



Bench Newsletter

NEXT MEETING

Friday May 4th 2018

Annual General Meeting
Horticultural Hall
Program

All entries received from: 7.30 am to 9.30 am – please observe.

Stewards only in the hall from: 9.45 am

Judging commences at: 10.00 am

Tea for Members: 1pm to 2pm

AGM award ceremony: 2.00pm

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

Thursday May 3rd 2018

SET UP

Horticultural Hall

Set Up for the Friday meeting

9 – 10 AM

The Bermuda Rose Society Executive Committee

President: Clare Russell crussellbermuda@gmail.com

Vice President: John Howells johnhowells@northrock.bm

Treasurer and Past President: Marijke Peterich mgpeterich@gmail.com

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Past President: Essie Hans ccd@northrock.bm

Tulo Valley Coordinator: Pat Thomas lethomas@logic.bm

Member: Kelly Sousa kellysousa@gmail.com



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 that this is a Mystery Rose. Check our book *Roses in Bermuda, Revisited*. Shown below in our April 2nd Newsletter was the Mystery class rose Dan's Rose guessed correctly by John Howells. Well done, John! Thanks also to Sheenagh Harris and Gill Gaade for having a go.



ROSE NOTES

Companion Plants notes taken after Steven Scanneillo's visit a few years ago

Companion plants are useful as they shade the soil, thus keeping soil from drying out around the roses. They are often fragrant and provide colour, especially when roses aren't blooming. Stephen said we should check the requirements of the rose, height and general needs, water, light etc & choose companion plants that like similar conditions. Choose companion plants that will complement and tone in rather than compete with the colour and size of the roses.

Stephen also suggested growing vines with climbing roses so there would be foliage/flowers at times when roses are fairly bare. Train climbers up trees, using jute string to tie canes. Plant as near to the tree as you can, yet still providing adequate soil for the rose; canes as long as your arm can be wrapped around the tree or pole.

Some companion plants Stephen Scanneillo and others suggested:

Lavender – does like drier soil than roses, Stephen suggested planting in a mound of soil to provide good drainage or further away from the rose i.e. growing at the edge of the boarder at Waterville near the bricks would be ideal as they like heat. Mix crushed oyster shells in the mulch underneath before planting as these help to keep the soil warm

Herbs – basil, thyme, parsley, Spanish thyme and chives

Alyssum, white version is most striking; after blooming, cut back & it will shoot back later, Black & blue Salvia, cut back after blooming and it will bloom again, Lace Plant, Violas, Tea Plant, grey leafed Gazania with white flowers, dwarf Begonia, Cuphea, Blue Daze, Daylilies, Vinca (Periwinkles), White Bermudiana, Dianthus and Pentas.

The Bermuda National Trust are putting on a talk at Waterville



This will be followed with a talk on Rose Propagation given by our Past President, Diana Antonition



Rose Sale 2nd June 2018

from 8-30 to 10 am at Tulo Valley
It looks like we will have at least 100
rose plants for sale at Tulo on 2nd
June 2018. 1 gall, 2 gall and 3 gall
These photos were taken in January
2018 and demonstrate how well our
roses have grown in our renovated
tunnel.



Minutes of the Annual General Meeting of the Bermuda Rose Society held at 2p.m. on Friday May 5, 2017 at the Horticultural Hall in the Botanical Gardens.

The minutes were emailed to all members on 19th April 2018



Shadowbox by Felicity Holmes for the 2018 Ag Show (Photo by Andrew Dobson)

If anybody is interested in receiving the latest World Rose News please let me know and I will email it to them. It is too big file to attach it to the newsletter

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Bench & Hospitality

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WATERVILLE REQUEST Please join John H and Jeni S on Monday 14 May at 10am or Diana H, Felicity, Jennifer Page and Jeni L on Thursday 17 May any time between 7am - 10.00am to WEED. We are putting MULCH down on Friday 18 May and want the beds as weed free as possible. Any help you can give will be invaluable! Please bring bucket, trowel and snips. Thank you! The Waterville Team

Dear Members

Unfortunately this will be my last Bench Newsletter. I did ask a couple of months ago if anybody was interested in taking over from me. I would be happy to assist them. So far, I have had no response to that request. I have enjoyed putting it together, however after 6 years it is time to move on as they say. I still intend to take part in meetings and look forward to entering my roses and being with friends at the meetings.

Happy rose growing to all

Peter