

# NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY

## JULY 2023 NEWSLETTER

### JAYNE'S JOTTINGS

**Fuchsias** in my mum's front garden are looking splendid. However, a) they are all in ceramic planters and b) will probably be over by the time Show Day comes. However, with a poster on her front gate, what better way to advertise our show than a display of fuchsias!

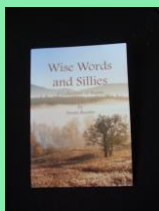
#### GARDEN VISIT - 200 LOUGHBOROUGH ROAD, RUDDINGTON - 20 July 2023

Luckily the rain kept away so that we could enjoy Mike's garden. There were several ponds and plenty of unusual trees and shrubs. He has two greenhouses packed with cacti and succulents! I spotted a very impressive *F. Magellanica* 'Whiteknight's Pearl' – absolutely amazing! The garden was very lush and very tranquil. After a most enjoyable trip around the garden we were treated to the most delicious cake and scones – mouth-watering!

### POEM OF THE MONTH

As we are holding our Annual Show in **STAPLEFORD** this year. It was very fitting that I found this poem to share with you and to welcome you all from near and far....

<b>STAY AWHILE</b> <i>by Susan Roome</i>	
<b>Stay Awhile</b> , don't drive straight through, See what Stapleford can offer you, High Street names there are a few Independent traders too.	Let's travel a mile out to the east And let your eyes take in this feast, Of monolithic sandstone rock standing fifty feet, Sculptured by time, wind and rain, The Hemlock Stone is the name <b>Stay Awhile</b> , take in the view Take a photograph or two.
Fancy a spot of history? <b>Stay Awhile</b> and come and see The birthplaces of Sir John Warren, Arthur Mee And Walter Parker VC.	Now let's return to the town And look at the jewel in the crown, In Saint Helen's churchyard standing proud, Underneath the bobbing bough, Although it may be green with moss, There's no mistaking the Saxon Cross. <b>Stay Awhile.</b>



This poem was taken from 'Wise Words and Sillics', A Collection of Poems by Susan Roome.

I feel very proud, as Sue is my cousin!

# GROWING FUCHSIAS

## WANTED – NELLIE NUTTALL

Has anyone got a spare plant or cutting of Nellie Nuttall. Sadly Keith Cocking has lost his and is eager to replace it.

# SHOW NEWS

## PLEASE ALSO NOTE : –

- Check your Schedule - everything you should need to know is in there.
- Entry Form – download from the website – [www.nottinghamandnottsfuchsiasociety.org](http://www.nottinghamandnottsfuchsiasociety.org)



## SHOW PREPARATIONS: -



**WANTED** – Help needed Friday afternoon to set up the room. I am arranging access to the hall from 1p.m as extra time may be needed due to the New Venue.

**WANTED** – Help will be needed to help with transporting tables. (Friday Afternoon and then Saturday Evening). Times to be confirmed.

**WANTED** – Entrance Table Assistants – Although we are only holding a One Day show this year, we will need to man two entrances - Main Entrance and an Entrance from the Car Park.

**WANTED** – Tombola Prizes – please bring along to July’s meeting. **Please note:** No alcoholic prizes are permitted in the church.

**WANTED** – Plants to sell – whilst we have ordered fuchsias from Jackson’s Nurseries, if you have any surplus plants (they don’t need to be fuchsias!) – bring them along to the show.

**WANTED** – Home-made cakes. Although we are not having a Cake stall, I am sure Carol will appreciate any donations on the day. A nice homemade cake with tea or coffee!

**TROPHIES** – Can ALL trophies be returned prior to the Annual Show. Please bring to either July’s monthly meeting. Thank You.

## F.A.O ALL HELPERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS WHO WILL BE THERE SUPPORTING US ON SHOW:

Carol has kindly offered to make cobs on the day and therefore if anyone wants to pre-order their lunch, I will be coming round with a form at July’s monthly meeting.

# ADVERTISING THE SHOW

## LOCAL ADVERTISEMENTS –

Adverts have gone into

- local free magazines, reaching over 16000 homes

Posters have been put in: -

- local shops along the High Road in Stapleford & Sandiacre;
- shop windows in Beeston
- Carnegie Centre (Stapleford Town Hall)
- Stapleford Library
- nearby Supermarkets; Sainsburys; Co-op & Tesco
- nearby Garden Centres and further afield as we reach out to the whole of Nottinghamshire.
- Noticeboards in the centre of Stapleford & Beeston
- Beeston Resource Centre
- Stapleford, Sandiacre and Grangewood Methodist Churches

Flyers have been handed to:

- Wollaton WI members
- Wollaton 'Singing Group'

Emails have been sent to: -

- Local Gardening Clubs and have received confirmation from some that they will pass details to their members
- Stapleford Community Group
- Erewash Sound Radio, who have confirmed they will advertise on air and will advertise on other social media platforms.



## Facebook

- Bob has a list of contacts and is planning to post show details on various sites shortly included all the 'spotted' sites to ensure that word is out there.

## Stapleford Town Mayor

- I have received confirmation that our Stapleford Town Mayor, Ross Bofinger, will be attending the show. He is a lover of Fuchsias and has visited our show in the past when it was held at Attenborough Village Hall.

## Others

- Weekly church notices (Stapleford & Sandiacre Methodist Churches)
- Poster in back Car window and on Mum's gate.

**\*\*I HOPE THAT YOU ALSO HAVE HAD SUCCESS IN DISPLAYING THE POSTERS AND HANDING OUT FLYERS AROUND YOUR AREA\*\***

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**DERBY & DISTRICT FUCHSIA  
& GARDENING CLUB**

**52<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL SHOW  
SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2023**

**THE GRANGE HALL  
PARK LANE, LITTLEOVER, DERBY, DE23 6FX  
12.30pm to 5.00pm  
£1.00 ADMISSION**



**PLANT SALE, TOMBOLA & REFRESHMENTS**

Including Exhibitions by the:-  
**DERBY & DISTRICT BONSAI ASSOCIATION  
AND  
DERBY CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY**

**Anyone wishing to exhibit - let me know and I can get hold of a schedule.**

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**SOCIETY NEWS**

**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 2024, 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.\***

**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 our monthly meetings 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



### 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.

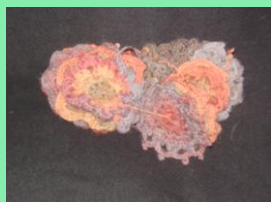
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There has been a real good response and Carol, Christine & myself would like to thank you for your donations of wool that have been given –bags and bags! To show our appreciation, here are a few items that have been made and which we hope to sell at the show: -



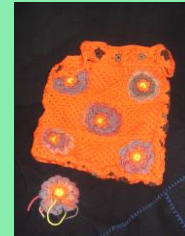
**Thanks Janet** – just a couple of items that have been created.

◀ two 'Furbies' & a 'Deluxe Butterfly' ▶



◀**Thanks Patricia** – a while back, Patricia handed me this bundle of crocheted motifs and asked if they could be turned into something useful.

The motifs were very delicately made and I hope I have done them justice ▶



**Thanks Clem** – more recently, Clem has handed over bags and bags of wool which Christine was overwhelmed with and very excited – there will be so many items we can all make and really appreciate the donation. Here's 'The Ring Brothers' ▶

◀These are 'Wobblies' which I feel are very cute.



A final **Thank you to Lin** from the Derby & District Fuchsia & Gardening Club who handed me a bag of mohair wool. I look forward to making something very creative!

Everyone has been very generous.



## THANK YOU TO YOU ALL

**Take time when you come to the show and see all our creations.**



### 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 RSPB.

Many Thanks x

**PLEASE NOTE:** - AUGUST'S MONTHLY MEETING HAS HAD TO BE RE-ARRANGED DUE TO MAINTENANCE WORK TAKING PLACE AT THE CENTRE. THEREFORE, AUGUST'S MEETING WILL BE ON **TUESDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST**

## **PLANNER FOR 2023**

25 JULY	<b>MONTHLY MEETING</b> – SPEAKER: Derek Dexter Subject: <i>Show Talk</i> <b>**ZOOM**</b>
12 AUGUST	<b>NOTTINGHAM &amp; NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY – 51<sup>st</sup> ANNUAL SHOW</b> – Stapleford Methodist Church, Stapleford, Nottingham, NG9 7EA
19 AUGUST	<b>DERBY &amp; DISTRICT FUCHSIA SOCIETY – 52<sup>nd</sup> ANNUAL SHOW</b> - Grange Hall, Park Lane, Littleover, Derby, DE23 6FX - <b>SEE ABOVE ADVERT</b>
20 AUGUST	<b>BFS MIDLAND SHOW</b> – Palmers Garden Centre, 11 Main Street, Ullesthorpe, Lutterworth, LE17 5DR.
27 AUGUST	<b>BEAUVALE HORTICULTURAL SHOW</b> – Greasley Sports & Community centre, Dovecote Road, Newthorpe, Notts, NG16 3QN
<b>29 AUGUST</b>	<b>MONTHLY MEETING</b> – <b>**CHANGE OF DATE**</b> Subject: <i>Trophy Presentation</i>
16 SEPTEMBER	<b>RUDDINGTON VILLAGE SHOW</b> – held at St Peter's Room, opposite St Peter's Church – 11.00a.m – 4.00p.m
23 SEPTEMBER	<b>TRIP TO RHS MALVERN SHOW</b> – organised by Derby & District Fuchsia & Gardening Club
26 SEPTEMBER	<b>MONTHLY MEETING</b> – SPEAKER: Stephen Phillips Subject: <i>Overwintering Fuchsias</i> <b>**ZOOM**</b>
24 OCTOBER	<b>MONTHLY MEETING</b> – SPEAKER: Jeff Bates Subject: <i>The Royal Gardens of Windsor</i>
28 NOVEMBER	<b>MONTHLY MEETING</b> – SPEAKER: Subject: <i>AGM &amp; Christmas Buffet</i>
DECEMBER	<b>NO MEETING</b>