

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 50th 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 <u>50th ANNUAL SHOW</u> and therefore we wanted to make it special.



this special occasion. >

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

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





• 'NOTTINGHAM JUBILEE', a fuchsia named especially as a tribute to our society and to help commemorate our <u>50th ANNUAL SHOW</u>.

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 **50th 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 vou 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 st	2 nd	3 rd
Carol Yeoman	Christine Cole	Lawrence Cole

The Cole Family!

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

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
Renee Wilson	Jayne Daykin	Jayne Daykin

Mother and daughter!

And then Class 10 – 1 Pot Triphylla Type: -

1 st	2 nd	3 rd
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 1st prize in the Class 21a - 1 pot $2\frac{1}{2}$ ".

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 $\frac{1}{2}$ " 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^{st} in Class 39 - 1 pot any cultivar – max $3\frac{1}{2}$ " pot with 'Bella Nora'.

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







Lyndon also won '**MOST POINTS IN MEMBERS <u>AND</u> OPEN** CLASSES'.

✓ Here is his 'Tom West' cultivar which came 2nd in Class 41.

And there's more!



✓ Congratulations to Rob Scott who won 1st, 2nd & 3rd 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 2nd in Class 25 with his Coleus and 3rd 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	230	193	229	217	214	242	NO	?	149
of Exhibits							SHOW		
Number of	24	17	27	20	20	24	DUE	?	17
Exhibitors							то		
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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 1/4"
17	1 Plant single or double, any Bob Pacey 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:

Class	Description	No. of Exhibits
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 $1^{st} = 3$ points; $2^{nd} = 2$ points and $3^{rd} = 1$ point: -

MEN = 140 WOMEN = 104

Same numbers – just in a different order!

More statistics: -

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

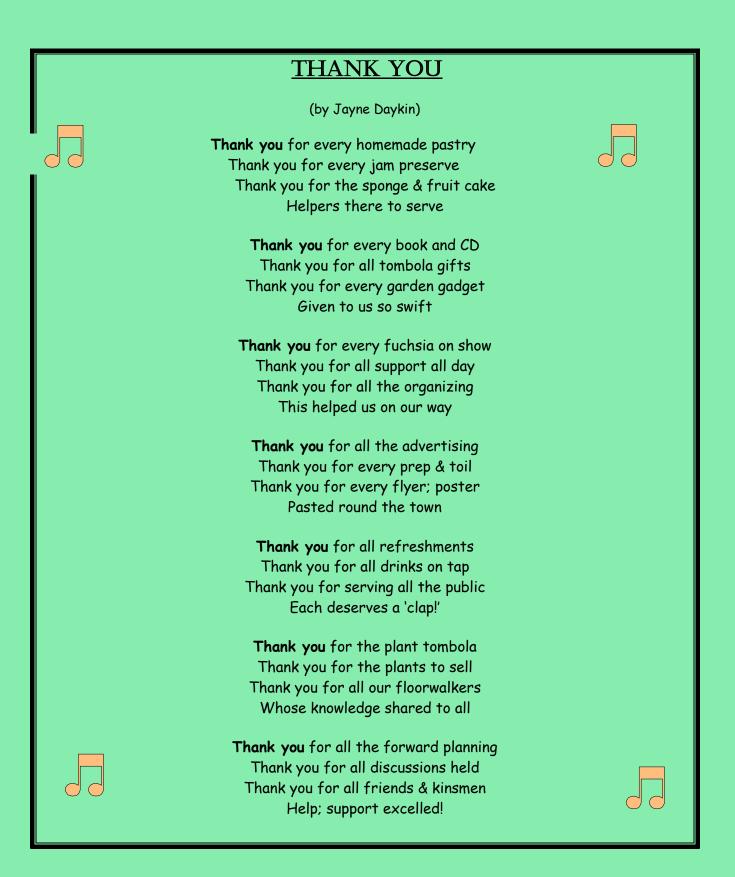
WOMEN	No. of 1 st	No. of 2 nd	No. of 3 rd	No. of Points
Jayne Daykin	3	7	7	30
Christine Cole	4	6		24
Patricia Dyson	4	3	1	19

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!





WHAT ELSE HAPPENED 50 YEARS AGO?

IN AUGUST....

- 10th The first Mr Men book is published (Mr Tickle)
- 10th Roy Keane born
- 12th Pete Sampras born
- 15th Jackie Stewart becomes Formula One World Drivers' Champion
- 20th David Walliams born
- 31st Padraig 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 50th Annual Show

SOCIETY NEWS

23 rd August	TROPHY PRESENTATION
28 th August	<u>Beauvale Horticultural Show</u> - RETURNS! Open from 1p.m to 4p.m at Greasley Sports & Community Centre, Dovecote Road, Newthorpe, Notts, NG16 3QN
10 th /11 th September	Long Eaton & District Horticultural Society Autumn Show - 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. ADMISSION FREE.

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

WANTED

Wanted:

Flirtation Waltz

<u>Contact</u>:

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?

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Please let me know.