

Newsletter

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There is no prospect of us meeting together for some time yet, so if you can, do join the Zoom meetings, its a way of keeping in touch with other like minded people.

I am going to get my Grandson to teach me how to host a meeting, so if you are interested in just a chat send me an email and I will let you know details.

Paul.

The series of Zoom talks being presented by the Bedfordshire and Mid-Anglia groups are proving to be quite popular. The talk on Wednesday 14th October by David Charlton discussing the Genus Cyclamen attracted no less than 85 participants (I noticed a few of our members where there). For those of you who would like to join in but are worried about the technology, you should not be put off - its easy. You send an email to Rob Amos (using the details supplied in the email from Paul Nice). Rob will send you an email with a link which will detail the topic and time along with an address to click on (the blue writing starting <http://>).

When you get this, and if you haven't done so already, it will give you the option to 'download and run Zoom'. Once you have done this, you wait until the time of the meeting, click on the zoom link again - you will be prompted for the meeting ID and password, both of which will be supplied by Rob with the original invite - you then wait for the meeting host to let you in.

You don't need a webcam or microphone but having these means you can ask questions etc.

The next talk is scheduled for Wednesday 18th November, 19:00-20:30, when Raz Chisu will talk about the 'Autumn Bulbs of the Peloponnese and the Last of the Summer Flowers'. Rob Amos has stressed that members of the Essex Group need to contact him sooner rather than later as he can only accommodate 100 participants and places will be going fast.

If you have problems, give me a ring on 01268 454152.

Cheers,

Ray

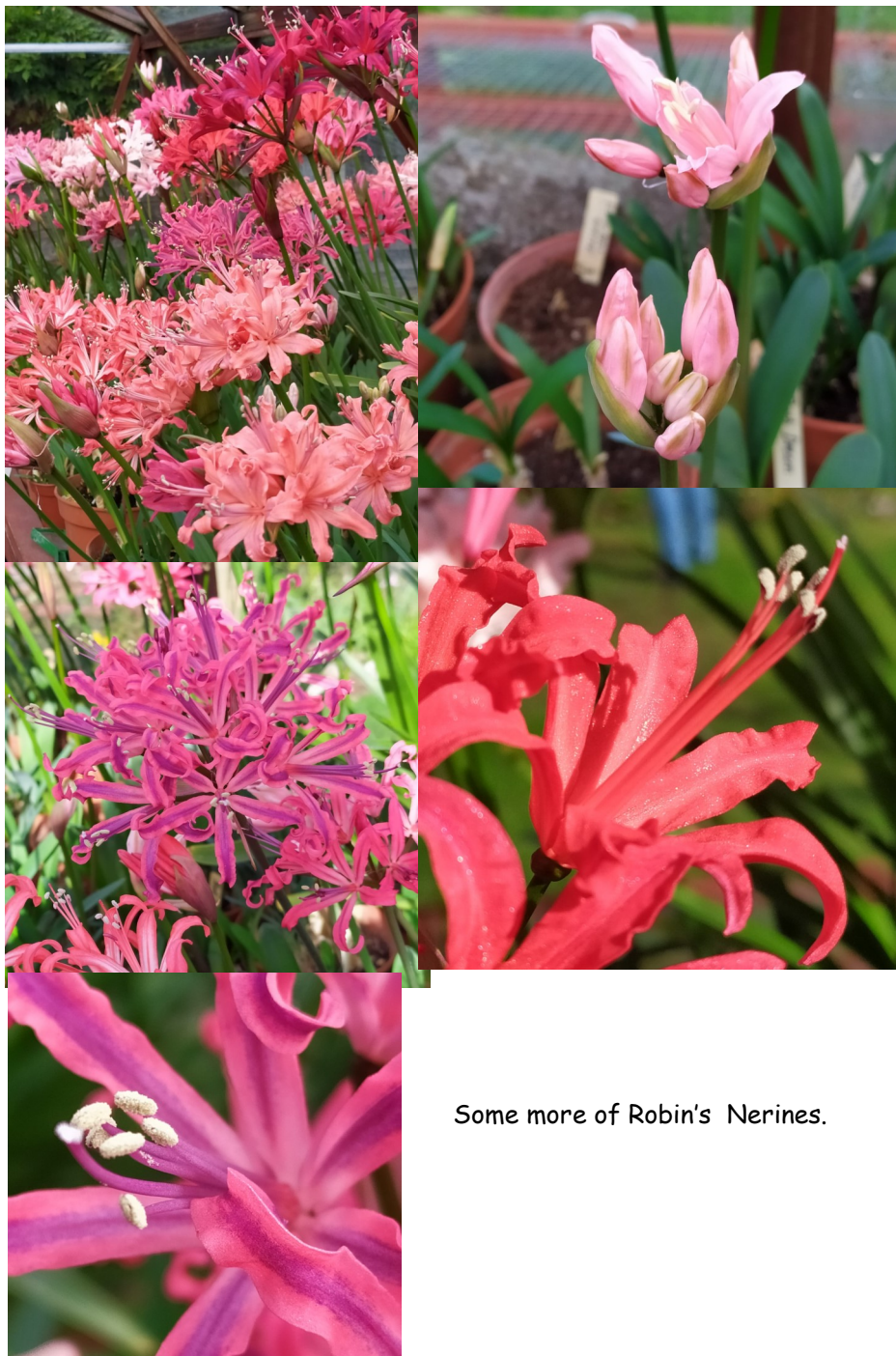
Pleione 'Confirmation'.

As you can see this year it is flowering beneath a cover of leaves in various Autumn shades. In some years the leaves have long gone

Robin.



Robin with some of his collection of beautiful Nerines.



Some more of Robin's Nerines.



Some plants in my crevice bed.

Cyclamen Hederifolium, they multiply every year thanks to the ants moving the seeds about.

Several Crocus in various shades of blue and white, most grown from seed from the Crocus Group. Parentage unknown but most probably Speciosus.

There are also some C. Sativus with the lovely yellow and orange centres where the spice 'Saffron' comes from.

Ed.

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