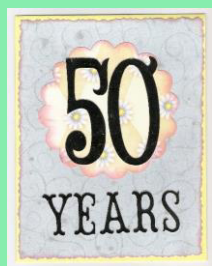




# NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY FEBRUARY 2022 NEWSLETTER

## JAYNE'S JOTTINGS

Plagued with wind & rain again this month has meant that gardening opportunities have been minimal. However, this weekend, I decided to tackle my front garden. I cut back my hardy fuchsias, which I haven't done in years, rightly or wrongly, that's what I wanted to do. It has made a huge difference and hopefully, they will be all the better for having had such a radical prune! In my second border, I have a huge hydrangea and yet another hardy fuchsia (Whiteknight's Pearl) to tackle when the weather picks up!



## DOWN MEMORY LANE

**1977 -1982**

### PLEA FOR ARCHIVED INFORMATION ON THE NOTTINGHAM & NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY EARLY YEARS

Data is very limited during the early years, if it wasn't for Ken Brown and his comprehensive reports, I would have nothing to report.

If anyone has any archived information (old schedules; newsletters etc) please can I obtain copies, so that I can fill in the gaps.

Thank you.

### TROPHIES - *information taken from an article written by Ken Brown*

This information details the initial Trophies obtained back in 1971 onwards: -



# TROPHIES

(Part 1)

YEAR	TROPHY NAME	AWARDED FOR...	DONATED BY/HISTORY
	Margaret Roe Goblet	Ladies Class – <i>1 fuchsia pot any cultivar</i>	Margaret Roe
	G H Roe Rose Bowl	WINNER CLASS 31 – <i>3 pots, any cultivar</i>	George Roe
	Margaret Lillian Memorial Rose Bowl	Best Margaret Roe	George Roe
	Khada Shield & B.F.S. Rosette	Best Fuchsia in Open Classes	Mr & Mrs Leslie Hayward, owners of Khada, Racehorse
	Christine Fenson Trophy	WINNER CLASS 9 – <i>3 Pots distinctly different cultivars, single and/or double</i>	Pete Smith, 1st secretary
	The Frank Otter Trophy	WINNER CLASS 34 – <i>1 pot any cultivar, max 5.5"</i>	Frank Otter, Treasurer
	Garden News Shield (Hemlockstone)	Most points in Open Classes	donated by pubs, where committee used to meet
	Garden News Shield (The Crown)	Most points in Members Classes	donated by pubs, where committee used to meet
	Garden News Shield	Best Exhibit in Classes 7 & 15 – <i>1 full, half or quarter standard Fuchsia</i>	donated by pubs, Admiral Rodney where committee used to meet
	Garden News Shield (C A Jackson)	Most Points in Novices	obtained by Cyril Jackson, when he was chairman
	Cliff Gadsby Rose Bowl	Best British Cultivar in Show	Cliff Gadsby, Derby Hybridiser
	Jackson Trophy	Most points in Beginners	donated by Cyril Jackson & family
	Hanslope Trophy	WINNER CLASS 11 – Mini Standard	Ken Brown, named after the Road he used to live on
1978	Cliff Gadsby Memorial Trophy	WINNER CLASS 12 – <i>3 pots distinctly different cultivars, single and/or double</i>	Bertha Gadsby, Cliff Gadsby's wife, donated TROPHY AFTER Cliff passed away - 1920-1978
	Bob Pacey Memorial Trophy	WINNER CLASS 17 – <i>1 single or double Bob Pacey cultivar</i>	donated by Joan, Bob's wife after his passing (Bob Pacey of Stathern, Leicestershire)
1986	George Roe Memorial Trophy	WINNER CLASS 45 – <i>1 pot any cultivar raised by George Roe</i>	Donated by society after George passed away in 1986
	Dobson Williams Trophy	WINNER CLASS 44 – <i>1 Pot double, any cultivar</i>	Mrs Williams and daughter Mrs Dobson

	Greenwood Cup	Best Exhibit in Classes 24 & 27 – <i>any other flowering or non flowering plant</i>	Fred Greenwood of Farnsfield
	Rowley Trophy	WINNER CLASS 33 – 1 <i>pot any cultivar, single (originally awarded to best Hanging Pot)</i>	Mr Rowley of Ilkeston
	The Smith Trophy	WINNER CLASS 42 – <i>Best Specie</i>	Geoff Smith
	Mansfield Brewery Trophy	Best Exhibit in Classes 5 & 6 – <i>best hanging basket and half basket</i>	Terry Hill, Treasurer, was instrumental in Mansfield Brewery donating Trophy
	Home Brewery Cup	Best Exhibit in Classes 47 & 48 – <i>best hanging pot</i>	Terry Hill, Treasurer at the time, was instrumental in Home Brewery donating Trophy
	Hill Top Trophy	WINNER CLASS 4 – <i>Children's class, any cultivar</i>	Fred Wesson, arranged for Hill Top Nurseries to donate Trophy
	Arena Promotions Mark Wrixton Cup	WINNER CLASS 13 – 2 <i>Pots same cultivar to be judged as matching pair</i>	won by society for the best stand in show at a special show held at Holme Pierrepont Sports Centre
	Arena Promotions Scroll (Triphylla)	WINNER CLASS 35 - 1 <i>Pot Triphylla</i>	bought by Society
	Arena Promotions Scroll	WINNER CLASS 39 – 1 <i>Pot any cultivar</i>	bought by society
1998	Joe Bragg Memorial Trophy	WINNER CLASS 38 – 1 <i>Pot of unnamed FREE cutting</i>	bought by society, in memory of Joe Bragg who was chairman and President for many years
	Nottingham & Notts Challenge Trophy	WINNER CLASS 8 – 5 <i>Pots distinctly different cultivars, single and/or double</i>	bought by society
	Nottingham and Notts Silver Salver & Rosette	Best Fuchsia Exhibit or Plant in Show	bought by society
	Hanslope Bowl (Glass)	WINNER CLASS 14 – 1 <i>Pot hardy cultivar</i>	donated by Ken and his wife to celebrate their <b>DIAMOND ANNIVERSARY</b>

*(Part 2 will be in next month's Newsletter)*

# **ROLE OF MERIT**

## **MOST POINTS IN MEMBERS CLASSES**

Somehow, I have managed to provide a full list (less 2 years; 1989, 1990) of winners dating right back to 1972. In the early days, it was spread evenly between a number of exhibitors; IGM Jones; J Pass; J Platt; Fred Wesson. In later years it has been shared between Howard Kilbourn; Lyndon Clements; Chris Woolston and Geoff Smith.

NAME	NO. OF YEARS
HOWARD KILBOURN	11
LYNDON CLEMENTS	6
GEOFF SMITH	4
CHRIS WOOLSTON	3
FRED WESSON	3

## **MOST POINTS IN OPEN CLASSES**

Also, I have managed to provide a full list (less 3 years; 1972, 1989, 1990) of winners dating right back to 1972. In the early days, it was spread evenly between Chris Woolston, J Platt and R N Venables. In later years it has been dominated by Howard Kilbourn.

NAME	NO. OF YEARS
HOWARD KILBOURN	20
CHRIS WOOLSTON	4
J PLATT	4
LYNDON CLEMENTS	3
R N VENABLES	3

**For more details – refer to the Noticeboard**

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**PAST ARTICLE** taken from the March 2005 newsletter submitted by the late Alan Darkins

## **GUIDE FOR SHOW 2005**

### **THINGS TO REMEMBER WHEN GROWING FOR SHOW**

- Keep all dead wood and leaves out of the branches.
- Watch for insects and keep plants free by spraying or manually killing.
- Remember once they get a good hold the more difficult they are to eradicate.
- From early spring, treat compost for vine weevil attack – irregular notches bitten from edge of leaves. Vine weevils can be found using a torch after dark and killing them.

- Watch for rust, separate any infected plants; destroy any infected leaves (not in the greenhouse or in the proximity of other plants as the spores are airborne). Spray all plants with a fungicide.
- Keep the greenhouse well aerated. Plants are better outside when the weather is fit, preferably in a shady spot.
- Spots of water cause browning of buds and flowers when left in the sunshine.
- Feed regularly with a weak solution of feed.

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## WHAT ELSE HAPPENED 50 YEARS AGO?

### In February this year (1971)...

- 4<sup>th</sup> – Rolls Royce goes bankrupt & is nationalised
- 5<sup>th</sup> – Apollo 14 lands on the moon
- 11<sup>th</sup> – Damian Lewis born
- 15<sup>th</sup> – Decimal Day in the UK
- 16<sup>th</sup> – Amanda Holden born
- 17<sup>th</sup> – Denise Richards born
- 18<sup>th</sup> – Thomas Bjorn born
- 20<sup>th</sup> – Joost van der Westhuizen born
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – Melinda Messenger born



## HOW ARE WE CELEBRATING 50 YEARS



**FUCHSIA TO BE NAMED TO COMMEMORATE OUR 50 YEARS** – Malcolm Beerman has kindly allowed us to name one of his seedlings and after receiving suggestions from yourselves and the committee, the most popular name is: -

## NOTTINGHAM JUBILEE

**Thank you Malcolm and I can't wait to see it on our show bench!**





**INTRODUCING CELIA** – Christine Cole has kindly knitted this doll, with fuchsias on her shoelaces. I want to call her Celia (after Celia Smedley) and I think she will make a great mascot for us this year.

You will see her at meetings, special events and of course at our show!

**NOTICEBOARD** — this noticeboard had been stored away in a shed on a Nottinghamshire allotment with a few other items which belonged to our Society. Thankfully, one of the members of the allotment association went to the trouble of contacting me to see if we wanted to retrieve anything as they were taking down the shed.



**CAN ANYONE SHED SOME LIGHT ON ITS ORIGIN? WHO PAINTED IT?  
WHO DONATED IT? AND WHY?**

## POEM OF THE MONTH

### **THE WIND** by *Robert Louis Stevenson*

I saw you toss the kites on high,  
And blow the birds about the sky;  
And all around I heard you pass,  
Like ladies' skirts across the grass –  
O wind, a-blowing all day long,  
O wind, that sings so loud a song!

I saw the different things you did,  
But always you yourself you hid,  
I felt you push, I heard you call,  
I could not see yourself at all –  
O wind, a-blowing all day long,  
O wind, that sings so loud a song!

O you that are so strong and cold,  
O blower, are you young or old?  
Are you a beast of field and tree,  
Or just a stronger child than me?  
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**I thought this was appropriate after experiencing the extremely strong storms this week!**

# FUCHSIAS IN MY GARDEN



## **'CECILE'**

Incredibly pretty, large double. It's attractive to bees and hummingbirds, half-hardy; it has deep pink-red sepals and a very full, elegantly frilled, lavender-blue corolla.

I am yet to get it onto the showbench!

(*Whitfield, 1981*)

# GROWING FUCHSIAS

My main task at the moment is crossing my fingers and hoping that the next storm does not play havoc with my greenhouses. I can't see much point spending hours on them at the moment just for them to be blown away with the wind! Let's hope for calmer weather next month!

Just survived '*Storm Dudley*' – I can't wait till '*Storm Eunice*' arrives this weekend!

However, I will have to go searching to find possible plants that I can take to the BFS AGM next month. The BFS committee are kindly donating some plants so that we can hold a Plant sale, so I also think we need to contribute as well. As mentioned later, please, please, if you have any plants (not just Fuchsias) that you can donate – all will be greatly appreciated.

**BRING ALONG TO NEXT MONTH'S MEETING!**

# PROJECT 2 - FUCHSIA BONSAI

I have been checking on the condition of my bonsai, as they are tucked away at the bottom of the garden. I am seeing signs of new growth on a few, surprisingly, so will need to ensure that I open my greenhouses regularly to let air circulate.

## SOCIETY NEWS

This month is our **Social Buffet Evening** and a Quiz night – so come equipped with a pen!

You will also be able to pick up your **FREE CUTTINGS**.

**REMEMBER** – this year the two cuttings will include one unnamed cultivar (as normal) and the other will be Celia Smedley. - There will be a class at our 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Show for **BOTH** cuttings.

### **DERBY & DISTRICT FUCHSIA & GARDENING CLUB** **INVITES EVERYONE TO THEIR FORTHCOMING EVENT: -**

#### **‘POTTY PLOTTERS’**

Two ‘crazy’ lady plot holders at the Ashbourne Road District Allotments in Derby, want to share their enthusiasm for Growing Your Own. They spend time teaching allotment amateurs and aspiring gardeners the basics. They are regular guests on Radio Derby and have quite a following on Facebook and Twitter.

Want to know more? Come along on: -

**WEDNESDAY 2<sup>nd</sup> MARCH 2022 at 7.30p.m**

**At  
GRANGE HALL COMMUNITY CENTRE  
PARK LANE  
LITTLEOVER, DERBY  
DE23 6FX**

**ADMISSION £3.50**



## **SOCIAL MEAL – 4 MARCH 2022**

### **AT THE CADLAND INN**

The table has been booked: 7.00p.m for 7.30p.m - so please let me know if you are interested. Please look at their website for an idea of menu choices.

**FOR THOSE WHO HAVE PUT THEIR NAMES DOWN, PLEASE CAN I ALSO HAVE YOUR CHOICES PLEASE!**

[www.emberinns.co.uk](http://www.emberinns.co.uk)

## **BFS AGM – 26 MARCH 2022**

The **BFS AGM 2022** is to be held on **26/3/22**. As our society will be celebrating our **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary**, it seems fitting that we host this forthcoming event. Not long now and plans are well underway to ensure its success.

The event will take place at the **Stapleford Methodist Church**, Eatons Road, Stapleford, Nottingham.

### **Volunteers will be needed to help host the event.**

- Entrance table attendant
- Help set up room – tables and chairs
- Refreshments
- Possible Parking Marshalls
- Man Tombola/Raffle stalls
- Display Table

**Please let me know if you are able to support us.**

### **\*\*\*PLANT STALL\*\*\***

If anyone has any spare plants (not just fuchsias) that they would be willing to donate, please bring them to March's monthly meeting – thanks

### **\*\*\*TOMBOLA PRIZES\*\*\***

Likewise, any items that can go onto the tombola stall will be gratefully received – again, bring to March's meeting.



**Our Next Meeting will be on:  
22 March 2022  
ROD YOUNG  
WILL BE TALKING ON ORIENTAL  
GARDENS/BONSAI**

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