

## Whitehill Display Gardens report

The following report was written by Andrew Eames, horticultural journalist, following his visit to Young Plants Limited Open Day's in week 30.

"Young Plants are an old-established family firm, still entirely in the hands of the Newey family. They have established a reputation based on good service, sound products and the flexibility of being independent. Their reputation has been built on supplying ornamental plug plants from cuttings and seed but this flexibility has enabled them to take the opportunity to go into the flower seed business- with a quite new development, the Whitehill Seed Company. They have an agreement to market flower seeds from both Goldsmith and Floranova; MD Alex Newey said 'we have customers who need access to these Genetics and we are in a strong position to bring them to the attention of the market. Both Floranova and Goldsmith are exceptional breeding companies who need reliable UK distribution.

This is a selection of the latest introductions from Young Plants Ltd-

Calibrachoa 'Celebration' tricolour concept. Growers will have noted the



success of mixing two or more colours of Calibrachoa, but this can fail if plant habit and growth rates are not well matched. 'Celebration' are plugs

which have three balanced plants of different colours, providing an instant mixed basket, in 3 different colour blends.

Gazania 'Big Kiss'. A splendid new seed raised Gazania bred by Goldsmith Seeds, renowned for their original 'Kiss' series. Huge flowers in bright eye-catching colours and the flowers stay open even when the sun goes in. Two colours, 'Orange Flame' and 'Yellow Flame'.



Begonia 'Carmina'. A beautiful new semi-trailing cutting-raised Begonia



in a really bright, rich red. A wonderful plant for baskets and pots, especially spectacular in large containers, and continuous flowering even in shady conditions. Looks a real winner when well presented.

Pelargonium 'Master Idol'.



A new series of five colours of a substantial Zonal Geranium from Fides. All are extra vigorous and well-branched with the potential to make a large plant, with large flowers and heat tolerant. Growers who like the 'Rocky Mountain' series would appreciate these.

Fuchsia 'Celebrity' series.

This is an exclusive range of British bred Fuchsias, named after British celebrities, raising thousands of pounds a year for charity. A whole range of flower colours and plant habits covering the requirements of almost any grower and their customers.



Brachyscome 'Jumbo Mauve'.

An exceptionally large-flowered plant of good habit, an excellent plant either as a 'filler' or as a single-species basket, with a long flowering period and good weather resistance.

Begonia 'Miss May', 'Miss Moon' and 'Miss Malen'.

Three splendid hanging basket Begonias absolutely bursting with flowers, and obviously quite happy in full sunshine and strong wind. No doubt would do just as well in shadier conditions, too.





Nemesia 'AngelArt' series. A new series of five good, well-matched colours standing up well outdoors, and they had been subjected to some pretty nasty weather very recently. Unlike some older series look as if they have what it takes to last the season (and possibly longer).

Antirrhinum 'Aroma'. A new series of seven excellent colours, well matched for uniformity, and as the name suggests they are scented. Would be good in containers but here doing extremely well in quite tough outdoor conditions.

