



Jurlique

Well known around the globe for its earth-friendly and luxurious skin care products, Jurlique is on a mission "to produce the purest most effective skin care through nature, science and innovation".

With a stunning range of products including skin creams and lotions, therapeutic and essential oils, age defying products, hair care and baby products as well as personalised skin consultations, Jurlique has established themselves as a leader in the marketplace.

With natural ingredients at the core of their products, Jurlique are focused on the sustainability of their certified organic and biodynamic farm located at Biggs Flat in SA. They are also strongly committed to further reducing energy and water consumption and the amount of waste to landfill in years to come, recently being recognised by ZeroWaste SA for their commitment to improving environmental sustainability.

Jurlique's farm combines traditional biodynamic and modern organic production methods with a state of the art irrigation system to create efficient, productive and sustainable outputs. The farm produces high crop yields while simultaneously looking after the soil



and its fertility with a combination of green manure cropping, biodynamic preparations and compost made on-farm.

Marc Intervera, Horticultural Specialist at Jurlique says "We have found that adding 500kg/ha of **Seamungus** as a side dressing mid-way through the cropping season has aided us to maximise our yields in a way that complements our biodynamic production methods.

"**Seamungus** is a good source of supplementary nutrients for our crops".

Enhancing their efforts for the environment,

Jurlique have also preserved 20 acres of remnant native plants for the preservation of biodiversity that existed in the Biggs Flat area, which is managed as a nature reserve, and supports over 20 kangaroos, a breeding pair of wedge tail eagles and various other birds and insects. Seeds have also been collected from provincial local plants which were used to propagate over 8000 plants to create buffer zones along the property boundary as wind breaks, to re-vegetate and protect wetland areas, increase the biodiversity of the native species on the farm, and create habitat for native fauna.

More information about Jurlique can be viewed at www.jurlique.com.au





Morwell Centenary Rose Garden

Left to right: Del Matthews, Iris Bennett, Pat Claassens and Bev Maguire.

The Morwell Rose Garden was established in 1992 by a very determined group of volunteers who have turned a disused former railway cutting into a stunning rose lover's paradise.

Forming the western entrance to the Morwell business district and art gallery, the rose gardens have also taken over the roundabout, nature strips and even railway sidings alongside the large 4 acre garden

Following years of hard work by the volunteers, along with generous support from many local businesses and organisations, the gardens were recognised with a Garden Excellence Award presented by the International World Federation of Rose Societies in 2009.

Since its establishment, the garden has grown from strength to strength, and now encompasses over 3000 roses surrounded by beautifully manicured lawns. It is worth a visit just to see the Pierre De Ronsard roses adorn a summer gazebo surrounded by stunning displays of color.

In 1994 a specialised Australian and New Zealand breeders' section was established to showcase early and contemporary Victorian breeders including a selection of Alister Clark roses, and is one of the few public displays of its kind in the country.

Neutrog began helping the gardens over 6 years ago with **Sudden Impact for Roses** and **Seamungus**. It has become a standard rule that **Sudden Impact for Roses** is applied the first week of each season in September, December and March, and **Seamungus** is applied after pruning on the last weekend in June.

This structure means that the plants will get fed regardless of who volunteers on the day.



Lately the gardens have been fed with **GOGO Juice**, and volunteer Del Matthews is 'very impressed' with the results.

Rob Pengally has also been a volunteer for many years, and says "The health status of the roses in our Morwell garden is excellent and certainly the best that I have seen in the six years I have been associated with the garden.

"This is no doubt due largely to the benefit from regular applications of Neutrog products. We look forward to a spectacular floral display in the months ahead".

A small army of orange-vested volunteers consistently maintain the gardens, dead-heading roses and



Pat Claassens and Bernie Tuohy

planting out cheerful annuals to ensure the gardens remain a focus of vibrant colour year round.

Plans are in hand to celebrate the gardens' 20 year anniversary in November this year, which is a great milestone for the Committee and Friends and the many others who have supported them.

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer or would like more information, visit

www.morwellrosegarden.com.au



Staff from the Garden Clinic wrote to us recently with some feedback from a happy orchid grower.

Diane was at a gardening class in March with Sandra Ross (co-author of the NSW edition of 'From the Ground Up'). Sandra offered her some **Strike Back for Orchids Liquid** to trial on her cymbidium orchids - she has about 7 small pots and is usually lucky to get a couple of spikes per season. Diane has been using the product weekly since the class and reports now having about 20 spikes! Diane is understandably "thrilled with the results". It won't be long until you can trial **Strike Back for Orchids Liquid** yourselves - it will be on the shelves in Spring so keep your eye out for it!



Champion exhibitor uses Neutrog products

Mark McGuire and his prize winning Kardinal

At the 2012 NSW Royal Agricultural Society Rose Show, Mark McGuire swept all before him winning a record 20 of the 34 ribbons on offer.

In the NSW Championships, Mark set a record that won't be broken in a hurry by winning the 4 major prizes – these being the NSW Rose Championship, NSW Autumn Championship, NSW Miniature Championship and NSW Grand Champion Unit, as well as taking the champion ribbons for 4 of the remaining 6 champion ribbons available. One of NSW leading exhibitors for many years, Mark's success was not surprising to fellow rosarians, although it was well above his expectations.

With 350 bushes made up of 80 different varieties on his suburban block at Billong Avenue in Neutral Bay, Mark's garden was acclaimed as a Garden of Excellence by the North Sydney Council in 2000. As the garden is situated in his

front yard and on the footpath (with the permission of the council) it can be viewed by the general public simply by driving up his street.

In recent years, Mark's signature rose has been the magnificent Dr Bruce Chapman miniature 'Joyce Abounding' that has won numerous Miniature Champion ribbons, and was the first Australian bred miniature to win a grand champion ribbon at the Sydney Royal Easter Show.

When asked about his success on the show bench, Mark said "Passion, time, control of pests and diseases along with the Neutrog products **Sudden Impact for Roses** and **Seamungus** are what enables me to consistently put prize winning blooms on the show bench."

Sudden Impact in the street



All of the Chinese Pistachio trees pictured in these photos were planted on the same day in 2000.

The tree above has received **Sudden Impact for Roses** twice a year every year, and drip irrigation when needed. The trees below survive on natural rainfall alone. (Car has been included in photos as a comparison).



Around the Grounds...

A new Neutrog product, **High 5** is currently being trialled on the turf at AAMI Stadium - totally organic, with a high organic nitrogen level of 5 (hence the name!), **High 5** comes in a fine form

and significantly, is essentially odour free. **High 5** is ideal for both the lawn and garden - its nutrient levels (analysis) and content make this product a vegetarian alternative to Blood and Bone.





Year round fertilising for year round health

Like humans and animals, plants require regular feeding throughout the year – at least once in each season.

Happy, healthy, well nourished plants are more resistant to pests, diseases, heat stress and frost.

Lawns: Aerate lawns with a fork or lawn aerator now and remove broadleaf weeds like capeweed before they flower - you don't want to fertilise the weeds too! Then top dress your lawn with **Blade Runner** or **Seamungus Crumble** to help improve root growth over the winter period when leaf growth tends to be slower.

Flowering Plants: After pruning winter dormant plants such as roses and fruit trees, feed the root zone with an application of 100g of **Seamungus** per plant. This will help prepare the roots for the coming spring.

Move cymbidium orchids into a spot so they receive maximum sunlight and feed monthly with **Strike Back for Orchids**.

The cooler months are the best times to relocate plants or divide clumping perennials. Mix some **Seamungus** through the new planting site and water in with **GOGO Juice** to stimulate new root growth for good establishment.

Fruit Trees: Winter is a great time to plant bare rooted fruit trees and ornamentals. When digging the hole for planting, make sure the soil is turned and loosened to two spades depth. Then mix some **Seamungus** through the soil in the hole when planting and water in well with **GOGO Juice**.

Grapevines: Fertilise with **Sudden Impact for Roses** towards the end of July - this hit of potassium will help ensure an abundant crop.

Natives: Winter is a great time for planting natives. Use some **Seamungus** in the bottom of the planting hole to get them started, and water in with **GOGO Juice**. If you need some winter colour in the garden consider planting the colourful climber *Hardenbergia violacea* (commonly called Happy Wanderer) or flowering shrub *Alyogyne huegelii* (commonly called Native Hibiscus).

Vegetables & Herbs: Established asparagus fronds will be bright yellow in colour by now. Prune them back to ground level and generously apply 2-3 handfuls of **Rocket Fuel** per square metre over the soil. Then mulch well with pea straw or sugar cane and stand back for delicious asparagus spears appearing with the arrival of spring.

Plant strawberry runners in raised beds or pots now. They like a slightly acidic soil, so use **Seamungus** when planting and then feed with dose of **Kahoona** fertiliser at the start of spring.



Product update

Seamungus liquid and **Strike Back for Orchids liquid** 1L concentrates will be available in stores in September.



Kahoona. Our new product specifically designed for acid loving plants such as camellias, rhododendrons, gardenias and

azaleas has now been endorsed by the Camellia Society of SA, and after a successful trial, the Mount Lofty Botanic Gardens is also now using it on a regular basis on their rhododendrons. It will be available in stores in August, in both 1.5kg & 10kg pails.

Rooster Booster

Available in Bunnings, **Rooster Booster** is a unique blend of the highest quality composted raw manure, specifically formulated for the most effective and safe feeding of all your garden plants.



Rooster Booster promotes natural healthy plant growth by releasing nutrients slowly into the soil, and stimulates microbiological and earthworm activity.

This activity binds soil particles together to improve soil structure and tilth, which allows roots to grow unrestricted in a nutrient rich environment.



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