NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY OCTOBER 2026 NEWSLETTER





JAYNE'S JOTTINGS

All mum's fuchsias are now in the greenhouse, leaving me to cut back overgrown shrubs and trees. I need to pick up lots of fallen apples and take down the front two hanging baskets that are well and truly past their best.

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▼I spotted this article I wrote back in October 2008 – more topical now as we all strive to recycle! ▼

GOING FOOD SHOPPING ISN'T ALL THAT BAD!

I hate Food shopping – or do I?.....

Up and down those aisles, checking I haven't missed anything off the list, that's what it's all about, isn't it?....

First I stop at the fruit counter, Mmmmm… a carton of Strawberries, that's healthy, and 2 for the price of 1, that's a bargain! – ***just the right size for my young cuttings – fit 2 x 3" pots in each of them, in the trolley they go.***

Next, I stop by the salad bar…..tomatoes, which ones shall I choose? My husband wonders what's taking me so long to decide – 'Not sure which will taste the sweetest, dear,' I reply, 'the ones in the long oblong tray or the ones in the squarish tray? – ***the trays will make excellent mini drip trays and the oblong one will slot in nicely between my fuchsias in the green house.***

Plastic carton of Coleslaw – need it on my salads, only need a small carton really…. ***But the bigger carton will also house a 3" pot adequately, giving my cuttings extra protection over winter!***

I catch up with Bob who is eyeing up the croissants, I look dismayed… No Bob! Not those in the normal flimsy plastic wrapping, surely those over there will taste much better, I hear myself saying, 'which ones?' he says, 'those in the plastic container' I reply – ***very serviceable, I say to myself, the container will come in very handy when it comes to taking more new cuttings!***

Bob picks up a plastic carton containing Ginger biscuits, my pulse is racing! Must be my lucky day! In the trolley they go,- ***another ideal container to overwinter my new fuchsia cuttings.***

We finally make it to the check-out counter and carefully load our groceries onto the conveyor belt. Plenty of containers pass before my eyes….Very resourceful….Recycling and all that!...

I've changed my mind, I think I quite like food shopping after all!







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27 OCTOBER	**MONTHLY MEETING** – **SPEAKER:** David Charlton Subject: ***Flowers of the Dolomites***
24 NOVEMBER 	**AGM & MEMBERS SOCIAL EVENING** Remember we have our Xmas Buffet to look forward to after the AGM, so please bring along something for the table.