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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,

Winter's finally here! Woke up two mornings opened my ipad to be told in big letters across the screen 'temperature below freezing' stayed in bed another half hour playing solitaire until the weather station flashed that it was 'above freezing'!

Some of the fuchsias still have flowers but most of the leaves look frosted, it doesn't seem to have affected *F. hatchbachii* though still looks great, however *F. fulgens* definitely has had it for this year; all these are in the garden. Me being a heat loving mortal I don't do gardening in this weather, so what's new in the Barlow household well having lost one of our dogs we now have another, she's an ex racing greyhound again, black and white 4 years old full of life and fun! The old dog is besotted with her! After half an hour of arriving Bill said "The status quo is back, her first, Alex second Yvonne third and me last"!!! Had to laugh.

As Christmas is now almost upon us suppose I had better wrap some presents up and write some cards always find this a chore! I'll wish you all a Happy and Merry Christmas as I won't be at the meeting am going up country to visit my step mum who is 92 and not too well at the moment.
Yvonne

Have been on a couple of walks photo'ing and recording fungi thought you might like to see this one, although not very rare, it is not often come across it's *Cyathus striatus*, commonly called fluted birds nest as the spores look like eggs in a nest I photo'd this around Mylor.

Yvonne



Editorial

After eight years of producing the newsletter, it is time for me to bow out and hand over to someone new. Far from not knowing what to do with my spare time I have a very long list of jobs which have been shelved for much longer than I, and most definitely Mary, would have wished. It is our hope that one of our members will come forward and have a go at editing a monthly or even quarterly news sheet if not a booklet. Now that we are on the net it would be nice to think that other societies can see that we are still an active society. If you think you can help, I am quite willing to chat with you about any questions that you might have in the early stages. I will still be at monthly meetings if you want to talk to me then or my contact telephone number and email address is on page 2 of this newsletter.

In this newsletter you will find the minutes of the 2013 Annual General Meeting which hopefully will give you a chance to read them before our Annual General Meeting on January 9th 2014. At the bottom of this page we have printed the procedure for proposals elections and nominations at this meeting.

We did have a better summer, eventually, this year despite the awful weather earlier in the year which proved quite a challenge for those entering the Annual Show, however they rose to the occasion, and once again the fuchsias provided an amazing display which we can sit back and admire at the December meeting when we are treated to the presentation of slides from the 24th Annual Show by John Doyle and Ric Reilly.

It just remains for Mary and I to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a Good and Prosperous New Year.

Michael

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday 9th January 2014

We hereby give notice that the annual General Meeting of the Camborne - Redruth Fuchsia Society will take place on Thursday 9th January 2014 at Camborne Science and International Academy, 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 2nd January 2014.**

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 7.30pm on **Thursday 2nd January 2014.**

There is a 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.)

Society Notices

Annual General Meeting

Thursday 9th January 2014

*Please note that this is the **2nd Thursday** in January*

At 7.30

See official notice on page 4.

Last Month's Puzzle Solutions

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

C	A	R	O	L	I	N	E
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B	A	B	Y	P	I	N	K
A	R	L	E	N	D	O	N
K	E	R	R	Y	A	N	N

Calendar Cube Puzzle Solution

Each cube must bear a 0, 1 and 2. This leaves only six faces for the remaining seven digits. But the same face can be used for 6 and 9 depending on how the cube is turned. The puzzle shows 3, 4, 5, on the right cube, and therefore it's hidden faces must be 0, 1, and 2. On the left cube one can see 1 and 2 and so it's hidden faces must be 0, 6, (=9), 7 and 8.

Answers to Crossword 109

Across. 2. Doc 5. Lark 7. Aria 8. Harmony 10. Snowbird 11. Duet 12. Jenny 14. Little Gem 17. Horizon 22. Sovereign 23. Sweet 27. Love 29. Oriental 30. Grandpa 31. Edna 32. O' The 33. Sir.
Down. 1. Orange 2. Darwin 3. Choir 4. Noel 5. Lynsley 6. Rose Red 9. Red Riding Hood 12. Joy 13. New 15. Toos 16. Come 18. Ice 19. Hot 20. Coconut 21. Revenge 24. Winter 25. Elaine 26. Midas 28. Star

NAMING OF A FUCHSIA By Megan.

Bob moans when I turn down a cutting,
Cos it's called President Margaret Slater.
I'd rather have an unusual name.
Like North Pole or Equator.

I realise that many are named after someone,
An aunty, or uncle or friend.
Or even president of their club,
To have memories is what they intend.

While me, I like something exciting,
Take time to choose, mustn't hurry.
The name of the horse King Richard rode,
On Bosworth Field, White Surrey.

But maybe not, although it's cool,
Perhaps the name of a book.
I have a lot to go through,
I'll go and have a look.

I could use the name of my doggies,
Cos both my doggies are mates.
Another thought , I once named my guinea pigs
After six American states!

Why not Scapa Flow Scarecrow or Suffragette?
Three names I could consider.
It could be after a mountain range,
Or, perhaps, a winding river.

But no, it can't be any of those,
Though they're good without a doubt.
I'm looking for that special name,
Something that will stand out.

And my final choice is brilliant,
I couldn't have chosen better.
It certainly has something special,
From the first to the very last letter.

I'm ready to reveal the name,
You must really want to know.
It will take a bit of telling,
Ready, Here we go!!!

Llanfairpwllgwyngyllgogochwyrndrobwlantysiliogogoch

MINUTES OF THE CAMBORNE - REDRUTH FUCHSIA SOCIETY
TWENTY-SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING held at CAMBORNE SCHOOL
CRANBERRY ROAD, on Thursday 10th January 2013

THE MEETING was opened by the President, Mrs Carol Richards, who welcomed everyone to the Twenty-third Annual General Meeting. She thanked everyone for their attendance and declared the meeting open.

APOLOGIES were received from E. Reilly, C. Dean, M. Simmons, S. Palmer and Mary Wingate

THE MINUTES of the Twenty-second Annual General Meeting were as read and approved.
Acceptance: Proposed: G.Adams. Seconded: R. Hicks. Carried.

MATTERS ARISING. None

PRESIDENT'S REPORT. C. Richards welcomed the great and good of the Fuchsia Society gathered together once again in honour of Leonard Fuchs and the lovely plant that bears his name. Sadly three of our members are no longer with us but resting in peace and tending their fuchsias above. R.I.P.

She said this would be her last report as President and could scarcely believe that 5 years have elapsed since the honour had been bestowed upon her. She said she had thoroughly enjoyed her time as President and will be continuing as Secretary, if the Society will have her. It had been an odd sort of year, she commented, it started out well with the usual Information Table at the Orchid Show in April, courtesy of Kit and Ron Lindsay. A weekend stint at Chacewater Garden Centre in July. Next were the tables at Stithians and Camborne Shows. She advised that the organisers of both would like to see more entries in the fuchsia sections for 2013 if possible. She had attended the Far South West Show at Exeter and said it is always good talking with like-minded folk and picking their brains.

What beautiful exhibits for our own Annual Show, all the exhibitors did brilliantly, but the London Olympics put paid to the numbers through the doors, circumstances beyond their control. But a cunning plan is afoot for 2013, Ernie Negus is compiling a catalogue of cultivars he has hybridised with a view to promoting them at our Show. In particular Falmouth, Lands End, Sennen Cove, Mounts Bay and Helston Flora. All have been registered with the A.F.S. also, a fuchsia named after Helen Glover who has been invited to attend. So we are off to another busy year. If anyone has any more good ideas or is available to 'leaflet drop' for our Annual Show, please let us know nearer the time.

Finally she thanked everyone for their friendship and support - her fuchsia friends - her fuchsia family. She said she had enjoyed her time as President and hoped that everyone would have many more years of growing their favourite plant.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT. John Doyle opened by wishing everyone a Happy New Year, thanking them for their attendance at the AGM. And sincerely hoped that it would be a good year for them all.

It is with sadness that we start the year with news of the demise of 3 of our members during the last year. Paula Hull, Will Saville and Brenda Hicks, our heartfelt condolences and best wishes go out to all of the relatives of these past members.

Before going further he wished to offer his sincerest thanks to the out-going president, Carol. He hoped they would agree that she has done a sterling job, over and above the call of duty, as they say in dispatches, a sincere thank you to her.

2012. What a year! The second wettest on record. Very little light and this equals growth, which means a poor year for fuchsias. But having said that - 'what a great show' it was. He was dreading it, thinking there would not be many exhibits, but NO, still 286 plants on the day. A fantastic display and a fantastic effort by everyone concerned. Well done.

Normally he thanked individuals when he mentioned the Show, but this year he wanted to expand it. The show would not take place without Janet and her sub-committee and he wanted to thank each and every one who helped out during the build-up, manning the stalls during the show and clearing up afterwards. All these different jobs need doing and without the members it would not happen. Again thank you to all concerned. The Show is also our Shop Window to hopefully encourage new members to join. For the exhibitors in our midst. We are allowed three entries, so why not a little diversity?

He passed his thanks on to Ric and Helen for hosting the BBQ. It is a fantastic afternoon spent among friends and enjoying the lovely surroundings.

The Newsletter, - yet again, a big thank you to Michael for our great monthly Newsletter, also to Mary for her Crosswords and to Treve for his Sudoku puzzles. These contributions are a God-send but please, he does need help from the members. Please, please send him some content. He would be delighted.

More praise for Carol, this time with her Secretary's hat on. Every year she strives to fill our itinerary with Guest or 'in house' speakers. So if you have any ideas, please let us know. Remember it is your Society and we are here for you.

Finally, he already mentioned that we are trying to get new members from the show, but we must investigate other ways. Our visits to Stithians and Camborne Show, plus Chacewater Garden Centre all help, but we need to get the word out. To that end, we have some leaflets available and he asked that each member take a couple and try to get them on display somewhere in your area, garden and/or community centre, local shop, library or public notice board. Anywhere possible, we must get the word out.

He concluded by offering his best wishes to one and all for 2013.

SECRETARY'S REPORT. C. Richards opened by wishing everyone a Happy New Year. She confirmed Camborne School has been booked for the 24th Annual Show in August with Mr Peter Holloway, President of the British Fuchsia Society, invited to judge the plants. Mrs Ros Smith has agreed to judge the Floral Art.

Our Affiliated Membership continues with RHS and BFS who provide advantageous rates for PLI. Should anyone have a horticultural query they can contact either through our group membership.

She said that John has thanked everyone for their help, but could she also reiterate thanks to everyone who helps towards the success of our society. It is great having so many volunteers and willing helpers. Not only that, if someone does a job, we know they can be relied upon and the job is done right - a rare quality in this day and age. So thanks so very much for that, your help and also your friendship.

You are all ambassadors of our Society, as you chat over the garden fence, purchase a fanciful variety and pass on tips about fuchsias and their culture. Grow a new shape. Take that cutting and plant it in a pickle jar propagator. Pass on your experiences and INSPIRE the folk around you. She then detailed the Itinerary 2013.

A whole new year is unfolding, grab it with both hands and grow that fuchsia. Don't delay ... do it today... Then she wished everyone happy fuchsia days...

TREASURER'S REPORT. Y.Barlow opened by wishing everyone a Happy New Year. She passed special thanks to G&J Adams for auditing the accounts.

We somehow managed to make a small profit this past year, even though we had to buy a new printer. The account for the new water heater will be included in next year's accounts.

The show made a very good profit on the face of it, but we did not have the expenses we had last year. Future shows, she feared, will have these expenses except for the £100.00 advert placed in the West Briton which was generally decided to be a waste of money. If we had the same expenses as last year our profit would have been considerably less. The judges expenses were £40.00 less than last year and we ave a hidden cost with our printing as Michael does it and this does not show up as these are included in the Annual Accounts under 'Editors Expenses'.

We still have a healthy balance at the end of the year.

Note the RHS subs are now to be in February and not September as in the past = £134.00.

Acceptance of Accounts. Proposed - J. Knight. Seconded P. James.

SHOW CO-ORDINATORS REPORT. J. Cohen opened by thanking everyone for the spectacular display that filled both halls for the 2012 Show. Also the effort and dedication that was shown by the sub-committee in bringing everything together and also the support from the members was amazing. It was a difficult growing year but all the exhibitors excelled. The total number was slightly down to 29, last year was 38. Exhibits totalled 286 against 324 in 2011.

Entrance through the doors was very poor , but we did have a coach from Plympton which helped greatly, but on reflection poor attendance was mainly down to the Olympics. We do need to advertise the Show more for the future. There will be some alterations for the 2013 schedule which will be announced later.

Her thanks went to Carol and Geoff Adams for the wonderful work in the preparation for the Show Programme and to Michael for the printing.

There is a tremendous amount of work which goes on behind the scenes before the weekend when the show is put together. I cannot name everyone that helps but my thanks go to ALL OF THEM. She advised the judge for 2013 is Peter, Holloway, President of the B.F.S.

If I am re-elected to assist with the Show, it will be as Secretary with Alan Richards taking overall charge as Show Manager.

PROPOSALS. None.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE.

<u>Position</u>		<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Seconded</u>
President	H. James	J. Doyle	C. Richards
Chairman	J. Doyle	H. James	A. Richards
Treasurer	Y. Barlow	Continuing	
Secretary	C. Richards	Continuing	
Show Secretary	J. Cohen	A. Richards	G. Cakebread

No other nominations were proposed. Officer proposals accepted.

SIX COMMITTEE MEMBERS.

	<u>Proposed</u>	<u>Seconded</u>
M. Paxton	A. Bond	C. Richards
B. Chittock	R. Paxton	H. James
R. Paxton	M. Wingate	E. Cates
M. Wingate	H. James	G. Adams
R. Hicks	C. Richards	A. Bond

No other nominations were proposed. Proposals accepted.

Two Trustees were appointed:	Y. Barlow	J. Adams		
Proposed	J. Knight	G. Perry	Seconded P. James	Carried.

Appointed Auditors:	G&J. Adams			
Proposed	Y. Barlow	Seconded G. Perry	Carried	

Unless otherwise as necessitated beyond treasurers control.

ANY OTHER BUSINESS.

- J. Godwin. Put forward a suggestion for a class for the Larger Blooms, such as Quasar Etc. as these plants do not flower so well and are not exhibited at the shows.
- G. Perry. Suggested Clive Simmons to judge our 25th Show or Ernie Negus.
- M. Wingate advised that he will be retiring from producing the Newsletter at end of 2013.

The meeting closed at 9.10 p.m.

NEXT ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING. 9th. January 2014

The Crofts Children



Our Mum's and Dad's are the Crofts who you have enjoyed for the last eight years. They have asked us to bid you farewell and wish you all
A Very HAPPY CHRISTMAS and A GOOD NEW YEAR.

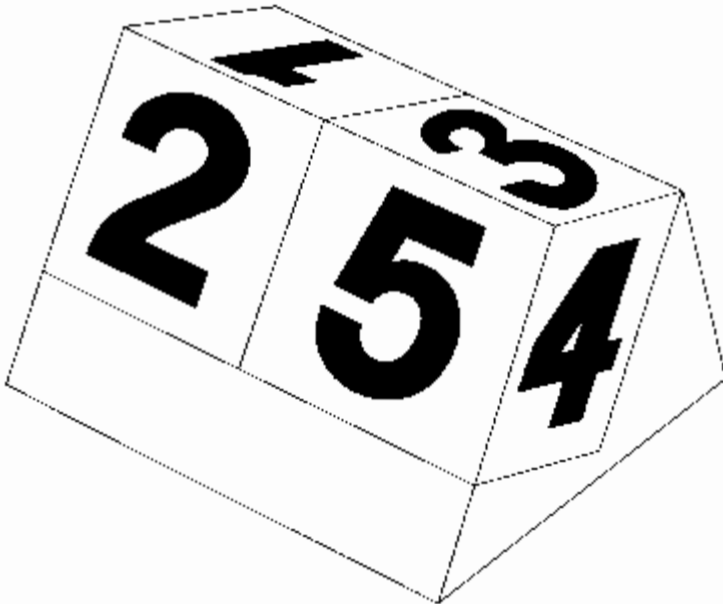
Your Letters

Dear Michael and Mary,

Just a little note to say a BIG thank you for all you have done for the Fuchsia Club over the years as Newsletter Editors. We have had the Best in the West even the Best in the whole of the UK. The content has been topical and many folk have been in touch over the years to say how interesting it all has been and wanting to know more about us and the fuchsias. Wishing you a long and happy retirement from editing and any time you end up twiddling your thumbs, you know where we are! We shall miss your newsletters, but hope to see you both at monthly meetings.

Carol xx

Calendar Cube Puzzle

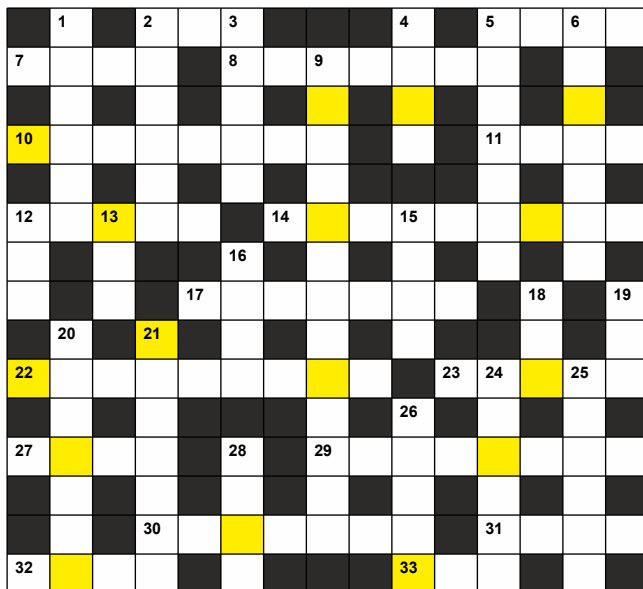


This two cube calendar numerically represents every day in a month. What are the four digits that cannot be seen on the left cube and the three on the right?

The answer to this puzzle can be found inverted on page 5.

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Fuchsia Crossword 109 from Mary



Re - arrange the letters in the highlighted squares for Christmas message.



Across

2. Medical man among the seven. (3)
5. At Christmas children might rise with this bird. (4)
7. Song for an opera singer. (4)
8. Agreement in relations or music. (7)
10. Finch of the North American genus *Junco*. (8)
11. Song for two. (4)
12. Ms. May has a name often given to a wren. (5)
14. Small diamond perhaps. (5,3)
17. With 13D. Novel meeting place of sky & earth. (3,7)
22. King, Queen or old coin. (9)
23. With 21D. Getting one's own back is sugary. (5, 7)
27. Knot to tie your sweethearts gift perhaps. (4)
29. Describes Eastern lantern or princess. (8)
30. Mum's dad described as pretty fuchsia. (7)
31. She hides when you 'feed nag carrots'. (4)
32. Elusive Will - '?' - ??? - Wisp. (1' 3)
33. Steve Redgrave's title. (3)

Down

1. Red and yellow mix describes Flame. (6)
2. Charles, who wrote about Origin of the species. (6)
3. Boy who sings in church. (5)
4. His name was first sung by Angels! (4)
5. Initially 'love your new dress Sue, envy you.' (7)
6. Snow White's sister in Fairy Tales. (4,3)
9. Pantomime girl who found a wolf in bed. (3,6,4)
12. Jump for happy Ms. Patmore (3)
13. See 17 Across. (3)
15. Fuchsia sounds like couples. (4)
16. Strictly invitation to dancing. (4)
18. With 20D. (3)
19. Describes coals in fire. (3)
20. With 18D sweet treat from a palm tree. (7,3)
21. With 23A, getting one's own back. (5,7)
24. Mid cold season. (6)
25. Initially, 'Eat lettuce as ivy not edible'. (6)
26. King with a golden touch. (5)
28. Was it guiding the Shepherds? (4)

Answers to Crossword 108

Across. 1. Blue Halo 6. PeeWee 9. Edward 10. Top Score 11. Victoria 12. Lady 13. Georgia Peach
16. Dave's Delight 19. Gala 21. Mill Race 23. Delicata 24. Quasar 25. Laurie 26. Amethyst.
Down. 2. Laddie 3. Ewart 4. Alderford 5. Oetnang 6. Paper 7. Excellent 8. Eurydice 13. Grenadier
14. Angelique 15. Pasadena 17. Lambada 18. Oceans 20. Peace 22. Roach.

The inverted answers to Crossword 109 can be found on page 5