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Lyn Hamer,
Best of Show.

Photo by
Diane Vahradian.

And the Winner Is . . .

Here are the 2014 Rose Show winners (watch for lots of rose show photos in the next issue of *Dune Rose*!)

SECTION I

Best of Show Perpetual Allan K. Murray Trophy: **Lyn Hamer**, Mme. Hardy

Queen of Show Trophy: Helga Dawn, Sonia

King of Show Trophy: Helga Dawn, First Prize

Princess of Show Trophy: Christl Meszkat, Gold Medal

Best Hybrid Tea Spray Trophy: Brad Bender, Paris de Yves St. Laurent

Grandiflora Duchess of Show Trophy: Brand Bender, Earth Song

Floribunda Susan D. Starr Trophy: Christl Meszkat, Nicole

Floribunda Spray Prince of Show Trophy: Larry Carnivale, Betty Boop

Polyantha Spray Trophy: Carol Kroupa, Baby Blanket

Climber Trophy: Huguette Hersch, Don Juan

Dowager Queen Trophy: Lyn Hamer, Mme. Hardy

Victorian Rose Trophy: Lyn Hamer, Rose de Rescht

Classic Shrub Dr. & Mrs. Martin Stone Trophy: Lyn Hamer, Penelope

Modern Shrub Charles Belensky Trophy: Larry Carnivale, Distant Drums

Queen of Combined Shrub Trophy: Larry Carnivale, Distant Drums

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Companion Plants for Roses

Roses are wonderful all by themselves. But combining them with other plants can bring a whole different feeling to the garden. Gardeners can combine roses with other plants in a number of ways. In cottage gardens, roses add to the overall look but they do not dominate; like the useful gardens of America's early settlers, these gardens contain an eclectic mix of roses, perennials and herbs.

Adding other plants to a structured border full of roses offers ongoing interest and variety as the viewer moves through the garden. Some rose lovers add companion plants to soften the appearance of a rose garden by hiding bare canes and creating complementary color schemes. Look for perennials and annuals in pastels of pink or apricot to play off the colors of your rose blooms. Or, increase dramatic impact by using plants with contrasting colors: white or yellow in front of red or orange roses, or bright fuchsia with yellow roses. Such contrast attracts the attention of passers-by and draws attention to the roses.

The flowers of companion plants can add to the charm of a pastel, delicate garden color scheme or they can provide the pop of hot colors such as orange and red. They can add blues to the landscape, a color that rose lovers can't find in the blooms of their favorite flower. For example, the delicate, small blue flowers of true geraniums or the deep purples of flowering clematis provide a calming accompaniment to the lovely pinks and apricots of Austin varieties or old garden roses. A cottage garden can be created from layers of plantings, such as pansies, violas, Alyssum and lamb's ears in

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Clematis, an excellent rose companion, in the Berkrot-Staples garden.



Nepeta is a great companion for climbers, in the SRS garden near Citarella.

This article is abridged from *Sharing the Love: Companion Plants for Roses*, by Carolyn Elgar (American Rose, November/December 2013)

Photos by Anne Halpin White.

My Favorite Rose

This month we welcome Helga Dawn to My Favorite Rose. If you'd like to share your favorite rose with your fellow rose lovers, please contact Anne at ahalpinwhite@yahoo.com, or 631-834-5460. She's happy to interview you if you're not ready to write your own piece. This feature was suggested by members last year, so please share your favorite with all of us!



Morgengruss, showing the blend of pink and yellow. See the back page of this newsletter for another Morgengruss photo. Photo by Helga Dawn.

One of the early members of SRS, Helga Dawn has been growing roses for more than 40 years. She and her husband, David, created a legendary rose garden at their home on Ox Pasture Road in Southampton. Her favorite rose then, and now, is Morgengruss, a kordesii variety bred by Kordes roses in Germany.

Helga and David started their Ox Pasture garden in the early 1970s. Her husband, she says, was the rosarian in the family. He did extensive research “and I was the assistant,” she said with a smile. That garden eventually contained over 2,000 roses. It was famous, featured in Architectural Digest, and numerous other books and magazines, as well as Martha Stewart’s television show. It was breathtaking in full bloom. The garden contained a lot of roses from the Kordes nursery in northern Germany. Kordes, founded in 1887, has over the years

introduced many treasured rose varieties, including Morgengruss, Dortmund, and La Perla. Today Kordes is an international company, with increasing involvement in developing roses for cut flowers.

Helga grew up in Germany, and in the 1980s she and David visited the Kordes nursery in northern Germany. There, she recalled, “we fell in love with the climbers.” They went on to plant many climbing roses in their Southampton garden. The celebrated Ox Pasture garden no longer exists, alas, but many of the plants live on. The new owners gave some of the roses to neighbors. The climbers, she said, found a new home on the Linden estate owned by the Friedrich family. And Morgengruss moved with Helga to her new home.

ABOUT MORGENGRUSS

So why is Morgengruss Helga’s favorite rose? First of all, she loves the name. “It translates to ‘morning greeting,’” she says, and the flower lives up to its name. “It greets you with beautiful colors,” she says. She loves the way it opens, and the contrast of the dark green foliage against the warm pink of the flowers. Those flowers open light pink, with a distinct yellow tint. It is, she says, a lovely combination of both colors, “such a subtle pink...it’s beautiful!” The very essence of a summer sunrise.

Added enticements: the flowers are deliciously fragrant. And the plant is everblooming through the summer. Classified as a climber, Morgengruss can grow as a shrub or a climber. “But,” says Helga, “it’s not one of those big climbers” that can be almost overwhelming in the garden. In Helga’s garden it climbs upward and then cascades gracefully, rich with bloom. It’s disease resistant, too, another plus.

Morgengruss is one rose Helga can’t live without. “It has very good memories for me of my old garden,” she said, fondly. “We had many of them cascading from trellises.” Today Morgengruss has a place on a lattice fence in her garden, still sending out its glorious fragrant blossoms all summer long. 🌹

Event Photos



Pruning and Planting Workshop

Peter Bertrand demonstrates pruning techniques.

And the Winner Is . . . (continued from page 1)

King of Combined Shrub Trophy: Joan Carl, Carding Mill

Princess of Combined Shrub Trophy: Huguette Hersch, Princess Alexandra of Kent

Queen Elizabeth Spray Elizabeth Adelaide Leonard Trophy: Brad Bender

Sweepstakes Trophy: Brad Bender

SECTION II

Fragrant Rose Trophy: Joan Carl, Sharifa Asma

Novice Showman's Trophy: Gina Faranick, Constance Spry

Junior Showman's Trophy: Juliette Kearns, Miniature Rose

Rose in a Bowl Sean Rehill Trophy: Joan Carl, Honey Perfume

Open Rose Eleanore Riess Memorial Trophy: Larry Carnivale, Just Joey

Best Arrangement Dee De Niff Memorial Trophy: Harvey Feinstein, Seafoam, Sunny, Knockout & Julia Child

SECTION III

Jane Cohen Trophy: Nancy Rollins, Zephirine Drouhin

David & Helga Dawn Trophy: Brad Bender, Folklore, Love & Peace, Baron de Rothschild

Peter Haring Trophy: Larry Carnivale, Peach Parfait

Eleanora G. Johnson Trophy: Nancy Rollins, Bonica & William Baffin

Louise Schoen Trophy: Christl Meszkat, Graham Thomas, Gertrude Jeckyll & Leonard D. Braithwaite

Joan Simonds Trophy: Brad Bender, Ambassador, Folklore & Over the Moon

Pauline Gerli Sullivan Trophy: Christl Meszkat, Hot Cocoa & Crimson Bouquet

Mr. & Mrs. Martin Richards Trophy: Christl Meszkat, Nicole & Fourth of July

Dorothy Nigro Trophy: Brad Bender, Barbara Bush & Falling in Love

Sheldon Goldberg Trophy: Harvey Feinstein, Knockout



Children's Mini-Rose and Art Workshop

A group of enthusiastic kids learned how to plant their own miniature rose, and had fun creating some beautiful rose art; (TOP LEFT) Carol Kroupa demonstrates planting.



Competitive Rose Arranging Workshop

(LEFT) Lillian Walsh; (CENTER) Carol Kroupa, Mimi Goldberg, and Nancy Rollins; (right) workshop hostess Christl Meszkat.



Showing Award-Winning Roses Workshop

(TOP LEFT) In the garden; (BOTTOM LEFT) event speaker Lillian Walsh; (RIGHT) Lillian Walsh, hosts Jim Berkrot and Michael Staples, Rose Show Chair Mimi Goldberg.



Rose Care Calendar

HARVEY'S ROSE CARE CALENDAR

Here is SRS President Emeritus Harvey Feinstein's advice for the summer rose garden.

JULY/AUGUST. Now is the time to make certain your roses are *sufficiently watered*. If you have an automatic sprinkler system, check to see that the timer is properly set. Do not do any night-time watering as this is a certain invitation for fungus and black spot.

In our humid summers you want the sun to dry off your leaves, so the best time for watering is early morning. And this holds true if you are watering from overhead with a hose or sprinkler system.

The second item that will keep your roses blooming all season is to *deadhead* any blossoms that have faded. You can cut them away right at the top where they have bloomed or remove the stem and the faded rose by counting down to a *five-leaf axial* stem. This is where the next stem and rose will form. Cut at an angle 1 inch above the five-leaf axial. You will notice your bush also has stems with 6 leaves and sometimes fewer, BUT it's at the five-leaves-per-stem leaflet that the next rose will be born.

Your third job now is to feed organics with a summer snack of RoseTone. If you remember, you fed your roses in March or April. Well, they are hungry again and this feeding will keep them happy through the growing season. You can also give them a sip of Fish Emulsion, (diluted to 1 tablespoon per gallon of water), or add a little more mulch of dehydrated horse manure . . . take your pick.

Keep up with your spraying routine, for other bugs and rose diseases. Japanese beetles will infest your garden whether you spray or not. July is their season. But have heart, they will be gone by July 31.

Next issue (believe it or not) we will start preparing for autumn and keeping your roses active until it's time to put them to bed for the year.

HAPPY GARDENING.

Companion Plants for Roses (continued from page 2)

front, scabiosa, Chinese foxglove and phlox in the middle, and the taller digitalis and sweet pea in the back. Pastel floribundas or shrub roses fit nicely within these layers of romantic, old-fashioned-looking flowers.

Daylilies in bright oranges and the cheery yellow and fuchsia colors of asters perk up the reds and apricots of floribundas, creating an energetic color play throughout a large, natural looking border. Adding bright violet cosmos and red-orange lantana fills out the area with contrasting foliage and attracts butterflies. For a more formal, structured look, use one color or variety to create a uniform edging in front of the roses.

One very good reason to include other plants in your rose garden is to attract beneficial insects that will prey on the insects that eat, rasp, and suck the juices from your roses. Beneficial insects require a high amount of rose pests

before they arrive in mid-spring to lay eggs that grow into larvae that devour aphids, mites and thrips. Although larvae depend on the protein of other insects to develop, their parents require nectar and pollen as well. Rose blooms are not their favored flowers; they need plants with smaller flowers and external nectaries. Many companion plants offer these requirements, giving beneficials cause to stay in your garden. Yarrow, herbs, lantana, marguerites, agastaches—plants like these support the increase of beneficial insects in your garden.

Companion plants give the gardener freedom to vary the design of rose beds and add great interest for the viewer—there's always something to look at and admire when walking through the garden. Do some research and invite new and different plants to share your garden space with your beloved roses. 🌹

Events Calendar

SOUTHAMPTON ROSE SOCIETY EVENTS

Saturday, July 26, 6 PM

Cocktail Party and Auction Fundraiser

Graciously hosted by Anthony Roncalli and Eric von Kuersteiner
176 Halsey Neck Lane, Southampton

Sunday, September 7, 4 PM

Members' Annual Garden Party and Photo Competition

Graciously hosted by Carole Guest
358 Wickapogue Road, Southampton

Saturday, September 13, 10:30 AM

Roses at Bridge Gardens

Guest speaker: Rick Bogusch
Location: Bridge Gardens, 36 Mitchell Lane, Bridgehampton

Friday, September 26, 6:30 PM

Annual Members Meeting

Location: Home of Miriam Goldberg
15 Halsey Avenue. Southampton



Saturday, September 27, 12:30 PM

SRS Annual Luncheon and Lecture

Guest Speaker: Fabien Ducher
Location: The Meadow Club, Southampton
Price: \$80 per person

Saturday, October 18, 10:30 AM

Preparing Your Garden for Winter

Guest Speaker: Peter Bertrand
Location: SRS Garden at Rogers Memorial Library

HORTICULTURAL ALLIANCE OF THE HAMPTONS (HAH) EVENTS

Sunday, September 14, 2:00 PM

Seeing Flowers: Discover the Hidden Life of Flowers
Speaker: Teri Chace
Location: Bridgehampton Community House

Sunday, October 12, 2:00 PM

Gardening Simplified: Plant This, Not That

Speaker: Kerry Ann Mendez
Location: Bridgehampton Community House

NEW YORK DISTRICT ARS EVENTS

August 22–24

2014 District Rose Show and Convention

Location: Craftsman Inn and Conference Center, Fayetteville, NY
For information: Ann/Joe Gibson (315)682-9688, ambushe@yahoo.com

Event of note at the convention:

Friday, August 22

Consulting Rosarian School

For information: ARS website, NY District Website, or Consulting Rosarian Chair Louis Arce (LouisArce101@msn.com)

ARS NATIONAL EVENTS

May 9–12

2014 ARS National Convention and Rose Show

Hosted by San Diego Rose Society
Location: Town & Country Resort Hotel
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Photo by Helga Dawn



Morgenruss, tight buds, opening bud, full bloom.