



# NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY

## AUGUST 2022 NEWSLETTER

# JAYNE'S JOTTINGS

We have now experienced yet another period of severe heat and with this in mind, we should be very proud if any of our fuchsias are still alive! Thankfully some have survived the ordeal as our 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Show proved.



## NOTTINGHAM & NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY 50TH ANNUAL SHOW

This will be a show to remember! Amidst the hottest weekend experienced in many a year, we were faced with putting on a very special occasion to mark a very special landmark in the Society's history! This was going to be the Society's **50<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SHOW** and therefore we wanted to make it special.



◀ A hand-knitted mascot, named '**Celia**' and a cross-stitch was on display ensuring everyone knew it was indeed our **50<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SHOW**.

A special '**GOLDEN ROSETTE**' was given to every exhibitor, a token-gift to celebrate

this special occasion. ➤



◀ '**NOTTINGHAM JUBILEE**', a fuchsia named especially as a tribute to our society and to help commemorate our **50<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SHOW**. Hybridised by Malcolm Beerman. As you can see, it makes a wonderful show plant.

**THANK YOU MALCOLM.**

One of our free cuttings which we were given in February was '**CELIA SMEDLEY**'. A fuchsia hybridised by one of the co-founders of our society, George Roe, named after his daughter. For this year only a class was created for our free cutting, once again to celebrate our **50<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SHOW**. ➤



# THANKS TO EVERYONE WHO HELPED TO MAKE THIS YEAR'S ANNUAL SHOW SO SPECIAL!

## MORE SHOW FEATURES

On a blistering hot weekend, we all worked hard fetching and setting up the tables; putting up the marquees. We then waited nervously to see if any exhibits would appear on the show bench. To say that it was tiring, would be an understatement! I think everyone, from exhibitor to committee member, to stall holders found the weekend exhausting and deserves a medal for lasting the weekend out! Chilled bottles of water were handed out to keep everyone hydrated and Carol in Carol's Cafe worked very hard keeping everyone topped up with fluids. ➤



◀Unfortunately Christine was unable to attend the show due to an accident which has resulted in a very painful fractured shoulder. As you know, Christine works hard knitting etc and as you can see, luckily, she had already created some fantastic items and so was still able to put on a wonderful display.

Christine was very touched with everyone's kind comments, she wanted to send you all this message: -

***Hello to everyone at Nottingham & Notts Fuchsia Society. I just wanted to say how sad I was to have missed our wonderful show and to thank you all for your kind messages and good wishes. I am overwhelmed and grateful for all the positive thoughts you are sending my way, and to Pete for the healing prayer. I am doing my best to get well quickly and be back with you all soon.***

**Christine x**

It seems appropriate at this point to also send Best Wishes to Ros Clarke and Jo Young and wish them both a speedy recovery as they too were unwell and sadly were unable to attend the show.

However, it was good to see Keith Cocking at the show. He has been ill recently, has had a spell in hospital but thankfully is back home and thanks to his son, Nigel, he came along to see what kind of show we had managed to put on!

## MORE THOUGHTS ON THE SHOW!....

We had **17** exhibitors and **149** exhibits. I think we were very relieved to see these exhibits and were thankful that the show could go on!

Malcolm Beerman won 'Best in Show' and 'Best in Members' classes' with 'Nell 'B' ➤





◀ Howard Kilbourn won 'Best Fuchsia in Open Classes' and 'Best British Cultivar' with 'Lyndon'

Congratulations to Lawrence Cole who won 'Most points in Beginners and Novices classes.' ➤



## KEEP IT IN THE FAMILY!

I noticed first of all that in Class 52 - Celia Smedley (Free Cutting): -

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Carol Yeoman	Christine Cole	Lawrence Cole

## The Cole Family!

And then Class 46 – 1 Pot viewed from the Front: -

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Renee Wilson	Jayne Daykin	Jayne Daykin

## Mother and daughter!

And then Class 10 – 1 Pot Triphylla Type: -

1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup>
Geoff Smith	Geoff Smith	June Lemon-Smith

## Husband and wife!



◀Walking up and down the rows of exhibits, one particular cultivar caught my attention – 'Bella Nora'. A small lilac flower. Patricia Dyson clearly loves this cultivar as she exhibited it in several classes. She won 1<sup>st</sup> prize in the Class 21a – 1 pot 2 ½".

I was certain I had 'Bella Nora' but couldn't remember the flowers being so amazing. When I got home I checked. Yes, I had the cultivar but it hadn't flowered yet! So I will take great care of overwintering it and hope to get it onto the show bench next year.

Patricia was also awarded the President's Cup for her Triphylla in Class 30 – 3 pots – 1 single; 1 double; 1 triphylla - 3 ½" pot. A class which was introduced by the late Ken Brown, a co-founder of the society as well as being an Honorary Life Past President. He offered £100 prize money for the winner in the year it first appeared in the schedule. ➤



Patricia also won 1<sup>st</sup> in Class 39 – 1 pot any cultivar – max 3 ½" pot with 'Bella Nora'.

Lyndon came 1<sup>st</sup> with his Begonia 'Peter Harvey' in Class 23 which also was awarded **Best in Classes 23 & 26'** ➤





Lyndon also won 'MOST POINTS IN MEMBERS AND OPEN CLASSES'.

◀ Here is his 'Tom West' cultivar which came 2<sup>nd</sup> in Class 41.

And there's more!



◀ Congratulations to Rob Scott who won 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> in Class 32 – 1 pot, any cultivar trained as a bush – min 5" – max 6 ½" with the cultivar 'Hayley Jackson'. Rob also did well in the miscellaneous classes, coming 2<sup>nd</sup> in Class 25 with his Coleus and 3<sup>rd</sup> in Class 27 – Any other non-flowering pot plant – max 6 ½" pot with his Aeonium.

Speaking to Clive Gould, our judge he said: -

*'In his mind, everyone was a winner; to be able to put on a show and to grow fuchsias to show standard in this extreme heat was something to be really proud of!'*

## SHOW STATISTICS

	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022
Number of Exhibits	230	193	229	217	214	242	NO SHOW	?	149
Number of Exhibitors	24	17	27	20	20	24	DUE TO COVID	?	17

There were exhibits in all but three classes this year. It was good to see most classes represented. The classes with nil entries are below: -

Class	Description
7	1 Pot Full or Half standard, any cultivar, ASP
16	1 Exhibit small pot culture, pyramids, pillars, espalier and fans or circles or any shape other than a bush or shrub – max pot size 5 ¼"
17	1 Plant single or double, any <b>Bob Pacey</b> cultivar – Max 152mm (6") pot

**PLEASE NOTE:** The cultivar of this year's free cutting was 'WAVENEY GEM'

The most popular classes for number of exhibits this year were:

<b>Class</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>No. of Exhibits</b>
25	Coleus 1 plant – max 175mm (7") Pot	8
26	Begonia Rex 1 plant any size pot (max 7" Pot)	8
28	1 plant, except fuchsias, any size, shape or form; any size pot or container not eligible to be entered in any other class or variety.	8

This is telling me that miscellaneous plants fair much better in extreme heat!

For a bit of fun – I decided to see how the **LADIES** faired against the **MEN**....

Based on a rating system of 1<sup>st</sup> = 3 points; 2<sup>nd</sup> = 2 points and 3<sup>rd</sup> = 1 point: -

<b>MEN = 140</b>	<b>WOMEN = 104</b>
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Same numbers – just in a different order!

More statistics: -

<b>MEN</b>	<b>No. of 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>No. of 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>No. of 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>No. of Points</b>
Lyndon Clements	7	6	2	35
Malcolm Beerman	7			21
Howard Kilbourn	4	3	1	19

<b>WOMEN</b>	<b>No. of 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b>No. of 2<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>No. of 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b>No. of Points</b>
Jayne Daykin	3	7	7	30
Christine Cole	4	6		24
Patricia Dyson	4	3	1	19

**THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU**

**Thank you** to everyone who helped over the weekend, from setting up; manning a stall; exhibiting and finally those who helped tidy up at the end. Thanks also to all friends and family who helped us. Their support is much appreciated.



# PAST ARTICLE

This appeared in our August 2007 Newsletter and was also submitted in Fuchsia News – still relevant today!

## THANK YOU

(by Jayne Daykin)



**Thank you** for every homemade pastry  
Thank you for every jam preserve  
Thank you for the sponge & fruit cake  
Helpers there to serve



**Thank you** for every book and CD  
Thank you for all tombola gifts  
Thank you for every garden gadget  
Given to us so swift

**Thank you** for every fuchsia on show  
Thank you for all support all day  
Thank you for all the organizing  
This helped us on our way

**Thank you** for all the advertising  
Thank you for every prep & toil  
Thank you for every flyer; poster  
Pasted round the town

**Thank you** for all refreshments  
Thank you for all drinks on tap  
Thank you for serving all the public  
Each deserves a 'clap!'

**Thank you** for the plant tombola  
Thank you for the plants to sell  
Thank you for all our floorwalkers  
Whose knowledge shared to all

**Thank you** for all the forward planning  
Thank you for all discussions held  
Thank you for all friends & kinsmen  
Help; support excelled!





# WHAT ELSE HAPPENED 50 YEARS AGO?

IN AUGUST....

- 10<sup>th</sup> – The first Mr Men book is published (Mr Tickle)
- 10<sup>th</sup> – Roy Keane born
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Pete Sampras born
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Jackie Stewart becomes Formula One World Drivers' Champion
- 20<sup>th</sup> – David Walliams born
- 31<sup>st</sup> – Pdraig Harrington born

**OTHER REGULAR FEATURES WILL RESUME NEXT MONTH SUCH AS: -**

Poem of the Month  
Down memory Lane  
Role of Merit  
Fuchsias in the Garden  
Growing Flowers

I felt it was important to concentrate on our **50<sup>th</sup> Annual Show**

# SOCIETY NEWS

<b>23<sup>rd</sup> August</b>	<b><u>TROPHY PRESENTATION</u></b>
<b>28<sup>th</sup> August</b>	<b><u>Beuvalle Horticultural Show - RETURNS!</u></b> Open from 1p.m to 4p.m at Greasley Sports & Community Centre, Dovecote Road, Newthorpe, Notts, NG16 3QN
<b>10<sup>th</sup>/11<sup>th</sup> September</b>	<b><u>Long Eaton &amp; District Horticultural Society Autumn Show</u></b> - held at the Coronation Hall, Portland Road, Toton, Nottingham NG9 6EE - 2.00p.m to 5.00p.m on the Saturday and 10.0am to 3.45p.m Sunday. <b>ADMISSION FREE.</b>

27 <sup>th</sup> September	<u>OVERWINTERING FUCHSIAS</u> - monthly meeting, Speaker - Derek Luther at Wollaton Park Community Centre, Harrow Road, Wollaton, starts at 7.30p.m.
25 <sup>th</sup> October	<u>HOSTAS</u> - monthly meeting, Speaker Robert Barlow at Wollaton Park Community Centre, Harrow Road, Wollaton, starts at 7.30p.m.
22 <sup>nd</sup> November	<u>AGM &amp; CHRISTMAS BUFFET</u> - at Wollaton Park Community Centre, Harrow Road, Wollaton, starts at 7.30p.m.

## WANTED

**Wanted:**

**Flirtation Waltz**

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**Contact:**

**Jayne Daykin**

A gentleman asked me at Derby's Fuchsia Show if I knew anyone who had '*Flirtation Waltz*' or '*La Campanella*' as he struggled to overwinter them.

He is asking for a cutting.

I have '*La Campanella*' but not '*Flirtation Waltz*.' Does anyone have Flirtation Waltz?

**Please let me know.**

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