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The Monthly Newsletter of **The Camborne - Redruth Fuchsia Society**



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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
Articles for Website	Ric Reilly

The President Writes

Hi Folks

Where to start this month! A great pre show meeting with Liz, Rodney and Carol all showing us what to do and how easy it is ...really!!! then John taking us through the mine field of the show schedule!

The great day dawned, all perfectly ready and in order thanks to the 'back room boys and girls' then 7.30 am.. chaos... exhibitors rushed in.... where's class so and so? ...I've lost my number... anyone got a spare saucer?... it's in the wrong class... one's wilting where's the water?....hit my thumb with hammer putting photo up... stewards running round like headless chicken......9.45 ...everyone out... peace... time to welcome the judge and his wife, now it's time for the stewards to earn their keep!

Always interesting going round with the judges listening to their comments and watching how everyone has a slightly different technique, Peter this year was no exception as stewards you always learn something new each year (least I think I do but maybe I've just a bad memory!!) Peter and Jill are old friends of mine er maybe I should say friends of old! So it was nice seeing them again. 1pm doors open public in...why did that one win?...I like that what is it?.....where's the plant stall?....I want a cup of tea.....I won this on tombola.... which ones are going into the auction?when's the raffle drawn?

Then it's over.. time to clear up and go home to tea coffee or a bottle! Time to look back now and what a super day it was; fabulous plants considering the weather (do we say that every year?) looking at them I thought they all should have had a prize, missed Alec but enjoyed seeing his plants displayed. I must thank the show committee without them and their helpers it wouldn't happen, also thanks to the bakers smashing cakes, and everyone who just got on with it and helped.

Clearing out behind some bushes in the garden suddenly came upon a flower pot, fuchsia in it survived the winter and is now flowering, it's not hardy so I don't recommend pushing it behind a bush! It's Walz Polka thought you might like to see it.

Yvonne



Editorial

I suppose what really surprised me since I published last month's newsletter is the absolute success of our CRFS Website. Surprised indeed, it would appear that over 99% of you, our members, have embraced the mighty machine, your computer, I'm delighted. Why so you may ask? It is because the majority of the membership obviously are planning to avail themselves of the mighty Internet, so I need to only print half a dozen copies or so of the newsletter from now on. Thank you everybody. It will, I'm sure, seem strange not to witness members thumbing through Fuchsia Fanfare, and especially Sheilagh Jelbert head down scratching away at Mary's crossword. I suppose it will seem strange to you not being able to pick up your copy at the monthly meeting, unless of course your name appears on the front cover. Thank you again, you are probably one of the members who did not contact me.

Now hold on you say, what's this all about, are you being serious here? Oh most definitely. This dear friends, could be the last time you pickup this little A 5 booklet, but all is not lost. All one has to do is, simply, let me know before 26th September, by telephone, e-mail or normal post, (see page 2) that you still require a printed copy. So, in a nutshell, this could be your last printed copy of Fuchsia Fanfare, I've given plenty of warning now, firstly last month, and finally now. It's up to you how you receive future copies. Thank you.

PS. For those who missed last month's article I've reprinted it again on the page opposite.

And now an apology to our friend and stalwart of this society, Mr Bond. Thank you to all the members, who correctly pointed out that I had called him Alan in the last newsletter. As you all know his name is James, James Bond, and I can only say sorry, Vera for this silly mistake, I can assure you that it will not happen again Clinton. Seriously er, um, ah, yes Alec, we all hope that you are feeling much better now and wish to see you back here amongst us very soon.

I was interviewing the Show Judge Peter Holloway and his comments for the newsletter were much the same as the extremely nice letter he sent to Carol



and which is printed on the letters page. However one comment that he did make was that while judging he repeatedly went back to the table where Alec's fuchsias were displayed and would dearly have liked to be able to include them in the judging. So Alec I think that in his eyes you were a winner. One other comment, that perhaps is not clear in his letter, was that he was pleasantly surprised by the number of society plants in the beginners section.

Michael.

Your Future Newsletters

Please take time to read this very important message.

With regard to the newsletter now being available on our new web site, www.cornwallfuchsias.btck.co.uk at present I produce 60 copies of the Fuchsia Fanfare each month which is quite costly for the Society when one takes into consideration paper and toner cartridges. I appreciate that not everyone has the means or the inclination to use the Internet, however, from the October issue to the end of the year, I will only produce a printed newsletter (hard copy) for those members who have previously notified me, by letter, telephone, or e-mail, that this is their preference.

Please let me know your name/s and how many newsletters you require by Thursday 26th September 2013 at the latest. If I do not hear from you by that date you will not receive a printed copy.

If you receive your newsletter by prepaid postage this will continue only until the expiry of your present arrangement, at which time you may like to continue to receive a copy by post or consider the alternative of accessing the newsletter on the web page, but please let the Membership Secretary, Bob Paxton, know what you have decided. His details are on page 2 of any newsletter.

The Cuttings Edge

Now is the ideal time to start taking cuttings of flowering plants which you might like to keep going over winter, ready for next year. Fuchsias (pelargoniums and geraniums) can all be rooted now and kept in a frost-free place ready to give you a head start in the spring.

Take cuttings with at least 3 axils and remove lower set of leaves. Also remove any flower buds and trim the base just below a leaf joint. Cut the larger leaves in half, a) less likelihood of them resting on the surface of the compost and causing botritus and b) less area for the plant to lose moisture. Leave pelargoniums for a few minutes to allow the cut surface to dry before inserting them into compost – doing this reduces the risk of them rotting at the base.

Rooting the cuttings into individual little sections ensures the roots do not become entangled, and less disturbance when you later move them up into a larger pot. Carol

Your letters and e- mails

I thought the show went extremely well and we had a good amount of entries and exhibitors. I was rather anxious as everyone was so down hearted with their plants. But there you go, what a lovely array of different plants and colour. I would like to thank everyone for their enormous effort in getting the show off the ground and putting on such a wonderful display in the Beginners, Novice and Open. I hope you all enjoyed the day as much as I did.

THANK YOU.

Janet Cohen.(Show Coordinator)

FROM A JUDGES PERSPECTIVE

Every time I am invited to judge the Camborne Show, I know the quality of fuchsias in the show will be superb and this year was no exception. As is the norm every year, exhibitors are never happy with the weather conditions, this year in particular has been very trying. We had a cold, dull and wet Spring which did not help the plants to make fresh growth and allow extra pinches to produce more flowers. This was followed by the very hot, sunny weather which meant flowers started to show earlier than anticipated and also trying to keep plants alive by shading and finding a cool area.

On arrival, we were welcome by members of the society, and as soon as the hall was cleared of exhibitors my task began of judging the show. The two rooms were ablaze with colour and a great variety of different fuchsias, grown as baskets, standards, shapes and different pot sizes. After an initial tour of the rooms to take in the exhibits, my task began. The quality of fuchsias in each different class (over 50) was a credit to all the exhibitors, sparkling with clean foliage and fresh flowers, laid out on the benches.

Judging each class was a pleasure because of the quality on show and a lot of deliberation into the process. I managed to complete the task on time and received no adverse comments about my decisions during the afternoon. It was then time to relax, chat and enjoy the show as it opened to the public. After a steady start, by mid afternoon the halls were buzzing with plenty of visitors enjoying the fuchsias on display, culminating in an auction of plants members wished to be sold. A good way for visitors to get well grown fuchsias in flower for their own enjoyment.

If you love flowers and did not visit the show, you are certainly the loser. The society has a great deal to offer anyone interested in fuchsias, they are extremely friendly and always keen to help and encourage new members with their wealth of knowledge. They participate in other events in the region to promote the fuchsia in Cornwall and beyond. So why not come along to a future meeting and join them!! I hope to see you at the South West Show at Portishead.

Best regards

Peter Holloway.

Letters and E-Mails continued

Carol would like to share with the members the following letter, which she received from Geoff Perry.

What a show, "WHAT A SHOW", yesterday's show just proves what I said on radio 4 gardeners question time when they visited us, quote WE ARE THE BEST IN THE WEST, what a huge effort by a lot of people, who help to make our society what it is, with, I would say, some of the best growers and exhibitors in the south of England. I must say what a pleasure it was to share the auctioning duties, which was made quite easy, when you can start bids at £ 4 for a small plant, you can't fail to bring in some much needed cash, and we had plenty of punters who wanted plants a bit of fun & banter. Don't yet know what the auction takings were but I would think it is up with the record take.

WELL DONE EVERYBODY!

Regards GEOFF

Hitchcock - The Birds.

Sitting chatting with Elaine one morning before the show we could hear a Magpie making noises coming from the chimney. I went outside to shoo it away but it wasn't there. Next a lot of noise and flapping of wings so by this time we knew it was in the chimney. Panic!! What do you do now? I rang my son (who wasn't much help) he said it will find its way out. Thanks for that I have all cream decor and furniture.!

I moved the guard from the front and there it was. Next it was flying around the room knocking its self silly on the window. Double panic by now. I threw a cloth over it and managed to get it out of the window. What was amazing the parent birds came down and gave it the once over and stayed with it until it recovered and flew away. Luckily the chimney had been swept and the soot was kept to a minimum.

Then to top it all a sparrow was in the greenhouse having a good time knocking over my plants. That was a good day!

Janet



Camborne and Redruth Fuchsia Society

Results 2013 Show

Best in Show

Alan Richards Paula Jane

Runner up Best in Show

Marie Hall Lillian Annetts

Best Standard

Marie Hall Lillian Annetts

Best Basket

Marie Hall Hermiena

Best Bush/Shrub

Alan Richards Paula Jane

Best Triphylla

Rodney Hicks Professor Hankel

Judges Discretionary Award

Alan Richards Hastings

Best Novice

Judith Goodwin Pink Fantasia

Best Beginner

Sheila Sears Shirley

- 22"

Class	First	Second	Third	нс	No of Entries
1	Gill Cakebread Corneli A Smith				1
2	Bob Paxton Unknown	Bob Paxton Unknown	Jen Knight Jennifer Ann		4
3	Maggie Gerry Unknown				1
4	Jen Knight Beacon				1
5	Sheila Sears Shirley	Eleanor Cates Shirley	Gill Cakebread Shirley		3
11	No Entries				0
12	No Entries				0
13	Judith Godwin Lillian Annetts				1
14	No Entries				0
15	No Entries				0
16	Judith Godwin Unknown	George Knight Snowcap			2
17	Judith Godwin Roger de Cooker				1
18	Judith Godwin Pink Fantasia	Eleanor Cates WALZ Jubilteen	Pam Avis Heidi Anne		5
19	Judith Godwin Quasar	,			1
20	Judith Godwin Billy	Judith Godwin Paula Jane			2
21	Geoff Adams Shirley	Pam Avis Shirley			2
31	Alan Richards Jennifer Ann Porter	Alan Richards Wines Wonder	Tony Slack My Little Gem		11
32	Alan Richards Dr Becky Reynolds	Alan Richards Bealings	Rodney Hicks Wigan Pier		3
33	Alan Richards Alicia Sellers Margaret Reynolds June Maria Shaw	Alan Richards Kobold x 3	Marie Hall Fairy Blue x 3		3
34	Alan Richards Hastings	Marie Hall Cecile	Carol Richards Elma	Alan Richards Alison Patricia	19
35	Marie Hall Lillian Annetts	Horace James Wigan Pier	Tony Slack Joan Lilly		7
36	Alan Richards Barbara Reynolds	Alan Richards Shelford	Marie Hall Marie Perry		7

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Class	First	Second	Third	нс	No of Entries
37	Alan Richards Paula Jane	Marie Hall Cecile	Alan Richards Toby Foreman		13
38	Alan Richards Lillian Annetts	Horace James Dollar Princess			2
39	Alan Richards Elma				. 1
40	Alan Richards Lillian Annetts	Marie Hall Gemma Fisher			2
41	Geoff Perry WALZ Jubilteen				1
42	Rodney Hicks Professor Hankel	Alan Richards Insulinde	Carol Richards Mary		8
43	Tony Slack Koralle	David Hall Thalia			2
44	Alan Richards Genii	Tony Slack Genii			2
45	Alan Richards Tom West	Carol Richards Rosewitha	Alan Richards Fire Cracker		7
46	Alan Richards Alicia Sellers	Alan Richards Kobold	Carol Richards Widnes Wonder		7
47	Marie Hall Marie Hall Maria Landy Paula Jane		Marie Hall Lillian Annetts	8	
48	Marie Hall Lillian Annetts				1
49	Alan Richards Ebanflo	Marie Hall Cecile			2
50	Marie Hall Marinka	Geoff Perry Swingtime & Blue Angel			2
51	Tony Slack Ebanaflo	Tony Slack Linda Grace	Alan Richards Eruption		11
52	Marie Hall Hermiena	Marie Hall Champagne Celebration	Alan Richards Harry Gray		5
54	Tony Slack Shirley	Marie Hall Shirley	David Hall Shirley		10
55	Tony Slack Chillerton Beauty	David Hall Achievement	John Doyle Display		3
56	No Entries				0
57	Horace James F.Procumbens	Horace James F.Procumbens			2
58	Rodney Hicks Cotta Christmas Tree	John Doyle WALZ Lucifer	June Adams Tarra Valley		3

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59	Carol Richards Papoose	Papoose White Clove White Knights Pearl Bon Accord Rodney Hicks Tony Slack Rodney Hicks			10	
60	Rodney Hicks Seedling			,		3
61	Rodney Hicks F.Boliviana	David Hall Fulgens	Alan Richards F.Glazioviana		9	
62	No Entries				0	
63	John Doyle Willow Tinsdale	John Doyle Hetten Heuval			2	
81	Alan Richards	John Doyle	Megan Paxton		4	
82	Alan Richards	John Doyle	Alan Richards		8	
82A	Janet Cohen	Janet Cohen	David Hall		6	
83	David Hall Checkerboard	Maggie Gerry Geoff Oke	Maggie Gerry Harry			
84	Shelagh Jelbert	Maggie Gerry	Sally Palmer	Sally Palmer Maggie Gerry	5	
85	Alan Richards				1	
86	Pam Avis	Maggie Gerry	Meg Paxton	Maggie Gerry	7	
87	Carol Richards Happy	Carol Richards Miss Muffet	Janet Cohen Happy Wedding Day		6	
88	Geoff Adams	Roy Palmer	Rodney Hicks	Janet Cohen	27	



Paula Jane



Korralle



Ebanflo



Walz Jubeltine

B.F.S. South Western Show Portishead 2013.

The alarm went off at 4.30 a.m. and just after 5 we were on our way, car loaded with our precious plants. It was still dark and as we travelled up through Cornwall, a bright light appeared on the horizon which gradually lit up the whole sky and another day was born. Most places, we had the road to ourselves, was thinking how the city folk would have loved to see a clear road ahead. Arrived safely, parked the car. Dave and Marie Hall already there with plants in situ on the show bench. Trundled in with ours and found spaces, titivated them up a bit and left them in the capable hands of the judge, Mr John Porter who had travelled from Lancashire.

Breakfast was next on the Agenda and we were pre-booked into a nearby café. Now fed and watered we wended our way down through Portishead. They had recently won a 'Britain in Bloom' award and it was easy to see why. Their hanging pots and pavement planters were awash with cascades of colour. I asked someone about the watering of them, he said every morning at 5 a.m. We made our way back to the venue where other fuchsia folk (and would be's) were congregating.

David was awarded Best Beginner and Best Novice; Alan was awarded Best Potted 3½" with a new cultivar *June Marie Shaw*. For her hanging pots, Marie was awarded 2nd and 3rd, I was awarded 3rd for my bonsai of David, there were nine in the class. We entered the three pot Society Class with a ¼ standard of *Jennifer Anne* and five pots of *Fairy Blue* and *Good Girl* and were awarded First Prize. We were, however the only Society which entered, think on!! I then hovered around the bonsai class and talked to folk who took an interest, I gave out literature about how I created bonsai plants to four people. Meanwhile, Alan drank tea!

IT WAS A GOOD Show with lots of beautiful plants, all of which, were to a high standard. Best in Show was awarded to a pot plant of *David* and Runner-up was a Triphylla, I think it was *Mary*.

What a day! I just love to be out and about talking Fuchsias. Carol.



David Hall's entry Fairy Blue



Marie Hall's entry Cape Cornwall

BFS South West Show Gallery.



Pot ornamental foliage (not Tom West) Alan Richards 2nd Firecracker



Five pots any cultivars Alan Richards 1st. June Marie Shaw



1 Quarter standard Marie Hall 2nd Paula Jane



Pot Tom West ornamental foliage Alan Richards 1st.



Bonsai - Carol Richards 3rd David



Novice - David Hall 1st Walz Jubelteen



3 Pots distinctly different cultivars. Alan Richards 3rd Angela King, Alicia Sellars, Lyndon.

Society Notices

At Our Next Meeting

Thursday 3rd October

Over wintering Autumn and Winter Care of plants.

Society Barbecue

Sunday September 22nd 2013

2pm - 6pm

Hosted by Ric and Helen Reilly.

At Penvale House, Treluswell Cross, Penryn. TR10 9AN

For more details of how to find us please contact Ric.

Please bring Garden chairs with you, we are short of garden seats.

Show Sub Committee Post Annual Show Meeting

Holman's Club 7.30

Thursday 10th October 2013

Vacancy

The position of Editor will become vacant at the **Beginning of January 2014**

Equipment provided and help if needed . Please contact Carol if you are interested in this position.

Please read important notice on page 5 of this newsletter.

Editor's Puzzle Page

5			4		8			6
	7	3				2	4	
		4	9		2	1		
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	1	7				4	9	
		9	8		7	3		

A bit of a stinker last month, It was the first time that I've seen Mary give up on a sudoku. I have found a puzzle that is rated *hard* this month, not a *very hard* similar to the previous one. Ed.

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Three rats descending the mooring rope after a long sea voyage meet up with three rats ascending the same rope. One rat can jump over another, but will fall if he tries to either jump over more than one rat at a time, or walk backwards along the rope. Is it possible for the trios to exchange places without any rat falling or leaving the rope?



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1	4	2	8	3	6	9	5	7
9	7	6	4	5	2	3	8	1
8	3	5	7	1	9	2	6	4
4	9	7	2	8	5	1	3	6
6	2	1	3	4	7	5	9	8
3	5	8	9	6	1	4	7	2
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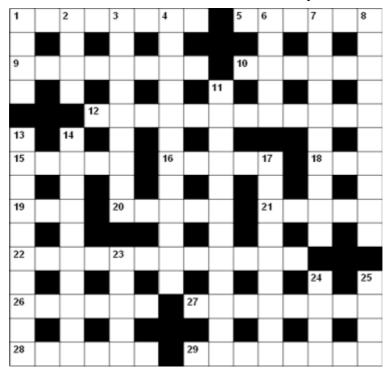
Solutions to last month's puzzles

What letter follows logically?

OTTFFSSEN?

Easy, the answer is T. One, Two, Three, Four, Five, etc.

Fuchsia Crossword 106 from Mary



Across

- 1. A burning meteor. (8)
- 5. Hidden by 'pecan commercial' (6)
- 9. Fifth month plus a lea. (8)
- 10. Spring Term at Oxford. (6)
- 12. Rearrange 'Letina Alorey' for her'. (6,6)
- 15. Initially, at last a train arrives. (15)
- 16. Le ours in Paris like cathedral. (5)
- 18. Offspring of Tom. (3)
- 19. Ms. Woodage (not Cotton)! (3)
- 20. Valley confused by R.A.Art. (5)
- 21. Native N.Z. Maid or Chief. (5)
- 22. Turn 'Nice local air' into fuchsia.(6,6)
- 26. Her first name is in 12 across. (6)
- 27. Neapolitan song, just one Cornetto! (1,4,3)
- 28. Brian G's surname is anag. of 'As some'. (6)
- 29. Robin Hood said, "Maid is mine." (2,6)

Down

- 1. Renown. (4)
- 2. His Dream or delight for a fuchsia. (4)
- 3. Fuchsia that is superlatively bright. (9)
- 4. She is an gram of 'Alice Gill ran'. (7,5)
- 6. An Italian hides her. (5)
- 7. Nineteen twenties dance. (10)
- 8. Untangle 'payment sir' for her. (3,7)
- 11. Sort out 'bad grey baths ' to find her. (6,6)
- 13. Information from the flowerbeds! (6,4)
- 14. Burial place of Che Guevara. (5,5)
- 17. Love of the Hunchback of Notre Dame (9)
- 23. Gay girl, hidden by 'Newlyn nets. (5)
- 24. Hidden when 'Lamb is lost'. (4)
- 25. Alice Blue or party dress? (4)

Answers to Crossword 105

Across. 1. Randy 4. Newmel 9. Emelita 11. Hanoras 12. Daisy 13. Lamartine 14. Alexandrina 16. Deltas Night 20. Snowdonia 22. Ellen 23. Hessett 24. Kwintet 25. Ronald 26. Debra. **Down** 2. America 3. Daisy Bell 5. Ejner 6. Martina 7. Lesley 8. Teddy 10. Ailsa Garnet 11. Hampden Park 15. Ingleside 16. Dr Olsen 17. Telstar 18. Esther 19. Anita 21. De Ell.