

UPPER NORTH SHORE & HILLS

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# Newsletter

THE ROSE SOCIETY OF NSW UPPER NORTH SHORE & HILLS (UNSH) REGIONAL

## UNSH Signature Roses



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## What's New

Show me the highlight reel!

# hello

- Monthly meetings held on the 3rd Saturday/ Sunday of each month
- Next Meeting Saturday 20th April, **Trish Piper's House + Garden, Glenorie** (see member email for address) ; with **Guest Speaker Louie (the Bee man official)**.
- **NEUTROG orders for September 2024 delivery are now OPEN - order a little now, a little later, or a lot all at once!**

## Upcoming Dates

Here's some important dates to keep in the Calender for 2024

April 2024

**20th April** UNSH meeting @ **2pm** The Piper's house + garden. Guest Speaker Louie Kelbert (Bee expert)

May

**16th April** UNSH meeting @ The Buttegieg's house+ garden. Guest Speaker Ted & Meryl Morpeth

October

**12 October** - UNSH Rose Show (in conjunction with Blue Mtns/Nepean/Hawksebury)

*Sydney Royal Easter Show*

Thankyou to the UNSH members that volunteered!



Each year the NSW ROSE Society sets up a stall at the Sydney Royal Easter Show alongside the Rose exhibitions. It is a fabulous opportunity to encourage and invite new membership to the Society. Many UNSH members, including our illustrious Chair, first joined the Rose Society at this very stall!

**The stall is run by Regional volunteers that are able to share a 2-3 hours of their day to meet, greet and discuss the Rose Society, and provide membership details as required.**

A very big thankyou to the UNSH members who attended to support the stalls activities - our regional are very excited to welcome 9 new members who signed up at the stall!

*A note from the Chair*

David Smith presiding



How wonderful to meet together last March- and to see the benching table bursting to capacity with members entries. The benching table is an opportunity to share your beautiful

blooms with one another, to learn how to prepare your roses for competition shows and also a fun way to foster participation in our group. We appreciate your support and ongoing feedback as we adopt and refine our newly adopted benching guidelines. We have included a full copy (including the amendment as revised in March 2024) at the end of the newsletter for your reference. Please grab a hard copy at our next meeting if you missed out.

Thankyou to the members who supported NSW Rose Society by volunteering at the Sydney Royal Easter Show on the NSW Rose Society bench - we are so excited to welcome 9 new members. We hope many members were able to enjoy the spectacular floral displays and incredible benching entries within the rose categories at the show.

Please find attached to the Newsletter invitations to the Illawara Regional Rose Societys 50th Anniversary Celebration, and also invitation to the Annual Rose Championships for 2024. These both look like fantastic events that you may be interested in attending.

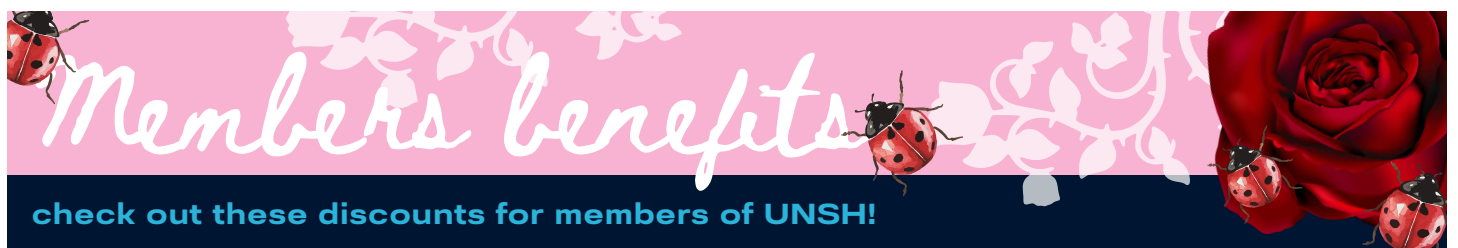
Hoping your gardening days have been bright, we are very much looking forward to seeing you Saturday 20th at Trish's place in Glenorie.

*David*



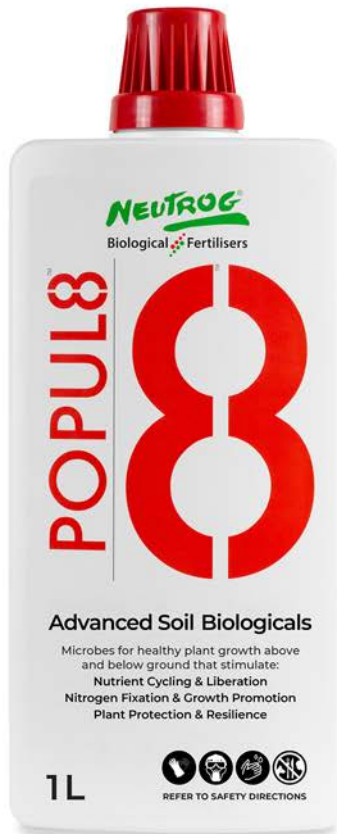
Our Market stall is where we *share or grab a nice bargain!* Each month at our meetings the market stall is set up and bountifully laden by our UNSH members. It's the best place to grab a new little plant/seedling/cutting or some yummy local produce.

*You can donate:* We'd love YOU to contribute if you had some plants or produce to share. Bring along plants that you have propagated, or some special cuttings, surplus bulbs, gardening books, vases, or some homemade produce like jams, honeys, eggs, fruit & veggies. *Please price* mark your goodies before bringing them. Prices are to be \$1, \$2 and \$3 – Great value and all funds raised go to UNSH.



- **Rose Society of NSW INC website** [nsw.rose.org.au](http://nsw.rose.org.au) To **LOGIN** simply enter Username : **rmember** with Password: **Seduction**.

- Wagner's Rose Nursery discount @ [www.wagnersrosenursery.com.au](http://www.wagnersrosenursery.com.au). USE discount code: **100%ROSES!** (Remember to include '!')
- As members of NSW Rose Society we enjoy an **ongoing partnership with Neutrog**. Members have access to **Neutrog** discounts online at [shop.neutrog.com.au](http://shop.neutrog.com.au). You can order ANYtime - your orders accumulate and are bundled together for dispatch. The [NEXT date for DELIVERY to Birchgrove, Galston will be September 2024. ORDERS FOR next delivery are OPEN.](#)



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# *The Illawarra Regional Rose Society*

**LUNCHEON - TO CELEBRATE  
50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary 1974-2024**

**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> June**

**11.30 a.m. for 12.00p.m. at Kiama Leagues Club**

**Cost: \$50 per head for 2 course meal + starters + celebration  
cake for dessert**

We 'll have memory sharing, displays of photos, memorabilia, and slides from 1974-2024.

**RSVP - 4<sup>TH</sup> JUNE to Jill Millburn (Secretary) M:0409 849 534 [jillmillburn@yahoo.com](mailto:jillmillburn@yahoo.com)**

**Payment: by cash at April/May meetings or  
EFT: Illawarra Rose Society: BSB 633 000  
Account: 208 755 066**

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**MELBOURNE - AUSTRALIA**

**Saturday 9th November 2024**

**1pm - 5pm**

**Sunday 10th November 2024**

**10am - 5pm**

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**Mount Waverley  
Community Centre  
cnr Stephensons Road  
and Miller Crescent  
Mount Waverley VIC 3149**

**For details of Schedule please  
contact Show Manager  
Dr Jacinta Burke**





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<b>2024 UNSH Executive</b>	
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# how do I renew my membership?

There are several ways to pay your membership. You can:

- Pay directly at a meeting. Bring along your money and make the payment to our Subscription Secretary Maureen Thackeray.
- Make a bank transfer from your bank account directly to the NSW Rose Society bank account. The bank details are: BSB: 012 429; Account: 2784 41863. References: Your Initial, LastName, Region (UNSH) Membership Number.
- Make a direct deposit at an ANZ branch using the above BSB and Account number. NOTE: If you choose to bank your renewal in person at a branch you will need to use your membership number as a reference, (do not use your name). The NSW Rose Society has over 700 members and your membership number is essential to distinguish your payment.
- Membership Fees are: Single: \$40 | Dual: \$45 (Two per household) | Junior: \$5 (under 18) | Associate: \$40 (e.g., a local business).

*we look forward to you continuing your Rose Society membership*



As we step into 2024 Benching we would like to update our Benching Guidelines for our Monthly meetings. We are implementing these towards a *more accessible judging + scoring system*; allowing more members a chance to receive marks/scores.

- **Each schedule will identify the *number of entries* you will be able to bench.**
- **Each entry will be awarded a score between 1 to 10 by the judges.** For example - If you entered three entries in a category and received 3 scores, only the highest value score for each entrant per category is recorded against your **Points for the Day** for that category alone; and accordingly for subsequent categories that you enter on that day. This means entrants that have submitted multiple entries will not receive duplicate point scoring within a single category. **You win points based on your highest score of the category entered.**
- **This will replace the different levels currently used: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced.** Allowing all members to enter all categories as desired.
- Each month the **Benching Schedule is sent out *the week prior to meeting***. It will have 5 or 6 categories and will regularly have the Floral Art Category.
- In the months when fewer roses are available, we will add further categories for other flowers and/ or veggies.
- **Our schedule will largely adhere to categories that feature entries as Standard Units.** Using Standard Units as defined by *the Rose Society of NSW*

allows those who like to enter Rose shows to become knowledgeable of the units required. *[Please see NSW Rose Society Standard Units document]*

- **We will maintain the Judges Pick (1 point) and Members pick (1 point) being added to the most voted displays of the day.**
- **We will have the benching tally accumulate from January to December** from now on, bringing our regional more in line with other regionals who also use this time frame.

## AMMENDMENT

An **individual UNSH member that is impacted by physical restrictions/impairments** (both acute short-term AND chronic long-term conditions) may submit entries **via proxy** to UNSH monthly benching provided:

- the **blooms have been under the ownership and care** of the physically restricted/impaired UNSH member for a **3 month minimum**
- the **entries have been prepared for benching** by the physically restricted/impaired UNSH member
- The **proxy** submitting entries **MUST** be an **UNSH member**.
- **entries** via proxy must be **clearly identified at time of Benching** on Benching sign in sheet.
- **email notification** is sent to the **UNSH secretary** (prior to meeting) identifying the proxy submission