

# UNSH Newsletter

**Edition August 2022**  
**Next meeting: Sunday**  
**18th September at 2.00pm- 4.00pm**  
**BIRCHGROVE,**  
**16 Fishburn Rd, Galston.**



The Rose Society of NSW  
Upper North Shore & Hills Regional

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UNSH meets on  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday or Sunday**  
of each month in 2022.

Patron: Sandra Ross  
Chair: David Smith  
Treasurer: Paul Stanley

UNSH Rose Advisors: Brigitte & Klaus Eckardt (Green  
E Roses)

Assistant Chair: Judy

UNSH Signature Roses:  
Sombreuil & Kardinal

**Meeting and AGM held 21<sup>st</sup> August at Maree Ross's Home.**





*The East Coast Rose Trial Garden Inc.*

Invites you to its Official Opening

Saturday 12 November 2022 at 11am

Winbourne, 1315 Mulgoa Road, Mulgoa NSW

Bring a picnic and a chair and enjoy  
a morning with like-minded rosarians

Coffee/Tea provided

<b>Available For Sale</b> Australian Bred Roses Rose Books Lucky Door and Raffle Prizes		<b>Consultant Rosarians</b> will be available to answer your rose questions.
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**Official Opening by Special Guest**  
**Melissa McIntosh MP**, Federal Member for Lindsay  
The ECRTG Inc. by way of an invitation from Melissa  
succeeded in receiving a Federal Funded Community  
Grant to help with the implementation of the  
infra-structure of the garden beds.

<i>Friends of the Garden</i>	<i>Edmund Rice Christian Brothers</i>
<i>AusRose Promotions</i>	<i>A Federal Funded Project</i>
	



## Neutrog Orders

- Electronic ordering system is in place. UNSH requires your consent to share your email address so Neutrog can initiate access to the members ordering site.
- Spring collection has closed – pickup is on 18 September at Birchgrove. Next delivery date will be March 2023.
- Link is now open
- If you need assistance, contact David Smith

### The East Coast Trial Garden

Judy provided some background around the development of the garden initially at Kincumber but now at Mulgoa. The official opening of the trial garden at Mulgoa is on 12 November at 11am. Judy suggested that UNSH-kins may be interested in

## Talk by Sandra Ross

David thanked Sandra for her role as Patron and her ongoing support of UNSH. Judy noted Sandra's quest for more time and presented some Thyme for her vegetable patch and a jar of honey to keep Graham happy.

Sandra spoke about:

- Nurseryman function to celebrate 50-year anniversary
- Trips to NZ
- Her garden activities
- Growing tulips in pots
- Tips for growing tulips in pots:
  - Tulips need to be refrigerated for 6 weeks before planting.
  - Order your tulips in February from either Van Diemens or Tesselaar
  - Choose a terracotta pot with good drainage.
  - Good quality potting mix
  - Mix Debco Grit with potting mix – (great for drainage)
  - Place shade cloth inside pot over draining holes
  - Don't skimp on the number of tulips, cram as many as will fit
  - Choose one single variety for uniform flowering
  - Plant tulips after Mother's Day







## WELCOME TO ROSS GARDEN TOURS

Over 40 years of garden travel, we have built a reputation for tours that are relaxed, effortless, friendly, inspiring and great fun. Why don't you join us?

My dream in 1980 was to share the world's most beautiful gardens. Since then we have taken groups to more than 1000 gardens on four continents. You'll see some of those gardens on this website. Have a look around and then let us take you to the real thing.

*Craham Ross*

READ MORE ABOUT US [HERE](#)



## BULLETIN BOARD

### Early Bird specials on our 2022 & 2023 tours

Save \$300 per person on our Japan at Cherry Blossom Time Tour 29 March – 12 April 2023, when you book & pay by 29 November 2022.

Save \$250 per person on our Japan Spring Festival Tour 21 April – 4 May 2023, when you book & pay by 9 December 2022.

Save \$300 per person on our England & Chelsea Flower Show Tour 12 – 26 May 2022, when you book & pay by 15 December 2022.

### COVID-19

We require all passengers travelling on all tours to be fully vaccinated against Covid-19.

To explore the tours that Sandra mentioned search their website:

<https://www.rosstours.com/>

## Show Bench Scores

Aug-22							
Member	Benching	Novice	Regular	Advanced	Judges	Members	TOTAL
Antonietta Destro	2	7	7	0			16
Aubrey Knowles	6	0	17	27			50
Georgina McCarthy	3	13	0	3			19
Jill Fraumen	1	0	0	10			11
Judy Satchell	2	0	0	17			19
Julie Barlow	2	0	13	0			15
Maree Ross	2	10	0	0	20	15	47
Paul Stanley	1	0	0	0			1
Trish Piper	1	0	10	0		15	26

### Winners of the Bench:

#### Novice: Vase of Garden flowers



**1<sup>st</sup>, Judges pick & tied Members pick - Maree Ross**



**2<sup>nd</sup>, Antonietta Destro**



**3<sup>rd</sup>, Georgina McCarthy**

#### Novice: One cut (stem) any rose plus one piece foliage any type



**1<sup>st</sup> Georgina McCarthy**

#### Novice: One cut (stem) any rose plus one piece foliage any type



**1<sup>st</sup> & tied Members pick Trish Piper**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Antoinette Destro (no photo)**



**3<sup>rd</sup> Julie Barlow**

**Regular: Own grown vegetables (2 plus, NND)**



**1<sup>st</sup> Aubrey Knowles**

**Regular: One cut (stem) any rose plus one piece foliage any type**



**1<sup>st</sup> Julie Barlow**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Aubrey Knowles**

**Advanced: Camellia Float bowl (5 max NND)**



**1<sup>st</sup> Aubrey Knowles**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Aubrey Knowles**



**3<sup>rd</sup> Georgina McCarthy**

**Advanced: Own Grown vegetables (3 plus, Distinct)**



**1<sup>st</sup> Judy Satchell**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Aubrey Knowles**



**3<sup>rd</sup> Aubrey Knowles**



## Advance: Floral design "Old & New"

**1<sup>st</sup> Jill Fraumeni**  
(no photo)

**2<sup>nd</sup> Judy**  
**Satchell**



## Raffle Draws



**1<sup>st</sup> Cecile Brunner Rose**  
**Maree Ross**



**2<sup>nd</sup> Our Amanda Rose**  
**Dianne Waring**



**3<sup>rd</sup> Planter**  
**Jill Fraumeni**



## Do you have Sydney's best front garden?

Entries are now open for the Sydney Spring Garden Competition.

If you spend hours in your garden nurturing your flowers and plants, and your front garden the talk of the neighbourhood, now is the time to get your garden competition-ready and enter the 2022 Sydney Spring Garden Competition by following these few easy steps.

1. Download the **Competition Schedule** which contains competition information, regulation criteria and detailed instructions.
2. Take your best photographs of your garden based on the criteria outlined in the Competition Schedule. Photographs must not be altered and/or Photoshopped.
3. Download and complete the **entry form**, and **email** it to us, along with two high-resolution colour digital image photos by **5pm 12 October 2022**.



### Essential Criteria

Before entering the Sydney Spring Garden Competition there are three important criteria to remember:

- the competition awards annual prizes to beautiful gardens in front of or around residential homes
- the garden can be of any style or size
- the garden must be easy for passers-by to see from the road or footpath

Read the Competition Schedule for more essential information.

## COMPETITION SCHEDULE

### Important Dates

1 Aug 2022-12 Oct 2022	Entry Period
17 Oct 2022	Finalists Announced
24-25 Oct 2022	Garden Judging
31 Oct 2022	Winner Announced



## Nomination UNSH submitted for Kate for the Garden Clubs Australia “The President Award”

- Kate Stanley was instrumental in setting up the Upper North Shore & Hills Rose Society Club, known as UNSH. Kate, along with a handful of founding members held several meetings to establish UNSH and the inaugural meeting was held in May 2017 at Kates residence named Birchgrove. Kate arranged for Graham Ross to attend the inaugural meeting, provide a talk, cut the cake & Graham’s wife Sandra Ross became the Patron for UNSH. Kate’s organising abilities with setting up UNSH, organising Rose Shows, meetings etc were quite extraordinary. Kate arranged several guest speakers to hold talks and demonstrations at our UNSH meetings and to name a few: Klauss & Brigitte Eckardt owners Green E Roses – became our Rose Consultants, Ruth & Richard Walsh – Walsh Roses breeders of Australian Bred Roses and miniature roses, Steve Beck - Roses and Friends, Neutrog rep from SA, Dawn Best member Dural Garden Club, Diana Sargeant consulting Rosarian, Doug & Glynnis Hayne, Chair for NBMH, Collin Hollis, President State Rose Society
- Kate would arrange a schedule to be published each month for the upcoming meeting which outlines what classes are included for the show bench. This provides members practice in exhibiting their roses so they will have the confidence to take part in major rose shows including Sydney Royal. Prize winners are awarded points and certificates each month and the points go towards the prizes distributed at the end of year meeting where yearly winners are announced. Kate arranged expert judges to judge the exhibits and provide feedback for educational purposes. Kate also introduced the members pick award, where members got to vote for their favourite exhibition based on appearance. Many monthly meetings were held at her home which involved garden rambles and talks. Kate provided plenty of tips and arranged demonstrations on rose pruning, held at Green E Roses. When meetings were not held at Kate’s home, she organised a hall which she would set up to ensure for the meeting & then pack up to hand back. Kate also took photos to produce the monthly newsletter. Kate organised several luncheons for UNSH which included Xmas in July, & the annual Xmas meeting. Kate would award annual prizes for the winners of the show bench as well as ensuring each attendee received a gift.
- Kate co-ordinated annual Neutrog orders, assisting members, receiving delivery & preparation for collection which consisted of around 30 pallets of stock to sort through. Kate never complained about the workload and loved **every minute of organising** and running UNSH. Kate also purchased prizes to run 3 raffles each month, prepared Quiz’s, and games so members could also win additional prizes. 2 successful Rose shows, a cheese & wine night were also organised, consisting of stalls to purchase roses, plants, tools, books, and nick knacks, which raised a huge amount of funds for UNSH.
- Kate also arranged donations to be collected to support the assistance dogs for veterans and even wrote a letter to HRH Prince Harry. Kate received a reply from Prince Harry which she shared with UNSH at one of the monthly meetings
- Kate was always thinking of others and the way she went into bat for Aubrey Knowles, (being legally blind) to get permission from RSNNSW so he could bench his roses, showed, not only amazing tenacity on her part but also her caring nature, and her sense of justice and fairness.
- She was a mentor to many in getting back into the Rose world with one member having been out of it for 30 years, encouraging her to attend Judging schools etc, providing the opportunity to act as the Steward for the 2019? show, judging the monthly bench and coaching her along the way.
- The last two talks given by Paul, (Kate’s husband) at the last two UNSH meetings written by Kate from her hospital bed highlighted not only her teaching skills and vast knowledge but also her dedication to UNSH ensuring that meetings went on and educating us on the world of roses.
- Kate was always promoting members such as Angie Dean’s CD. Mark Massey owner Mother Earth Nursery, Brigitte & Klauss owners Green E Nursery and Ruth & Richard Walsh owners Walsh Roses.
- At last count there are 106 current members of UNSH
- Kate was also an enthusiastic member of Ku-ring-gai Horticultural Society, both as a keen contributor to the Show Bench and as an accomplished speaker on roses. Kate was also a member of the Camelia Society. An extraordinary woman whose efforts in the world of horticulture certainly deserve recognition.
- There was some talk that Kate held membership with 14 clubs or societies at one a time. Below is a list of those that are known:
- Rose Society of NSW, Upper North Shore & Hills Rose Club – Held position of Chair, Heritage Roses in Australia (Sydney Group), Ku-ring-gai Horticultural Society, Planet Ark, The Clivia Society, Galston Garden Club, Dural Garden Club, NSW Camellia research Society Inc
- It is with deep regret and sadness to advise that Kate passed away recently but she will be remembered for her huge enthusiasm and energy for everything she did. She had many interests but chief among them was her love for roses, camellias, and people.