

The Australian Rose Award, 1981

In 1961 Dr. Allan Campbell became a member of the National Rose Society of South Australia (now The Rose Society of South Australia Inc.). His ability and dedication were quickly recognised, and the Society did not fail to appreciate them, and use them to the advantage of all members. In 1969 — elected to Council; 1971 — Vice-President; 1974 — President; Immediate Past-President by right in 1977 on his retirement by effluction of time and in 1979 again elected to Vice-President. He was honoured with Life Membership in 1977 and continues to serve the Society faithfully and well.

Dr. Campbell was a foundation delegate to The National Rose Society of Australia at its inaugural meeting in 1972, and has attended every Annual General Meeting since that time as a delegate from South Australia. After serving as Vice-President in 1974 and 1980 he was elected President of the National Society in 1975 and 1981.

In 1976 he led the Australian Delegation to the International Rose Convention at Oxford as General Management Committee Delegate.

Also in 1976 he was honoured by being elected as the recipient of the T.A. Stewart Memorial Award.

He was instrumental in establishing Rose Gardens at the Royal Adelaide Hospital in 1972 and at St. Andrew's Hospital in 1973. During this period he promoted and encouraged the up-grading of the Rose Gardens at Ashford Community Hospital.

Since the inauguration of The National Rose Society of Australia he has been intensely interested in a truly "National" concept of rose interest in our country. As a start in this concept, during the past three years he has drafted — and redrafted — a set of guide-lines for judging which will be acceptable to all Australian Rose Societies. At the Annual General Meeting of the National Society held in Brisbane in October 1980, Dr. Campbell's draft was accepted unanimously. These Guidelines for Judging have now been printed and distributed to all Societies under the title of "JUDGING — A HANDBOOK FOR JUDGES".

Dr. Campbell has "given outstanding service in many ways to the Rose", and "in particular, service which promotes knowledge, appreciation and enjoyment" to many, many people.