



Heritage Roses in Australia

Perth Region

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Spring is here and we have a completely full month of rose events and what could be better.

October started with a busy bee at Falls Farm on 2 October to fertilize and weed the rose gardens. We had half a dozen brave ladies who turned up on the morning as it was freezing cold and raining. The 10 large bags of sheep manure were delivered around 9.30am and raining or not we went straight out and spread the manure then a lot of weeding was done making the gardens look so much more beautiful. The roses were shooting well and the bonus of the rain is it will help the manure work into the soil.



WA ROSE SOCIETY FAIR – 12 & 13 October South Perth Civic Centre

Thank you to the members that have volunteered to assist on our stalls for the weekend. The roses are out and looking wonderful so I am sure the show will be a hit. We have 12 new Rose Cards printed to be sold and Rose Calendars for 2025.

COUNTRY GARDEN VISIT – 20 October Kate Walker's Garden in Brookton

This is a drive yourself to the country day although I would suggest if you can to carpool as it just makes the driving easier if you have someone to chat to. Arrive at 11am and morning tea of scones, jam and cream will be served in good country style, thanks Kate. Bring lunch to share after we have enjoyed a stroll in the garden.

Directions: farm is called "Warranine Park " Street address is 9043 Brookton Highway (which makes it 90.43Km from the start of the Highway at Albany Highway and 79Km from Karragullen)

Just head towards Brookton (don't turn off at the Beverley turnoff). We are 20Km west (Perth side) of Brookton town - so don't let the GPS take you all the way to town (some of them do!)

The farm entrance is on the north (left) side of the road and has white fence walls with a little square building in the centre. The farm name is on the walls. I will tie balloons on the gates.

(If you reach the cross-road south to Williams/ north to York you have gone about a Km past the gate!)

Follow the drive past the sheds, through the open gate (more balloons) and up the hill to the 2nd house.

Make sure to have plenty of fuel as there are no fuel stations past Karragullen.



**OPEN GARDEN – 27 October
Jan Eastman's Garden in Thornlie**

This is a fundraising day and the gardens will be open to the public to raise money for HRiA Perth for propagation and preservation of old roses and 50% of the door takings will go to the Cancer Research Organisation.

Thank you to those who have already offered to assist on the day. An email has been sent for the areas we could use more help. If you have items to go on the sale table please let me know. Ask your friends to come along to see our roses and have a cup of tea and cake. It should be a fun day.



**SPRINGTIME OVERNIGHT TRIP DOWN SOUTH in NOVEMBER
14 &15 November**

The trip is now all organised and we are looking forward to this time away and will report to you all on our return.

REVIEW ON RECENT EVENTS

GARDEN CLUBS & SOCIETIES FAIR in SOUTH PERTH held 7 & 8 September.

This was a great success with members donating items for sale and a profit of \$347 was made. Many people stopped and smelt the roses and took Journals to read more about them. Flyers for the Open Garden soon disappeared, and people were taking photos of the last one left to keep for information. Thank you to those who volunteered to make it a successful weekend.



'ROSES OF LONDON and ITALY' A Powerpoint presentation was given by Jan Eastman and Janet Rowe on 18 September. The talk encompassed the roses of London and then onto beautiful roses in the different Italian regions. It is always a joy to see old roses that we unfortunately here in Perth are unable to grow. The stories of the people who built the gardens was also very special.





THE LAST EVENT OF THE YEAR

Sunday 8th December

Lunch – Christmas Celebration – The Boat
Shed, South Perth - more details later

Kind regards,

The Committee

