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Immediate Past President Kelvin Trimper (l)



EDITOR'S MESSAGE

I want to thank the WFRS and the Member Countries for entrusting me to produce the WFRS *World Rose News*. I have an extensive editing background, but I am nothing if not for our members and their dedication to our organization.

I do not plan to make *World Rose News* a travel log, but we have so many beautiful rose gardens across the world that need mentioning. I would like to feature many of our "secret gardens" and public gardens so our readers could learn about them and hopefully see them one day.

The world is involved with many aspects of our rose hobby, such as research, trials, hybridizing, classification, history, arts, exhibiting, photography, etc., that need to be brought to the attention of our readers.

Each issue will concentrate on World, Regional, and Heritage Conventions/Conferences, reports by the WFRS Vice Presidents, plus current events and rose trials. Speaking of rose trials, they are one of the most enjoyable events in the world of roses. You get to see the newest roses grown to perfection in different regions of the world and work with some of the nicest rose people. If you are travelling to a region in the world where there are trials, ask to judge, you don't have to be a certified judge. You just be able to recognize outstanding roses and fragrance. A list of rose trials can be found on the WFRS webpage.

I would like to give a special thanks to Melanie Trimper for her contributions and photos throughout this edition.

Steve Jones, Fiddletown, CA, United States



'Dorothy Rose'

Note: All photos, unless otherwise noted, are by the Editor

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www.worldrose.org

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



2018-2021

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Photo: Henrianne de Briey

Henrianne de Briey
WFRS President

Dear Rose Friends:

After 50 years, taking over the WFRS presidency is of course a great honour for me but also a real challenge to start this new page of our history.

I want to warmly thank our Immediate Past President for the incredible amount of work he did to “Move On” our organisation over the last three years and also for the time he spent with me to ensure a smooth operational transition.

The world is changing very fast and it is time to have a clear vision of our objectives to prepare for the new challenges ahead. We need synergy and more interaction between the different rose partners; it is vital that they step out of their silos and start working together.

After 50 years it is just normal to make an inventory of the functioning of our organisation to validate its effectiveness in an increasingly regulated and competitive environment. Moreover, to be able to prepare our future it is a must to “Move Up” with a defined and committed Strategic Plan for the next generation in order to grow in a qualitative and controlled way.

In this context I decided to set up a specific Task Force to conduct a SWOT analysis and highlight our **S**trengths, **W**eaknesses, **O**pportunities, and **T**hreats. This will bring to all of us a clearer common purpose and understanding of our success factors for the future. The SWOT analysis will generate reflections that may lead to a review our organisation, its statutes and our processes taking into account legal and financial aspects.

I am really concerned that the WFRS gives itself the means to achieve its ambition and thus we need to find sponsors and partnerships on a long term period to stay sustainable. Our organisation must also convey a very high quality image throughout the world and consequently awards, honours and grants must be extremely selective according to strict criteria.

I will be very careful that the WFRS plays its role of impartiality amongst all our member countries, partners and breeders.

We have a good team and I am sure we will work together in a fair and constructive atmosphere. I like going forward and I am hardworking; my key words will be RESPECT, synergies, creativity, communication, team spirit with fun and friendship.

I want to congratulate Denmark once again for the great 18th World Convention and I am sure that we all came back home with more knowledge about the Rose, good memories and new rose friends.

Dear friends, I hope I can meet most of you face to face in your countries or at one of the WFRS Conventions that will take place over the next three years. I address to the future conventions all my support and my best wishes for a great success each one in their own context.

For all of us the Rose is a fantastic global adventure for Humanity, Friendship and Peace.

I wish you all a very nice time with your roses.

With my very kind and best regards:

Henrianne de Briey

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE



The recent 18th World Rose Convention held in Denmark truly encompassed the aims and aspirations of our organisation, which it has steadfastly nurtured for the last fifty years.

Rosarians from all corners of the globe descended upon Copenhagen to share their passion for the genus *Rosa*, and celebrate in its infinite beauty. Our hosts, the Danish Rose Society conjured up a magical spectacle of events, which could have easily been penned from the imaginative writings of Hans Christian Andersen. From enjoying the heavenly scents of the vibrant coloured blooms in the gardens in Rosenborg Castle, to observing the young ladies dancing elegantly amongst the roses at Valby Park, to the ceremonial cutting of the glorious 50th Anniversary cake which was decorated with fresh edible rose blooms. The atmosphere was absolutely enchanting.

I am certain that our forefathers, who founded the World Federation of Rose Societies in London during 1968, would have been equally enthralled with the celebrations.

However, behind the scenes, the Officers of the WFRS not only came to Copenhagen to join in the festivities of the Federation's milestone anniversary, but to continue their sterling work in the running of the organisation.

The convention was the central hub where 12 Committee meetings were conducted; many important matters discussed, with some meetings not concluding until late into the evening. As Executive Director of the WFRS, I am always impressed by the sheer enthusiasm and fervour of the Vice Presidents and Standing Committee Chairmen, whose genuine aim is to give the Federation further progress, and prominence in the world of roses.

Amongst the topics debated was that the Executive Committee believe that the future requirements of the Federation must be seriously addressed. A Task Force will be set-up to look at the future of the organisation. This will include how it can meet its financial needs, and possible new banking arrangements.

It was agreed that any outstanding subscription arrears will be followed up by each relevant Vice President, who must report back within three months on the status for these in their regions.

It was approved that subscription rates will remain unchanged for the period 2018 – 2021. Also, the Federation encourages Members to pay subscriptions three years in advance, to save international transfer banking charges.

It was agreed that two Members of the Breeders Club will join the Classification and Registration Committee to assist in their valuable work.

The President was delighted to announce that the Federation has 102 registered 'Friends' and 22 'Life Friends'. It was suggested that money raised from the donors be used for rose related projects. Possible projects will be researched.

The Conservation and Heritage Committee decided to set up an Ad Hoc Committee of international rose experts, to assist certain countries in identifying endangered species or cultivated roses facing extinction.

Plans are gradually coming to fruition to launch a new exciting WFRS website. During various meetings, many suggestions for the content, were given to the new webmaster, Mr. Paul Hains. It is hoped that the improved new improved design website will go live later in the year.

The Federation was pleased to announce approval of two new Member Countries, The Rose Society UK and South Korea Rose Society. Associate Membership of the WFRS was granted to the Meise Botanical Rose Garden in Belgium.

On reflection, the 18th World Rose Convention proved to be most informative, self motivated and a highly rewarding rosy event.

Many challenges lie ahead, but I am confident that we shall meet them in the true spirit and determination of the early pioneers of the World Federation of Rose Societies.

Derek Lawrence

ROSE NEWS

From Hayden Foulds, New Zealand. Congratulations to NZRS Past President and current WFRS Vice President for Australasia Doug Grant for receiving the Royal New Zealand Institute of Horticulture Plant Raisers Medal for his work with breeding not only roses, but his day job with breeding onions, squash and pumpkins. Doug began breeding roses as a student in the 1970's and has created several varieties available in NZ, among them his most well known, the scarlet red floribunda 'Millennium' which has been recognised with the presentation of the medal. Doug is also known for his compact climbers and the photo below shows Doug with 'Cherry Kisses'.



Word came to the Editor that WFRS Past President Dr Gérald Meylan of Switzerland has received the title of Knight of the Order of Agricultural Merit. This distinction was bestowed by the French Minister of Food and Agriculture, Mr Stéphane Travert, and the ceremony took place in the Council Hall of Aire-la-Ville on 11 April 2018.

This Order, which was created in France in 1883, recognizes the expertise and work of professionals in the field of agriculture and horticulture. However, it is only rarely given to people outside of France. Gérald received the award for his many activities with roses over the past 50 years, and particularly for his work as Chairman of WFRS Convention Committee for the 2015 World Convention in Lyon. It was also conferred on Gérald as Chairman of WFRS Breeder's Club, especially for his current work in China for the protection of varieties, and along with the restoration of the Empress Josephine's Rose Garden at the Château de la Malmaison.

Gérald was particularly pleased that this medal, awarded to him for his work, also honours WFRS.



Photo: Hayden Foulds

Doug with 'Cherry Kisses'



Photo: Gérald Meylan

Gérald with Knight of the Order



At the American Rose Society (ARS) All Miniature Convention in Jacksonville, FL, WFRS Vice President and Chairman of the Publications Committee Jolene Adams was awarded the Klima Medal. The Klima Medal is the second highest honour by the ARS and is given for excellence in education.



Photo: Beth Smiley - ARS

ARS President Pat Shanley (l), Jolene Adams (r)

Anne Graber

Anne Graber, who was honoured with the WFRS World Rose Award in 2009, passed away on 2 May 2018. She was a stalwart member of the Canadian Rose Society serving for many years as Secretary, and represented Canada as a delegate for several WFRS Conventions. Our hearts go out to Paul and their family.



Photo: From family

Errata

In the May 2018 issue of the *World Rose News*, the definition from the Conservation & Heritage Rose Committee on heritage roses was not printed in its entirety. Here is the correct text:

"The World Federation of Rose Societies Conservation & Heritage Rose Committee defines heritage roses as, all species, species crosses, all found roses, until or if they are better identified, and roses of historical importance such as 'Mme A Meilland' aka 'Peace' (1945).

It is recommended that countries be flexible in defining any dividing date between heritage and modern roses. A number of years since introduction of the cultivar as suited to their geography and history is preferred.

It should be noted that this is a definition, not a classification for show purposes."

2018 WFRS WORLD ROSE CONVENTION - COPENHAGEN, DENMARK

From 29 June to 4 July 2018, about 650 delegates from 32 countries attended the 18th World Federation of Rose Societies World Rose Convention in Copenhagen, Denmark. The occasion marked the 50th anniversary of the WFRS and the 25th anniversary of the Danish Rose Society, our host for the convention. This momentous event was lead by WFRS Vice President (Europe) and President of the Danish Rose Society Inger Schierning and co-convener Jens Otto Petersen. The convention's theme was "A Fairytale of Roses".

The first events actually started on 28 June with required WFRS Executive and Committee meetings followed by a Meet & Greet at the impressive Copenhagen City Hall, a 1.6km walk from our host hotel, the Tivoli Hotel & Convention Centre. We were able to see some of the floral displays that would remain throughout the convention. My favorite was the three rose dresses made from recycled materials. Upon arrival delegates were treated to finger foods and some excellent French white, rosé and red wines from Chateau Lecusse, Gaillac appellation, which belongs to the Poulsen Rose family, one of the sponsors of this convention.



Karen Prevatt (United States) in front of convention banners



Co-convener Jens Otto Petersen



Rose dresses made from recycled materials

The following day officially started the convention with the Opening Ceremony. The ceremony began with an appearance by The Tivoli Youth Guard, whose origins date back to 1844. The Drums & Fifes band is the elite section of the 100 member group and they marched in and played several tunes for us. They were amazingly good. Members of The Guard are aged between 8 and 16 years. Opening messages were delivered by co-conveners Ingrid Schierning and Jens Otto Petersen, WFRS President Trimper, and Copenhagen Mayor of Culture, Niko Grünfeld. Her Royal Highness Crown Princess Mary was unable to attend.



Mayor Niko Grünfeld



Tivoli Youth Group



WFRS President Kelvin Trimper

Photo: Melanie Trimper

A highlight of the convention came after the welcome speeches with the announcement of the two WFRS Rose Hall of Fame winners. The Old Rose Hall of Fame winner was *Rosa banksiae lutea*, aka Yellow Lady Banks Rose. The Rose Hall of Fame winner was 'Knock Out' by Will Radler (United States) who had no idea his rose had won and was very emotional about the honour. Will was not planning to attend the convention until talked into it by Alain Meilland (France). Next was the baptism of the convention rose, 'A Fairy-Tale Rose' Castle (Poulcas065) by Poulsen Roses, using Poulsen's Chateau Lecusse Brut White Sparkling wine. Pernille Poulsen Olesen did the honours. At the end, WFRS President Kelvin Trimper announced that the convention was now officially open. Afterwards the attendees were treated to the well-known City Hall Pancakes, which are similar to sweet crepes.



Morgen Olesen (l), Pernille Olesen (m), Inger Schierning (r)



Awards Chairman Monique de Clarens (l), Will Radler (m), Kelvin Trimper (r)

The afternoon tour featured a visit to Rosenborg Castle and the King's Gardens. The castle was built by King Christian IV in the early 1600s. The garden is one of the oldest in Denmark and was designed by Christian himself. A pamphlet was published at that time with the names of the plants and roses he planted. The King's Garden is a formal garden with sections of different roses such as 'Barkarole', 'HC Anderson', and 'Glowing' to name a few. Next to the castle was a rose display from several breeders and the attendees were asked to vote for their favorite and most fragrant with the winner to be announced at Valby Park the next day.



Attendees evaluating roses at Rosenborg Castle



King's Garden, Rosenborg Castle

The lecture programme commenced the next morning followed in the afternoon by a visit to Valby Park. Valby Park is one of the largest parks in Copenhagen and has one of the better rose gardens. The garden contains over 12,000 roses planted in beds with multiple plants of the same variety. Many of the roses were still in bloom, so it made a wonderful display. Lunch was held here before the festivities. After the welcome speeches, the WFRS President and all Past Presidents were invited onto the stage to be the godparents of the new WFRS 50th anniversary rose, bred by Rosa Eskelund, owner of Forever Roses. A "name the rose" contest was held prior and the winner was announced. Mrs. Susana Ferrer, from Argentina, chose the name for the rose 'Friendship Forever', a perfect name to describe the powerful bonds which bind rose lovers around the world and the Rose Societies from our Member Countries together. The winners of the contest at Rosenborg Castle were announced. The best overall rose was 'Princess Alexandra of Kent' and best fragrance was 'Ghita Renaissance'.



Valby Park



Photo: Melanie Trimper

'Friendship Forever' WFRS 50th Anniversary Rose

Afterwards, a rose fashion show with young ladies wearing dresses using recycled materials designed by Kirsten Bech Morin was held, then a parody of tales by Hans Christian Anderson finished up the afternoon.



Photos: Paul Hains

Baptism of 'Friendship Forever' - Rosa Eskelund - hybridizer (r)



"Godparents" of 'Friendship Forever' - WFRS Past Presidents

The next day we toured a number of rose gardens. Our first stop was the summer Royal Palace in Fredensborg. The formal rose garden has 24 rose beds of English Roses and old garden roses, however most of the roses were just past peak bloom. Normally the garden would be in full bloom during this time of the year, but the weather turned hot and the roses were two to three weeks early, so we missed much of the peak bloom cycle during our stay. There were roses planted all around this large property. At the end of the tour, the baptism of 'HRH Prince Henrik' took place in his honour as he passed away earlier this year. The best blooms in the garden were on the arbors leading up to the ceremony. Here the ramblers took centre stage including: 'Excelsa', 'American Pillar', 'Felicite et Perpetue' (below left), 'Minnehaha' (below middle), and the fabulous 'Blush Rambler' (below right).





Fredensborg formal rose garden



Photo: Jean-Luc Pasquier

Baptism of 'HRH Prince Henrik' - Actress Ghita Norby



Photo: Jean-Luc Pasquier

Poulsen Garden - Gevlev Parken



Peterson Garden - Gevlev Parken



Exillion "old" house



Exillion toparies

Our tour was scheduled to see the formal gardens at Frederiksborg castle, but the gardens have been dug up for renovation. Lunch was typical Danish street food, hot dogs, at the Plantorama, a large Danish nursery. The last garden was at Gevlev Parken which featured two side-by-side rose gardens. The first was the collection of over 700 roses belonging to renowned nurseryman and hybridizer Valdemar Petersen. The other was the collection of 150 different roses hybridized by four generations of the Poulsen rose family.

The next three days concentrated on lectures in the morning and a choice of Garden Tour A or B in the afternoon.

Tour A took attendees to three different gardens. The first was the Queen Louise's Rose Garden at Bernstorff Castle. This is a small formal rose garden with rose tree standards and smaller roses underneath in between neatly trimmed boxwood hedges. The next two were private gardens. The first belonged to Solveig Jagd in Vedbaek. This small rose garden contained about 200 roses, some in the ground, others in pots. Working its way down a slope, the garden offers nice views from the patio above. I was quite interested in the 20+ grapevines they grew around the back in a very small space. The white grape is Solaris and they make about one bottle per vine. To put this in perspective, I get about 12 bottles of wine per vine at home. Needless to say every drop is precious. They also own other vineyards nearby. The last garden was Exillion, a formal garden belonging to Peter Wibroe in Søllerød. There were no roses at this garden but an impressive formal display of boxwoods and large topiaries. When Peter bought the stately home 44 years ago, he renovated it to look 200 years older.



Queen Louise's Rose Garden



Arbors - Queen Louise's Rose Garden



Solveig Jagd garden



Solveig Jagd & vineyard

Tour B visited the HF Bergmannshave allotment garden of Henny Jensen in Valby, and two private gardens, Bonnie Mürsch in Frederiksberg and Bente Egelund's "Kornerupgaard" in Roskilde. The allotment gardens are small homes with yards where people can rent and grow vegetables and other plants. This garden is located near Valby Park. The rose garden at Bonnie Mürsch is amazing. Situated in the heart of the city, one would never know this property covers a half acre and contains many old garden roses. Unfortunately all of the roses were past bloom. Our favorite rose garden of the entire convention was Kornerupgaard, owned by Bente Egelund. Situated near Kornerupgaard Lake, the patio offers you a small taste of what you will see. Roses were mostly planted in pots that lined the patio with a great view of the lake. Behind the house is the main rose garden.

The garden contains roses of all types, mostly David Austin Roses, old garden roses, ramblers and climbers. The garden is divided into different beds with pathways in between. It was easy to get lost here. If I were to guess, the the garden contained about 1000 roses. The best part is we arrived when the roses were barely past peak bloom so there was plenty to see. For us they saved the best for last.



Photos: Melanie Trimper

Kornerupgaard garden & lake



Kornerupgaard house & garden



Kornerupgaard - roses & clematis



Kornerupgaard - Bente Egelund, owner



Kornerupgaard - arbor

During the break from the lectures, a special 50th WFRS anniversary cake was presented for all of the attendees to enjoy.



Photo: Melanie Trimper

**Cutting the 50th WFRS Anniversary cake
President Kelvin Trimper (l), Co-convenor
Ingrid Schiarning (r)**

As soon as they begin, all good things must come to an end. The Closing Ceremony was held at the Langelinie Pavillon (Pavillon), near the Little Mermaid statue. About 300 people attended the Closing Ceremony. Attendees walked about 1km to the pier where we were taken by canal boats for a tour of the old town of Copenhagen on the way to the event.

The WFRS Medal, Medallion, Award of Garden Excellence, and Literary Award winners were announced and presented.



Susie Jones (l), Matthias Meiland (r)



Paul Hains (l), Will Radler (r)



Jack Page (l), Dale Ackermann (r)



Diane vom Berg (l), VP Europe Mireille Steil (r)



The room was full of attendees



From left, ED Derek Lawrence, Treasurer Diane vom Berg, past Treasurer Jill Bennell, past ED Malcolm Watson



New President Henriette de Briey



Passing of the WFRS Flag From Denmark to Australia

From left to right:
Inger Schierring, Tanya Allen, Paul Hains, Merv Trimper, Diane vom Berg

2018 WFRS MEDAL AWARD WINNERS

WFRS Gold Medal

“In recognition of exemplary and outstanding service to the Federation and the Rose by officers of the Federation, and to Rose Breeders whose work is paramount to the evolution of the Rose.”

The 2018 WFRS Gold Medal was presented to WFRS Immediate Past President Kelvin Trimper of Australia.



**Kelvin Trimper with WFRS Gold Medal (l),
Incoming WFRS President Henrianne de Briey (r)**

WFRS Silver Medal

“In recognition of outstanding service to the Federation by officers of the Federation only.”

The 2018 WFRS Silver Medal was presented to David Elliott, Canada, outgoing WFRS Vice President (North America).



**President Kelvin Trimper (r),
David Elliott (l) with Silver Medal**

WFRS World Rose Award

“In recognition of dedicated service to the Rose by officers of the Federation and in particular officers of our National Member Societies.”

Three 2018 WFRS World Rose Awards were presented to Fiona Hyland, New Zealand (not present), WFRS Chairman of International Rose Trials Markus Brunsing, Germany, and WFRS Vice President (North America) and WFRS Chairman of Publications, Jolene Adams, United States.



**President Kelvin Trimper
with Jolene Adams (left)
& Markus Brunsing (right)
with World Rose Awards**

WFRS Silver Commemorative Medallion

“In recognition of support of the World Federation of Rose Societies World Rose Conventions and Regional Conventions and/or other WFRS events.”

The 2018 WFRS Silver Commemorative Medallion was presented to Inger Schierning, Denmark World Convention Co-convener, WFRS Vice President (Europe), and Danish Rose Society President.



**President Kelvin Trimper (r),
Inger Schierning (l) with Silver
Commemorative Medallion**

All award photos courtesy of Melanie Trimper.

2018 WFRS AWARDS OF GARDEN EXCELLENCE WINNERS

Seven WFRS Awards of Garden Excellence were announced for 2018



Rosarium Baden Vienna, Austria



Photos: Paul Hains



Queensland State Rose Garden, Toowoomba, Australia



Photo: David Elliott



President Kelvin Trimper (m),
John Hill (l), Gail Robertson (r)

The Butchart Rose Garden, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada



President Kelvin Trimper (m),
Yang Yanguang (l), Xie Jingran (r)

Daxing Rose Garden, Beijing, China



President Kelvin Trimper (m),
Yukihiro Nakamura (l),
Koaru Ito (r)

Yokohama English Garden, Yokohama, Japan



Photos: Doug Grant



Christchurch Rose Garden, Christchurch, New Zealand



Photos: Rob Gray



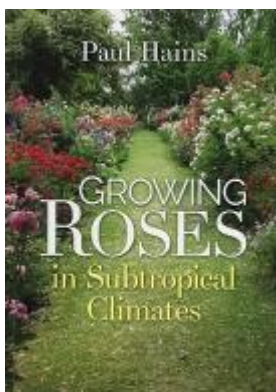
Laura Conyers Smith Rose Garden, Kansas City, Missouri, United States

All award photos courtesy of Melanie Trimper. Garden photos courtesy of the gardens.

2018 WFRS LITERARY AWARDS

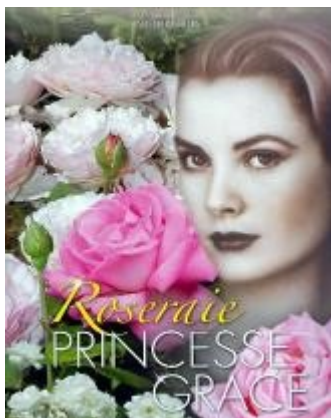
Five 2018 WFRS Literary Awards were announced for 2018

Paul Hains (Australia) - *Growing Roses in Subtropical Climates*



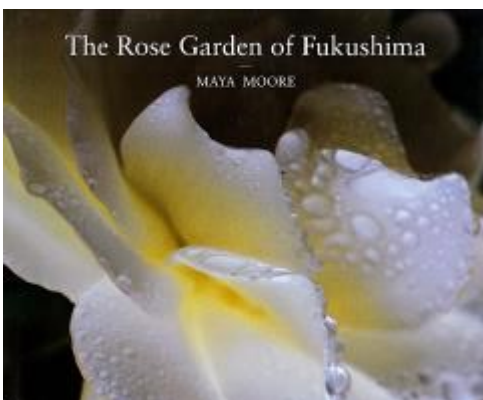
Paul Hains (l),
President Kelvin Trimper (r)

Dr Gérald Meylan, Georges Restellini & Jean Jacques Pino (Switzerland)- *Roseaie Princesse Grace*



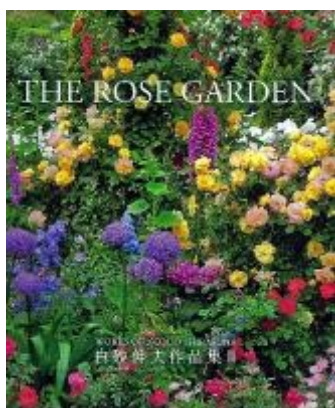
Monique de Clarens (l),
Dr Gérald Meylan (m),
President Kelvin Trimper (r)

Maya Moore (Japan) - *The Rose Garden of Fukushima*



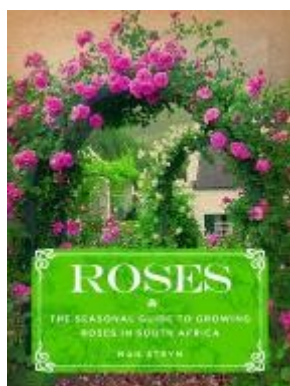
Maya Moore (l),
President Kelvin Trimper (r)

Nobuo Shirasuna (Japan) - *The Rose Garden*



Nobuo Shirasuna (l),
President Kelvin Trimper (r)

Nan Steyn (South Africa) - *Roses - The Seasonal Guide To Growing Roses in South Africa*



Gail Birss (l),
Joy Webb (m),
President Kelvin Trimper (r)

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Photos: Melanie Trimper

'Ghita Renaissance' (Poulren013)
Winner "Best Fragrance" Rosenborg Castle Contest



'Princess Alexandra of Kent'
Winner "Best Rose" Rosenborg Castle Contest

WFRS Lectures

The lectures were held during the course of four days. There were four main topics; Nordic, Past, Present, and Future. Rather than duplicate the lectures here, the Proceedings are available for downloading at the following Denmark World Rose Convention link: www.wrc2018.dk/download.html

Nordic Lectures

Torben Thim (Denmark)

The History of the Rose in Denmark

Harald Salvesen (Norway)

Cultural Heritage Roses Encountered in Norway

Lars-Åke Gustavsson (Sweden)

Sweden's National Programme for Cultivated Plants

Sirkka Juhanoja (Finland)

Rose Riches in Finnish Gardens

Vilhjálmur Lúðvíksson (Iceland)

Roses for Cold, Wet & Windy Gardens

Lectures: The Past

Tommy Cairns (United States)

*Fifty Glorious Years (1968-2018):
Celebrating the WFRS Golden Jubilee*

Eléonore Cruse (France)

The Roses au Naturel

Doug Grant (New Zealand)

Sam McGredy & His Roses

Anita Böhm-Krutzinna (Germany)

Rose Breeding in Germany Before 1800

Lectures: The Present

Paul Hains (Australia)

*Changing Gardeners' Views of Growing Roses:
The Future of Rose Gardening*

Charles Quest-Ritson (Great Britain)

*The Poulsens & Their Roses:
Past, Present & Future*

Mia Gröndahl (Sweden)

*The Old Rose Heritage of Österlen:
Lost, Found & Preserved for the Future*

Matjaž Mastnak (Slovenia)

*Volčji Potok Arboretum:
Bringing Together the Best Roses from West & East*

Lectures: The Future

Sabine Ravnskov (Denmark)

The Role of Mycorrhiza in Rose Plants

Carsten Marker (Denmark)

How to Keep Roses Healthy without Plant Protection Products

Kelvin Trimper (Australia)

*The Future of the World Federation of Rose
Societies & Rose Societies*

Breeder's Panel, Moderator Paul Hains (Australia)

*Representatives from all around the world discussed various
subjects & answered questions about the future of roses.*

In addition to the lectures there were several excellent programs
on future WFRS Conventions:

2019 - Nanyang, China - Regional Convention

2020 - Brussels, Belgium - Heritage Conference

2020 - Kolkata, India - Regional Convention

2021 - Adelaide, Australia - World Convention

Convention dates are listed under "WFRS Events", Page 32.

Copies of the WFRS 50th anniversary publication, *50 Golden Years*, will be available for purchase shortly. The 184 page hard back book was given to each attendee at the World Rose Convention in Denmark. Purchase information will be sent to each Member Country and will be advertised on the WFRS website and in the next edition of *World Rose News*.

LESSONS FROM A GARDEN TOUR

Jack Page, United States

Editors note: Since the Pre and Post Tours were almost identical, we will just feature the Post Tour.

You probably think garden tours at a World Rose Convention are all about pretty roses? Having just returned from the World Federation of Rose Societies World Convention in Denmark, the private garden tours on the Post Tour were SO MUCH more than pretty roses. Obviously, there were extraordinary roses in every garden, but these tours offered lessons in history, culture, art, architecture, and friendship. The following is a brief look into a few of the gardens and the captivating gardeners who tend them.

Torben Thim's Nursery: Love, Denmark

Our group visited this working nursery and garden of Torben Thim on Day One of the Post Tour. Many of us were familiar with Torben, he was an entertaining guest lecturer and tour host during the convention. We also discovered he is an accomplished writer, artist, collector, and craftsman. He sold many copies of his book, *The History of the Rose in Denmark*, to convention delegates. After meeting such a captivating persona, we were fascinated to see his nursery and beautiful rose collection. A long metal arbor of rambling roses welcomed us to his garden with beautiful blooms and fragrance from 'Minnehaha' leading the way. Once inside we were treated to lunch in his greenhouse and enjoyed viewing his art and collectibles. Most fascinating was a birdhouse made from rose canes for an exhibition at the 2015 World Convention in Lyon, France. He also invited us to observe the ongoing installation of a new thatch roof to his home. These roofs, widely popular in Denmark, will last 40 years and are excellent insulators in both winter and summer. Torbin's nursery sells roses and many other plants including fruit trees, shrubs and flowers. What a variety of experiences in just one garden! My favorite rose from this garden was a David Austin Rose, 'Summer Song'.



'Minnehaha' at Thim's nursery entrance



Torbin Thim & rose cane birdhouse



Poulsen's nursery

On our way to the next private garden, we stopped briefly at Poulsen Roses. Poulsen is the largest rose breeder in Denmark. Each year they make over 25000 pollen crosses which produce approximately 12000 to 15000 seedlings. That number is then narrowed down to 1000. Poulsen provides over 10 million roses to the United States and Canada each year!

Hyldebjerggard – Garden of Ejnar Jorgensen: Als, Denmark

Ejnar Jorgensen is the eighth generation proprietor for this stunning garden in Als. Perennials dominated the garden in early years, but Ejnar began the transition to a rose garden in 1995 after being inspired by a famous Danish nurseryman. Today the garden boasts 775 beautiful roses as attested by our gasps of "WOW" as the motor coach approached his home. The garden hosts 440 different varieties of roses including collections of named, wild, and rugosa roses. Large blooming ramblers and shrub roses create a tall hedge in the front of the home concealing the treasure of roses and perennials growing beyond. Once inside, rock lined pathways lead to intimate stone terraces. Many of these were shaded with a canopy of towering ramblers growing on metal frames - perfect for an afternoon cup of tea. It was easy to be distracted by the sheer size, beauty, and number of his rose collection. The picturesque view over the wind-swept corn fields to the sea almost escaped notice. As a special bonus, Ejnar shared with us his museum of garden antiquities began by his father. An entire building was filled with garden tools, equipment, and memorabilia from generations past. When asked if his son would be taking over the garden for the ninth generation, he smiled with a degree of skepticism. Standing nearby, his son responded with "I am starting to feel the pressure!" The glint in his eye signaled the garden would stay in the family for many more generations. The garden and museum are visited by over 700 people every year. My favorite rose in this garden was 'Mozart'.



Hyldebjerggard rose garden



'Mozart'



Hyldebjerggard garden

Tverager – Garden of Lars Bengtson:

On Day Two of the tour, we were treated to a “professional gardener’s” garden. Lars Bengtson is the sixth generation of gardeners on this farm also located on the island of Als. Lars works as the head gardener/landscaper for a church which can be seen off in the distance beyond the expansive wheat and barley fields typical of the region. Lars enjoys seeding and propagating all types of plants on his farm which also includes chickens, dogs, cats, and most captivating: kittens! His vegetable garden was the most astonishing with a perfect blend of onions, squash, blueberry, rhubarb, asparagus, beets, and green beans growing in perfect harmony with cosmos, geranium, daisy, and ROSES! A shady grass path with smooth stone benches led away from the garden and offered a welcome break from the sun. Nearer to the house, plant beds were bordered with hosta and other perennials, the perfect anchor for the towering roses above. A favorite was ‘Bukavu’, a deep pink hybrid musk with light fragrance blooming on large clusters. While this garden had multiple spots for relaxing and enjoying the beautiful plant collections, Lars says he has a quick cup of coffee in the mornings then it’s off to work. No rest for this gardener!



Tverager garden



'Bakavu'



Guard kitten

Frederiksgard 19 – Garden of Marianne Renner Lauritsen and Kurt Renner:

Also on Day Two, our tour took us to the large 15000m² garden which I termed “Romanic Paradise”. Seven hundred old garden, climbers, ramblers, and David Austin roses were mixed with colour coordinated perennials along wide grassy lanes. Each lane opening to enchanting garden rooms with arches, trellis, statuary, and comfortable seating. Rose fragrance filled the air along borders of delphiniums, veronica, cat mint, and geranium - carefully colour-coordinated to transition to the next white, pink, or orange coloured rose garden. This garden is a perfect place to entertain large groups while keeping the feeling of quiet, intimate conversation. Also integrated in the garden is a Rose Café; a cottage containing multiple rooms decorated in shades of soft pink and romantic colours reflected in the décor and china settings on the tables. Marianne and Kurt both work full time jobs, so we were awestruck to learn they tend the garden themselves. Their son left for University recently, but Marianne was not worried about him in the least. She joked that he knew how to cook as she was always busy in the garden. Pictures do not capture the scale and magnificence of this phenomenal garden. My favorite rose here was ‘Montana’, a bright red floribunda which matched the window frames of the house perfectly.



Frederiksgard 19 garden



Attendees enjoying garden



'Montana'

After the private gardens, we continued on to Grasten Palace, a summer home for the Royal Family. Although we could not enter the Palace, we were treated to a tour of the surrounding gardens filled with mixed perennials and roses. The tour then moved on to Christiansfeld, originally a Moravian settlement where we were presented with a treat of their famous gingerbread cake and coffee. We visited the church and a few of the buildings around the town square. The simplicity of the Moravian architecture provided a radical transition from the grandeur of the palaces we had been touring.

Day Three of the tour and as we moved west, the wind picked up and the temperature dropped! We stopped in Ribe, the oldest city in Denmark, located on the west coast of Jutland. A walking tour revealed streets lined with homes built in the 1600's after a great fire burned much of the city in 1580. Most fascinating was the rooftop stork nest. Unnamed climbing roses grew at the entrance to many of the homes, their ornate doors an architectural treasure themselves.

Gedeager: Birthe Lund and Ernst Jensen

Our first private garden tour on Day Three took us to the garden of Birthe and Ernst Jensen. The group was anxious to enter this garden as a refuge from the wind! In the photo, Birthe stands at the entrance with the large climbing 'Rosenholm' behind her. Birthe and Ernst designed the garden with tall walls and fences covered with espaliered fruit trees, vines, and rambling roses to provide a comfortable and protected haven from the wind within. The soil here is not favorable to rose growing, so Birthe revealed they amend the soil with mushroom compost, clay, and organic fertilizer provided by the horses on the property. The house is surrounded with beautiful borders filled with roses and other perennials, a masterful blend of colour and texture. A rose quite stunning in her garden was the single floribunda 'Odyssey'.



Birthe & 'Rosenholm'



'Odyssey'



Gedeager garden

Garden at Skonager: Lilian and Jens Peder Skonager

Heading back into the wind, our next stop was the garden of Lilian and Jens Peder Skonager. An impressive tree-lined drive leads to this home facing an uninterrupted view of Ribe Cathedral as seen beyond the fields of the Wadden Sea National Park. Lilian tends this large 5000m² garden herself. Husband Jens shared that he sees her in the garden at 6:00 am each morning on his way to work, and has to coax her back inside at 7:00 pm upon his return! All of this hard work clearly pays off in yet another walled garden filled with a trees, hydrangea, dahlia, lilies, clematis, and of course, beautiful roses. Here a water can props open the entrance doors to a nearby garden pavilion covered with the rose 'Raubritter'. Purple clematis climbing on the black painted walls of this same pavilion create a dramatic backdrop to the extensive vegetable garden in the foreground. English garden inspired beds frame garden paths

around the house and open to seating areas or a garden ornament at their terminal axis. After our tour, the Skonagers treated us to coffee and cakes as we relaxed in the shade or continued to marvel at roses such as 'Hansestadt Rostock' a beautiful apricot floribunda.



'Hansestadt Rostock'



'Raubritter' on cottage



Skonager garden

We began our Day Four at the Geografisk Garden in Kolding. The rose garden here received the WFRS "Award of Garden Excellence" in 2015. Home to literally thousands of roses, this garden contains the roses that Aksel Olsen began planting in 1917. The garden has a circular pavilion in the centre and the rose beds radiate from there in offset circles. The roses are planted in masses, so they create a stunning display when in full bloom.



Geografisk Garden



'Toby Tristram'



Krag & Petersen garden

Our next stop was Trappendal, the home and gardens of Gunnar Krag and Jens Otto Petersen. The land has been owned and farmed by the Krag family for over seven generations. Gunnar's grandmother had numerous roses and flower beds, but his parents removed many of them to create a lawn for the children to play. Once Gunnar received the property, the two began to reintroduce roses to the landscape. In this garden, the existing buildings from 1845 emerged as a solid support system for the 120 gigantic ramblers and climbers. The buildings were painted in a shade of orange/yellow typical of the region, but according to Gunnar, the colour gets slightly darker with hints of red with the increase in humidity. This creates an everchanging backdrop for the roses. A few of the old crumbling walls on the property were not just discarded and removed but became interesting garden features with a variety of flowers and roses growing around and cascading over them. While there were many "wow" factors in this garden, the most spectacular was the huge rambling rose 'Toby Tristram' growing around and over a small white tea house at the top of the hill. Simply amazing! We continued on from here to Skamlingsbanken, the tallest point in Denmark marked by a stone tower built in 1864. We enjoyed the 360 degree view as we lunched at a restaurant on the grounds. Our final stop for the day was a visit to the castle in Koldinghus. Known as Jutland's last royal castle, a large portion of it was destroyed by fire in 1808. An award winning restoration was completed recently and the site was converted to a cultural history museum. New architectural elements added to the existing structure were deliberately crafted from differing materials so visitors could easily distinguish the old building elements from the new.

Day Five of our post tour included two historical sites and a nursery. We first travelled to Jelling, where centuries old rune stones record the first mention of the kingdom of Denmark. We stopped for lunch at Knud Petersen's Nursery. His focus is hybridizing winter hardy roses that can withstand the bitter cold and wind. Very successful, he introduced 'Peter Boyd' a hybrid spinosissima which was baptized during this World Convention. After our tour of the nursery we completed the day at Marselisborg Palace. This is the official summer residence of the Queen. The grounds are not open to the public when the Queen is in residence, but we were

given special permission to tour a portion of the main garden leading to the rose garden. The rose garden was designed by Queen Margrethe II, and consists of curved beds in alternating alignment so one never sees the full garden in a single glance - each bed has to be experienced individually. The artwork here collected by the royal couple includes large pots, statuary, and some rather “interesting” interpretive pieces!



Marselisborg Palace



‘Peter Boyd’



Marselisborg Palace

Day Six took us to our northern-most destination near Blokhus and the garden of the late Anne Just. Anne was an artist, illustrator, and sculptor. Even though her garden was relatively small, she masterfully utilized planting beds and unique terracing to achieve a seemingly endless maze of lush garden rooms. Water features were strategically placed throughout, the trickling sound erasing the noise from the outside world and adjacent garden spaces. Her artistic works and architectural elements are integrated in all parts of the garden and either blend seamlessly or create stark contrast with the carefully selected colour and texture choices of the surrounding plants. Old garden roses in soft pastels mixed with more colourful varieties of perennials and shrubs bring fragrance to this garden, considered one of the finest on earth.



Anne Just garden



Anne Just garden



Mariager garden

The next stop on Day Six was the Rose Garden in Mariager. This garden is a collection of roses from the most ancient to new varieties in commerce today. Many of the roses were still in bloom, a real treat for the rose enthusiast looking to compare the roses of yesterday and today. Members of the community share the maintenance of the garden, each being responsible for a different segment. Members were on hand to greet us and answer questions about the varieties and their care. Directly adjacent to the garden was the Mariager Monastery and Church. The site dates from the 1400's and was unique as both monks and nuns attended services in the same building. The interior was kept very simple, a deliberate attempt to keep the focus on the priest! We were fortunate to enter as an organist was preparing for a recital that evening. The French pipe organ is capable of 4500 notes and was a beautiful and spiritual end to our day.

Day Seven, and the final day of our post tour, began with a visit to the private garden of Claus Darby. Claus is a prominent television personality and author in Denmark known for his programs on horticulture and garden design. The influence of Anne Just is apparent here in application and planting combinations. Many plants are grown in pots allowing colour and texture combinations to be easily explored and utilized for his books and television programs. His garden is filled with thousands of different plants, including 400 dahlias alone.

Our final garden destination took us to the beautiful home and gardens of Kollerup, owned by the Selshau-Mark family. Current owner Pia Selchau-Mark accompanied her new husband to the site in the late 1970's. What she found there, a house, garden, and service buildings, in serious decline. The site dates back over 700 years, and the current home is built on the foundations of a previous Viking fortress. The original fortress and multiple manor homes from centuries ago have been removed as most were

destroyed by fire, but the original moat remains. She has spent most of her life restoring the property, and today there stands a grand modern manor house, meticulously maintained lawns and gardens, and thoughtfully restored utility buildings housing many of the family antiques and historical artifacts found on the site. Pia has taken her time over the years with the restoration. She carefully considered every detail including design integrity and financial responsibility to make sure the spaces were completed to perfection and on budget. The interior of the manor is filled with beautiful antiques dating from the 1600's. Many of the rooms are conservatively decorated to enhance and showcase the often large but intricately designed furniture.



Mariager Church



Claus Darby garden



Kollerup garden

The garden itself surrounds the house on the large berm of land used in medieval days for the castle foundations. After much work clearing away decades of overgrowth and weeds, Pia discovered many plants and herbs of historical significance thriving again in the reclaimed soil sunlight. She painstakingly researched and selected many new plants as well, and the combined result is a stunning hillside of colour and texture which seem to “lift” the manor house to the heavens. Overall, a true lesson in refined grace and elegance!

Our last adventure was the two-hour ferry ride back to Copenhagen. We were provided first-class accommodation and a delicious buffet lunch was served on board. The smooth journey offered a quiet opportunity to reflect on a week of spectacular gardens, castles, friends, and roses!!! So many lessons learned, and many new friends made. A piece of Denmark follows each of us back to our homes, as visions of new ideas for our gardens dance in our heads! The rose has once again brought us all together to prove that it is indeed “a small world after all.”

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‘Raubritter’ at Skonager garden

HAVE YOU MARKED YOUR CALENDARS YET?

2019 WFRS REGIONAL ROSE CONVENTION IN NANYANG, CHINA

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Registrations have opened for the World Federation of Rose Societies Regional Convention to be held in Nanyang, China from 27 April to 2 May 2019.

Visit the website <http://www.chinarose2019.org> for details of the program, including the Pre convention Tour and Post Tour. Nanyang is ideally located for this event, being the largest rose production region in China and famous for its roses and jade. The convention will coincide with the city's 10th China Rose Festival and 16th Nanyang Jade Carving Cultural Festival.

The modern Holiday Inn Nanyang is the official convention hotel and congress centre.

Nanyang is a thriving city where you can experience Chinese culture, history, artistry and nature. The city is considered an historic and cultural centre with green credentials.

The region's tradition of jade carving began 2000 years ago and is still as popular as ever. Many of the art works carved by master craftsmen will be displayed at the Jade Exhibition. For those who love to shop there are hundreds of jade stalls in the market adjacent to the Jade Exhibition.

The rose also has a 2000-year-old history in this city and grows more than 2300 varieties including some wild rose species. Today Nanyang supplies about 80% of the roses for the domestic market and more than 70% of the roses exported elsewhere. It lives up to its reputation as the "Home of Chinese Roses".

Early bird Registration is only USD \$400 until the end of November 2018. Will we see you there?

The six day Pre Tour - 22 April to 27 April 2019

The Pre Tour will visit many classical gardens and highlights in and around Shanghai including: Shanghai Chen Shan Botanical Garden, South Classical Garden, which was built during the Ming Dynasty (1368-1644), the Humble Administrator's Garden, one of the largest classical gardens in China, Lion Forest Garden, which highlights Chinese classical private garden architecture, Zhou zhuang, which has gained the reputation as "Number One Water Town in China", West Lake, one of the first and most famous scenic spots in China, and the Hang Zhou Flower Garden, a garden famous for their bonsai.

The five day Post Tour - 2 May to 7 May 2019

The Post Tour will visit many Chinese Cultural Sites including: the 119ha Zhengzhou Garden Expo, Song Yang Academy, the world famous Shaolin Temple, Luoyang Longmen Grottoes, Museum of Terra Cotta Warriors, which is listed as an UNESCO World Cultural Heritage site, the Huaqing Hot Spring in Xi'an, and will finish with the 2019 World Horticultural Expo in Beijing.



Shanghai Botanical Garden



Terra Cotta Warriors

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A Visit To Nanyang

Melanie Trimper

Chances are you have never been to Nanyang in Henan Province, Central China. The people of Nanyang feel a great honour has been bestowed upon them to host the forthcoming WFRS Regional Rose Convention in April-May 2019.

Our own adventure began in April, 2017 when Kelvin and I arrived in Nanyang in the midst of a warm spring. Each day reached 25C to 31C. We stayed at the Holiday Inn which will be the Convention Hotel and Congress venue. The rooms were ample, stylish and comfortable. We received a warm welcome from the China Flower Association, rose society members and city administrators.

Although the City of Nanyang has a population of 12 million people, this regional area has a distinctive almost rural feel. It is a growing city with diverse industries against a backdrop of history and tradition. The main industries are machinery and food production, textile industries and it is one of the largest production areas for roses in China. Roses and jade are fast becoming great attractions.

First we visited the Rose Festival which displayed potted roses, new cultivars, creative floral art and a beautiful decorated streetscape. Next stop was Rose Expo Park where the large rose garden is embellished with statues, teahouses, canals and bridges. A special feature of this garden is lots of colourful "Tree Roses". In fact, along the main road we saw mile after mile of roses being propagated, again with an emphasis on tree roses.

On our second day we saw the magnificent Jade Culture Exhibition of precious carved jade artworks created by master craftsmen. The tradition of jade carving dates back around 2000 years and is still as popular as ever and celebrated today as an important part of this region's heritage. It was interesting to see these exquisite works of art in a myriad of colours, many of them are priceless. Fortunately for us, after viewing the Exhibition we were able to visit a temporary marketplace, set up in pavilions nearby, with hundreds of stalls displaying and selling every type of jade ornament and jewelry imaginable. There were many bargains and bartering with the shopkeepers was all part of the experience.

We were enthralled by the rich history of China. A tour of a Magistrate's Office was a captivating step back in time learning about the culture of the Qing Dynasty 700 years ago. This network of buildings and courtyards, which includes the magistrate's residence and teahouse, is one of the best preserved ancient buildings in China.

Going to Nanyang is not like going to a global capital city, it's more like visiting the countryside where you will experience good old fashioned hospitality, lots of traditional Chinese cuisine and relatively affordable prices.

The Convention program that awaits you in 2019 is likely to include some exciting pre and post convention tours to exotic locations, including a post-convention tour to the majestic Shaolin Temple dating back 1500 years, now designated a UNESCO World Heritage site.

We agreed it had been a fantastic long weekend, despite some unusual food at mealtimes, we loved the amazing spring rolls, the best we have ever eaten. We experienced a fascinating look at a part of China not regularly visited by Australian tourists and were grateful for the kindness and generosity of the Chinese people who were our hosts. Make Nanyang your destination in 2019!

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Bermuda (1981) - Bermuda Rose Society
Canada (1968) - Canadian Rose Society
Chile (2000) - Asociación Chilena de la Rosa
China (1997) - Chinese Rose Society
Czechia (1994) - Czechia Rosa Club
Denmark (1994) - The Danish Rose Society
Finland (1997) - Finnish Rose Society
France (1979) - Société Française des Roses
Germany (1968) - Gesellschaft Deutscher Rosenfreunde
Great Britain (2018) - The Rose Society UK
Greece (1997) - The Hellenic Rose Society
Hungary (2008) - Hungarian Rose Friends Society
Iceland (2007) - Icelandic Rose Society
India (1968, 1982) - Indian Rose Federation
Israel (1975) - The Jerusalem Foundation
Italy (1968) - Italian Rose Society
Japan (1968) - Japan Rose Society
Luxembourg (1983) - Luxembourg Rose Society
Monaco (2012) - Société des Roses de Monaco
Netherlands (1976) - Nederlandse Rozenvereniging
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Northern Ireland (1982) - Rose Society of Northern Ireland
Norway (1988) - Norwegian Rose Society
Pakistan (1992) - Pakistan National Rose Society
Poland (1981, 2017) - Polish Society of Rose Fanciers
Romania (1992) - Asociatia Amicii Rozelor din Romania
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WFRS CALENDAR OF EVENTS

27 April-2 May 2019	WFRS Regional Convention - Nanyang, China
10-12 January 2020	WFRS Regional Convention - Kolkata, India
7-12 June 2020	WFRS 15 th Heritage Rose Conference - Brussels, Belgium
21-28 October 2021	WFRS 19 th World Rose Convention – Adelaide, Australia
May 2024	WFRS 20 th World Rose Convention - Fukuyama City, Japan

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WFRS FRIENDS OF THE FEDERATION DINNER

Fifty WFRS Friends attended the sold-out Friends dinner at the IDA Modecenter in Copenhagen, Denmark. We were treated to one of the best meals during our stay at the World Convention. Thank you speeches were given by outgoing Friends Chairman Steve Jones and incoming Chairman Kelvin Trimper. It was truly a fun time visiting with our Friends from all around the world.



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