

## CULTURAL NOTES FOR NOVEMBER 2020 SOUTHERN SYDNEY REGION

Hello fellow rose lovers; by now your first flush should be in its peak or just starting to end. Dead head down to a five leaflet leaf to have more roses in time for Christmas.

Keep an eye out for water shoots. New red growth appearing from the bud union. (Not to be confused with rootstock growth).

Stake water shoots to prevent from being blown around in the wind.

Remove suckers (rootstock) by scraping away the soil and tearing it off rather than cutting off.

Keep the water up to your potted roses, daily if you can apply wetting agents and/or seaweed solution regularly.

Aphids and thrips can still be causing havoc, keep up your spray program and always follow the label.

Please upload photos to our Facebook page if you can search Southern Sydney Rose Society.

Yours in roses Braidan Swan