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# **Fuchsia Fanfare**

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



**South Crofty**



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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, Enclindras & the more unusual.	Yvonne Barlow,
Taking cuttings	Horace James, Carol Richards
Articles for Website	Ric Reilly



## The President Writes

Hi Folks

A bit stuck what to say, with excellent hands on talk this month on overwintering with Alan, Alec, Marie, and Carol's four penny worth it leaves me scratching my head! In desperation the weather! Still warmish for the time of the year, the bad storm seemed to miss me on the Lizard but I hope you all were ok as well, still have lots of wind though and rain...every time I wander out with my new camera it rains, it must think it's been sold to a deep-sea diver!! The fuchsias in the garden are still in full bloom and lovely, unfortunately so are the weeds, growing with gusto! As I mentioned last month The Cornwall Wildlife trust Fungus group had a weekend open meeting at Godolphin House thanks to the National Trust we had a very good weekend, a nice lot of visitors and we were able to put on a walk both days, the exhibits were in The King's Room great for me as Mary and Michael were there on the Sunday. I have sent a couple of photos of a giant fungus that was growing alongside the road apparently on the wall (but the main body was on the beech tree roots over the wall) just outside of Godolphin, it was huge, and although spectacular and beautiful unfortunately deadly to beech trees which eventually dies, it's name is *Meripilus giganteus*.

Yvonne



***Meripilus giganteus***



## Editorial

We have turned the clocks back and the days are already becoming shorter and, according to the displays in our local shops, Christmas is almost upon us! However, having looked at the diary I am relieved to see that, in reality it is still seven and a half weeks away, phew! Talking of Christmas, at our next meeting, we will enjoy our Christmas Fayre Supper with 'Slides & Pies' presented by our very own professionals (Doyle & Reilly). Contributions of festive fare will be gratefully received.

Cornwall was lucky to escape the very severe storm damage suffered by some parts of the country, and indeed, in the rest of Europe, however it was bad enough and it may not be all over yet according to the weather forecasters; although I hope that they are proved wrong.

With regard to the storms I note in the reports, for yesteryear In my local paper, dated October 30th 1913, "Wintery (*stet*) weather, including heavy rains and high winds and seas, has been experienced at Falmouth during the last three days. Considerable damage has been caused." However, 50 years earlier the morning of the 30th October was described as 'magnificently fine' so maybe the next fifty years will be fine!

The picture of South Crofty, on the front cover this month is one hybridised by our member, Ernie Negus, as indeed was Celtic Beauty the picture for October. Which reminds me, that Ernie contacted me to say that his newsletter, received by post, did not arrive until too late for him to learn of the fungi weekend at Godolphin, not my fault I have to say I just handed them over at the meeting.

I hope that all those who requested printed copies of the newsletter received them I did give named copies to our Membership Secretary plus a few extra copies for those of you who did not get the message.

It is very nice to read news from other Fuchsia Societies and sometimes I do use articles etc. from their publications. This month I must thank Solent Fuchsia Club for the Fuchsia puzzle on Page 11, which appeared in their newsletter in Spring 2009. Finally, as a lover of fuchsias but not of gardening I thought the following little poem published by a Fuchsia Society elsewhere in the country, summed up my sentiments quite nicely!

### **The Reluctant Gardener by H.T.V. Fletcher.**

Wintry Winter coming fast, driving rain and icy blast.

No more teacups on the lawn, neatly trimmed and closely shorn,

No more paths to sweep and rake, no more flowers to tie and stake.

No more fruit for making jam, no more herbs for stuffing ham.

No more pruning, no more weeds, no more sowing silly seeds.

No more "Exhibition" fame - isn't it a blooming shame ?

HOORAY!



## Your letters and e-mails

My friend Eleanor was delighted to say that the cutting of Barbara Windsor, which she received from Alan at the last meeting, had taken root. We were wondering how many members have also had success and would like to hear from those who did (or did not for that matter).

Talking of the cuttings, when Alan, pleased as Punch, showed me his cuttings of Barbara Windsor, he had a nice matching pair, which gave me an idea for an entry in the novelty class at the Annual Show 2014. Thinking this way led me to an idea, I thought, I will throw down the gauntlet and see what inspired ideas our members can come up with.

The challenge is out there now to see what our members can come up with. So Scour the catalogues, plug into the Internet, look at the Plant Stalls and see what's out there. Often props can be found for a few pence at car boot sales or in charity shops, if you haven't got something suitable at home. Hey it's fun!

To start you off on the right path I thought a shell and a toy Ford motor car would suggest Shelford while some of Ernie's Cornish named fuchsias could be portrayed with a local map, piece of pottery, or something relevant to the place. Any famous person such as Winston Churchill is also quite easy to use as a basis for the novelty display. Even some of the names of the 'standard whips' have a potential.....it really is that easy. So come on folks give it a go and let's have lots of fun entries in August 2014.

Carol.





## Standard Whips for Spring 2014

*Details as per George Bartlett*

<b>Eden Rock</b>	Single or S/D? H2. Bush. Sepals cerise, Corolla violet/aubergine, fairly tight.
<b>Genii</b>	Single. H3. Bush. This super hardy plant should be in all collections. Tube and sepals cerise, corolla a rich violet aging to dark rose. The foliage is its most redeeming feature, the leaves are light yellowish-green with red stems when grown in full sun, tending to green in shade.
<b>Lady Thumb</b>	Semi-double. H3. Bush. Tube and sepals light reddish-crimson, corolla white slightly veined with carmine. The flowers are small but extremely freely produced. Foliage small, medium - small, green. Sport of Tom Thumb.
<b>Lillian Annetts</b>	Double. H2. Bush. Tube and sepals white, corolla, powder blue overlaid with pink and lilac. The blooms are carried in profusion. Excellent for show purposes.
<b>Mini Rose</b>	Single. H2. Bush. Sepals, beige brushed with rose, small recurved tips. Corolla, dark cyclamen purple, lighter rose red at petal base. The small flowers are almost square shaped. Foliage, fuchsia green, much lighter underneath.
<b>Paula Jane</b>	Semi-double. H2. Bush. Tube short, Venetian pink, sepals carmine rose and arch upwards to cover the tube. Corolla is beetroot purple changing to ruby red as the flower develops. There is a pale pink flush at the base of the petals. Foliage is medium green. Very free flowering.
<b>Pink Fantasia</b>	Single. H2. Bush. Tube and sepals of this superb cultivar are bright pink or red. Corolla fluorescent violet to mauve. Foliage medium to darker green. The flowers are produced in great profusion throughout the season, mainly on the end of branches and are upward looking. An excellent show banker.
<b>Puts Folly</b>	Single. H2. Trailer. Tube long and thin, pale pink. Sepals, creamy white on top, flushed pale pink on the underside, with green tips. Corolla lilac rose, pale pink at base of the petals. Foliage medium green large leaves finely serrated.
<b>Shelford</b>	Single. H2. Bush. Tube, Short thick, fluted, baby pink. Sepals long and narrow, also baby pink shading to white tipped green and held horizontally. Corolla white with slight pink veining at the base of the petals. The medium sized flowers are rather tubular in shape. Foliage, dark green. A very successful exhibitors' banker.
<b>Tom Thumb</b>	Single . H3 Bush. Tube short and thin, carmine. Sepals carmine, short and held down from the horizontal. Corolla mauve purple. The flowers are small and very compact. Foliage small, medium green with finely serrated edging. (As a matter of interest, this cultivar was hybridised in 1850).





**Eden Rock**



**Lady Thumb**



**Paula Jane**



**Shelford**



**Genii**



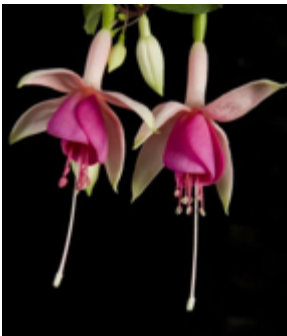
**Lillian Annetts**



**Pink Fantasia**



**Tom Thumb**



**Puts Folly**



**Mini Rose**



## A Simple Guide to Fuchsia Problems Diagnostic Table

This is an old list compiled before we were aware of Fuchsia Gall Mite and it is, therefore, not included. However we have, in the past, shown several pictures of the effect that this has on fuchsias and what to do if your fuchsias are affected. This picture should suffice as a reminder.



### Growth

Stunted growth.  
Plant collapses without warning.  
Stems and shoots turn brown or black.  
New cuttings collapse at base.

### Possible Cause.

Aphids  
Vine Weevil  
Botrytis  
Damping off

### Shoots

Blind.  
Wilting.

Capsid Bug  
Frog Hopper

### Flowers

Torn and damaged.  
Slight scars.  
Silver spotting.

Bees or wasps  
Leaf Hopper  
Thrips

### Leaves

Yellowing and falling.  
Sooty deposits.  
Distorted.  
Blistering and turning red.  
Pale mottled patches.  
Bronzing then leaves fall.  
Skeletonized.  
Silver spotting.  
Grey Furry Mould.  
Dark brown spots on upper surface  
And orange spots underneath.  
Yellowing.

Aphids  
Aphids or Whitefly  
Aphids or Frog Hopper  
Capsid Bug  
Leaf Hopper  
Red Spider Mite  
Scale Insects  
Thrips  
Botrytis  
Rust

Over, or under watering,  
underfeeding or lack of Magnesium.

Leaves turning reddish brown with  
black spots.  
Leaves turning silver.

Plants left in a draught or too cold  
Plants are too hot.



## MEETINGS ITINERARY - 2014

- January 9<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.  
(Note 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday)
- February 6<sup>th</sup> **Alan & Anne Cox.** Slide Show *A Cornish Miscellany*.  
Distribution: Standard Whips: A. Richards. What to do next....
- March 6<sup>th</sup> . **DISTRIBUTION OF SOCIETY PLANTS** and in-house speakers  
on *Spring of the Year preparations* for our 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Show.
- March 29<sup>th</sup> A Saturday morning visit to **Ron Scamp's Nursery**. Daffodil paradise.
- April 3<sup>rd</sup> **Brian Carlson**, Devon: Fuchsias through the year with topical advice.
- May 1<sup>st</sup> **Geoff Perry**. Hanging Baskets, Buckets and a Wobbly-Wobbly Tower.
- June 5<sup>th</sup> Visit to **Hardy Exotics**
- July 3<sup>rd</sup> Orchids with **Kit & Ron Lindsay**, our local enthusiasts.
- July 31<sup>st</sup> Pre show meeting. Titivation: plants, corsages, bloom boards, sprigs,
- Aug. 3<sup>rd</sup> TWENTY-FIFTH ANNUAL SHOW.  
BFS National Judge **Mr Ray Burns**. Floral Art Judge: **Mrs Roz Smith**.  
At Camborne Science and International Academy.  
Open to the public 1 p.m.
- Sept. 4<sup>th</sup> Presentation of awards. With our President, **Mrs Y. Barlow**, followed by  
a - Species Special - extravaganza
- Oct. 2<sup>nd</sup> Overwintering Autumn/Winter Care of Plants.
- Nov. 6<sup>th</sup> **Martin Rowe**, Auctioneer. Bring your antique(s) for valuation.
- Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> Slides and Pies with **Messrs Doyle and Reilly** - The Professionals!  
Christmas Fayre Supper.

## 2015

- January 8<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting.  
(Note 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday)



## **Society Notice Board**

### **At Our Next Meeting**

#### **Slides and Pies with the Professionals**

Messrs. Doyle and Reilly

Christmas Fayre Supper

Christmas party food will be much appreciated.

### **Annual General Meeting**

**Thursday 9th January 2014**

#### **Golden Wedding gifts.**

When celebrating their Golden Wedding Sheila and Les Couch requested donations in lieu of gifts to the M.S. Merlin Centre at St Austell and raised the magnificent amount of £325. As the charity receives no funding other than donations this was very gratefully acknowledged.

#### **Later this Month**

Pat and Horace James will be celebrating their Golden Wedding on 23rd November we wish them both a very happy day.

#### **Editor's Replacement.**

##### ***Is now critical***

We are desperate for someone to undertake the position of Newsletter Editor from January 2014. Regrettably this publication will cease to appear unless the position is filled. Please contact Carol if you feel that you can help.



## Editor's Puzzle Page

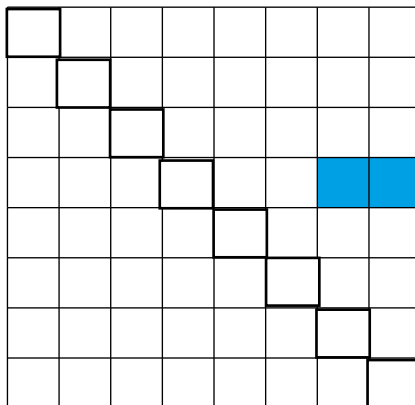
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This Sudoku is Rated -Very Difficult

### A Fuchsia Puzzle

ARCADY  
ARLENDON  
BABY PINK  
GLITTERS  
CAROLINE  
KERRY ANN  
RUTH KING  
RIDE STAR



When the names of the eight fuchsias printed above in a mixed up order are correctly placed along the **horizontal** lines, the letters in the marked diagonal will spell the name of another fuchsia.

2	9	6	1	4	8	3	5	7
1	3	7	6	9	5	2	8	4
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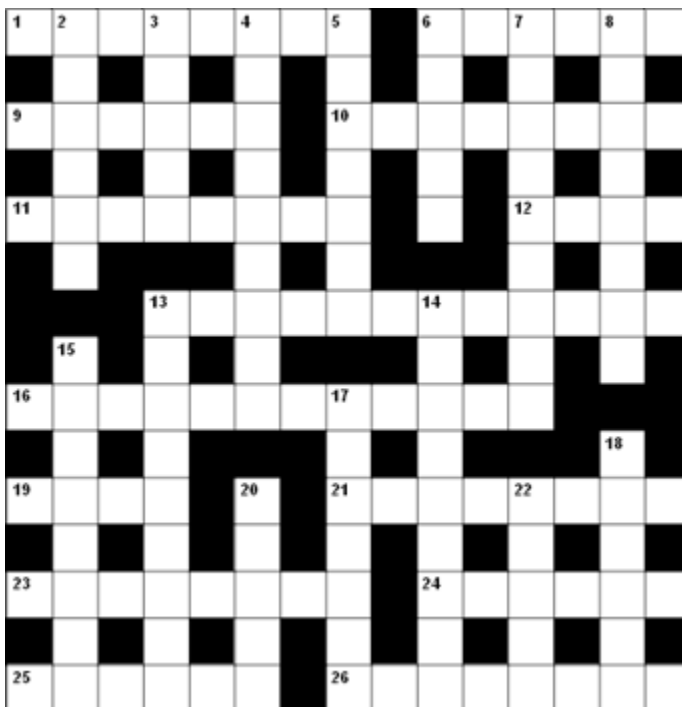
*Last Month's Solution*

*Answer next month.*

*Thank you Solent Fuchsia Club*



## Fuchsia Crossword 108 from Mary



### Across

### Down

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| <p>1. Azure circle of colour for angel? (4,4)<br/>         6. Urinate a little before Rose! (3,3)<br/>         9. Name of 8 English kings (<i>1 uncrowned</i>). (6)<br/>         10. Highest marks. (3, 5)<br/>         11. Queen who reigned 1837 - 1901 (8)<br/>         12. Butterfly or woman that is painted. (4)<br/>         13. American State plus a fruit for her. (7,5)<br/>         16. Anag. of 'saved' plus his pleasure. (5,7)<br/>         19. An event that might go swimmingly.(4)<br/>         21. Current of water which turns a wheel. (4,4)<br/>         23. Hidden in a 'deli. cat approaches' (8)<br/>         24. Star-like point, source of radiation. (6)<br/>         25. She sounds like a haulage vehicle. (6)<br/>         26. Violet, quartz gemstone. (8)</p> | <p>2. Male equivalent of Lassie (6)<br/>         3. Joan or Ron's surname is in 'New arts' (5)<br/>         4. Tree related to Birch + river crossing. (9)<br/>         5. Fuchsia hidden by 'Poet Nan greeted'. (7)<br/>         6. Dolls cut out from The Times maybe. (5)<br/>         7. Extremely good. (9)<br/>         8. For wife of Orpheus, sort out 'I cured ye'. (8)<br/>         13. Incomparable British soldier. (9)<br/>         14. She's hidden by 'Orange liquefied'. (9)<br/>         15. City north of Los Angeles. ( 8)<br/>         17. Latin American dance popular in 1980's (7)<br/>         18. Indian &amp; Pacific or, if singular, a fuchsia.(6)<br/>         20. Freedom from war, a state of quiet. (5)<br/>         22. Dolly has name like freshwater fish. (5)</p> |
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### Answers to Crossword 107

**Across.** 1. Atomic Glow 9. Encore 10. Karen Isles 11. Fort 12. Cara Mia 15. Parlais 16. Story  
 17. Anya 18. Gift 19. Magda 21. Calchas 22. Eleanor 24. Look 27. Nemerlauer 28. Orchid  
 29. Opera House **Down.** 2. Thalia 3. Maes 4. Chinois 5. Lily 6. Westray 7. Coronation  
 8. Deltas Star 12. Chancellor 13. Royal Touch 14. Atlas 15. Pride 19. Marando 20. Alberta  
 23. Orders 25. Make 26. Taco