EDITOR’S MESSAGE

The coronavirus has wreaked havoc on all of our members around the world. Most of our conferences, rose trials, shows, events, meetings, etc. have been canceled or postponed. The one silver lining of the stay at home directives is that we are all rosarians and gardeners. We have plenty of activities to accomplish in our yards, may it be pruning, planting, getting things ready for spring, etc., so we can spend time out in the fresh air. With all of this time, all of our gardens should look like well manicured parks.

With so few events to report, I added some additional “secret gardens” and results from the few rose trials that occurred for our readers to enjoy.

If you don’t have the WFRS 50 Golden Years book, this would be a great time to get a copy and enjoy reading all the history of our organization. While you are at it, pick up a copy of the International Principles of Exhibiting and Judging Roses as well.

Steve Jones, Fiddletown, CA, United States

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‘Sheila’s Perfume’
Dear Rose friends:

2020 is certainly a year that should be placed in quotes.

We all know that the pandemic is far from over. Of course, the situation is very different from one continent to another.

With sadness we had to cancel or to postpone a lot of great rose events such as the World Rose Convention, the Heritage International Rose Conference, and many international rose trials.

I want to warmly thank Baden-Baden (Germany) and Nyon (Switzerland) who successfully organized their International Rose Trials in these particular circumstances respecting social distancing.

We must keep smiling as the roses were particularly beautiful this year and they grew without worries among the thorns of life.

It is also a great time to think about the WFRS future. The Task Force which I set up in Copenhagen to operate until our next 2022 World Rose Convention in Adelaide, is working to revise our by-laws and standing rules to address matters such as our organization, marketing, and business strategies.

Last year I had the chance to go to Australia (Adelaide) for the Australian National Rose Convention and I still have wonderful memories from my visit. This year I was planning to go to the Knysna Rose 2020 South Africa National Rose Convention. Of course it is impossible but I hope to be able to attend the event next year.

I would like to end with this quote from Victor Hugo, “e regarde une rose et je suis apaisé” - “I look at a rose and I am pleased”.

I wish you all my best wishes and please take care.
These are unprecedented times as the existence of coronavirus pandemic grips and affects our lives on a daily basis. We all need to seek some form of inner sanctuary to fulfill our lives with faith and hope for the future.

The one consistent attribute that links many gardeners is optimism. If we weren’t optimistic by nature, seed sowing, new plants to try and designs to develop would never materialise. The current underlying tide of the Covid-19 outbreak has seen the temporary closure of plant nurseries, public gardens, flower shows and horticultural-themed conferences. This has included the postponement of the forthcoming WFRS conventions in Belgium and Australia. However, we can be certain that through gardeners, these facilities and much cherished events will manifest themselves once again.

In many ways, roses are on average, more resilient and positive than we give them credit for. It often surprises me how frost-bitten and disease ridden they look during wintertime. Then, as if by magic, as daylight increases and temperatures rise, heralding spring; roses emerge into vibrant health. They are optimistic beings of the natural world and their enduring presence can enrich our lives with hope.

One of my favourite roses is ‘Lady Hillingdon’ who never fails to lift my spirits. I adore her dark purplish shoots that emerge during springtime. In the height of summer, she’ll produce exquisite blowsy yolk-yellow blooms and grace my garden with a divine fragrance. On reflection, rosarians are a remarkably cheerful bunch, and will always rise above the most Herculean of challenges; even dreadful pandemics.

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ROSE NEWS

From Sheenagh Harris, WFRS Past President

SID CYWES (1931-2020)

It is with sadness the Rose Society of South Africa announces that Prof Sidney Cywes passed away on 6 April 2020 following a short illness, leaving his wife Marlene and children Robert and Colette and their families. He will be greatly missed for his knowledge and wise guidance among the rose societies in South Africa.

The Western Cape Rose Society (WCRS) was formed in 1969 and Sid Cywes was a co-founder and the first Vice Chairman. His wife Marlene was a committee member. Sid was one of the Society’s delegates at the WFRS convention in Chicago. In 1976 Barney Ziday, Syd Cywes, Jack and Mary Wise and Ludwig Taschner represented ROSA in Oxford, UK for the World Rose Convention. At that meeting Sid Cywes was made Secretary/Treasurer of the WFRS for the period 1976 to 1979. He was President of the Rose Society of South Africa (ROSA) during the same period and was closely involved in the WRC in Pretoria in 1979. In 2005 he was made Honorary Life President of ROSA.

He developed an interest in horticulture from early on in his career and with his wife Marlene became one of South Africa’s leading horticulturists, winning competitions in dahlias, roses, orchids and disas and with the latter creating new varietals which he dedicated to the cause of children’s surgery.

Sid was Professor Emeritus of Paediatric Surgery at the Red Cross Children’s Hospital in Cape Town, but his outstanding reputation went well beyond the borders of South Africa. He was awarded Honorary Fellowship and Membership of the American College of Surgeons, the Royal Australasian College of Surgeons, the Royal College of Surgeons of England, the Royal College of Surgeons of Edinburgh, the Royal College of Physicians and Surgeons of Glasgow and the American Academy of Paediatrics and was made a Fellow of the University of Cape Town.

2020 ROSE TRIAL WINNERS

Nyon, Switzerland Golden Rose 'Sternenhimmel'

Bagatelle, France Golden Rose ‘Un Grand Salut’

Sid Cywes
WFRS Publications for Sale

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2020 WFRS INTERNATIONAL ROSE TRIALS

By Marga Verwer, WFRS International Rose Trials Chairman

Covid-19 has not only resulted in this years cancellation of the Heritage Rose Conference in Brussels, but for most of the international rose trials as well.

In Europe, the season normally starts in May in Monaco and ends in September in Orleans, France, with 16 trials in between. Most of the 2020 rose trials have been postponed to 2021.

Several of the trials gave their results coming from the scores given by the permanent judges. Kortrijk informed us that the Golden Rose of this year was won by the multiple flowered rose ‘Nervia’ by Viva International, Belgium. Bagatelle, Paris, France found a special solution by giving the international judges the possibility to vote digitally only for the blooms, and add those to the scores of the permanent judging panel. This resulted in the multiple flowered Golden Rose ‘Un Grand Salut’ by Viva International, Belgium, winning the trials.

Madrid has changed their date from May to 2 October, and Saverne has elected to hold a smaller event on 9 September. Until now, only three events took place. Hradec Kralove in Tsjechië, Czech Republic, informed us that the Golden Rose was won by the large flowered rose ‘Grossherzogin Luise’ by Kordes, Germany.

The cities Baden-Baden in Germany and Nyon in Switzerland were the first trials with international judging this year, and the country borders opened up just in time. The number of judges and the programs of the events were limited due to Covid-19 restrictions. I was one of the lucky ones to attend these trials, and I must give the organizers many compliments for organizing two great events. In Baden-Baden the Golden Rose was won by a dark-red climber, ‘Perenniel Red Domino’, by Tantau, Germany. In Nyon, the Golden Rose was won by a miniature ‘Sternenhimmel’, by Kordes, Germany.

It is remarkable that four of these five winners this year so far are single or semi-single flowered and attractive to bees.

Outside Europe, until now, Rose Hills and Asheville cancelled, and the latter is definitive. As Japan always works with permanent judging only, there won’t be any problems. And for the remaining trials this year we can only cross our fingers and hope they can take place.
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JEUDI 25 JUIN
THURSDAY JUNI 25TH
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2020

GOUĐEN ROOŚ – ROSE D’OR
Perk/parterre: 90
Naam/Nom: Pittthemin
Veredelaar/Créateur: Rosa Mundo
Type/Categorie: strijk
Punten/Points: 73.82 %

GOUĐEN MEDAILLE – MEDAILLE D’OR
Perk/parterre: 31
Naam/Nom: KO 10/8253-04
Veredelaar/Créateur: Kordes
Type/Categorie: Flo
Punten/Points: 73.11 %

Perk/parterre: 30
Naam/Nom: 12.13044-9
Veredelaar/Créateur: Dalbaard J.E.
Type/Categorie: Flo
Punten/Points: 71.53 %

Perk/parterre: 56
Naam/Nom: AM-603-HT
Veredelaar/Créateur: Meillaud
Type/Categorie: Ht
Punten/Points: 71.12 %

Perk/parterre: 52
Naam/Nom: Light pink Valecia
Veredelaar/Créateur: Ruiter
Type/Categorie: Flo
Punten/Points: 72.34 %

Perk/parterre: 95
Naam/Nom: 14-239
Veredelaar/Créateur: Bao
Type/Categorie: Min
Punten/Points: 71.40 %

Perk/parterre: 10
Naam/Nom: VIVOcatoo
Veredelaar/Créateur: Viva International
Type/Categorie: Flo
Punten/Points: 71.02 %
ZILVEREN MEDAILLE – MEDAILLE D’ARGENT

Perk/partenre: 03
Naam/Nom: Carmen Wurth
Veredelar/ Créateur : Kordes
Type/Catégories: Flo
Punten/Points: 70.99 %

Perk/partenre: 45
Naam/Nom: KO 11/7961-03
Veredelar/ Créateur : Kordes
Type/Catégories: Straik
Punten/Points: 69.45 %

Perk/partenre: 69
Naam/Nom: SEE YOU in purple
Veredelar/ Créateur : Kordes
Type/Catégories: Flo
Punten/Points: 69.19 %

GEUR – ODEUR

Perk/partenre: 21
Naam/Nom: 12.13338.5
Veredelar/ Créateur : Delbard G.
Type/Catégories: FLG
Punten/Points: 59.68 %
Geurpunten/Odeur: 7.75/10

Perk/partenre: 29
Naam/Nom: VtSmalpe
Veredelar/ Créateur : Viva International
Type/Catégories: Flo
Punten/Points: 50.33 %
Geurpunten/Odeur: 7.00/10

Perk/partenre: 56
Naam/Nom: AM-603-HT
Veredelar/ Créateur : Meilland
Type/Catégories: Ht
Punten/Points: 71.12 %
Geurpunten/Odeur: 7.11/10
Results of

The International Contest of New Roses

XXXVII. Year - June 2020

Class of Large Flowered Roses

Grossherzogin Luise

W. Kordes’ Söhne Rosenschulen - Germany
84 points, GOLDEN ROSE OF CITY HRADEC KRÁLOVÉ

REU WIN

Reuten Frères, La Réussite de la Rose - France
82 points, 1st Prize

LAP 9811 I

Lapenère - France
80 points, Honourable mention

Flaming Star | KORTalal

W. Kordes’ Söhne Rosenschulen - Germany
79 points, Honourable mention

Marlis Renaissance | Poulren30

Pernille and Mogens N. Olsen, Poulren Roses - Denmark
76 points, Honourable mention
**Class of Large Flowered Roses**

**Evejarah**
Jérôme Rateau, Roses André Eve - France
82 points, 1st Prize

**Marondo | Korlinolip**
W. Kordes' Söhne Rosenschulen - Germany
81 points, Honourable mention

**For your eyes only | CHEweyesup**
Chris Wagner - England
80 points Honourable mention

**V1Sboprim**
Martin Vissers, Viva International BVBA - Belgium
79 points, Honourable mention

**Y1895 | VEL16ffeke**
Ann Velle, LENS ROSES - Belgium
79 points, Honourable mention

**Class of Miniature Roses**

**KENhappy**
David Keny - Ireland
78 points, Honourable mention
Class of Climbing Roses

**TO-577-PN**
Alain Mensink, MEILLAND INTERNATIONAL - France
82 points, 1st prize

Class of Shrub Roses

**Empereur Charles IV | VEL15mscwi**
Anna Velle, LENS ROSES - Belgium
80 points, Honourable mention

**Wellenspiel | KORwimcre**
W. Kordes® Söhne Rosenschulen - Germany
75 points, Honourable mention

Class of Dwarf Roses

**Eveamarosen | 09-5354-7**
Jérôme Rateau, Roses André Eve - France
76 points, Honourable mention
Ladies competition for the most beautiful large-flowered rose 2020

Carmen | Harmove
R. Hadschew & Co Ltd - England

Ladies competition for the most beautiful fragrance of the rose 2020

Barbara Ann | CHEwbabaluv
Chris Warner - England

Competition of the public visitors for the most beautiful roses 2020

CHEWHYTEACH
Chris Warner - England

Summer of Love | KORfliaumi
W. KORDIS Söhne Rosenschulen - Germany

Vulcano | KORclopas
W. KORDIS Söhne Rosenschulen - Germany

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Palmarès du 113ème Concours international de roses nouvelles
Bagatelle 2020

1er Prix

Prix du Parfum du Maître Parfumeur

N° 96 Delocreni des Roseraies Georges Delbard

N° 37 Un Grand Salut de Viva International

N° 04: Gold Mountain des Pépinières de la Saulie

Jets Prix

Certificats Concours de roses nouvelles

Buisson à fleurs groupées

N° 76 Enjioy de Kordes Rosen

N° 93 Theodore Fontane Rose de Rosen Tantau

N° 203 Matthias Cladius Rose de Rosen Tantau

Buisson à grandes fleurs

Arbustif

N° 21 Starnenhimmel de Kordes Rosen

N° 212 Paragon de Belle Epoque
La rose des dôres partaneurs

N° 52 ADAfloblan de Michel ADAM

Prix du Public

N° 13 Guillet n°1 de SCEA Sirphe

Prix du Bouquet

N° 30 WEFiprocypep De Primavera

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1er prix or-rose

N° 24 Nyka de Belle Epoque

N° 07 Pink Wave de Pépinières de la Saulaie

N° 03 See You in Purple de Kordea Rosen

N° 17 August Deusser de Viva International

N° 05 Friendly® Sweet de Meilland International

N° 20 Friendly® Pink de Meilland International
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VILLE DE NYON

0595 : Daniel Boulens, ancien directeur des Espaces verts de la Ville de Lyon, Hugues Rubattel, Chef des Espaces verts et forêts, Mme Fabienne Freymond Cantone, Municipale en charge des Espaces verts et forêts et Dr Gérard Meylan, Past President WFRS, Commissaire du concours nyonnais

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0867 : Catégorie Hybride de thé : Médaille d’or à la variété MADELEINE DEBREL® obtenue par l’obtenteur ROSERAIRES ORARD, France

0863 : Catégorie Fleurs groupées : Médaille d’or à la variété XENIA® obtenue par l’obtenteur W. KORDES’ SOHNE, Allemagne
VILLE DE NYON

0915 : Catégorie Fleurs groupées : Médaille d’or à la variété CHINOOK SUNRISE® obtenue par l’obtenteur VINELAND RESEARCH CENTER, Canada

0930 : Catégorie Fleurs groupées : Médaille d’or à la variété UN GRAND SALUT® obtenue par l’obtenteur VIVA INTERNATIONAL BVBA, Belgique

0973 : Catégorie Miniature : Médaille d’or à la variété ZEPET® obtenue par l’obtenteur MEILLAND INTERNATIONAL, France

0989 : ROSE D’OR DE NYON à la variété STERNENHIMMEL®, obtenue par l’obtenteur W. KORDES’ SÖHNE, Allemagne
VILLE DE NYON

0989 : ROSE D’OR DE NYON à la variété STERNENHIMMEL®, obtenue par l’obtenteur W. Kordes’ Söhne, Allemagne

Coupe du parfum :
COUPE DU PARFUM FEDOLCA (Hybride de thé) Obtenteur: MATILDE FERRER, Espagne

0116 : Vue d’ensemble de la roseraie et des serres du centre des Espaces verts et forêts de la Ville de Nyon

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SECRET GARDENS

THE ROSES OF ROSEMOOR - ENGLAND

By Derek Lawrence, England, WFRS Executive Director

During our often-turbulent times, we all need to find sanctuary where we can merely relax, gather thoughts and contemplate. For many of us, visiting a sumptuous rose garden during the height of summer, would undoubtedly be the answer. Imagine sitting on a bench surrounded by an array of exquisite rose blooms emitting divine fragrances: encompassed with the sound of peaceful birdsong. It would certainly be a piece of Heaven on Earth.

One of my favourite gardens in England to unwind and merely soak up the serene atmosphere is the Royal Horticulture Society (RHS) at Rosemoor, which is nestled in the breath-taking Torridge Valley and located half an hour from Dartmoor National Park. The extensive garden comprising 65 acres, is surrounded by woodland, and every season is furnished by inspiring planting displays, which are enhanced by the natural beauty of the County of Devon.

The estate has an interesting history. In 1827 the Rolle Canal was completed and terminated at a large complex of lime kilns situated at Rosemoor, then known as "Rowe’s Moor". The compound designed by James Green remains in a ruinous condition, which is currently inaccessible to the public, but is testimony to the garden’s industrial past. On the death of the fifth Earl of Orford in 1931, the estate became the property of his daughter, Lady Anne Berry (then Palmer). She was an avid gardener and assiduous plant collector. Over the next thirty years, Lady Anne developed an eight acre naturalistic garden, with sweeping lawns and curved borders. Her skills as an accomplished plant expert became evident as the garden began to mature and enthral. The garden was first opened to the public in 1967, under Britain’s National Gardens Scheme, which raises money for the benefit of charities. A small nursery selling rare and unusual plants was established in 1979. During the next decade, the garden was attracting significant numbers of visitors.

In 1988, Lady Anne Palmer generously donated the garden and house to the Royal Horticultural Society, with an additional 32 acres of farmland which encompassed the estate. She married Robert Berry and settled for a new life in New Zealand. On reflection, Lady Palmer felt sad to leave her beloved Rosemoor, but was confident that it would be left in safe hands, and it would had a flourishing future.

The RHS realised the monumental task of redeveloping the site, and had a huge responsibility to ensure the gardens remained in the preconceived standards of its former owner. It was through the vision and foresight of the appointed Curator and Head Gardener, Christopher Bailes, that the designer’s plans took shape. It was decided that the proposed visitors’ centre and new gardens, be accommodated on the other side of the road from the original garden. In order to address this, an underpass was eventually built to connect both gardens. In 1989, work began to build eight acres of formal gardens, which was subdivided by a framework of high hedges of yew, beech and hornbeam. The following year the first two completed sections became the home for the Queen Mother Shrub Rose Garden and an adjacent Modern Rose Garden, which contains over 2,000 bushes, using 60 modern types of cultivars. The completion marked the official opening of the newly constructed gardens, included the Visitors Centre; comprising of a restaurant, gift shop, plant sales and library.

Over the years, the garden has continued to be developed and improved. Features include: an enchanting cottage garden with billowing roses, a spiral garden, winter garden, impressive hot garden, vegetable plots, a lake, arboretum and high-tech lecture and training facilities. It is difficult to judge which is the most outstanding part of the estate; each area has its charms, that demand your immediate attention. But, as a devotee of the genus Rosa, it’s Rosemoor’s roses that perpetually capture my heart.
According to RHS rose specialist Philip Scott: “Rosemoor is a challenging site to grow roses. It lies in a steep-sided valley and gets relatively high rainfall, so humidity is also high and air circulation can be poor”. The aim is to grow cultivars that show a high resistance to pest and diseases. The bushes are sprayed once every fourteen days in summer, using a preventative fungicide and proprietary high-potassium, low-nitrogen foliar feed. Increasingly, the team of dedicated gardeners battle against aphids, capsid bugs and rabbits. In the Cottage Garden, mixed sympathetic perennial companion plantings, assist with reduction of the spread of blackspot and powdery mildew.

As the warm sun rises, the days become longer and rose buds start to unfurl, I head off to cherished Rosemoor, which somehow beckons me there. When you enter the modern rose garden, your attention is immediately drawn to the round pergola, clothed in the charming ‘Sandler’s White Rambler’ which acts as a central pivot to the circular design.

In essence, the area contains a fine jewel-box of cultivars worthy of being furnished in a 21st Century garden. Floribunda bushes fill the beds with masses of vibrant blooms. The visitors can enjoy ‘Amber Queen’, ‘Betty Prior’, ‘Betty Harkness’, ‘Dr Jo’, ‘Escapade’, ‘Fellowship’, ‘Southampton’, ‘The Times’, and ‘Trumpeter’. The rose enthusiast with only a small plot, balcony or patio is catered for with exquisite examples of patio roses: ‘Pearl Drift’, ‘Honey Bun’ and a particular favourite, ‘Queen Mother’. These impressive gems are absolute stars if you wish to grow them in pots. Some commentators are of the opinion that the Hybrid Tea is merely consigned to the memories of the 60’s and 70’s. However, the planting scheme suggests otherwise. An abundance of healthy plants with fragrant flowers can be admired from such varieties as ‘Elina’, ‘Malcolm Sargent’ and ‘Simply the Best’. English roses from David Austin, are evenly dispersed in equal measures with superb examples of ‘Molineux’, ‘Olivia Rose Austin’ and ‘Windrush’. Obelisks placed in strategic places, are covered in clematis that are rich in hues of violet purple or blue, that blend particularly well with pink, cream, white or red coloured roses. A splendid example is the purple clematis, ‘Viola’, surrounded beautifully with a neat bed of the single pink rose, ‘Betty Prior’.

It has been often mooted that gardeners are unable to grow roses successfully in the south west of England; Rosemoor dispels the myth with spectacular effect. I challenge you to visit the gardens during the height of summer. I can guarantee that you’ll return home feeling truly inspired, and maybe rather intoxicated by the delicious aromas from the roses of Rosemoor.

For further details, simply visit: www.rhs.org.uk/gardens/rosemoor

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SECRET GARDENS

By Steve Jones, United States

Just a few of our members have seen my garden, so I thought I will share with you some of our Spring bloom. Susie and I live in the Sierra Nevada foothills on a 2ha property that sits on top of a ridge at about 600m elevation. Most of the property has a 2.5m high fence around it to keep out the deer and other animals that love to eat roses. Around the fence on the inside, I planted many of the large roses I love and let them grow as they want. This includes species roses, ramblers, climbers, large old garden roses and large shrubs. Any part of the plant growing over or through the fence is deer fodder. I have just under 500 roses of all types, not including seedlings from my hybridizing. The miniature and miniflora roses are grown in 7-gallon squat pots, and the rest of the roses are grown in raised rose beds. I find the latter helpful for controlling the soil and on the back during pruning season. Enjoy our virtual rose tour.

Left: Front deck with David Austin English Roses, Right: Raised rose bed with ‘Gold Bunny’ on left

Left: Raised rose bed with the yellow floribunda ‘Sparkle & Shine’ and white groundcover ‘White Drift’, Right: Miniature roses in pots
Left: Species *Rosa multiflora*, Right: Hybrid gallica ‘Frederic II de Prusse’

Left: Cottage garden and gazebo, Right: Floribunda ‘Cinco de Mayo’ rose tree

Left: Deer, Right: Barbera and zinfandel wine grapes
Above: Old garden rose raised bed with miniature ‘Baby Ballerina’

Ramblers - Left: ‘Robinette’, Right ‘Maria Liesa’
Ramblers - Left: 'Summer Joy', Right: 'Hugo Maweroff'  

Left: Polyantha 'Grumpy', Right: Rambler 'Garisenda'  

Left: David Austin 'Princess Anne', Right: Moss 'Salet'
SECRET GARDENS

By Crenagh & David Elliott, Canada

We live in the southwest corner of Canada on the large Vancouver Island. Our climate is a modified Mediterranean one. It is modified by the Pacific Ocean. We normally have a cool wet winter and a warm dry summer with cool nights. Unlike most of Canada we usually only have a day or two of snow annually.

The property is a slightly larger than average city lot (35m x 15m) and the house has a small footprint. The soil is a sandy loam which we checked on before we bought. Our garden was 95% grass in 1985 when we moved in and it sloped over the boulevard to the road. (The boulevard is owned by the municipality but maintained by the homeowner.) The front garden is now dominated by an evergreen Arbutus menziesii (Madrone in the USA), a native tree. This is a lovely tree but... it drops flowers, leaves, fruit and bark on the driveway throughout the summer and birds eat the fruit. We cannot remember whether we planted it or it was seeded from two doors away. There were some roses, mainly floribundas, which we removed when the access to the front door was redesigned.

We brought five roses from our old house, four of which were a wedding present from Rogers of Pickering, a long-time family friend. The first thing we did was to dig up the front garden and order roses from Peter Beales. It was simple then as it was easy to import plants from Britain to Canada. We were both interested in the older roses before they had become fashionable. Later a local nursery specialised in older roses and we added to our collection. We did add some roses which we had rustled and managed to root. In the back garden, also mainly grass, we discovered two roses that are still unknown. The pink one we have seen in the area so it may be rootstock or an old survivor. The other semi-double white/cream rambler was buried under a holly tree and did
not bloom until the tree was removed. One of our early roses was bought as a white greenhouse mini and we finally identified it as ‘Jackie’ a climber bred by Ralph Moore in 1955 after seeing a picture and confirming with a senior rose judge living in our area. The majority of our roses, though old, are not particularly rare. We have a wide selection of classes from species to miniatures but no floribundas and only five older Hybrid Teas, two of which are single. Most are non-recurrent, but there is a mix of early, mid-season and late bloomers so there is usually at least one rose in bloom all summer. We are not interested in showing our roses though we have taken part in rose displays when there was a local rose society.

![Left: Unknown climber, Middle: Rosa moyesii, Right: ‘Felicite et Perpetue’](image)

We each expected to grow fruit trees and vegetables and have specialised in varieties which are easy to grow and not common in the local supermarket. Broad beans and purple sprouting broccoli are favourites and so is fresh garlic. Small fruits were grown commercially in the area in the past so we have raspberries and Cascades but no strawberries because the house was built on a strawberry field and still has remnants of disease in the soil.

From a garden with grass, rhubarb, shrubs trimmed at window height, two hollies and a vertical juniper only a small area of grass and the rhubarb remain. We now only have room for more climbing roses.

*Editor’s note: David served as WFRS Vice President for North America from 2012-2018.*

![Left: Unknown rose in lilac, Middle: ‘Alba Maxima’, Right: ‘Kew Rambler’](image)
Rosarians in Australia and across the world are looking forward to the 19th World Federation of Rose Societies World Rose Convention to be held in Adelaide – hosted by the National Rose Society of Australia. This Convention has been postponed as a result of COVID19. The Convention will now be held from the 27 October - 3 November, 2022. Importantly, the wonderful venues initially secured have been retained – the world class Adelaide Convention Centre has been re-booked and the official Convention Hotel, The Intercontinental Hotel, is hoping to retain the same special room rates. Unfortunately, we had no choice but to seek a postponement. With COVID19 still active globally, restrictions on travel are likely to remain in place for some time. In addition, we are currently challenged in seeking to finalise costs as both potential sponsors and tourism operators are in shut down mode. More details regarding our new program and tours will be forthcoming later in the year and early next year. Hopefully, they will be similar to those in place for 2021. For more information relating to the convention, visit the website www.wrc21.aomevents.com.au and join the mailing list to ensure you receive regular updates.
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