



Rochfords International Rose Trials

Awards Day

9th September 2025

Trial 5

2023-2025



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International
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Trial 5 Awards

The Village of Birch Green Gold Award:

Awarded to Rose Variety

Bred / Supplied by

F503
KO 11/7923-05

Kordes Roses

Gold Awards:

F523
KO 14/4741-06

Kordes Roses

F513
Y2679
"Arose4All"

Lens Roses

Order of Merit:

F506
KO 12/4348-02
"Lollipop"

Kordes Roses

G502
KO14/4566-07

Kordes Roses

F519
Chewmultieye

Warners Roses

S507
Chewcoraleye

Warners Roses

Order of Merit

Awarded to Rose Variety

Bred / Supplied by

S508

WEK gobeahor

C&K Jones

"Delightful Deb's"

H503

ORA 183-488

Roseaies Orard

F528

Horchapter

Calvin Horner

Peter Seabrook Award

F506

KO 12/4348-02

Kordes Roses

"Lollipop"

Amateur Rose Breeders Association

F528

Horchapter

Calvin Horner

Fragrance Award:

H504

AM-759-HT

Meilland

"Sweet Romantica"

Climber Award:

C501

KO 17/4175-99

Kordes Roses

Trial Ground Certificate:

Awarded to Rose Variety

Bred / Supplied by

F520
KO 14/4567-03

Kordes Roses

F517
KO 12/4931-02
"Papagayo"

Kordes Roses

F516
WEK AA197-1
"Purple Magic"

C&K Jones

F521
"Looking For....."

Jan Spek Rosen

H504
AM-759-HT
"Sweet Romantica"

Meilland

S510
Y3094
"Pétales de l'Amitié"

Lens Roses

F509
KO 12/4721-02

Kordes Roses

C501
KO 17/4175-99

Kordes Roses

Pollinator Award:

M501
Y2731

Lens Roses

A review of Trial 5

What a collection of weather systems this trial has received! Winter 24/25 was one of the wettest, Spring '25 was one of the driest and Summer '25 was one of the sunniest on record. This year the roses have been very happy with little or no rain because we have an irrigation system that we can put on when needed. The lack of rain has helped with reduction of blackspot, while the hot weather caused rust to show up earlier than expected, something that our breeders have also noted. In general, it has been a good year: the roses are still producing plenty of bud and will continue to put on a good show for some weeks.

The choice of F506 for the Peter Seabrook Award was a challenge, with strong competition from many varieties. Several stood out, but F506 put on an amazing show of orange and yellow striped blooms and the open centres of the flowers attracted plenty of pollinators. The health and vigour of the plant have been very good with excellent disease resistance. It has a slight perfume and is just a rose that makes you feel warm and happy, like little blooms of sunshine.

The Pollinator Award on the other hand, was an easy choice. M501 from Lens Roses was quite simply full of life and diversity from day one. Its open nature and slight scent are a real attractant. Whilst it may not have scored as highly as the others, I believe that this will be a fabulous landscape rose which will encourage a wide variety of insects in any planted situation. This is a rose to keep an eye out for in the future.

Kerry French, Rosarian.

Head Gardener and Team Leader, Joseph Rochford Gardens Ltd.



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Trial 5 Winners

F506



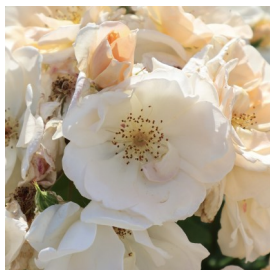
S508



F517



S510



F503



G502



H503



F516



F509



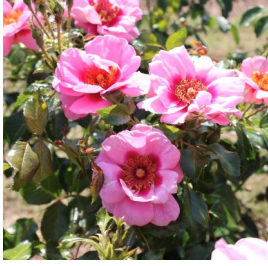
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S507



F528



F520



F521



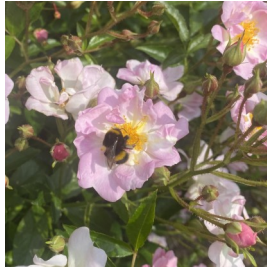
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C501



M105



Looking Ahead with the Rose Trials

Trial 6 will be judged today by our esteemed international guests, with their scores contributing towards next year's awards. Meanwhile, autumn judging is already in progress for RIRT-6 and RIRT-7, and we look forward to welcoming entries for RIRT-8 from late November, with planting scheduled during the winter months.

Our judges this year completed a massive total of 7316 individual scores, meaning each variety received around 120 visits. We are, as always, deeply grateful to our judges, particularly to Adrian Pickett, our dedicated Chair of Judges. Our judges and moderating panel bring a wide spectrum of knowledge and experience, ensuring every rose is assessed with care, fairness, and passion.

Training sessions are available for all judges and we warmly welcome enquiries from anyone interested in becoming part of this rewarding process.

Throughout Trial 5, it has been our pleasure to showcase an exceptional array of roses from the following breeders:

Calvin Horner	Warner's Roses	David Bryant
Jan Spek Rosen	David Kenny	Kordes Roses
Lens Roses	Viva International	Meilland
C&K Jones	Robert Webster	Roseiraies Orard
Roses Forever		

Rose of the Day:

Awarded to Rose Variety	<u>H504</u>	Bred / Supplied by	<u>Meilland</u>
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