

Newsletter



September 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

If you are willing to help with providing flowers for one of the two vases we have on display at the meeting, giving the vote of thanks, or arriving early to act as hostess to the demonstrator, please speak to one of the Committee. Your help would be appreciated.

We are currently trying to drive up our membership in order to keep our wonderful club going for many years to come. We have leaflets available to promote the club and your help in distributing them, or sharing them with friends, would be very welcome.



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Autumn is coming

As those of you who were able to join us on Thursday 5th September know, we enjoyed a wonderful demonstration from the lovely Brenda Tubb. Brenda's interpretation of her title "Weddings, weddings, weddings", and the stories she told of various weddings she has attended over the years, entertained us and gave us a few giggles along the way.

Our next meeting on **Thursday 3rd October** is another one which we very much look forward to when we have **Lee Berrill** demonstrating his title 'Autumn Tapestry' for us. Lee is well known by a number of flower club members in the area so we hoping that lots of visitors join us. Ann and Liz have very kindly agreed to create some wonderful home-made cakes for our refreshments counter, and as a one-off we will not be charging for these.

A few of you enjoyed making purchases from our bric-a-brac stall this month and Ann Hammond will continue to run this at the next couple of meetings. The additional funds are all helping towards the running costs of the club, so any more item donations for the stall are very welcome.

The workshop planned for Saturday 23rd November is proving very popular so if you wish to participate please let me know as soon as possible. If you have not paid the £20 charge for this already we ask you to do so at the October meeting please. The plan is to create a Christmas Wreath in the morning with the help and guidance of Rachel Borenkova, and then make a table decoration in a container of your choice in the afternoon. Details of the resources you will need to bring along will be given to you when you make the payment for the workshop.

Lastly can I remind you that our Christmas Open Meeting is on Thursday 5th December. Tickets will be on sale at the October and November meetings, so please support this and invite your friends and family along. We very much rely on the ticket sales for this demonstration to cover the additional and rising costs involved.

Thank you all for your continued support for our club.

Jane

Forthcoming dates for your diary in 2024;

September 23rd - Norwich Group of Flower Clubs 65th Anniversary Celebration at Swanton Morley Village Hall from 10.30am. Tickets are £25 each. Contact - norwichgroupchairman@btinternet.com

October 3rd - Demonstration by Lee Berrill - "Autumn Tapestry"

October 5th - East of England Area Presidents Day - At the Jubilee Centre in Mildenhall - Tickets are £20 from Mrs Anne Bell at annebell21@btinternet.com

October 18th, 19th and 20th - Mildenhall Flower Festival - The Methodist Church, Mildenhall IP28 7EJ - Free entry

November 7th - Demonstration by Doreen Robinson - 'Embracing Colour'

November 25th - Cringleford and Hethersett Flower Club Open Meeting - Guest Tickets £20 from Lynn Rawlings on 01603 457888

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

To order your own quarterly copies for 2025 please speak to Cynthia.

Christmas Open Meeting

Our Christmas Open Meeting this year is on Thursday 5th

December. We are pleased to confirm that the demonstrator will be Jackie Aldous whose title is 'Strictly Christmas'. Tickets are available now and include some light refreshments and hot and cold drinks. Please come along and bring your friends too.



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Brenda's demonstration 5th September

We thank Brenda for a wonderfully entertaining evening. Here are a few pictures of the arrangements she created.



Qualification available

The East of England Area of NAFAS are pleased to announce a qualification which is being made available to undertake should you wish to.

It is a "Foundation of Floral Artistry" course which starts in September 2024 and runs for every month for 22 sessions over two years and costs £600.

If you would like more details or are interested in completing the course please contact;

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