

# Australian Rose Award 2018 (ARA)

## Jim Cane ARA NSA - Tasmania



The Rose Society of South Australia has much pleasure in nominating Mr Jim Cane for the Australian Rose Award.

Jim was a member of the Tasmanian Rose Society; a member of Council from 1993 until 1998 and during that period served as Secretary in 1994, 1995 and 1996. Jim served as a Delegate to the NRSA in 1993, 1994, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999 in 1994 became Vice-President and was appointed President in 1995.

The Tasmanian Rose Society unfortunately disbanded in 1999 at which point Jim became a member of the Rose Society of South Australia. At the 2001 NRSA AGM Jim was elected to the position of Treasurer, a role he has held since.

During Jim's term as Treasurer online banking has been implemented saving much time and postage. Jim was instrumental in coordinating a centralized system of distribution of the Australian Rose Annual; which has proved very popular with members and saves each State Society many hours distributing the publication.

In 2008 Jim was awarded an NRSA Service Award.

Jim has assumed the role of Treasurer for the World Federation of Rose Society's World Rose Convention, to be held in Adelaide in 2021. Sound recommendations have been made by Jim and he has travelled to Adelaide to meet with the organisers on more than one occasion.

Jim was awarded a Churchill Fellowship in 1996, studying horticulture at Kew Gardens. A long professional career at The Royal Tasmanian Botanical Gardens saw Jim as Acting Director for a period.

Attendance at rose conferences was a highlight, with Jim in attendance at the 1991, 1994, 2008 and 2017 conventions of the WFRS. Jim was Master of Ceremonies for the Heritage Rose Conference in 2013.

Volunteer work in the name of the rose is significant with appearances on radio gardening programmes a weekly occurrence for many years. Jim also cares for the roses and grounds at the Catholic Church in Cygnet, Tasmania.

The Society believes that Mr Jim Cane demonstrates the qualities necessary to receive the very high honour that is the Australian Rose Award.