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Rosebuds

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June 14 at 2 pm
WCEO

Meeting
is
Canceled!

BGRS News! by Mary Ann Hext, CR & Editor

Although Kentucky has started opening some places and activities, we are still unable to have meetings of over 10 and the WCEO has not announced when they will be open for meetings. Therefore, our June meeting is canceled.

We also had to cancel our spring rose show on May 30. A list of those who had donated to help sponsor our show is at the right. Please support these businesses and tell them thanks for their contribution when you shop there or see them.

Since we are missing seeing each other at the meetings and sharing our blooms at the rose show, several members sent photos of their blooms to include in this newsletter. We have some very nice rose photos. With such great photos, remember it is not too late to enter your rose photos for the *ARS 2021 Roses Wall Calendar* if you hurry and email them by June 1!

Our in-club competition begins in June. Since we are not meeting in person, we will have photographs of our entries judged by an ARS horticulture judge. See the information on page 2 of this newsletter for instructions on how to send them; and email me if you have questions!! Please plan to have one entry in each class! Entries can be sent from June 1 to the deadline on June 14 which would have been our meeting date.

In addition, the Wernicks, Gibsons, Linda McBride, and the Jacobs have invited members to tour their gardens. They ask that you call or text to arrange a time to visit. All members and friends are welcome, just remember "social distancing"! All of these gardens will be beautiful, and you will have the opportunity to see the many roses grown by our members.



"New Dawn" - climbing rose at the garden of Bob and Ann Jacobs

2020 Rose Show Sponsors

Please support these businesses that made contributions for our 2020 rose show and now will be helping to make our 2021 rose show possible!!!

Businesses

Better Hearing Center
Jackson's Orchard & Nursery
Mammoth Cave Transplants
Silent Donors
Simply Mulch

Memorials/Honorariums

In Memory of Kent Campbell
In Memory of Jake Gibson's Mother
In Memory of Lynda Gibson's Mother
In Memory of Linda McBride's Parents
In Memory of Bill McMahon
In Memory of Hext Dogs



From the President *by Ricky Lockhart*

Hello Rose Gardeners

It's show time for rose growers and we don't have a show. Mary Ann is trying to get something for our June meeting online for our in-club competition. I was hoping we could have a meeting in June but haven't got it worked out because of the virus shutdown.

I wanted to do a show and tell here at my gardens on drip-line watering and feeding, let me know if you are interested and I will try to work on it. I wanted to do it June 13 but don't know if we will be allowed to do it that early.

My roses are starting to bloom after 2 freezes have caused them to be in survival mode. They are about half their normal height but rather pretty. I hope your gardens are doing as good as Dan's roses. I visited him on Sunday and he has some very pretty beds.

Hope to see you all very soon if we can. Your president, Ricky

SAVE THE DATE!!!

Tenarky Fall Convention & Rose Show

Hosted by Nashville Rose Society

September 26-27, 2020

2-day show at Belmont University

Rose show schedule and registration information will be on the Tenarky website soon and will be sent to local societies to distribute to members.

REMINDER OUR IN-CLUB COMPETITION BEGINS THIS MONTH

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—Floribunda, single bloom or spray

Class 4—1 Shrub

Class 5—1 Specimen, Any Other Type

**Class 6—Rose in a Bowl—exhibition or open—
large or small roses**

Class 7—Arrangements—Any modern design

Since we are not having our June meeting, our in-club competition will be your rose photographs!!! You may enter one photo in each class. The photo should be saved with your name, Class Number, and name of the rose. If you don't know how to do it, include this in your email or text and I will name it for you. These will be sent to an ARS horticulture judge for judging. Send anytime until the deadline—2 pm on Sunday, June 14!

Example: Mary Hext C1 Gemini

Email for questions: mhext@outlook.com

Public Rose Garden Report *by Ann Jacobs, MR*

On May 12, Bob, Dan, and I worked at the BGRS Public Rose Garden pulling weeds and cleaning. As you can see from the first photo, we have empty spaces where roses have been removed that had rose rosette. On others, the canes have been removed to see if RRV returns to those bushes. The second photo is 'Bulls Eye'.



I would like to shout out to rosarians the beautiful rose 'Carefree Beauty' rose bush in the third photo. Our society started the BGRS Public Rose Garden in the spring of 2006. One of the first bushes we put in was 'Carefree Beauty'. It is today growing beautiful pink flowers. No disease and has not been sprayed as spraying is not allowed at the public garden. It has certainly held up to the name "Carefree". This is a rose you can recommend to the general public asking about planting in the home gardens.

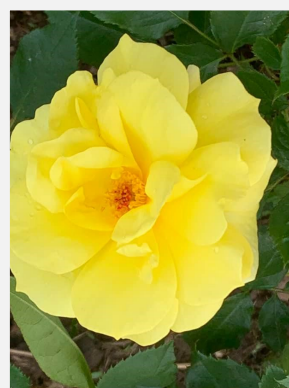
We will continue to maintain the garden at this location through the fall.

June in My Rose Garden *by Mary Ann Hext, CR*

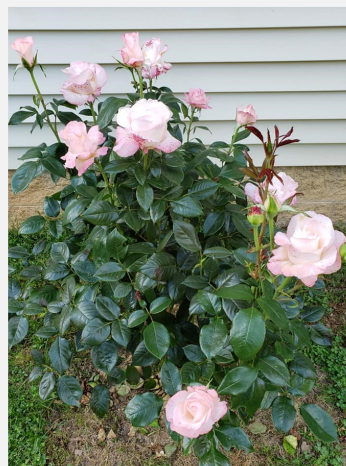
Things I will be doing to my roses in June:

1. Due to the amount of rain and the cool nights in early to mid-May, I was not able to keep to my regular spray program, therefore, I have blackspot on my climbers and some of my shrubs and floribundas. My hybrid teas, which had to be cut to the ground in early April for spring pruning and again after the big freeze on April 14, are only about 15 inches tall now, and a few have blackspot on leaves near the ground. So I am currently in the "recovering from blackspot phase" as I am spraying with Mancozeb every three days for three weeks. After four sprayings, the blackspot is almost gone. As we all know, black spot is much easier to prevent than to get rid of, so the lesson is keep to your spray program if you do spray for blackspot and other diseases.
2. I rarely spray any insecticide due to having a pollinator garden and a blueberry farm in the neighboring field; however, I did have to carefully spray under the leaves of four bushes for those sawfly larvae that had made holes in nearly every leaf on them.
3. Check for aphids and thrips and spray with an insecticide if any evidence is present when the damage to your blooms is unacceptable. I have not done this since we were not having our rose show.
4. Deadhead as blooms open and get past garden beauty. Seal end cuts with a water proof seal of carpenter's exterior glue. Last year I had a lot of cane damage from borers as I did not apply the glue, so this year, I am faithfully taking the time to do this when I cut back canes.
5. I have only had to water the roses that are in pots a couple of times as we have had lots of rain, but in June, be sure that your roses have at least an inch each week. With the higher temperatures Sunday and Monday, I will water this week if we do not get rain.
6. I am behind on mulching, so planning to do that to my rose beds and pollinator garden as soon as we have a few days without rain showers.
7. I will be applying a second application of slow-release fertilizer to my roses the first week in June following the first bloom cycle. Then I will begin applying liquid fertilizer every three weeks after that until fall rose show time when I will apply it every two weeks. If we are having fall rose shows, I probably will add another application of slow release fertilizer at the end of July.
8. I hope to be able to take bouquets to the nursing homes and shut-ins as soon as restrictions are lifted. I hope you will share your roses with others, also.
9. I will continue to take photos of my roses for the fall district show and possibly to enter in the ARS digital photo contest. The deadline for entries will be in November, so plan to enter as winners are published in the *American Rose* magazine.

Photos from BGRS Members!



Cynthia Dickerson
 'Opening Night'
 'Artic Blue'
 'Strawberry Hill'
 'Sterling Silver'
 'Julia Child'
 Crescendo'
 'Artic Blue'



Sheila Payne
 "Oklahoma"
 'Easy Spirit'
 'The Ancient Mariner'
 'Crescendo'
 'Sunstruck'
 'White Licorice'

Photos from BGRS Members!



Dan & Cindy Wernigk—New Beds



Osei Thomas—New Beds



Great news! Gardeners own their own exercise equipment & 'outdoor gyms' - that never close!

Are these tools packed away in your storage shed or garage? It's time to pull them out & put them to good use.

Get fit - and get busy gardening!

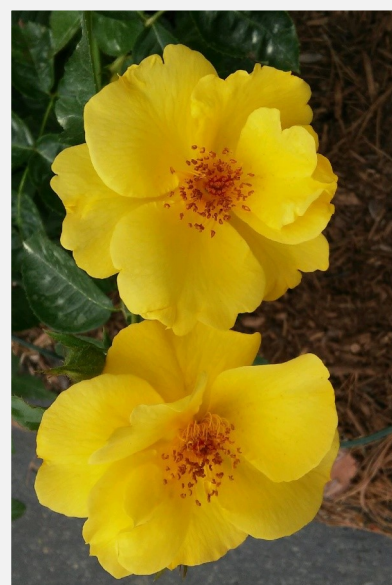
Photos from BGRS Members!



Larry & Connie Baird
'Evelyn'



Ron Daniels
'Peggy Martin' (top right)
'America' (right)
'Blaze', Jeanne Lajoie
'Awakening'
'America', 'Sally Holmes'



Ann & Bob Jacobs
'Sugar Moon'
'Harvest Moon'
'Lemon Fizz'
'Sally Holmes'

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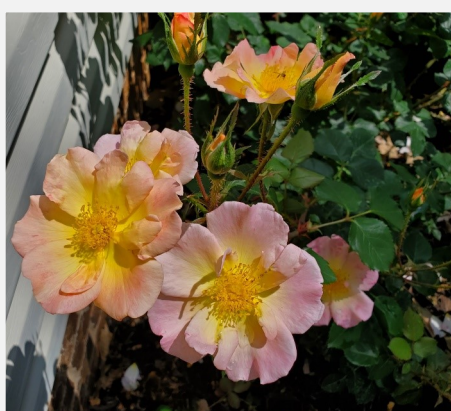
Linda Ford
First Spray of 'Sally Holmes'
'The Wedgewood Rose'



Ricky Lockhart
'A Burst of Joy'



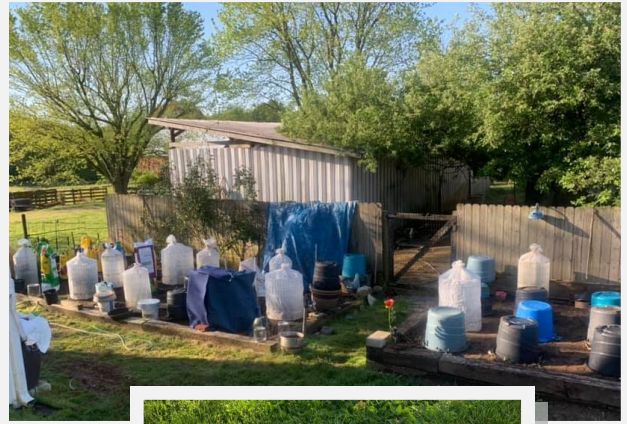
Lynda & Jake Gibson
'Easy Does It'
'Watercolors Home Run'
'Julia Child'
'Betty Boop'



Freeze Preparation—May 8



Cynthia Dickinson



Osei Thomas



Ricky Lockhart



Mary Ann Hext—hybrid tea bed

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Join the ARS for just \$10 4-Month Trial Membership

The American Rose Society is offering a four-month trial membership for only \$10 to anyone who is interested in becoming a member 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 three uses
- Four issues of the online newsletter *Roses & You*
- Two issues of *American Rose* magazine, a \$16 value. View a free issue online at www.ars.org
- Discounts of up to 30% at merchant partners

A 4-month trial membership is valued
at \$86 for only \$10!

Join Now!

You may [complete the online form](#)
or call us at 1-800-637-6534.



BGRS does not meet in July but we
are planning a potluck at the Hext
home if meetings are permitted then. Details will
be forthcoming. Our next regular meeting will be
August 9. Happy Summer!



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2020 IMPORTANT DATES

- ~~May 30: BGRS Rose Show~~
- August 26-30: ARS National Convention & Rose Show, Colorado Springs, CO
- September 26-27: Tenarky District Fall Convention/Rose Show hosted by NRS
- October 3: Louisville RS Rose Show
- November 20: 60th anniversary of the organization of BGRS