



# Bench Newsletter

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## NEXT MEETING

**Friday January 5th 2018**

Horticultural Hall

7-30 am Hall open

11am Meeting

Bench & Hospitality

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Thursday Jan 4th 2018

## SET UP

Horticultural Hall

Set Up for the 5th Jan meeting

8-30 – 10 AM

The Bermuda Rose Society Executive Committee  
**President:** Clare Russell [crussellbermuda@gmail.com](mailto:crussellbermuda@gmail.com)  
**Vice President:** John Howells [johnhowells@northrock.bm](mailto:johnhowells@northrock.bm)  
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**Past President:** Essie Hans [ccd@northrock.bm](mailto:ccd@northrock.bm)  
**Tulo Valley Coordinator:** Pat Thomas [lethomas@logic.bm](mailto:lethomas@logic.bm)  
**Member:** Kelly Sousa [kellysousa@gmail.com](mailto:kellysousa@gmail.com)



Felicity having fun recording the points from the cut rose and the flower arranging bench in the red book. She is happy to share this exciting job with any of our members who are interested in assisting her. Please contact Clare, Diana or Felicity if you can help.

**PROGRAM FOR February to May 2018****Friday February 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018**

TEMPEST, St. George's \$50.00 per ticket

Luncheon and Speaker

Rose arrangements for lunch tables only. No cut roses bench.

**Programme: Connie Hilker of Fredericksburg, USA.**

Topic: Her own garden and Hollywood Cemetery, and restoration of Bell Garden, Tufton Farm

**Friday March 2<sup>nd</sup> 2018**

Horticultural Hall

7-30 am Hall open

11am Meeting

Bench & Hospitality

**Arrangement titles:** Class A, B, & C – 'Masquerade', Class D – Shadow Box

**Programme: Claire Jessey, Plant Protection Officer/Entomologist**

Topic: Pests of roses and environmentally friendly solutions

**Friday April 6<sup>th</sup> 2018**

2pm Tea Meeting

**Venue: "Barngrove", Devonshire kindness of Peter and Felicity Holmes**

**Annual Exhibition**

Receiving, Specimens Bench: Wednesday 18 April 2018, 6-7pm

Receiving, Judging, Stewarding: Thursday April 19, 2018

Stewarding: Friday April 20 and Saturday April 21, 2018

Clean up TBA

**Friday May 4<sup>th</sup> 2018**

Horticultural Hall

7-30 am Hall open

2.30 pm Meeting

Bench & Hospitality

**Arrangement titles:**

Class A – 'Raft Up' – 24" x 24" no height limit

Class B – 'Anything Goes' – no size restriction

Class C – 'Fireworks' - 15" x 15" no height restriction

**Programme: AGM Awards Ceremony**

**Bermuda Rose Society Flower Arranging Schedule 2017**

Exhibitors may bring in bench exhibits and competitive flower arrangements  
Between 8.00 am and 9.15 am on the morning of the meeting. Exhibitors must vacate  
the area by 9.15 am so that judging may begin promptly at 9.45 am  
Meeting to begin at 11.00am

**For all months, except the AGM in May, sizes are :-**

Class A – 24” wide x 24” deep, NO height restriction.

Class B - 15” wide x 15” deep x 15” high.

Class C - 9” wide x 9” deep x 9” high, design must be more than 4” high, wide and  
deep this does not apply to the diagonal dimension.

**Class D - Shadow Box** – The aim is to create a ‘Picture’ within a frame, no titles are  
given. The plant material may extend forward out of the box to create a 3D effect  
but must NOT touch the Interior or Frame of the box.

Internationally accepted Rules for Floral Art

- 1) Plant material must predominate over all other components.
- 2) Plant material must be in water or water retaining material, unless such plant  
material is known to remain turgid for the duration of the show.
- 3) Artificial plant material must NOT be used.
- 4) Painted and/or artificially coloured or treated plant material may be used  
unless otherwise stated in the schedule.
- 5) An exhibit may include accessories such as bases, drapes, backgrounds and  
title cards unless otherwise stated.

The Bermuda Rose Society requires that locally grown Roses and/or plant  
material from the Rosaceae family must predominate in all arrangements.

Some examples are apple, cotoneaster, loquat, peach, pear, potentilla,  
pyracantha, spirea, strawberry, dewberry, yeddo-hawthorne.

Roses of any classification may be used and need NOT have been grown by the  
Exhibitor. Other locally grown flowers and foliage may be included.

Plant materials are living plants, flowers, grasses and branches of bushes or  
trees.

All plant material should be in scale with the roses used and must be appropriate  
in size, colour and texture to complement the roses and be subordinate in the  
design.

Class A, B, and C designs should be in scale within the space allotted.

Class D - please refer to Shadow Boxes.

### Guess the Rose Competition



Clue for above is this is a Mystery Rose check our book *Roses in Bermuda* the photo in the book looks a little lighter than this rose but have a go.  
Shown below in our Dec 1st Newsletter was the mystery rose *Bea's Pink Cluster*





### **Rose News**

Here is a neat device for propagating by air layering, I used to do this with a plastic bag but it was always a bit hit and miss. Now somebody has devised a plastic ball that also does the job; a good present to the propagator that has every thing plus a useful tool for propagating hard to propagate roses, the most important thing for us, this is on Amazon as well.

<http://www.cuttingglobe.com/>

### **Black Plastic Pots**

Tulo Valley is still looking for 1 gall pots, 1 1/2 gall pots, 2 gall pots and 3 gall pots Please look around your garden, make sure they are clean and bagged up please deliver to Tulo Valley or drop of to Peter Holmes, 13 Tee Street. We hope to have a large crop of roses this year so please help. Especially with the larger sizes, rosy thanks.

### **Help Needed**

at Tulo Valley in the next few weeks as we have over 100 new roses to pot up so if you can help please contact Pat or myself as we will be organising a potting party in the next few weeks we only meet for about 2 hours.

## **Luncheon Meeting**

**February, 2nd 2018**

To be held at Tempest Bistro, St. George's. (old Carriage House)

Guest Speaker: Connie Hilker of Fredericksburg, USA

Cash Bar – open noonday

Lunch @ 12:30 – family style meal, (just like home)

Mixed salad, Mahi-mahi, chicken, quiche, and dessert.

Tickets \$50.00 - Purchase from Essie Hans @ 292-1981 (office)

Or reserve tickets direct bank payment to:

Until January 26<sup>th</sup> 2018. Only 70 tickets available book/buy early.



Shadow Boxes from our last meeting



Mingo's lovely arrangement in memory of a wonderful rosarian, Molly Godet Thomas

Minutes of the Meeting of The Bermuda Rose Society held at 11 a.m. on Friday, December 1, 2017 at Horticultural Hall, The Botanical Gardens.

The President, Clare Russell, welcomed members and guests. Guests were Martin Russell and Pauline Northover Brooks

Apologies were received from Lisa Marshall, Sheila Gray, Rosemary Talbot and Gerry Ardis.

#### MINUTES APPROVAL

November 3, 2017, Approved Felicity Holmes, seconded Diana Hindess

#### TREASURY

Balance unchanged \$32,418.67 but funds from sale of roses on November 25 to be added.

#### MEMBERSHIP

Application forms available at the meeting.

#### WEBSITE AND FACEBOOK

The President asked members to look at the Roses in Bermuda.com website and the Facebook page Bermuda Rose Society with a view to providing some feedback as to what is liked and what could be done to improve the sites.

#### TULO VALLEY

Rose sale November 25 will result in about \$4,306.00 in sales. Thanks to members who showed up in the pouring rain to sell the roses.

#### WATERVILLE

On behalf of the WATERVILLE team, John Howells wished members a joyful and festive time. He provided a report from the Repository Garden at Waterville as follows.



Inventory - John has resurveyed the garden beds. Copies of the map of the beds are with our President, in the book at the gardens and at the Bermuda National Trust with Bill Zuill.

John expressed thanks to two more dedicated Rosarians who help out on Thursdays with Felicity and Diana, Jenny Lyne and Jennifer Page.

He advised that lot has been happening in the gardens during the last week. Robert Masters and Margaret Smith met Monday 13<sup>th</sup> at 10am at Waterville to begin the process of taking photographs to put together a "moving slide show to music" using a Mac programme, to cover the video requirement of the application for the WFRS. GARDEN OF EXCELLENCE AWARD. This has now been completed. Appreciative thanks go to them, to Clare and to all the others who have helped her with this presentation, including Peter Carpenter, Diana Hindess, Clare's husband Martin Russell, mowed the lawn, Marijke Peterich helped with last minute decisions, John Howells prepared maps of the beds, Clare's sister has produced a visitors guide. Thanks also go to Lisa Marshall for providing the Society much of the needed information to work with. Members will look forward to seeing the end result.

John had a meeting 14-11-2017 with Peter Lee, Abundance Horticultural Services, gardeners regarding the ongoing maintenance of the gardens and surrounding roses.

Peter Lee will take on all the responsibilities of the extra work which includes soil amendments (using Dr. Earth from Brighton Nurseries) and also the mulching, which will be done just before the hot months.

He advised that the same terms of the previous contract will remain until May 2018 when they will be renegotiated. The south arbor is now in place thanks to Dorcas Roberts and her team at the Bermuda National Trust.

John suggested members visit the garden as it is looking awesome, full of color and fragrance.

There is always a lot of work to be done. If you can assist, please contact John ( 297-0527 ) or [johnhowells@northrock.bm](mailto:johnhowells@northrock.bm)

#### PRESENTATION OF PRESIDENTS PIN

Peter Holmes presented Clare Russell with her President's pin.

#### BENCH

Clare Russell pointed out roses on the bench that were very similar, Heydon Pink China and Louis Philippe. She also pointed out that grooming was so important and bad leaves should be taken off and stalks cut all the way back to the main stem.

#### NEXT MEETING

The next meeting will be on Friday January 5. 2018 at Horticultural Hall and will be a hands on interactive judges demonstration on 1. Judging and 2. Exhibiting.

February meeting will be a luncheon meeting and arrangements are being completed for location and cost, tickets will be available at the January meeting and are expected to be about \$50.

#### ANY OTHER BUSINESS

There being no other business, the meeting closed.

Felicity Holmes and Diana Hindess then gave a rose arranging workshop and members created their own arrangements for table, candlestick and shadow box.

## Flower Arrangement Report

Flower Arrangement Judges: Debbie Burville, Deanna Moss

Number of Exhibits: 5

Number of Exhibitors: 2

### Class A

#### 'Fairy Lights'

First: - Felicity Holmes

Second: - Mingo Cook

Third: -

### Class B

#### 'Fairy Lights'

First: Mingo Cook

Second: -

Third: -

### Class C

#### 'Small Packages'

First: -

Second: - None

Third: -

### D Shadow Box

First: - Felicity Holmes

Second: - Mingo Cook

Third: -

### Overall Flower Arrangement Points

First: - Mingo Cook 35

Second: - Felicity Holmes 30

**CUT Rose Report**

Date: December 1, 2017

Cut Rose Judges: Kelly Sousa, Clare Russell, Nancy Wadson,

Asst. Judge: Susan Conyers

Stewards: Diana Hindess, Judy Godfrey, Jeanette Vallis, Gill Gaade

Recording: Felicity Holmes, Diana Hindess

Ribbons: Lee Davidson, Mina Peniston

Number of Exhibits: 119

Number of Exhibitors: 8

**Best in Show**

Name: Millicent Ardis

Rose: 'Prosperity'

**Cut Roses Total Points**

	<u>Name</u>	<u>Points</u>
First:	Millicent Ardis	290
Second:	Peter Holmes	255
Third:	John Howells	70
Fourth:	Mingo Cook	60
Fifth:	Lucy Murphy and Jeanette Vallis	40
Sixth:	Clare Russell	30
Seventh:	Susan Swift	25



Flower arranging Judges hard at work Debbie Burville and Deanna Moss

Bench Judges do their stuff on cut roses



This is the Mystery Rose Vincent Godsiff we have a large 3 gall pot of this rose for sale at Tulo and a St David's only \$40.00 each pot



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