



A Publication of the Bowling Green Rose Society



Rosebuds

Next Meeting

Next Home
July 9—6:30 p.m.
Potluck!

July 2015

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52nd Rose Show—Another BGRS Success!!!

Thanks to the efforts of all the members of the Bowling Green Rose Society, we had another successful rose show on May 30. With exhibitors from the Louisville and Nashville Rose Societies, along with our own members, the tables were filled with many beautiful roses.

At the conclusion of the rose show, American Legion members who regularly visit veterans in local nursing homes took the roses from the show to them. Thanks to BGRS members who brought containers to use and to Jim Manley for his help with this project.



Ricky Lockhart won
Queen of Show with 'Veterans' Honor'
and Mary Ann Hext won Best of Show
with her Basket of Shrubs using
'Double Knockout' roses

From the President—Mary Ann Hext, CR



Thanks to everyone for helping BGRS to have another successful rose show. We actually had more roses than expected and several of our members won ribbons and awards. We were fortunate to have several out-of-town exhibitors along with our own members who brought lots of roses to help fill the tables. After the show, all roses were taken to local nursing homes by members of the American Legion to distribute to veterans and other residents.

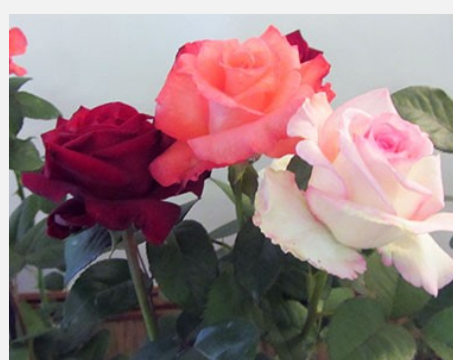
Our "after the rose show dinner" was at the Hartland Salon. Tenarky District Director and First Lady Sam and Nancy Jones were our guests. Sam spoke about their trip to China as ARS Rose Ambassadors and his campaign for ARS VP. I have cast the vote for BGRS and encourage all ARS members to vote ASAP!

Our public rose garden has become a problem and we will be discussing this at the potluck next Thursday night to decide what we need to do. Please plan to be there as we have other important items to discuss also.

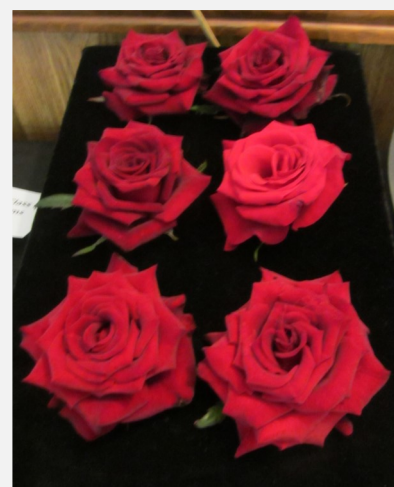
BGRS Members Rose Show Winners



Mixed Quartet 'We Salute You', 'Black Magic', 'Moonstone', 'Touch of Class'
Ricky Lockhart



Mixed Trio 'Black Magic', 'Moonstone', 'Touch of Class'
Ricky Lockhart



English Box 'Black Magic' and 'Veterans' Honor' Ricky Lockhart



Princess 'Moonstone'
Ricky Lockhart



Royal Court 'Black Magic'
Ricky Lockhart



Best HT in Bowl
'Touch of Class' Ricky Lockhart



Best HT Spray 'Gemini'
Mary Ann Hext



Rose in a Frame 'Crescendo'
Carolyn Batchelor



Best Novice 'Crescendo'
Carolyn Batchelor



Best Polyantha 'The Fairy'
Bob Jacobs



Best Mini Open in Bowl
'Marriotta'
Mary Ann Hext

All photos in
newsletter
Mary Ann Hext

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BGRS Members Rose Show Winners—Arrangements



ARS Gold Certificate
ARS Oriental Award
In Country—Oriental Tall
'Sunstruck'- designed by Mary Hext



ARS Silver Certificate
ARS Modern Award
Steel—Modern Abstract Design
'Moonstone' designed by Kathy Dodson



ARS Mini Bronze Certificate
Raintree County—Oriental Low
'Bees Knees' designed by Mary Ann Hext



MONTHLY IN-CLUB COMPETITION—JUNE - NOVEMBER

The competition shall consist of ONE entry in each of the following classes: One bloom per stem, except for sprays. Groom and fill in tags as if entering a regular rose show. Judges will comment on 1st, 2nd, and 3rd choice. The top scorer in horticulture and arrangements will be recognized at the December meeting.

Class 1—1 Single Bloom Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora

Class 2—Single Bloom Miniature

Class 3—1 Single Bloom Floribunda

Class 4—1 Floribunda or Miniature Spray

Class 5—Specimen, Any Other Type

Class 6—Rose in a Bowl—exhibition or open—large or small roses—NEW CLASS!!

Class 7—Arrangements—Line or Line Mass or Mass—large or small roses

July Rose Tips from Noah Wilson, Holstein Rose Society

Things I will be doing to my roses in July:

1. July will be a busy month with my roses to get and keep them as I want them to be. I will keep them deadheaded with all old blooms cut off, being extra careful to seal the cut ends with exterior carpenter's glue.
2. Continue to water each week to be sure they get a full inch of water either by rain or by hand.
3. Continue to spray with my fungicide choice on a regular basis, and keep an eye out for any sign of spider mites. If any are found, spray them with a good miticide, or wash the underside of leaves off with a spray wand.
4. I like to bottom prune my roses in July removing all leaves and unwanted canes up to some 12 to 16 inches high from the ground. This allows air circulation and sunlight to come in. These old leaves have pretty well done their good for the plant.
5. After bottom pruning, I will fertilize again with BloomKote and Mills Magic Rose Mix. I will continue with a monthly supplemental feeding of Mills EasyFeed or Fish Emulsion. I also will put Epsom Salt around them, especially those I want more basal canes to come on. As I fertilize I will pull the mulch away from around the rose drip line, place these items in and scratch them into the ground, then pull the mulch back.
6. I will add additional mulch as some of the mulch has rotted away, being sure to get a full 4 inches of mulch, which helps keep the moisture in and the ground cooler.
7. If I see any light colored leaves, I will add 1 teaspoon Iron Chelate (Sequestrene 330) per gallon of water around the drip line of the bush.
8. If I see any Japanese Beetles I will pick them off and place them in a container of water to die. Lately we have not had these beetles real bad. Spraying with Sevin will kill them but, they have to eat enough of the rose to kill them. I prefer to hand pick them.
9. Finally I will enjoy my roses and share them with others, and hopefully engage someone to begin the hobby I enjoy; "GROWING ROSES."

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www.tenarky.org*

July 2015

Mary Ann Hext Wins Two Awards at ARS Spring National Rose Show



Mini Artist & ARS Mini Gold Certificate 'Shameless' - Modern Reflective (left), Duchess & ARS Silver Certificate 'Opening Night & 'Let Freedom Ring' Modern Free form (center), Receiving Certificates from Dr. Gary Barlow, Arrangement Chair

BGRS Public Garden Report by Mary Ann Hext, CR

After our discussion last year about BGRS continuing to maintain the public rose garden at RiverWalk Park, I contacted the person in charge of landscape maintenance at Parks & Recreation and told him of our concerns. It seems that somewhere our communications for them to take over the weeding and other maintenance didn't get passed along to the proper persons. Last November, they did bring mulch to the garden and I was able to spread that and mound up around the bushes before winter. In April I pruned back all the dead wood and then a week later Bob and I applied fertilizer and then I got busy with spring projects and forgot about the rose garden. So last week when I visited, I was totally shocked to see how it looked. Saturday I spent 2.5 hours weeding about one-third of the garden and got some help from a homeless man. On Sunday, he wasn't there, but I finished the remainder. It still doesn't look like it normally does when we all work there, but at least the roses are visible.

I talked with the city maintenance person again on Monday and we discussed what can be done. They have over 40 parks to maintain with seven people and are not going to be able to care for the rose garden the way we did.

I told them that we would be meeting next week and we would let him know what we decided. We particularly need to be thinking about what we want to do with the roses since they will not be able to hand weed the Bermuda grass and they can't spray it as it will damage the roses and probably kill them. Most likely we or they will need to remove the rose bushes so if there are any we want to save, we need to decide this and do it before fall.

We discussed us hiring someone to maintain it under our supervision, but it appears that will not be an option. This is all very sad as the garden is beautiful and when we are down there working, lots of people stop and tell us how much they enjoy it. However, most of us are at a point where we are not able to care for it anymore. So think about any possibilities we might come up with. I thought about a school club that might take it over for a service project or maybe another garden club, but I don't know if these ideas are feasible. We will just have to discuss this next week and come to a decision.



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Attention ARS Members: Don't forget to vote in the ARS Election. The last day is July 31 at noon.



ARS Trial

Membership Available

The American Rose Society is now offering a four-month trial membership for only \$10 to anyone who is interested in becoming members of our organization. Most ARS members are home gardeners who enjoy growing roses and want to expand their knowledge of rose culture. Four-Month Trial Members receive:

- Free advice from Consulting Rosarians.
- Free or reduced garden admissions, a \$25 value after just 3 uses.
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- A four-month trial membership is valued at \$86 for only \$10!

Visit www.ars.org for more information and to take advantage of this offer.

IMPORTANT DATES - 2015

- Sept. 10-13: ARS National Convention & Rose Show, Syracuse, NY
- Sept. 19: Louisville Rose Show
- Sept. 25-27: Tenarky District Convention and Rose Show, Knoxville, TN

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