

Newsletter



April 2023

Costessey Flower Club

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Coming up

Well the year is flying by isn't it, and as you are aware in May something very significant for the country is happening with King Charles III's coronation. I am guessing you will all be considering what you do on this historic day.

Although our May meeting is delayed until after the event we did think it appropriate to acknowledge it and as I previously mentioned would welcome you all joining in on our 'red, white and blue' theme for the meeting on Thursday 11th May. We would love it if you would also participate in wearing, or just bringing along, a decorated hat on a similar theme using whatever materials you have to hand. I cant wait to see what you create.

I noticed in the Spring "Flower Arranger" magazine that they too featured a decorated hat class which was part of the Royal Cornwall Show in 2022 - a couple of photos are featured on page 2.

The NAFAS National Show in Gloucester Cathedral on 12th and 13th May is also fast approaching and I know a few of our members are attending this. If I am not mistaken I believe someone is also entering the show - good luck. The show features floral arrangements, workshops, demonstrations (including one by the very entertaining Nick Grounds) and speakers (including Brenda Eysers who some of you may know). There are also special guests including Christopher Biggins apparently! We look forward to hearing how it all went.

As I mentioned at the April meeting Friday 5th May is National Flower Arranging Day. Thank you to those of you who took a label and volunteered to use it in order to make someone's day by creating and placing a small arrangement or posy around the village on that day. Hopefully we will make a few people smile.

Thank you also to those of you who suggested things to do at our Members Meeting in August. The committee are currently working on a couple of ideas and we hope to finalise something very soon.
Enjoy the Coronation weekend everyone, whatever you do, and I look forward to seeing you all on Thursday 11th May.

Jane

Forthcoming dates for your diary;

May 5th - National Flower Arranging Day.

Thank you in advance to those of you who are contributing to this.

May 11th - Please note this meeting is the **second** Thursday in the month. Our demonstrator is Helen Chambers with 'Best of British marvellous May'.

June 1st - Stephanie Laing with her theme of 'Colour and Me'.

June 28th and 29th - Royal Norfolk Show. We will be entering the Club Class. If anyone would like to volunteer to help with this please contact one of the Committee.

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Dates for your diary;

Thursday 6th July
Our Garden Visit

Thursday 3rd August
Members Evening

Thursday 7th
September
Demonstration



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April 6th - Helen Hillier's demonstration of 'Using flowers from the cutting garden'.

A photo of one of her arrangements. An interesting idea I thought, covering the posy pad with leaves which were glued to a strip of hessian.



Decorated Hats as part of a class at the Royal Cornwall Show in 2022

Some examples of the entries, as shown in the Spring Flower Arranger magazine.

