



## Heritage Roses in Australia

Perth Region

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Those few drops of rain we had in March are long gone and there is no more rain on the radar in the foreseeable future. So our topic for our next meeting is most appropriate and we hope you are able to come and join us.

Our next meeting is on **SUNDAY 21<sup>st</sup> APRIL** –

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**At Falls Farm, Cagney Way, Lesmurdie**

**ROSE GARDENS COPING in PERTH SUMMERS**

**By**

**JAN EASTMAN**

**(Lunch to follow)**

As we have all experienced that the past few summers have been very hot with very little rain (virtually none this summer).

Jan will speak on how we can cope with this situation with our roses along with Companion Plants that cope with the roses.

The meeting will then be open for members to discuss ways they help their gardens to cope in this climate.

Please bring a plate of food to share at lunch after the meeting.

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**OUR VERY NIGHT TRIP DOWN SOUTH**

**THURSDAY 14<sup>th</sup> and FRIDAY 15<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2024**

Plans are well underway for our trip down south this year. We will once again stay overnight at the Pemberton Hotel where we were well looked after and everyone enjoyed it last year. There will be new places to visit as well as a visit to 'Mostly Roses' – how could one not visit there when in the area!?

We have to organize Bus and Accommodation **as early as possible** as that area is very popular with visitors at that time of the year.

If you are interested in going on this trip could you please indicate by notifying Jan by email [perthregionhria@gmail.com](mailto:perthregionhria@gmail.com) or phone 0400 013 885 as soon as possible.

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## **FUNDRAISER – OPEN GARDEN**

### **JAN EASTMAN'S GARDEN**

**Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October**

This year as something different, Jan's garden will be open to the public to raise money for HRiA Perth. On the day we will need members to volunteer to assist with various activities (admission, teas etc). We would also like to have "rose themed" items to sell and would appreciate it if you, our members, could contribute – i.e. rose petal jams, strike roses and companion plants to sell, cards etc. Now is the time to start thinking about (and doing) what you think are good ideas to contribute. Maybe you have a good idea but can't 'do' what you're thinking of, suggest if anyway and perhaps another person is capable of that. Any suggestions, please contact Jan [perthregionhria@gmail.com](mailto:perthregionhria@gmail.com)

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## **NEUTROG**

There has been recent correspondence with Neutrog with regard to ordering and delivery of Neutrog orders to HRiA Perth members.

We are NOT ABLE to collect individual Neutrog orders from their depot (as mentioned at the AGM). It must be delivered in bulk to a home or business.

Our orders are for delivery only once a year in spring. A date to have your order into Neutrog will be decided later in the year.

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*SO VERY IMPORTANT* – Remember when spraying anything in the garden to do so very late in the afternoon (just before dusk) when the bees and other beneficial bugs have departed your garden and 'gone home'.

## HAVEN'T PAID YOUR HRIA SUBSCRIPTION YET?

The 'close off' date for receiving your Winter Journal and any subsequent journals was the 31<sup>st</sup> March – but am sure if you do it NOW you would still be able to keep your membership up to date. Pay online: [www.heritageroses.org.au/membership](http://www.heritageroses.org.au/membership) A form was also included in your Summer Journal which you can fill in and post to the membership secretary. If you are having any difficulty in paying your membership, please do not hesitate to email Jan [perthregionhria@gmail.com](mailto:perthregionhria@gmail.com) of phone 0400 013 885 or reply email to Gay.

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## A REVIEW OF OUR MARCH MEETING GARDEN VISITS AT THE CONFERENCE AND POST-POST CONFERENCE TOUR

By **BILLY WEST** and **KATE WALKER**

We started the year with wonderful Powerpoint presentations firstly by Kate of gardens from the Conference in Victoria and then Billy's talk was after the Conference and post Conference Garden tour, with a road trip with Pat Toolan, Debra Kelly and Anita Clevenger from the USA. It was very enjoyable with many photos of beautiful gardens (how we wished we were there) and fun to hear of the various escapades that occurred on their trip. Thank you both for taking us with you.



*Kate giving her talk, with the beautiful display of heritage roses brought in by members. These are here to be viewed by members after the talks, you are welcome to ask questions. If you have a heritage rose/s please bring in (with name) and add to the display. If you have a rose and don't know the name of it – bring it in as someone may be able to help.*



*Karen Davey, the winner of the raffle, accompanied by Lea Newing and Chris Laidman*



## AN IMPROMPTU GARDEN WALK AROUND JAN'S GARDEN

Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> March

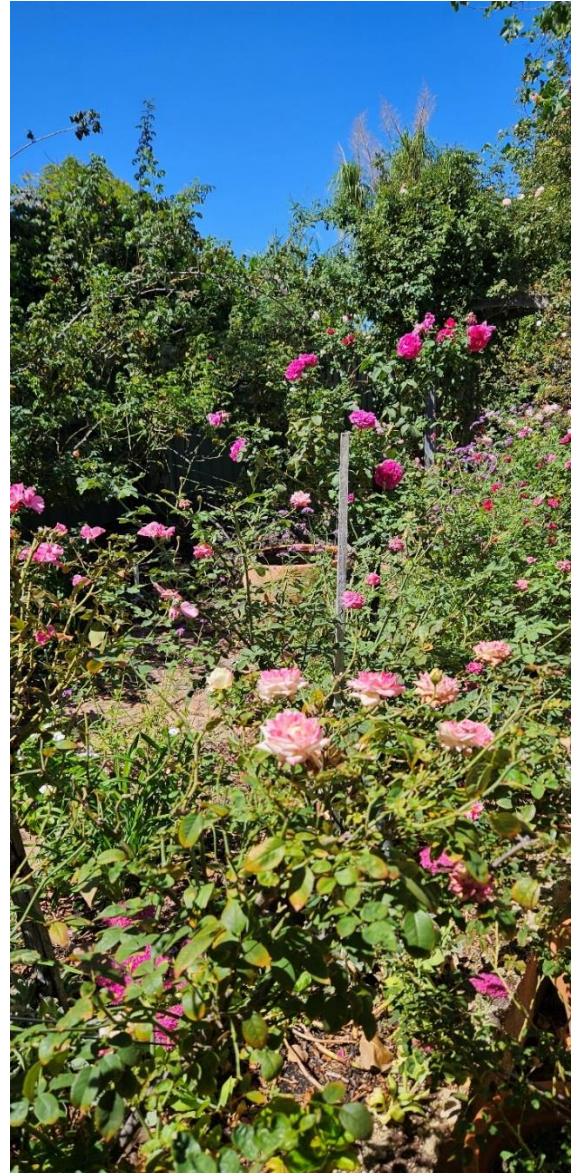
Earlier in the week whilst Jan was busy hand watering her plants (her reticulation had broken down some weeks prior), she thought it would be nice to have members over to look and see how her garden was coping with chilli thrip and what plants were thriving in the hot summer, especially without it regular watering.

So, she sent out an email to all and said they were welcome to visit on the Wednesday morning and a good group turned up. As well as a very casual wander around the garden, the morning concluded with morning tea on the verandah.

Thanks Jan for such a lovely relaxed morning in a beautiful garden, followed by a scrumptious morning tea.







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### **PERTH HRIA EVENTS AND MEETINGS FOR 2024**

All meetings will be at Falls Farm and begin at 11.00am unless otherwise stated.

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> April**

Rose Gardens and Companion Plants coping with Perth's Summers

**Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> May**

Cutting Day - Jan Eastman's home

**Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> June at 11.00am**

'New Zealand Gardens' – talk by Lynne Chapman

**Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> July at 11.00am**

'A Brief History of Medicinal Uses of Roses' - talk by Karen Davey

<b>Late July at 9.00am onwards</b>	Pruning and 'Soup Day No.1' <b>Day</b> (probably a Wednesday) <b>&amp; Date to be confirmed closer to July</b>
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August at 11.00am</b>	'Soup Day No.2' 'Talking about Heritage Roses' – Round Table (we will choose a rose grown at Falls Farm prior to the meeting to give a brief information on)
<b>Saturday 7<sup>th</sup>/Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September</b>	Garden Clubs and Societies Fair
<b>Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September</b>	To be Advised
<b>Saturday 12<sup>th</sup>/Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October</b>	WA Rose Society Spring Fair
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Visit to Kate Walker's garden in Brookton (drive yourself). More details later
<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October</b>	Fundraiser 'Open Garden' at Jan Eastman's garden
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup>/Friday 15<sup>th</sup> November</b>	Overnight Trip down South visiting Gardens. More details later
<b>8<sup>th</sup> December</b>	Lunch – Christmas Celebration – more details later

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Happy gardening,

The Committee



*Heritage Roses in Australia Inc*

*HRiA was formed in 1979 and is a fellowship of those people whose aims are to advance the preservation, cultivation, distribution and study of old garden roses, roses no longer in general commercial cultivation, roses of historical importance, species roses and their hybrids.*

*The organization was formed to bring together people who love and collect old roses, the roses of antiquity and the survivors from Australian colonial gardens.*