

# **LITTLE COMMON HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

## **MONTHLY NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2011**

### **Membership**

To comply with Health & Safety Regulations you must show your membership card and sign in at all monthly meetings. If you cannot produce your card a £1.00 entry fee will be charged, with funds raised going towards the costs of speakers.

### **Butterfly Conservation**

Last month's speaker, Michael Blencowe, encouraged us all to watch out for different species of moths and butterflies and notes were taken on the range of plants we can grow in our gardens to entice more of the different species to visit us. If you want to plan local days out to go in search of different butterflies there is a very comprehensive website – [www.sussex-butterflies.org.uk/sites](http://www.sussex-butterflies.org.uk/sites).

### **Quiz Evening**

Due to the popularity of last year's Quiz Evening, Alan Spackman rejoins us as Quiz Master on the evening of Friday, 25 March, at Little Common Community Centre. Doors open at 7.00 pm. and the evening kicks off at 7.15 pm. Tickets are available from our Secretary, Pat, and cost is £7.50 per person, to include a Ploughman's Supper, but please bring your own bottle/s(!)

### **East Sussex Fuchsia & Pelargonium Society**

Have issued an invitation to join them on two dates when they have booked specialist speakers:

10 March: John Hitchcock & Dave Abbott will be talking on "Growing and Showing Fuchsias". They will also have Fuchsia plants to buy.

14 April: Brian Carline will talk on "Growing Pelargoniums", covering different varieties – Angels, Regals, Zonals, Dwarf, Miniature.

Admission is £2.00 to include tea and biscuits. Meetings start at 7.30 pm. sharp in Catsfield Village Hall.

### **Diary Date**

Our friend, and proprietor of Stone Cross Nurseries, Gary Winwood, has just finished extending the outdoor plant area by a third and also opened "The Grapevine Café". The official opening, by the Mayor, is on 26<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00 o'clock, and if you are one of the first 100 customers of the Café you will receive a plant voucher.

### **Annual Lunch**

Our Annual Lunch in 2011 is on Wednesday 13 April at The Cooden Beach Hotel. The price per head will be £20.00. Booking forms and menus now available from Mandy.

### **Rotas 2011**

Please help by offering to give a hand with tidying away the chairs and tables at the hall at the end of each monthly meeting and/or helping in the kitchen with teas and coffees during the interval at meetings (speak to Joan Moss)