

Newsletter



May 2024

Costessey Flower Club

Committee Contact points for you;

President:
Doris Waymark

Chairman:
Jane Hamshaw

Treasurer:
Kate Hopewell

**For all others see your
2024 Programme**

Your help

The Committee would welcome your help with some chores such as delivering the vote of thanks and providing flowers for the welcome and remembrance vases. Please contact one of the Committee if you are able to help. Many thanks.

We'd love to increase our membership and help us keep the club going for many years to come. So why not bring a friend or family member to our next meeting and introduce them to our 'friends and flowers' ethos.



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A busy couple of months!

As I mentioned last month Friday 3rd May was National Flower Arranging Day. We took the opportunity to promote the club by creating a few posies which we left in bus shelters and on benches around Costessey for people to pick up and take home. Tied to each one was a laminated notice advertising the club. Thank you to Maureen Hayter for her help with these.

Our demonstrator on 16th May, Jacquie Aldous, entertained us with lots of chat and filled the stage with a wonderful display of arrangements. Some pictures feature on page 2 if you missed it.

Other things going on this month include more preparation by Ann, Linda and myself for our Club entry for the Royal Norfolk Show. Our ideas are coming together although I think several 'mock ups' will be required!

June brings more activities with not only the Royal Norfolk Show but before that the Flower Show on The Green in Hunstanton on 15th and 16th. Unfortunately due to the cost we will not be organising a coach to this event, but thank you to those who expressed an interest in this.

Our 'Afternoon Garden Party' is on Thursday 20th June between 2pm and 5pm, which Liz Humphrey has very kindly agreed to host in her wonderful garden. At the moment we have sold a lot less tickets than we hoped. Unless we can increase the numbers attending to at least 30 then we may have to consider cancelling this. We would therefore ask if any of you wish to come along please **contact Tina Carr, our Secretary, on 01603 811764** as soon as possible. The tickets are only £5 per person which will include home made refreshments.

We will be holding a 'bring and buy' stall, plant stall and cake stall, so if you have any contributions please bring them along on the day. The afternoon is open to members and your friends and family, so why not fill your car and have a lovely afternoon together.

Thank you and I look forward to seeing you soon

Jane

Forthcoming dates for your diary in 2024;

June 15th and 16th - East of England Area 70th Anniversary Show on The Green, Hunstanton PE36 6BQ

June 26th and 27th - Royal Norfolk Show at Norfolk Showground

July 22nd - Cringleford and Hethersett Flower Club Open Meeting at Hethersett Village Hall - Demonstrator is Arnaud Metairie - Tickets from Lynn 01603 457888

Also a special event coming up;

September 23rd - Norwich Group of Flower Clubs 65th Anniversary Celebration at Swanton Morley Village Hall from 10.30am. The morning speaker is Kathy Dentton and the afternoon demonstration is by Myrtle and Thyme. Tickets are £25 each. Contact - norwichgroupchairman@btinternet.com

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The Flower Arranger is the UK's leading floral art magazine. It is full of inspirational designs, essential tips and techniques from top floral artists, seasonal ideas and step-by-step projects.

Several members keep these so if you are looking for ideas or inspiration for an event or something to create for your own pleasure why not borrow previous copies from one of our members.

As agreed at the AGM in February 2024 we are asking for your cooperation in contributing £1 for refreshments at each meeting which will assist us in covering the costs.
Thank you.



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A Flower Demonstration and more - 16th July

Doris is very heavily involved in organising a Garden Party raising funds for Wymondham Dementia Support Group and Wymondham Abbey. It takes place **on Tuesday 16th July at The Old Rectory, Morley St Botolph**. Tickets are £25 which includes; Coffee and tea, a morning demonstration on how to make wire sculpture animals, a ploughman's lunch and an afternoon flower demonstration by David Wright. If you are interested in tickets please contact Doris on 01953 604879.

Jacque Aldous - May Demonstration

We enjoyed a wonderful demonstration of flower arranging by Jacque including those shown below;



Our condolences

On behalf of the Committee and Members of the Club I would like to express our sincere condolences to Ann Norris on the loss of her daughter, who Ann has been nursing through her illness in recent months. Ann is a member and previous Programme Secretary for the Club. Our thoughts are with you at this sad time Ann.