

NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY MAY 2024 NEWSLETTER

JAYNE'S JOTTINGS

I have put up my mum's hanging baskets today (Saturday) in readiness for the Thunderstorms forecast Sunday or Monday! I have also managed to spend time in my own garden, taking off the greenhouse covers and giving the plants a water – discarding many!

I have taken some cuttings of Delta Sarah as a friend is obsessed with this cultivar and wants to plant them all over her garden!

How are your free cuttings? If you are unsure what to do next – bring them along to the meeting, I'm sure someone will be able to advise you.



◀ Most of my fuchsias that I have overwintered look untidy.

However, after clearing away all the weeds and cutting back all dead wood and top dressing – it looks a lot more presentable. ▶



SHOW SCHEDULE 2024

It has now been released. It is on our website. Please note that there is now recognition for the BEST 'Nottingham Jubilee' cultivar in show.

Please also note, that we will accept Green or Brown coloured hanging pots contrary to BFS guidelines due to feedback received from members that they are unable to find green hanging pots.

WANTED

I have been handed a list of cultivars from Lyndon. If any of you have any of the following cultivars and could spare a cutting please let Lyndon know. In fact if anyone would like a certain cultivar, please let me know and I can include your request in this section of the newsletter.

WENDY BENDY	DEREK LUTHER	LITTLE JESSICA ✓
HAYLEY JACKSON ✓	JANICE PERRY	

****If you are seeking a specific cultivar, let me know, maybe one of our members can help.****

GARDEN OPEN - 15th & 16th JUNE 2024

Oak Cottage, Well Lane,
Blackfordby, Swadlincote,
Leicestershire DE11 8AG



COLIN & JENNY CARR will once again be opening their garden again on the 15th & 16th June 2024 – Part of the BLACKFORDBY OPEN GARDENS.

SATURDAY – 10am – 4pm

SUNDAY – 10am – 12p.m**

** **PLEASE NOTE** THAT THE VILLAGE SHOW IS BEING HELD - 12pm – 4pm

£5.00 Entry includes entry to Village Show on the Sunday

If the address sounds familiar, their garden was televised on Gardeners World last Friday. Missed it! – not to worry, it can still be found on iplayer (Episode 10)

POEM OF THE MONTH

A SAD TAIL *by Liz Cowley*

A baby squirrel, lovely sight,
the memory still makes me wail –
the bloody cat was chasing it,
attracted by its bushy tail.

The tail, of course, was sticking out –
the cat thought it a perfect present.
Of all the gifts I've ever had
that had to be the most unpleasant.

The squirrel ran, the poor wee thing,
and found a hole within a tree.
One bite, and what an awful sight –
the cat then brought its tail to me.

SHOW NEWS

NOTTINGHAM & NOTTS FUCHSIA 52nd ANNUAL SHOW

We have decided to return to **Stapleford Methodist Church** to hold our 52nd Annual Show

Full Address: -

**STAPLEFORD METHODIST CHURCH
EATON'S ROAD
STAPLEFORD
NOTTINGHAM
NG9 7EA**

It will remain a **ONE DAY** show. The date is **10th AUGUST 2024**

SOCIETY NEWS

TRIP TO RHS HARROGATE AUTUMN SHOW – 14th September 2024 – STILL PLACES AVAILABLE!

Derby & District Fuchsia & Gardening Club are organising a Coach trip to RHS Harrogate Autumn Show.

Cost will be no more than £40.00. £20.00 deposit required.

Pick-up will be outside the Co-op at Littleover. Parking available behind the Grange Hall, Park Lane, Littleover. DERBY, DE23 6FX

*** Please let me know if anyone is interested.***



WOOL – WANTED!

As you may be aware the directive this year is to raise funds to help cover the loss from last year's show. Christine, Carol and myself (mostly Christine and Carol) are busy knitting and crocheting so that we can sell hand crafted items at Craft Fayres in aid of the Society.

Therefore, if anyone has any spare balls of wool they do not want and would like to donate, please bring them along to any of our monthly meetings.

Many Thanks x



USED STAMPS – WANTED!

If anyone has any used stamps – I'd be glad to take them off your hands. Bob collects these and sends them off to the RNIB (NOT RSPB which is what I have been quoting!)

Many Thanks x

BRING AND BUY STALL

We will be holding a **Bring and Buy stall** every month to help raise funds for the Society and to support the cost of running our Annual Shows.

Please can you bring along any unwanted items to help our Society.

Many Thanks x

WAYS TO INCREASE MEMBERSHIP

As a society our membership is sadly reducing and therefore the Committee would be very grateful if anyone has any suggestions on how we can promote our society and ultimately increase membership. **Please let anyone on the Committee know.**

Many Thanks x

RHS GARDEN ENTRY DISCOUNT CARD



RHS have introduced a discount card to be used by our members. It offers two adults a 50% discount off entry to any RHS Garden (i.e. **Bridgewater; Harlow Carr; Hyde Hall, Rosemoor and Wisley**) with unlimited use until it expires 31 January 2025, with the exception of Flower Shows and Glow illumination events.

If you are interested in taking up this offer at any time, please let me know.

EASY FUNDRAISING

The easiest way for **all** internet users to help raise funds for our Society is simply by every time you search the Web you use easysearch.

Easysearch combines results from Yahoo!, Windows MSN Live Search and Ask.com in one simple search, the address is <http://nottsfuchsia.easysearch.org.uk> Please try it and encourage others too. Don't forget if you make any purchases on the internet, to go through our webshop to make sure we receive commission from the retailers (currently over 2000 well known retailers), the address is <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/nottsfuchsia> .

Beeston and Chilwell Garden Trail

18 beautiful gardens open on **8th and 9th June 2024** - 1.00p.m – 6.00p.m —including four new gardens this year. Entrance £5 for both days.

Maps and more details of the gardens can be found here:

<https://www.beestonandchilwellgardentrail.org.uk/>

PLANNER FOR 2024

28 MAY	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: Mike Davey Subject: <i>Allotment Gardening.</i>
8 & 9 JUNE	BEESTON & CHILWELL GARDEN TRAIL – 1.00p.m – 6.00p.m - £5.00 – go to above link for more details.
15 & 16 JUNE	BLACKFORDBY OPEN GARDENS – Colin & Jenny Carr, who is a member of Derby & District Fuchsia Society are opening their garden. £5.00 ** See advert for more details**
25 JUNE	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: Jeff Bates Subject: <i>Herbaceous Plants and Borders.</i>
27 JULY	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: Paul Leatherdale Subject: <i>Show Talk.</i>
10 AUGUST	NOTTINGHAM & NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY – ANNUAL SHOW – Stapleford Methodist Church, Stapleford, Nottingham.
17 AUGUST	DERBY & DISTRICT FUCHSIA SOCIETY – 53rd ANNUAL SHOW - Grange Hall, Park Lane, Littleover, Derby, DE23 6FX
18 AUGUST	BFS MIDLAND SHOW – Palmers Garden Centre, 11 Main Street, Ullesthorpe, Lutterworth, LE17 5DR.
27 AUGUST	MONTHLY MEETING – Subject: <i>Trophy Presentation & Slide Show</i>
14 SEPTEMBER	TRIP TO RHS HARROGATE AUTUMN SHOW AT NEWBY HALL & GARDENS. Organised by the Derby & District Fuchsia & Gardening Club. Interested speak to Jayne.
24 SEPTEMBER	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: Andrew Cathcart Subject: <i>Overwintering Fuchsias</i> **ZOOM**
22 OCTOBER	TBC
26 NOVEMBER	AGM & SOCIAL EVENING