

# Southern Highlands Regional Rose Society

June 2024 Newsletter



Signature Rose Best Friend

*Hello fellow Rosarians,*

It's time to be brave and broach the cold to attend our Winter meetings.  
I too would love to hibernate!!!

I hope the passion I have for the miniature rose species is getting you enthused to purchase and grow these small treasures.

The recent email you were sent provides lists of available miniature roses at Welby.

Martha Clarke "the rose horticulturist" is available Monday to Wednesday to take your order.

Payment is not required until you receive your roses.

A big thank you to Ros Mulligan and Peter Miller for your support in providing last month's program after our guest speaker was unavailable

This month we are delighted to have Colin Hollis the President of NSW Rose Society as our guest.  
I am hoping he can be drawn to relate some of his most interesting experiences in this role.

"Involve me, and I will understand." This is a motto I would like to adopt for our club.

Our Rose Society can only exist with your involvement. By attending our meetings we learn from guest speakers and each other in an atmosphere of fun and a caring environment.

It is in our hands to pass the love for the rose to the next generations.

I will leave you with that thought

*Annette*

Your Chairperson

*"Tell me, I'll forget.  
Show me, I may remember.  
Involve me, and I will understand."*

## Update from State Council Meeting May 2024

The major topic at the May NSW Rose Society delegates meeting was the coordination of Member's Subscription fees due July 1st for 2024-2025.

Maureen Thackeray - Membership Secretary requires all members to complete a membership form with fee payment and this is to be forwarded to her.

To make membership payment easily coordinated for Roz Mulligan our membership Secretary I would like the following to occur.

1. Membership forms to be completed.
2. Payment made to Roz at June or July meetings with form Or
3. Payment into Southern Highlands bank account and membership form emailed to Roz.

Banking details and Roz's contact will be at bottom of membership form.

Following this procedure Roz will do a bulk subscription payment from our bank account to NSW account and provide Maureen with membership forms.

Following the above procedure will allow Roz will know who has paid and who to remind in August.

Thank you

*Annette*

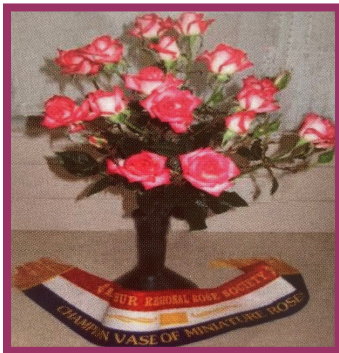


## Feature Rose — Magic Show

Magic Show is a gorgeous miniature Rose bred by Frank Bernadell in USA around 2004 and introduced to Australia in 2010.

This multi-awarded miniature is bred from a rose called Perfection to create this very striking rose.

The colour and petal shape are the most appealing features of Magic Show. The petals are white with dark pink to red edges. The high centred blooms are about 50mm in diameter.



This upright bush can grow from 45cm to 70cm. It is disease tolerant and easy to grow.

Magic Show grows vigorously in either the garden or containers and is a prolific bloomer. The beautiful blooms have a long vase life.

As you have already realised it's my favourite miniature rose. I purchased my roses from Mittagong Nursery and I can only hope they reordered for this rose season.

I purchased a neglected Magic Show late in January and this plant that has loving care since will be the raffle prize this month.

Good luck in the draw.

*Annette*



## Our Members Choice Show Bench



**Winter Sun**

*1st: Marilyn Dickinson*



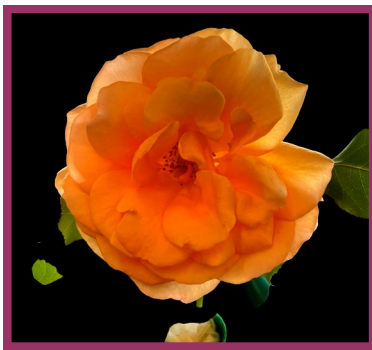
**Summer Rose**

*2nd: Liz Patton*



**Sophie's Rose**

*2nd: Roz Mulligan*



**Apricot Nector**

*3rd: Roz Wootton*



**Pascali**

*3rd: Roz Mulligan*



**Camelia Desire**

*1st: Annette Lane*



**David Austin rose with Azaleas**

*1st: Rosalyn Mulligan*



**Roses with Autumn Leaves**

*2nd: Jonquil Temple*



**Sally Holmes**

*2nd: Annette Lane*

## Rose Tips June

- ◆ Before planting bare root roses soak the plants in a bucket of water with seaweed solution for at least two hours. .
- ◆ Make a mound in the hole and place the roots over and down around the mound. The bud union needs to be facing north or west and sitting 3-5cm above ground level.
- ◆ Backfill the soil halfway up the hole. Water well, poking around the roots to maintain soil and root contact. Let this drain for 15-20 minutes, then back fill to soil level and water lightly.

This will minimise air pockets.

- ◆ Do not use fertiliser in the planting hole as this will likely burn the new roots that develop.
- ◆ Use Neutrog's Seamungus in June and July as it is an excellent soil conditioner, gentle acting, and it will help plants settle in and get growing new roots and shoots ready for spring.



Miniflora rose 'Little Sunset'

## 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.*

