg Gerberas	11 Any Standard Unit of Australian Bred Rose
Glynis Hayne	16	36.5									
Jeff Regan	41.5	23								6	17.5
Denise Murphy			14	14			13				4
Gary Wootton			6	21.5	2	13					10
Miranda Hansen					7		7.5				
Barry Thomas			5	3	7			7			6
Angelina Rusten			5	6		8.5					
Evelyn Case			8	7							
Denis Cook				4							
Joanne Furtner				4							
Margaret Grand				7	5				7		
Alina Thornbury			8								

Progressive Winners in each class

Jeff Regan



Happy Birthday to the following Members

January 2020

3 Doug Hayne

**19 Jeff Regan
(A very Happy 70th)**



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Cultural notes for January/February

Some areas have had some good rainfall and the roses have benefitted somewhat. Maintaining your watering program on Level 2 water restrictions can maintain your garden very well if you have the drip watering system. Although buckets can be quite heavy even this will keep your plants in good health.

Do not summer prune or remove leaf growth at this time as you will give your plants protection not only from sunburn but they also do not have to use much energy to produce leaf coverage.

One of the advantages of the Autumn flush is that you can time it if you have a special occasion or preparing for a Rose Show. Generally roses produce flowers between 40 and 50 days from time of pruning your bushes. Kardinal and Memoire in my garden usually take about 35 to 40 days in this type of hot weather.

Keep your beds well mulched if you can. Fungal diseases are on the move now. Be careful not to use any oils if days are predicted to be 30 degrees plus. Blackspot spores die if temps reach 35 degrees plus however, use Eco-fungicide as a preventative now every 7-10 days. Remember black spot can be prevented.

Ensure you are checking your pH of your soil, 6.5-7 is the best pH level of your soil. If you are fertilizing ensure that you can do so when your soil is wet (during or after rain) and then add and water in.

You can also start checking out the Rose Nursery Catalogues to buy that special rose and I would like to encourage you to buy an Australian Bred Rose.

Happy rose growing!!!!

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Some photos of Christmas Table Decorations and Lunch



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