

## Beating the odds

Cystic fibrosis has not stopped one Wellington man from making a difference.

Des Vincent-Dustow, pictured with his wife Kylie, has won the Asthma Foundation's Achievers' Award.

The Achievers' Award is given to people with respiratory conditions who still achieve despite the challenges their condition may cause.

Mr Vincent-Dustow has

cystic fibrosis. He is well known in the soccer world as a respected coach and mentor to young girls' and boys' teams, and as a spokesman for the sport in New Zealand.

He was presented with his award by the Governor-General, Sir Jerry Mateparae, at Government House on November 22.

Mr Vincent-Dustow is one of eight people from around the country selected as Supreme Achievers.



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## Roll on roses

Bloomin' heck! The roses are here!

The Botanic Garden's Rose Festival is back from November 25.

Garden manager David Sole said visitors would be bowled over by the displays.

"The roses are looking really good this summer. The very first roses on the bush are always vivid and very large," he said.

This is the first year anyone can enter the rose contest. There are five categories, including a children's section.

The festival is from November 25 to 27.

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