

February Meeting - Sunday, February 14, 2016
2:00 PM At the Tulsa Garden Center
Planting Bare Root Roses - Mark Stelljes

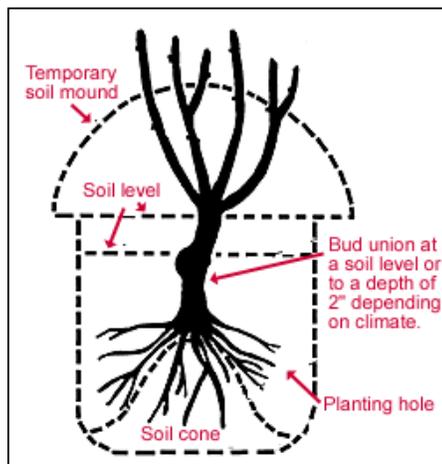
Why Bare Root Roses?

The question has been asked, "Why do they sell bare root roses?". It might help you to understand if you knew how the rose came to be bare root. A lot of roses are started in fields and grown just like other field crops. It generally takes about 3 years for the rose to reach the size to be harvested for resale. The roses are dug from the soil and the soil falls from the roots. It would be best for the roses to be dormant at this time but in the areas the roses are grown (CA, TX) that does not often happen. The roses will be trimmed and some are packaged with sawdust around the roots. They are then stored in refrigerated warehouses until time to be shipped. The cool air encourages the roses to go dormant. They are then shipped to areas as the weather approaches the temperatures to allow them to be planted. Shipping only the bare root roses is much less expensive than planting the rose in a pot and shipping the pot and potting mix which would increase the shipping costs.



Most retail outlets will receive the bare root roses and pot them up and get them started for a couple months before the retail customer is ready to plant them. Many rosarians will purchase the bare root roses and pot or plant them in their gardens which saves them in the cost of the rose.

At the time a bare root rose is received the rose has been out of soil and under refrigeration for several months so the first step in planting the rose is to soak the roots for a period of time to rehydrate the rose before it is placed in a planting medium. Planting in a potting mix helps the roots get the air they need and it is easier to control the moisture level. If you are planting your rose in your garden before the chance of frost is past it is important to protect the new planting until the last chance of frost is past. The diagram at the right is an example. When it is safe to remove the temporary soil mound do so very carefully since there may be new basils growing.



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Looking Ahead

February 27 - OKC
Bingo for Roses I - 4 PM

March 5, Workshop and CR School.

March 13 -Meeting topic will be Waking your Roses Up by Dennis Voss.

Refreshments - February -

Don & Brenda Johnson and Gordon & Kate Beck - coffee - Butch

If you would like to help with refreshments let Brenda Johnson know.



This article taken from the Regan Nursery website.

There are a number of articles available but this was a good summary of the process. Attend our meeting on Feb. 14th do see the process "hands on".

Planting your Bare Root Roses

A little prep work goes a LONG way!

The roses arrive... Wow! What a shock! Wrapped in plastic, these things look like sticks, and dangling roots... no soil, leaves, or flowers...helpless, and YOU are the care giver! First, look at the branches: usually 8"-12" long, anywhere from 3 to 5 of them. some may look thin. Don't worry, they'll grow nice and healthy!

Inspect the roses closely: look for broken canes or blackened roots. Prune or tip these back to healthy tissue, then plunge these "sticks" in water...TOTALLY! for 24 hours. One of the most common cause for bare root roses to fail is by drying out. Putting your new roses in the "tub" will help rehydrate them.

Before planting

Do not let your new bare root roses dry out before planting. Plant your roses as soon as possible, or store them in moist soil. Just lay the roses partially on their side and heap loose soil over the roots, then keep moist. (This is also called "heeling in".)

When to plant a bare root rose

When to plant a bare root rose is the first question, and perhaps the easiest. Bare root roses are only available from late fall through the winter months... this time frame can be extended by placing your roses in cold storage, but the general rule of thumb is to **plant after the last hard frost in your area.**

If you need help determining your last frost date, check with your local garden center or ag extension office. If you wait until too late in the spring, your new roses may dry out. However, if you live in the cold, frozen tundra (just kidding!), USDA Zone 5 or lower...(Brrr...) then bury the bud union 2"-6" below the soil surface for frost protection. (Not sure of your zone? See [USDA Hardiness Zone Map](#).)

Get 'em in the ground

Place a garden tool handle or stick across the hole to determine the height of the bud union. To protect the newly planted bare root rose from any late frosts, cover it entirely with loose compost for the first 2-3 weeks.

Take last lookee lookee:

Are the rose's roots — soft, healthy, no broken tips? Are all the rose canes green, well spaced? To visualize this, try placing the palm of your hand upward, forming a cup with your fingers. If there are more than 6 or 7 canes, thin prune them out to 3 to 5 canes. If possible, first locate an outward facing bud. Prune each cane 4-6" (10-15 cm) above the crown. (See Anatomy of a Bareroot Rose for help if needed.) Prune the bareroot rose tips back to white tissue to encourage new roots to develop as the wound heals. O.K. You're ready to go! **Hold on a sec...** roses like soils that drain well, that have substance, (like clay, not too much) and neutral or slightly acid soils. Check out how to [Dig That Hole!!](#). (*Its not just how you dig, its what you dig!*)

Last but not least!!!

Create a nice water basin, a circular 2"-3" berm, around your new bareroot rose.

We still need orders for the Mills products to make our minimum 500 pound order to keep our shipping cost low. Invite your friends and neighbors to order also.

What to Do in February

- Check your garden for adequate moisture. It has been over a month since our big rains and we have had the southerly warm winds which dry our the soil. The warmer temperatures are fooling our gardens into thinking Spring but that is changing again next week.
- Now is a good time for a dormant oil spraying. It covers better when the foliage drops from the rose but some roses will not give it up very easily. Carefully read the instructions on the product you select to use. Most will have a temperature range where it is effective to use.
- If you are preparing a new bed, turn over the soil and water if starting to dry. If soil is heavy/clay like, mix in some peat and perlite to prepare a better planting environment.
- Maintain adequate mulch to hold the moisture and to protect the bud union for budded or grafted roses.
- Look for dead or damaged canes and remove them to help prevent further damage. It is still to early to begin pruning. **DO NOT START PRUNING** in the Tulsa Area.
- Pay your dues to your local society, South Central District and the American Rose Society if due. Register for Spring/Winter training and workshops. Consulting Rosarians keep your certification current.

News from the Rose world

Ted Mills suffered a fall and broke his neck in three places. He was hospitalized for a period of time, moved to rehab and then to a nursing center where he may have to stay.

Ted, aka RoseDoc, is an excellent writer and has shared his knowledge and experiences for years through the ARS magazine and other newsletters and publications. His column, "The Last Word" is inside the back cover of the ARS magazine.

Ted Mills is the developer of the Mills Magic Mix.

Who We Are

The *Rosarian Reminder* is published monthly by the Tulsa Rose Society. Submit information and articles to John Carter, Editor at 1825 W. Lincoln St, Broken Arrow, OK 74012-8509 or via email at editor@tulsarosesociety.org or call 918-355-8020. Newsletters are mailed or emailed to Tulsa Rose Society members. Memberships are \$20 for individuals or families. Membership benefits include the newsletter, group purchases of roses and rose care products and support from an active organization.

Your Club Officers for 2016 are:

Gordon Beck - President
 Carol Puckett - 1st Vice President - Programs
 Mary Horrigan - 2nd Vice President - Membership
 Liz Enochs - Secretary
 Judith Carter - Treasurer
 Dr. Don Johnson - Immediate Past President

Consulting Rosarians:

Don & Brenda Johnson (Sapulpa) 918-227-1954
 John Carter (North Broken Arrow) 918-355-8020
 Norma Whitehead (North Broken Arrow) - 918-286-8244
 Butch Neumeier (Claremore) 918-342-2885
 Mark Stelljes (Bixby/So Tulsa/BA) 918-232-0244

Meetings are normally held at the Tulsa Garden Center at 2 PM on the second Sunday of each month. Monthly business meeting is the first Thursday of every month at the Tulsa Garden Center at 10:00 AM. Everyone is welcome. Visit our website at www.tulsarosesociety.org.

Looking at the calendar!

February 14 - Planting Bare Root Roses
 February 15 - Order for Mills Products due
 February 20 - TGC Information Fair
 February 27 - Bingo for Roses in OKC
 March 5 - Workshop at TCC register p. 7
 March 13 - Waking up Your Roses - D.Voss
 March 27 - TGC - Everything Is Coming Up
 Roses Seminar
 April 8 - 9 - SpringFest at TGC
 April 10 - Regular Meeting
 All programs subject to change

**Rose Society Executive Board Meeting
January 7, 2016**

The meeting was called to order at 10:09 a.m. by President Gordon Beck in the Tulsa Garden Center New Volunteer Room. Present were Don Johnson, Mark Stelljes, Brenda Johnson, John Carter, Judy Carter, Mary Horrigan, Butch Neumeier, Tegan Crum, and Liz Enochs.

Minutes from the December Executive Board and the Christmas Party Meeting were approved as published with Mary Horrigan motioning the approval and Butch Neumeier seconding it. Motion passed.

Office and Committee Reports*Financial Report*

Judy Carter gave the financial report. Current assets for the Tulsa Rose Society are \$9,873.00, and report was filed for audit. With last month's approval of the TCC scholarship, this month the exact amount of \$500 to be awarded for the scholarship was motioned by Judy Carter and seconded by Don Johnson. Motion passed.

Membership Report:

Vice President Mary Horrigan will work on membership, especially at the Tulsa Garden Center Info Fair. Various suggestions were made to increase membership, including a table with brochures at Southwood Nursery. Mary Horrigan suggested putting a sign at the Garden Center entrances on the day of the meeting inviting the public to attend in hope of attracting more people to attend.

Hospitality: a chairman needs to be obtained. Brenda Johnson said that she would continue as chairman if someone would handle the coffee. Butch Neumeier volunteers to bring two pump pots for coffee for meetings and will alert Mary Horrigan when he cannot bring it.

Newsletter: the Editor still needs articles for the newsletter.

Show Committee for May 2016

Liz Enochs declined to be the show chairman for the 2016 show, but would do the show schedule and help with show setup. Mary Horrigan volunteered to do the luncheon, but Liz Enochs will find prices for having the luncheon catered. Butch Neumeier volunteered to take over the job of Show Chairman.

Old Business

Info Fair is scheduled at the Tulsa Garden Center on Feb. 20, 2016. Sign up sheet for volunteers will be at the next general meeting.

Problems with accessing the CR School Application on the TRS website were noted. John Carter will look into the problem. Continuing Education credits for Master Gardeners and Linneaus Gardeners will be pursued.

Many roses will be up for silent auction at the workshop. Some help may be needed in potting them. Mark Stelljes acquired posters of good and diseased roses. One of them will be put up at the Info Fair.

New Business

Nominating committee for the 2017 year will be Don and Brenda Johnson.

Judy Carter brought up the issue of TRS Liability Insurance for the society which can be purchased through the ARS. The price from last year has not changed. Cost is \$5 per person for each active member. Butch Neumeier motioned to set aside up to \$150 to pay for insurance. Mary Horrigan seconded. Motion carried.

A Board Member position needs to be elected at one of the next meetings to serve for the next year.

Mark Stelljes will speak on planting bare root roses at the next meeting in February.

Auditor Chairman will be Mary Horrigan for the books for 2015.

Board Meeting for 2016 will still be at the same time and date, the first Thursday of the month. Judy Carter will remain the liaison for the Tulsa Garden Center.

Brenda Johnson will contact various rose distributors for their catalogs to be used at Info Fair and other sites in the spring.

The meeting was adjourned at 11:45 a.m.

Liz Enochs, Secretary

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Beaty Fertilizer is continuing its program for Rose Societies to purchase their products at greatly discounted prices. They have not increased their prices this year even though shipping costs are going up. Your order needs to be in by February 15, 2016 so the order can arrive by March 4th in time for orders to be picked up at the workshop. Beaty offers many more products than listed here. If you visit their website and see something you would like, let me know and I can look up our price and place the order. These are the commonly ordered items. We only make one order per year so this is it.

Name: _____

Tulsa Rose Society

Phone: _____

2016 Fertilizer Order

Compare these prices to Rosemania prices.

| Product | Size | Cost | Qty Ordered | Amount |
|---|----------|----------|-------------|--------|
| Mills Magic Rose Mix | 10# drum | \$ 16.00 | | |
| NKP 6-5-1 20 | 20 # bag | \$ 23.00 | | |
| | 40 # bag | \$ 45.00 | | |
| | 40# Drum | \$ 56.00 | | |
| Mills EasyFeed Liq | 1/2 gal | \$ 16.00 | | |
| NKP 14-6-4 1 Gal | 1 Gal | \$ 28.00 | | |
| | 2.5 Gal | \$ 66.00 | | |
| Bloomkote | 20# Drum | \$ 44.00 | | |
| NKP 16-18-14 | 40# Drum | \$ 80.00 | | |
| | 50# Bag | \$ 83.00 | | |
| Rose Starter Fert(11-40-6) | 20 # bag | \$ 17.00 | | |
| New - 14-14-14 Polymer Coated Slow Release | 50 # bag | \$ 77.50 | | |
| Beaty's 100% Worm Castings | 20 # bag | \$ 17.00 | | |
| Liquid Seaweed | 1 Gal | \$ 27.00 | | |
| Fish Emulsion | 1 Gal | \$ 18.00 | | |
| Total Due at Delivery | | | | |

Please complete order form and Return to John Carter, 1825 W Lincoln St, Broken Arrow, OK 74012. **Orders Due Feb. 15, 2016**

**Tulsa Rose Society
Application for Membership/Renewal
(Everyone should complete the following information)**

Last Name _____ First Name _____

Spouse or Household Member's Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Other Interests or Hobbies: _____

Email: _____ Renewal () New Member ()

Would you like to receive our newsletter electronically? () No () Yes

(Email address required.)

Are you a member of the American Rose Society? () No () Yes

Tulsa Rose Society Membership:

Membership dues are \$20.00 \$ _____

Would you like your Roster mailed to you? \$1.50 for postage and handling \$ _____

South Central District Membership:

Newsletter only (Quarterly) \$5.00 (Electronic only -- Email required)

Patron Supporter includes newsletter Family \$40.00 Individual \$25.00 \$ _____

Donation to Tulsa Rose Society Trophy Fund \$ _____

The Tulsa Rose Society is a not for profit organization (501-c-3) and your donation may be tax deductible. Consult your accountant or tax advisor.

Total Membership Fees & Donations \$ _____

Please make check payable to: **Tulsa Rose Society** and mail with this application to:
Judith Carter, 1825 W Lincoln St, Broken Arrow, OK 74012

Tulsa Rose Society Dues are based upon the calendar year and due January 1st each year. Members joining after June 30th only pay 50% of the regular dues amount. Members paying by February 1, 2016 will be included in the 2016 Membership Roster.

The Treasurer will forward membership information to appropriate organizations along with the appropriate payment.



**South Central District Consulting Rosarian School
and Winter Workshop**

Hosted by the Tulsa Rose Society

March 5, 2016 - 7:30 AM – 4:00 PM

Tulsa Community College, North Campus

3727 East Apache, Tulsa, Ok

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Telephone () _____ E-Mail _____

Registration Fee _____ @ \$20 \$ _____

Fee includes Registration, Friday's Welcome Reception and Saturday Lunch

Number needing ride from the hotel: _____

*Please make checks payable to **Tulsa Rose Society***

Send to: Judith Carter, Treasurer, 1825 W Lincoln St, Broken Arrow, OK 74012-8509

Or go to our Website – www.tulsarosesociety.org and print the registration form for mailing!

Refunds will be made if requested by March 1, 2016.

Hotel Information

Hotel Registration: Wyndham Tulsa Hotel, 10918 East 41st St, Tulsa, OK 74146 .

This is just off Hwy 169 just north of the Hwy 51 interchange – 41st Street Exit

Ask for the **Tulsa Rose** rate - Phone: (918) 627-5000 or 800-996-3426 (Tulsa).

Room rate of **\$82 per night** for single or double rooms includes breakfast.

Contact the hotel to cancel your hotel reservations.

Less than 15 Minutes from Tulsa Community College

Full Service Restaurant - Free High-Speed Wireless - Complimentary Airport Shuttle - Complimentary Guests Parking

Welcome reception: Second Floor of the Wyndham Hotel – 5 PM until 9 PM. There are several dining options in and close to the hotel.

Speakers schedule to be published later.

For Questions contact Don & Brenda Johnson – 918-227-1954 – email – no1roseman@aol.com



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The following will be available at our meetings.

For Sale:

Stainless Steel Plant markers:

20" \$2.00 15" \$1.75 10" \$1.50

Keep these in mind for birthday and holiday gifts!



Tulsa Rose Society General Meeting - January 10, 2016

President Gordon Beck called the meeting to order at 2:08 p.m.

14 members were in attendance. President Gordon Beck thanked outgoing President Johnson for his leadership and presented him with a gift card to Olive Garden for his service to the Tulsa Rose Society.

Brenda Johnson talked about the Rose Workshop and Consulting Rosarian School on March 5, 2016 at the TCC Northeast Campus. Many roses, including David Austins and hybrid teas, will be available for purchase through the silent auction. Information presented by the workshop speakers will be of interest to beginning rose gardeners and advanced ones as well.

Dr. Don Johnson presented the program on landscaping with roses. He emphasized the six basic principles of design and helped the audience analyze photographs of gardens for the design principles. Numerous questions were asked, and members had a better idea on incorporating roses in their gardens.

Members were reminded that the fertilizer order forms are due by the next meeting, February 14.

The meeting was adjourned at 3:26 p.m. for refreshments.

Liz Enochs, Secretary