

NOTTINGHAM AND NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY

JANUARY 2026 NEWSLETTER

JAYNE'S JOTTINGS

HAPPY NEW YEAR! WELCOME TO BRAND NEW GROWING SEASON.

Indeed! Let's hope that the weather is kinder to us growers this year! Time flies! Already the Committee are thinking ahead, especially thinking SHOWTIME! See Show news for details of some changes already made!

Colin has once again excelled and produced a wonderful and varied Programme and we are definitely seeing the benefits of ZOOM as we are able to welcome new speakers from further afield.

An exciting 2026 programme – Can't wait!

BRITISH FUCHSIA SOCIETY

It's always interesting to visit shows to get new ideas and to see which cultivars are most popular on the showbench. The closest National Show is the Midland Show and this year this falls on Sunday 16th August – for further details see our 'Planner for 2026'.

If you are not a member of the BFS and would like to know more, take a look at their website: -

www.thebfs.org.uk

Don't forget, for all the up to date information regarding our Society, go to our website: -

www.nottinghamandnottsfuchsiasociety.org (We even have a Facebook page!)

GARDEN OPEN – SUNDAY 15TH FEBRUARY 2026

Oak Cottage, Well Lane, Blackfordby, Swadlincote, Leicestershire DE11 8AG

COLIN & JENNY CARR will be opening their garden again for NGS on the 15th February – 10am – 4.00pm

ADMISSION: ADULT - £5.00; CHILD – FREE

FOR MORE INFORMATION – CHECK THE WEBSITE

<https://findagarden.ngs.org.uk/garden/36974/oak-cottage>



RSPB BIG GARDEN BIRDWATCH 2026

– 23RD TO 25TH JANUARY 2026



Wow, wow, wow!

If you have been following my report over the years, the results that I have submitted have been very disappointing, I even accused the birds of not visiting my garden on purpose!

However, Friday 23rd 9.40a.m – 10.40a.m was sheer joy! I undertook the survey at my mum's and there was so much activity (well, more than I'm used to!) The time just flew by.

STARLING	1	SPARROW	4	ROBIN	2
BLACKBIRD	1	BLUE TIT	2	BLACKCAP	1

Missing regulars were: -

LONG TAILED TIT	WOODPIGEON	GREAT TIT
COLLARED DOVE	WREN	

As I've already pointed out, activity was constant. The birds stayed in the garden for long periods of time, which was great, I saw them flitting about from shrub to feeder and back. The blue tits were extremely hungry and didn't even fly off when the postman arrived!

SHOW NEWS

NOTTINGHAM & NOTTS FUCHSIA 54TH ANNUAL SHOW

We have decided to return to Stapleford Methodist Church to hold our 54TH Annual Show
Full Address: -

**STAPLEFORD METHODIST CHURCH
EATON'S ROAD
STAPLEFORD
NOTTINGHAM
NG9 7EA**

It will remain a ONE DAY show. The date is 8th AUGUST 2026

▲ PLEASE NOTE: There has been a few class changes which has resulted in a reduction of Trophies. ▲

*** FURTHER DETAILS TO FOLLOW ***

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**DERBY & DISTRICT FUCHSIA AND GARDENING CLUB
- 55th ANNUAL SHOW**

*****The date is 15th AUGUST 2026*****

**GRANGE HALL COMMUNITY CENTRE
PARK LANE, LITTLEOVER
DERBYSHIRE,
DE23 6FX**

ADMISSION: £1.00 – OPEN TO THE PUBLIC – 1.00P.M – 4.00P.M

SOCIETY NEWS



PLANNER FOR 2026



27 JANUARY	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: Jeff Bates Subject: <i>Clematis & Other Plants</i>
24 FEBRUARY	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: Mike Davey Subject: <i>Plant Propagation</i>
24 MARCH	MONTHLY MEETING Subject: <i>Buffet & Free Cuttings</i>
28 APRIL	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: John Nicholass Subject: <i>Fuchsias</i> <i>**ZOOM**</i>
26 MAY	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: Theo Margelony Subject: <i>Fuchsias in America</i>
30 JUNE	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: Rod Young Subject: <i>Bonsai – Creation & Care</i>

28 JULY	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: Mario de Cooker Subject: <i>Triphillas</i> **ZOOM**
8 AUGUST	NOTTINGHAM & NOTTS FUCHSIA SOCIETY – ANNUAL SHOW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Stapleford Methodist Church, Stapleford, Nottingham, NG9 7EA - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: 1.00P.M - ADMISSION: £1.00
15 AUGUST	DERBY & DISTRICT FUCHSIA SOCIETY – ANNUAL SHOW <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Grange Hall, Park Lane, Littleover, Derby, DE23 6FX - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: 1.00P.M - ADMISSION: £1.00
16 AUGUST	BFS MIDLAND SHOW – <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Palmers Garden Centre, 11 Main Street, Ullesthorpe, Lutterworth, LE17 5DR - OPEN TO THE PUBLIC: 12.30P.M – 3.30P.M
25 AUGUST	MONTHLY MEETING – Subject: <i>Trophy Presentation</i>
22 SEPTEMBER	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: Andrew Cathcart Subject: <i>Species Fuchsias</i> **ZOOM**
27 OCTOBER	MONTHLY MEETING – SPEAKER: David Charlton Subject: <i>Flowers of the Dolomites</i>
24 NOVEMBER	AGM & MEMBERS SOCIAL EVENING

EASY FUNDRAISING

The easiest way for **all** internet users to help raise funds for our Society is simply by every time you search the Web you use easysearch.

Easysearch combines results from Yahoo!, Windows MSN Live Search and Ask.com in one simple search, the address is <http://nottsfuchsia.easysearch.org.uk> Please try it and encourage others too. Don't forget if you make any purchases on the internet, to go through our webshop to make sure we receive commission from the retailers (currently over 2000 well known retailers), the address is <http://www.easyfundraising.org.uk/nottsfuchsia> .