



The Rose Society of South Australia Inc

Autumn Rose Show 2026

Location : Botanic Gardens; Hackney Road; Noel Lothian Hall.

Date : Sunday 26th April and Monday 27th April 2026

Time : Exhibitors 7:00. Public : 12:00 to 4:30 Sunday: 10:00 to 4:00 Monday.

NOMINATIONS

Entries from exhibitors for classes 1,2,3 and F1 - F8 are to reach the Show Manager, Joy Johnson preferably by email to: joyjohnsonbruce1947@gmail.com or by phone 0418 895 438. Entries to arrive no later than 7pm on the Thursday preceding the show.

Exhibitors **MUST** notify the Show Manager of vehicle make and number plates by the Monday preceding the show in order to facilitate vehicle access to the Botanic Gardens. All vehicles must be removed from the Botanic Gardens before 0900 on show day.

PREPARATION AND STAGING

Staging of exhibits can be undertaken during the following times:

Sunday from 7am. Staging of exhibits in all classes must be completed by 11.30am on Sunday.

Clearing of your work space is your responsibility

Prior entries will only be accepted for Floral Art and the Championship classes (Class 1, 2, 3) with all other Cut Flower entries accepted at the time of staging.

It will simply be a matter of bringing your exhibits and placing them on the show benches at the areas designated for that class. We anticipate that some movement of exhibits will be required and that fine-tuning of the new system will follow, however with the calm cooperation of exhibitors and officials, we know that this system has many benefits including time and resource saving.

Exhibitors should understand the following guidelines:

- Blank Exhibit Cards will be available. Class and Grade number and Cultivar (Varietal) name to be written on the FRONT of the card with the exhibitor's name to be written on the BACK.
- Exhibit Cards are to be affixed to the container (horticultural vase) using clear "sticky tape". The container will need to be dry in order to do this. Exhibitors should provide their own towels and tape. This modification will minimise any confusion if exhibits are moved.
- Containers will be filled with water by exhibitors. Only RSSA horticultural vases will be used. Oasis will be provided to exhibitors.
- Completed exhibits are placed on the show bench at the allocated space for each class. Benches will be marked using a "best guess" methodology based on our previous experience.
- If an exhibitor finds the allocated space is full, with no room for their exhibit, the Show Manager or other allocated official should be advised, and further space will be created.
- 30 minutes prior to judging, ALL exhibitors should be available at which time the Show Manager will supervise the re-arrangement of exhibits to ensure that a pleasing display is created and that all exhibits can be assessed for judging. ONLY allocated officials and exhibitors are permitted to rearrange exhibits.
- Judging will commence only when the Show Manager is happy with the arrangement of exhibits.
- Judging sheets will record prize-winners, no record of all exhibits will be required.

PRIZE MONEY

Exhibitors will be paid by the Treasurer within 2 weeks of the Show. If you have not supplied the Treasurer with your bank details, please contact rssatreasurer@gmail.com

CHIEF JUDGE

Mr Gavin Woods, Phone 0429 021 006 or email gbwoods@adam.com.au

SHOW MANAGER

Joy Johnson, Phone 0418 895 438 or email joyjohnsonbruce1947@gmail.com

INFORMATION FOR EXHIBITORS

Please refer to the document "Rules and Regulations for Rose Shows" available on our website under the Members tab. Exhibitor "Grading" can be found in this document.

Standards and Rules for Judging Roses 2024 will be used to adjudicate exhibits.

Schedule of Cut Flower Classes

State Championship Classes Classes (1 to 3)

South Australian State Autumn Rose Championship

Class 1

'Open Section'

- 1 Stem Exhibition Rose.
- 1 Stem Decorative Rose, buds permitted.
- 1 Stem Full Bloom Rose.
- 1 Stem or Cut Shrub Rose
or 1 Cut Polyantha Rose.
- 1 Cut Floribunda Rose.
- 1 Stem or Cut Miniature Rose
or Miniflora Rose.

South Australian State Intermediate Autumn Rose Championship.

Class 2

Oliver Travel Trophy.

B and C Grade Exhibitors only

- 1 Stem Decorative Rose, buds permitted.
- 1 Stem Full Bloom Rose.
- 1 Stem or Cut Shrub Rose
or 1 Cut Polyantha Rose.
- 1 Cut Floribunda Rose.
- 1 Stem or Cut Miniature or Miniflora Rose.

Notes for Class 1, 2.

Each stem or cut is to be identified with the name of the variety and the section it represents, for example, Full Bloom, Miniature etc. Each is to be staged in a separate container with a separate 'entry slip'.

South Australian State 'C Grade' Autumn Rose Championship

Class 3

W. H. Ifould Trophy

C Grade Exhibitors only

- 4 Stems or Cuts, any type of rose, Distinct varieties. To be staged in separate vases, preferably named.

A Grade Classes (4 to 15)

4. 1 stem Exhibition, Decorative, Full Bloom and Shrub types.
5. 1 cut Floribunda or Shrub types
6. 1 stem Miniature, Miniflora.
7. 1 cut Miniature, Miniflora or Polyantha.
8. 3 stems, roses NND (other than types from classes 10 & 11) to be staged in 1 vase
9. 3 cuts, roses NND (other than types from classes 10 & 11) to be staged in 1 vase
10. 3 stems, Miniature or Miniflora roses NND to be staged in 1 vase
11. 3 cuts, Polyantha, Miniature or Miniflora roses NND to be staged in 1 vase
12. Multi Stage, 3 or 4 stems, one variety, any type demonstrating all stages of development including a bud and a full bloom to be staged in 1 vase
13. A Bunch, 4-6 stems or cuts, NND any type to be staged in 1 vase
14. A Bowl, 6-12 stems or cuts, NND any type to be staged in 1 bowl
15. Over 12 stems and/or cuts, one variety, any type demonstrating all stages of development including bud and full bloom to be staged in 1 vase.

B Grade Classes (16 to 24)

16. 1 stem Exhibition, Decorative, Full Bloom and Shrub types.
17. 1 cut Floribunda or Shrub types
18. 1 stem Miniature or Miniflora.
19. 1 cut Miniature, Miniflora or Polyantha.
20. 3 stems and/or cuts, Exhibition, Decorative, Full Bloom, Floribunda and/or Shrub types NND to be staged in 1 vase
21. 3 stems and/or cuts, Polyantha, Miniature or Miniflora roses NND to be staged in 1 vase
22. Multi Stage, 3 or 4 stems, one variety, any type demonstrating all stages of development including a bud and a full bloom to be staged in 1 vase
23. A Bunch, 4-6 stems or cuts, NND any type to be staged in 1 vase
24. A Bowl, 6-12 stems or cuts, NND any type to be staged in 1 bowl

C Grade Classes (25 - 28)

25. 3 stems and/or cuts, NND any type to be staged in 1 vase
26. 4-6 stems or cuts, NND any type to be staged in 1 vase
27. 1 rose, stem or cut Exhibition, Decorative, Full Bloom, Floribunda and/or Shrub type
28. 1 rose, stem or cut Miniature, Miniflora or Polyantha type

Open Grade Classes (29 to 33)

29. 3 stems and/or cuts, NND Australian Bred roses any type to be staged in 1 vase.
30. 3 stems and/or cuts, NND Roses introduced prior to 1900 to be staged in 1 vase.
31. 9 stems and/or cuts, NND any type to be staged in 3 vases, 3 in each.
32. 1 Rose floating in a Brandy Balloon.
33. A pair of roses, one variety to be staged in 1 vase.

Awards

SA State Spring Rose Championship

Wins a National Rose Society of Australia Inc. Medallion, the H Charles Thomas Memorial Trophy and \$70, 2nd \$50, 3rd \$30

SA State Intermediate Spring Rose Championship

Wins The Oliver Travel Trophy and \$50, 2nd \$30, 3rd \$20

SA State C Grade Spring Rose Championship

Wins the W H Ifould Trophy and \$30, 2nd \$20, 3rd \$10

Grand Champion of the Show

Winner selected from the champions listed below, and the winner will receive the 'National Rose Society of Australia Inc.' Medallion, The Women's Weekly Trophy and \$50

All other champions receive \$25

CUT FLOWER Trophies

The Society acknowledges the generous support given by trophy donors

[The President's Trophy](#)

To be awarded to the most successful exhibitor of the show.

Aggregate points: 1st 5pts; 2nd 3pts; 3rd 1pt

[H Charles Thomas Memorial Trophy](#)

To the winner of the Spring State Championship

[Allan Campbell Memorial Trophy](#)

Awarded to the exhibitor of the best Exhibition rose

[Christine Michell Cup](#)

To the exhibitor of the best Decorative rose

[Eric and Myrtle Trimper Memorial Trophy](#)

Best cut of a Floribunda or Grandiflora rose

[Alexander Ross Memorial Award](#)

To the exhibitor of the best champion Full Bloom

[Jack Moule Memorial Trophy](#)

To the exhibitor of the best champion Miniature rose, single stem or cut

[Ralph Smith Award](#)

To the exhibitor with the best exhibit in the Multi-Stages

[Emma Voke Memorial Trophy No. 1](#)

To the exhibitor of the best champion Bunch

[Helen Sunter Memorial Trophy](#)

To the exhibitor of the best champion Bowl

[Oliver Travel Trophy](#)

To the best exhibit of the SA State Intermediate Spring Rose Championship

[The Royal National Rose Society Trophy No. 1](#)

To the most successful B Grade exhibitor in the Cut Flowers section.

All classes included (A, B & Open classes)

Aggregate points: 1st 5pts; 2nd 3pts; 3rd 1pt

[W H Ifould Trophy](#)

To the best exhibit of the SA State C Grade Spring Rose Championship

The Ted Phillips and Bill Nelson Perpetual Trophy

Awarded to the exhibitor of the C Grade champion Bunch of Roses

Judith Waters Memorial Trophy

To be awarded to the champion of classes in section Cut Flowers – Roses Introduced Prior to 1900

Champion B Grade Exhibit

Champion C Grade Exhibit

CUT FLOWER Class Prizes

A first and second prize card is awarded to each class.

A third prize card is awarded in Classes 1, 2 and 3 and in classes with eight (8) or more entries.

Note:

In C Grade a 'Best in Class' award will be made where Judges consider that the best exhibit in a class does not meet a standard to be awarded a prize. No points will be assigned for trophy or award calculations, e.g. President's Trophy.

In A and B Grades, Judges may not give an award to exhibits which they consider to be unworthy.

Schedule of Floral Arrangement Classes

This section is open for general entry by members of the Rose Society of South Australia Inc. or of Affiliated Club's.

Affiliated club's members should enter according to their level in A or B grade.

Roses, other flowers and foliage need not have been grown by the exhibitor, but exhibitors must supply their own containers and accessories. Driftwood and dried material are permitted unless otherwise specified.

NB : 1. No artificial flowers allowed except where stated.

2. At least one rose in each arrangement.
3. Definitions and standards as prescribed in 'The Australian Floral Design Association Inc. Manual' will apply to the judging of these classes.
4. **Arrangements, once placed on the show bench, may be moved only by or under the supervision of the Show Secretary.**
5. Exhibitors are allowed up to 3 exhibits per class.
6. Except where specified the allotted table space for all exhibitors will be 60 cm. x 65 cm. x 120 cm. high.
7. Exhibitors are asked to bring old towels to clean up spilt water and to leave the set-up area neat, clean, dry and tidy.
8. Please refer to AFAA Manual for guidelines.

A Grade Classes

F1. A design using Tatami.

F2. A Curved design.

F3. "Yin and Yang".

B Grade Classes

F4. A design using Tatami.

F5. A Curved design.

F6. "Yin and Yang".

C Grade Classes

F7. "Pretty in Pink".

F8. Pave.

Grand Champion of Floral Arrangement

Selected from all floral arrangement champions of Floral Arranging. Winner to receive the Rose A Thomas Memorial Trophy and \$50

FLORAL ARRANGING Champions/Class awards

1st Prize winners receive \$20, 2nd Prize winners receive \$10

Champions receive \$25

FLORAL ARRANGING Trophies

Rose A Thomas Memorial Trophy

Awarded to the exhibitor of the best champion Floral Arrangement.

A Grade Floral Arrangement Champion Trophy

Awarded to the exhibitor of the champion A Grade Floral Arrangement.

B Grade Floral Arrangement Champion Trophy

Awarded to the exhibitor of the Champion B Grade Floral Arrangement.

C Grade Floral Arrangement Champion Trophy

Awarded to the exhibitor of the champion C Grade Floral Arrangement