

Newsletter



February 2023

Costessey Flower Club

Committee Contact points for you;

President:
Doris Waymark

Chairman:
Jane Hamshaw

Treasurer:
Kate Hopewell

For all others see your
2023 Programme

Please ensure we have your up to date contact details. Please email any changes to us at: costesseyflowerclub@gmail.com OR via our website

As agreed at the AGM the annual membership fee for this year will be £37. We will provide envelopes at the March meeting for you to place your payment in using cash or a cheque. If you prefer you can pay your subscription by card payment at the meeting.



www.costesseyflowerclub.org

A New Year

A big thank you to those of you who attended our AGM on 2nd February. I am sure you will agree we had an enjoyable evening. There was certainly lots of chatter in the room, as well as lots of activity in completing the puzzles which Cynthia kindly provided. Thanks also goes to the Committee Members who provided the various delicious cakes we enjoyed.

As an update for those of you who were not able to attend, a couple of roles within the Committee have changed for this year. After many many years of leading us so successfully Adele has decided to graciously step down and give herself some time off from Committee duties, and as a result I have taken on the role of Chairman. I have therefore handed over the role of Treasurer to Kate Hopewell, who I know will continue to manage our finances with due care and attention. Lastly we would like to thank Ann Norris who has been Programme Secretary and has also decided to step down. We welcome Pam Coldham to the Committee to undertake this role.

At the AGM we acknowledged the dedication that Adele has shown the club over the years with a gift voucher, which she assures us she will spend wisely on something to cherish. We also thank her lovely husband Alan who has supported Adele and the club by, amongst other things, assisting with the newsletter and technical support.

So as we launch ourselves into whatever 2023 brings us as a club, we look forward to a number of eventful evenings. These include our next meeting on 2nd March when we welcome Elizabeth Robertson with her demonstration entitled 'First days of Spring'.

At our last Committee meeting we discussed our garden visit in July, the venue for which is yet to be finalised, as well as the possibility of holding a Workshop this year. We would love to hear from those of you who would be interested in attending a workshop, and if you would prefer this to be a spring/summer or a Christmas themed event.

The Committee and I look forward to seeing you all on 2nd March, when we will be collecting our annual subscription fees and providing you with details of our programme for the year.

Jane Hamshaw

Forthcoming dates for your diary;

March 2nd - Demonstration by Elizabeth Robertson entitled 'First days of Spring'.

April 6th - Helen Hillier will be 'Using flowers from the cutting garden'.

May 11th - Please note this is the **second** Thursday in the month. Our demonstrator is Helen Chambers with 'Best of British marvellous May'. We intend to make this a Coronation themed evening with a decorated hat competition.

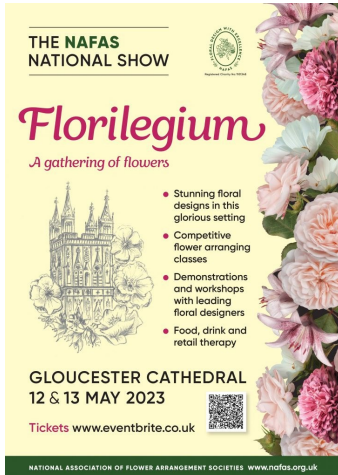
May 12th & 13th - NAFAS National Flower Show is being held in Gloucester Cathedral.

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5 Gardening Top Tips for February

1. Plan for an early vegetable crop
2. Net fruit and vegetables to keep the birds away
3. Protect fruit trees from frost
4. Divide snowdrop bulbs
5. Prune hardy evergreen hedges

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Anglesey Abbey

Adele kindly provided us with an insight into her recent visit to Anglesey Abbey with these photographs. Thank you Adele.



A trip to the NAFAS National Flower Show on 12th and 13th May 2023 is being organized by IC Travel. More details are available on their website ictravel.co.uk

Date for your diary;

Royal Norfolk Show
at
Norfolk Showground
Costessey
Norwich

Wednesday 28th and
Thursday 29th
June 2023

