

# Newsletter



## November 2022

### A message from Jane Hamshaw

As we continue to celebrate our 50th year it was great to see 44 of our members, partners and friends at our Celebration Dinner at the Royal Norfolk Golf Club. Everyone agreed that it was a fabulous afternoon with lots of chatter as well as a lovely meal.

A massive thank you goes to the superb organisation by Kate Hopewell and Adele Kent. The amount of effort which had gone into the preparation was very evident, including beautiful flowers on the table (preparation ably assisted by Tina Carr), name cards with our menu choices, and a well organised and generous raffle. You did Costessey Flower Club proud ladies!

In addition a big thank you goes to Alan, Adele's husband for the cake, which we enjoyed over a coffee after the meal, giving us a chance to catch up with each other. We also need to thank Liz and Terry Humphrey who, in celebration of their wedding anniversary, kindly brought a round of drinks for everyone there.

Kate had arranged for the photographer from the Norfolk Magazine to be at the Dinner and you can see a selection of the photos of those who attended on Pages 96 and 97 of the November issue of the Norfolk Magazine.

Lastly thanks of course goes to the chef and staff at the Royal Norfolk Golf Club who made us very welcome and served us impeccably.

I am sure our November demonstration and December Open Meeting will finish the year off for us on a high. Don't forget the 1<sup>st</sup> December meeting is open to visitors so encourage your friends and neighbours to come along and enjoy a Christmas themed evening with us. The ticket price includes the demonstration, a buffet and hot drink, and there will be a few stalls available for you to make early Christmas purchases. Tickets are available from Tina Carr at the November Meeting or by calling her on 01603 811764. I look forward to seeing you all there.

Jane Hamshaw, Treasurer

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### Adele's jottings

Dear Members.

Well, here we are with the clocks going back, the weather so mild, the roses blooming and the foxgloves thinking it is Spring! We may have dark evenings ahead, but we have Flower Club to look forward to, with our next meeting in **Breckland Hall on Thursday November 3<sup>rd</sup> with Susan Horne and her demonstration "Love is in the Air".**

We then have our **Christmas Open meeting** to round off our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary **year on Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> December**. We are having a national demonstrator and caterers to provide a buffet so please do bring your friends along as it will be lovely to have a full hall!

With effect from our AGM in February 2023 I will be standing down as Chairman Also, Ann Norris is finishing as Programme Secretary. Obviously, this will mean some Committee changes, so if anyone is interested in joining the Committee could you please let me know by 1<sup>st</sup> December.

I look forward to seeing you at the next meeting.

Adele

## Pictures from our Celebration Dinner at the Royal Norfolk Golf Club



Area news: It is worth looking at this website to keep up to date with what is going on in the East of England Area:  
**[nafas-east.com](http://nafas-east.com)**  
which includes Chairman's Chat and Spotlight East as well as many other useful updates.

National News: NAFAS National Show 12-13 May 2023 in Gloucester Cathedral.

### NAFAS National Show 2023

ICT Travel are arranging a trip to NAFAS National Show at Gloucester Cathedral 12<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023, includes dinner bed and breakfast plus entry ticket to the show for £175. Details are on the ICT Travel website ([ictravel.co.uk](http://ictravel.co.uk)) where you can book and pay. When you book, if you say you are from Costessey Flower Club they will try to seat you together on the coach (assuming that is what you would like!!). Further details overleaf.

## Costessey Christmas Open Meeting

Tickets now available (and will be at the November meeting) – details below.

### Costessey Flower Club

*Cordially invite you to our*

#### CHRISTMAS OPEN MEETING

with

**Marie Munday**

**“Winter Wonderland”**

on

Thursday 1st December 2022

*Breckland Hall, Costessey NR5 0RW*

Doors open at 6.30pm with Tea, Coffee & Cake

Demonstration at 7.30pm

Stalls

Tickets: Members £15.00

Visitors £18.00



### Costessey Flower Club

*Christmas Open Meeting*

*We look forward to seeing you there to enjoy tea & cake, stalls and a lovely evening with friends*

*Please return form with a SAE to:*

*Mrs Tina Carr*

*3 Priory Road*

*Hethersett*

*Norwich NR9 3EX*

*Tel: 01603 811764*

*Ticket request visitors ..... @ £18.00 = .....*

*Cheque enclosed £ .....*

*Name.....*

*Address.....*



**NAFAS NATIONAL SHOW 2023  
FLORILEGIUM, A GATHERING OF FLOWERS  
GLOUCESTER CATHEDRAL**

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023 10am – 7pm  
Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> May 2023 10am – 6pm**

Please join us for fantastic and innovative competition entries. There will be Demonstrations, Talks and Teaching How-To Sessions plus a mixture of Trading Stands and the company of NAFAS members from far and wide.

Tickets are available via Eventbrite [www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk)  
Single Day £28  
Two-Day Pass £45  
Groups of 10+ £22.50 per person

An exciting competition Schedule is being prepared and will be available on the NAFAS website and via post on request. Date of availability tbc.

**Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023 'The Reveal'**

An evening of viewing exhibits and prize winner presentations at 7.30pm to 9.30pm  
Tickets are available via Eventbrite [www.eventbrite.co.uk](http://www.eventbrite.co.uk) at £12 per person.

**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> May 2023 Demonstration titled 'Penno & Price – The Big Flower Night'**

This demonstration will take place in the Gloucester Guildhall, Eastgate Street GL1 1NS at 7.30pm.

Tickets are £20 each and available via Gloucester Guildhall 01452 503050  
or <https://www.gloucesterguildhall.co.uk/live-events?category=EVENING>

**Coach Trips**

For anyone organising a coach trip, please contact Peter Mathers [peter@nafas.org.uk](mailto:peter@nafas.org.uk) who will be coordinating arrival times.

Please contact Gloucester Tourist Information on 01452 396572 for details on visiting the city.

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*Cringleford & Hethersett Flower Club*

*Open Meeting*

*National Demonstrator Catherine Gledhill*

*Presents "Sparkles and Laughter"*

*Monday, 28th November 2022 - 7.30 pm*

*(doors open at 7.00 pm)*

*Hethersett Village Hall,*

*Back Lane, Hethersett NR9 3JJ*

*Tickets: £15*

*includes mulled wine and mince pies*

*Stalls and Raffle*

*For tickets contact: Lynn Rawlings on 01603 457888 or  
email: [leopardlynn@hotmail.com](mailto:leopardlynn@hotmail.com)*



[www.costesseyflowerclub.org](http://www.costesseyflowerclub.org)