



## *HRNZI Conference 2018 A Journey with Old Roses 28<sup>th</sup> November - 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018*

A summary of the Pre Conference, Conference and post Conference 2018 Gardens to whet your appetite.

### **Pre Conference Tour – 28 and 29 November**



**'The Paddocks'  
(Rowan and Penny Wiggins)**  
This 2 acre NZGT Garden of National Significance features a vegetable potager, orchard, olive grove and a charming cottage. The garden displays the skills they learned at the hands of Bev McConnell, using roses and perennials to create an English Country Garden.

### **Dave Stott:**

The 'Old School House' is surrounded by over 200 Heritage roses including Rugosas as well as some David Austin's. 40 meters of continuous ramblers greet you as a background to the circular drive. A sight to behold in flower.





**'Dovedale'  
(Sally Greenwood)**

A country garden in its very own microclimate in the lower North providing colour in all seasons. A plentiful supply of fruit all year round, roses, dahlias, hibiscus and spring bulbs fill this garden.



**'Podgora Gardens'  
(Sonja Mrsich)**

Sonja displays artistic flare in her floral art and in her garden. You enter this property through a stand of native trees to enjoy Austin's, modern and heritage roses. A paddock in 1958 has developed into a peaceful garden with wonderful bush walks among natives and camellias.



**'Monto Gardens' (David Monk & Jürgen Tofahrn)**

A tropical Northland NZGT Garden of National Significance. Here David's landscape skill comes to the fore using plants and rocks set against a background of natives with a path along a natural spring fed stream.





**'Tralina Putih'  
(Gillian Burrough)**

A garden reminiscent of an old colonial garden somewhere in the highlands of tropical Asia. Lotus, water lilies, frogs, turtles, a wild garden, themed gardens and a jungle walk. Roses throughout the garden are delightfully romantic, happily scrambling through the tropical trees - you must look skywards.



**Kemp House & The Stone Store, Kerikeri**

An idyllic setting rich in history, Kemp House is the oldest dwelling in NZ, built in 1822 for Rev John Butler Gore. The NZGT Garden of Significance remains an example of Victorian/ Edwardian times. In the garden grows Slater's Crimson China; purportedly the first rose brought to NZ. Along a fence grows a collection of Ken Nobbs' thornless ramblers. The Stone Store was built in 1833 to store wheat grown from the missionary farm, thus being NZ's oldest Commercial Building.



**'Lowarth Niwi'  
(Ann and Paul Truscott)**

A garden of established trees, grassy paths, magnolias, wisterias and more than 300 roses on an impressive collection of pergolas and fence lines. Many of the ramblers are cutting grown.

You will find much to interest you as you wonder along the pathways exploring this garden.







**'Trungle Park' (Virginia and Roger Holder)**

The garden of our member Virginia Holder is a large rambling country garden that has evolved over 40 years. It is full of a valuable collection of old roses, trees, clematis, shrubs and perennials, set in the many garden beds and along many garden paths and up trees for you to enjoy.

**Catherine Davies-Colley**

A semi-formal rose ring greets all to this garden. You will not find a single species in this garden, you will find a collection of every colour available. Magnolias, roses, camellias all feature in this country garden, only begun in 2003. Marvellous environment we can all enjoy.



**'Nymet' (Jean Sanders)**

A garden with volcanic soils on flat land, planted by two semi retired nurserymen, with a great love of unusual plants. Old favourites like maples, rhododendrons and magnolias reminded them of England and Australian and South African plants also found their way into the garden. A rambling country garden, that is open once a year to the public. You are privileged to be in this garden.



### **Robyn Carr-Smith**

A city cottage garden, with exceptionally well-planned colour schemes. No lawn here, just beautifully blended roses annuals and perennials. Robyn brought this natural artistic flare to our Gold Award winning NZ Flower & Garden Show display garden.



### **Gord Griffin**

Another inner-city garden enclosed in an amphitheatre of mature native trees with a natural waterfall. A garden of tranquillity and beauty with old roses scattered along the narrow paths. Remarkable soothing sound of running water in its natural state.

### **Reyburn House**

Whangarei's oldest house is now an Art Gallery & Studio at the Town Basin. The garden here is a collection of old roses started by Northland Heritage Roses from grants from the National Executive at various times; and the roses from our late member Peggy Roke's garden. Virginia Holder and her team have created a haven here for passing public to enjoy in this idyllic setting.





**Noeline & Lawrence Hillier**

A 1900s villa moved to the property needed old roses and companion perennials planted around it to enhance its impressive features. A garden with Poetry throughout its entirety keeps one looking around the next corner for the next verse. Archways clothed in roses lead to the vegetable garden, orchard, bog garden, iris collection and in the middle of the drive, where there is a collection of Hybrid Perpetuals. An enchanting garden of wonderment.



**'Totara Cottage' (Barry and Treve Rowe)**

A 20 year old sub-tropical paradise of 3 acres on several levels. Waterfowl and turtles enjoy the pond area, native trees create a lovely forest walk and perennials surround the house. Home to a large collection of orchids. The garden radiates phenomenal peace in a world of its own.



## Post Conference Tour – 3, 4 and 5 December

### Jennifer and Bruce Crawford

Another member's country garden, where many of the old roses have been cutting grown. The roadside fence is admired by many of those who pass. Spring bulbs follow on from the winter flowering camellias and the roses take over for the summer, making this an all year-round garden of colour.



### Matakohe Museum and Totara House

The world-renowned award-winning Kauri Museum sits on the banks of the Kaipara Harbour tells the story of the early pioneers through the lens of the Kauri Industry. Northland's largest public collection of Heritage roses in the gardens at the Museum and Totara House are a 'living exhibit' of the Museum, maintained by HRNZI Northland members. The first planting in October 2012, in formal beds are surrounded by box hedges and the climbers clothe the tennis court fences. Totara House plantings are informal around the gardens and compliment the very old historic buildings. Many tourists make the Rose Gardens their first stop at the Museum.





### **'Pukewai'**

#### **Lyn and Grant Parker**

This garden is rated as one of the best gardens in Northland. Beautifully landscaped with the house sitting on the lake. Here Lyn grows a wide variety of plants including heritage roses and irises. Take time to enjoy the rural vistas beyond the garden from the top of hill.



### **'Nova Podgora'** **(George and Olga Yuretich)**

This 7 acre rambling country garden is home to possibly Northlands largest private collection of Heritage roses. Lots of interesting paths and walks to explore. The garden is also home to many rare shrubs and trees that create a park like feeling, with a large pond at the foot of the hill. There are a lot of old ramblers that are not seen so much as todays gardens get smaller, so remember to look up into the

### **Nancy Steen Garden**

This Garden is a living tribute to Nancy Steen and is designed with her own gardening style with over 150 roses inter planted with some of her favourite shrubs and perennials.

Nancy Steen, made an honorary member of HRNZI in the early 1980s, instigated the lasting and visible tribute to her contribution to the world of old roses and to gardening. If you need a rest, this is the place to be among the roses of yesteryear.





### **Auckland Central Garden**

A must-see garden brimming with swathes of colour, inspired by Dove Cottage Nursery in West Yorkshire. The garden is planted soft and loose, not overly contrived. A natural swimming pool (no chemicals), poultry, quality vegetable gardens and hardy water lilies who co-exist with fish. Her lovely chooks repay her love with wonderful manure. A real sanctuary in the heart of the city.



### **Gil Hanly**

Magnificent, quite eccentric with flashes of fun, beautiful (a mad waddle of wooden ducks strolling about the pond). Beautifully clever with hidden surprises around every corner- you just have to go looking for them. Gil Hanly is a Life Member of the Garden Design Society of NZ. A familiar figure around Auckland, Gil has been quietly documenting gardens and garden shows for a number of decades.

### **Auckland Botanic Rose Gardens**

The magnificent Auckland Botanic Gardens, where they have moved away from the mono-cultural- style rose garden to create garden rooms. The Historical Cottage garden full of roses and perennials; the Reflective Garden featuring species Heritage & modern roses with archways, obelisks & wire fencing to support climbers. Trial beds and the NZ Rose Garden displays roses against the strong textural qualities of our NZ natives.

