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The Monthly Newsletter of
The Camborne - Redruth Fuchsia Society

*Season's
Greetings*



Christmas - Candy

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Help and Advice

If anyone would like help or advice on fuchsia growing, please don't hesitate to ask, the list below will guide you to advisors on specific subjects. All the committee members are willing to receive phone calls from members and will be only too happy to provide help and advice outside of our monthly meetings. If you have a question, don't be shy, we were all beginners once, and if we are unable to give you an answer we will endeavour to find out for you.

Who can help me?

Topic	Contact
General Culture.	Carol Richards, Rodney Hicks
Advice for beginners.	Horace James
Articles for Newsletter.	Michael Wingate
Baskets and hanging pots.	Alan Richards, Carol Richards
Hardies, fuchsias in the garden.	Yvonne Barlow
Shaping - bonsai, standards etc.	Alan Richards, Alec Bond, Carol Richards
Showing - planning, preparation etc.	Alan Richards, Alec Bond, Horace James
Species, Encliandras & the more unusual.	Yvonne Barlow,
Taking cuttings	Horace James, Carol Richards



The President Writes



Hello again.....for the last time this year.....!!

Can you believe another year has wound around and, here we are, at the December meeting enjoying the companionship and camaraderie of our fellow members once again? When we next meet it will be 2013 and a whole new fuchsia growing year will get underway.

Firstly, I would like to thank Horace for suggesting our guest speaker, Mr Martin Rowe, Antiques Valuer for the November meeting. He was brilliant and everyone seemed to enjoy his comments and knowledge gained over a lifetime of valuation and auctioneering. Can I also thank everyone for bringing in their bits and pieces to be valued; I much appreciated your input, and what an array. Well done, everybody and thank you.

Secondly, I/we congratulate George and Jenny Knight on their Golden Wedding middle of November. Fifty years of memories and recollection and we sent our love and best wishes for a very happy day. Then I had a shock, I found a note that said Horace and Pat Golden Wedding 28th November. Oh, hang, by now it is the 29th. So panicking sent them a text and wishing them a happy day (already a day late) but then I had a telephone call to say I was 364 days early. Doh.....

Thirdly, our best wishes go to Marie Hall, who has had an operation in her mouth. She had a tooth pulled a while back but the dentist left a piece behind and it had become infected. She kept going back to the dentist who assured her nothing was wrong, finally she was referred to a specialist and the problem was diagnosed.....!! She has had the operation and is making good progress at home with David as the doting Nursemaid. We wish her well also.

Finally, back to our fuchsias, ours are all tucked in snug and warm in the heated greenhouse, but only when it is frosty. Fuchsias will tolerate nearly down to freezing but not below. If the sap freezes in the stem it will not recover and the rot travels down into the root and it is R.I.P. The bonsais have all been defoliated and sprayed with fungus fighter and insect repellent and installed in the greenhouse. The two Bougainvillea bonsai have been brought into the house as, I have been advised, they will not tolerate below 10 degrees. My first winter for these, so hopefully, I will be able to get them through; I will let you know in the spring how they did. We still have some standard whips available at £2.50 each; Waltz Jubelteen has already sold out, see last month's newsletter for cultivar details.

We are short of one committee member, if anyone would like to volunteer their services. We meet on the 3rd Thursday of the month, January to November. Meetings are informal, we not only cover the business in hand but have an exchange of views and fuchsia information.

From One and all, we wish you Seasons Greetings and may 2013 be your best year ever for growing those beautiful fuchsias. Carol

Editorial

Editors are not noted for their smiling faces, but this month I am very happy to say that it has not been a struggle to fill our newsletter. Thank you for your contributions Megan, Carol and Ernie. I hope that there will be even more people contributing in the New Year then I can keep smiling!

Despite a cold and wet summer and winter, the Society have had another good year. The Annual Show was, a great success once again, although visitor numbers were slightly down, possibly due to the Olympics which kept some people glued to the television. We had tables at various shows and the fuchsia weekend, at Chacewater, which has become a regular fixture around the end of June. Ric and Helen Reilly once again hosted the Society Barbeque. Unfortunately, we were not able to visit Godolphin House gardens due to gale force winds on the evening, National Trust actually closed all their gardens in Cornwall for safety reasons. However we have a booking for next June and Juliet, the Head Gardener, has decided to prepare an audio visual presentation as a back up, just in case!

I gather, from Carol that there are still standard whips available, apart that is, from Waltz Jubelteen, which is sold out. The price is £2.50 each. For descriptions of the whips, please refer to the November edition of our newsletter, page 8.

In January, when you have time to browse the catalogues and perhaps choose new fuchsias or other plants to grow, spare a thought for the Newsletter Editor looking for copy, and write and tell your fellow members what you have chosen and why.

Meanwhile, It just remains for Mary and I to wish you all Happy Christmas and a good new year.

Michael



Your emails and letters

I would like to say how much I enjoyed doing the raffle last month and to thank everyone who provided raffle prizes. I also thought that I would share with you the following amusing memory of my Mum and Dad.

Megan.

A little time ago, back in the early nineties, when Mum and Dad were alive, Bob and I were paying them a week's visit. Mum asked us both what we would like for breakfast. Knowing Bob's love of porridge, I asked Mum whether she had any Three Bears. "No she replied and reeled off the cereals that they had in stock.

Later in the day, on our return to their cottage, we found that they had just returned from a shopping trip. "Do you know" my Dad said "We have been in every grocers shop in Solihull asking if they had any Three Bears and received some funny looks but couldn't find any!" Bob and I laughed and explained that Three Bears was our name for porridge. "Ooh we got some of that" Mum said in her Dorset dialect.

Megan has also sent us one of her poems which you will find on page 6. Ed.

Hi Michael,

Have just had a chat with Carol who suggests that the following would best be communicated direct to you for inclusion in your society's newsletter. Hope this is ok with you.....Kit Lindsay.

Sunday 13th January 2013. West Cornwall Orchid Society will be welcoming Lawrence Hobbs - experienced orchid grower from Crawley, Sussex - who will give a talk on cultivation and also bring along a good selection of orchids for sale. Lawrence is a good speaker who has visited Camborne several times previously and loves coming down to Cornwall. All are welcome to come along to the meeting which starts at 2pm in the annexe at the rear of Camborne Community Centre. £2. including tea/coffee/ biscuits. There will also be a raffle. The members of the Orchid Society look forward to seeing you there. Any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Kit on 01209.717947.

Also **Sunday 7th April 2013.** West Cornwall Orchid Society Spring Festival of Orchids to be held at Blaythorne, Pendarves Road, Camborne 11am - 4pm. Entrance £2. There will be displays, plants for sale, grower sundries and light refreshments all day. Also a tombola. Anyone is welcome to enter their orchid plants in the competition classes, just request a schedule from Kit 01209.717947. Thank you Michael for advertising these two events, I don't know why we didn't think of it before now. We have noted your next show in our Schedule as usual and it is always in our newsletter later in the year.
Regards.....Kit.



BOB'S FEET AND THEIR TRIP TO YORK

By Megan

York is not the place for feet,
For Bob's feet anyway.
He used them far more than he liked,
On our trips out each day.

Walking the front at Whitby,
After a long ride on a bus.
He'd had a rest for a couple of hours,
So why was he making a fuss.

We spent quite a lot of time sitting.
In the park, at the Play, and when we ate.
I don't know why he moaned so much,
When he said all we did was great.

Who walked the mile to Marston Moor?
While he sat in the pub.
When we returned to our B&B;
It was my feet that needed a rub!

A ride on York Eye was a sitting down thing.
Also a sail on the Ouse.
The walks around York were not strenuous,
My feet were not aching but guess who's.

We did walk part of the City Wall,
From the Lendal to Micklegate Bar,
You see so much more walking,
Than you do in a bus or a car.

Bob was happy on Friday morning,
He'd have a nice ride on the train.
I said to him when we reached St. Earth,
"When can we do this again? !!!"



NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday 10th January 2013

We hereby give notice that the Annual General Meeting of the Camborne - REDRUTH Fuchsia Society will take place on Thursday 10th January 2013 at Camborne Community College, Cranberry Road, Camborne, at 7.30pm.

In accordance with the Constitution, all proposals that will require voting upon must be duly signed, and seconded and lodged with our Secretary, (Mrs Carol Richards) no later than 7.30pm on Thursday 3rd January 2013.

All officers and Committee Members are elected on an annual basis. All nominations must be signed and seconded with an indication of the Nominee's willingness to stand for election, and lodged with our Secretary (Mrs Carol Richards) no later than 7.30 pm on Thursday 3th January 2013.

There is one vacancy on the Committee at present which needs to be filled. If you would like to help out please put your name forward.

Carol Richards.
Secretary.

This Month's Cover Picture is Christmas Candy

Stubbs USA 1975

Double. *Tube* Bright Pink. *Sepals* Bright Pink and re curved. *Corolla* White veined with Rose

Answers to Carols Page 10 Quiz

1. Mary 2. Erica 3. Robin 4. Rose 5. Yew 6. Cactus 7. Holly 8. Rabbit's Ear 9. Ivy
10. Sequoia 11. Thyme 12. Marshmallow 13. Arum 14. Sarracenia 15. Toadstool
16. Onion 17. Yam 18. Old Man's Beard 19. Ugli Fruit

CRFS Member's Success in America

One of our members, Ernie Negus, is also a member of the American Fuchsia Society and is in regular contact with them, and in fact he sends articles and photographs from our newsletters to America. Recently, when the A.F.S held a photographic competition he entered some photographs of his fuchsias and won First, Second and Third. Below are pictures of the winning photographs and details of the subject matter. We are sure that you would like to join the committee in congratulating Ernie on his success.



Class C **1st Place**

Novelty Fuchsia with
accessories, or living things

Lizard Point

Class B **2nd Place**

Well grown fuchsia in
container or the ground.

Helston Flora



Class B **3rd Place**

Cornish Sea Shells

Society Notices

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 10th January 2013

*Please note that this is the **second** Thursday in January*

At 7.30pm

See official notice on page 7.

West Cornwall Orchid Society

Sunday 13th January 2013

Lawrence Hobbs

Talk on cultivation of orchids.

See page 5 for more details.

A Date for your Diary

West Cornwall Orchid Society

Sunday 7th April 2013

Spring Festival of Orchids

At Blaythorne, Pendarves Road, Camborne.

11am - 4pm

Entrance £2

Anyone is welcome to enter their orchid plants in the competition classes. Please request a schedule from Kit Telephone 01209 717947. More details on Page 5.



Merry Christmas From Carol



M	1	The Virgin		4
E	2	Botanical Heather		5
R	3	Seasonal Bird		5
R	4	Got up		4
Y	5	Church yard tree		3
C	6	Generally spiky		6
H	7	Seasonal foliage		5
R	8	Bunny lughole		7, 3
I	9	Seasonal leaf		3
S	10	World's tallest tree		7
T	11	Herb on watch		5
M	12	Swamp sweetie		5, 6
A	13	Lords and Ladies		4
S	14	Fly catching Pitcher		10
T	15	Amphibian Seat		9
O	16	Eye watering		5
Y	17	May come back!		3
O	18	Santa's whiskers		3, 4, 5
U	19	Not pretty fruit		4

Answers at bottom of page 7

Treve's Sudoku

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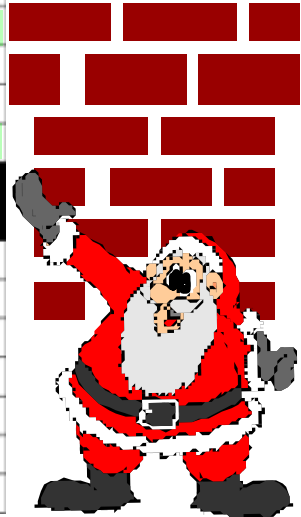
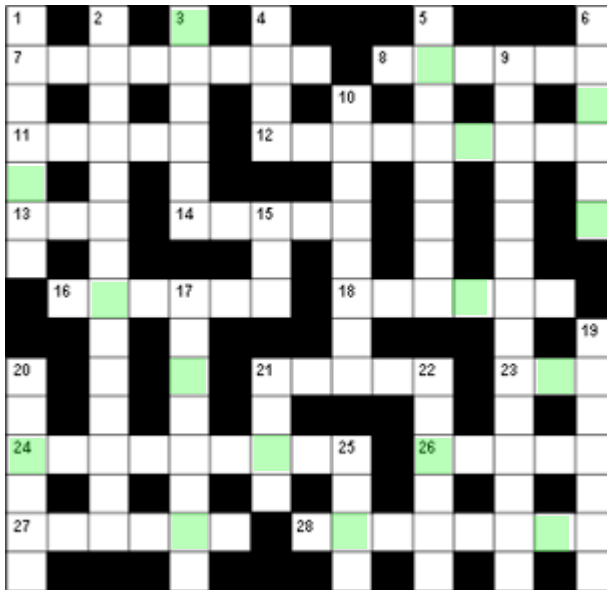
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Last Month's Solution

Inspired by our speaker last month, Treve has produced this sudoku based on his talk and appraisals of our **ANTIQUES**



Fuchsia Crossword 98 from Mary



Rearrange the letters in green squares for a message from Mary.

Across

7. Is Irene's name home to a partridge? (8)
8. Arthur's magician. (6)
11. Our Sudoku compiler. (5)
12. Small orange for a stocking. (9)
13. Cold cap or cream soda. (3)
14. Lights carol singers' way. (5)
16. Trails that twinkle. (6)
18. Provocative young girl. (6)
21. 'Enjoy celebration' hides her. (5)
23. French King (of Rome). (3)
24. Night time illumination. (9)
26. Find her in 'Get help' (5)
27. Rearrange 'as Nora' for her. (6)
28. No worries! (8)

Down

1. Our first satellite in space. (7)
2. Pretty underwear for ladies. (4,10)
3. Bow road for Runners. (6)
4. Wishes in a Christmas card. (4)
5. Not a fuchsia but stand one on it. (8)
6. Heavenly beings with wings. (6)
9. Loughborough's county has silver. (14)
10. Sort out 'Alan H Lyn' for her. (3,5)
15. Mr. Walker or Mr Sinton. (3)
17. She's anagram of 'Nail rods' (8)
19. Fuchsia in 'Beef will be tender' (7)
20. Sheen on the silverware. (6)
21. Rearrange 'A jog' for fuchsia. (4)
22. Devon city. (6)
25. Drop from eye has fund. (4)

Answers to Crossword 97

Across. 1. Ocean Beach 9. Exmoor 10. Fair Oriana 11. Gala 12. Feather 15. Geesche 16. Sadir 17. Toms 18. Doll 19. Adria 20. Firefly 21. Pants 24. Otto 27. River Plate 28. Avocet 29. Anna Louise. **Down.** 2. Chance 3. Airy 4. Bernies 5. Ajax 6. Heather 7. Royal Crown 8. Brian Ellis 12. Fete Floral 13. Admiration 16. Randy 15. Ginia 19. Alberta 22. Thetis 23. Carol 25. Avon 26. Blau.