

Newsletter



March 2025

Costessey Flower Club

Committee Contact points for you;

President:
Doris Waymark

Chairman:
Kate Hopewell

Treasurer:
Jane Hamshaw

**For all others see your
2025 Programme**

**Membership 2025 -
We will continue to
collect membership
fees at the April
meeting. As previously
advised the 2025
membership fee will
be £40. Envelopes will
be available to place
your payments into.
You can pay by cash,
cheque or card.**

**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
welcomed.**



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Looking forward

What a contrast in the weather! Last week we thought spring had arrived. This week we're back to the winter woollies.

Thank you to those who have renewed their membership for 2025.

It was nice to see so many of you at the demonstration last week and I hope you enjoyed it as much as I did. Having passed her test last year Violetta has gone from strength to strength. Her designs are unique, and to tackle a demonstration when English is not your first language is a real challenge.

Our demonstrator for April is David Wright - a real Costessey favorite who I know you will enjoy.

Plans are well underway for our LILAC Charity day, and I am pleased to say we have now reached full capacity, so we are no longer selling tickets. Because we have to let caterers know the numbers people CAN NOT arrive on the day hoping to buy a ticket I'm afraid. I have it on good authority the models for the day are shaping up well and will do a grand job. I know a lot of the committee will not sleep well the night before! Myself included! We look forward to seeing you all there, and hope you enjoy the day.

We are proposing to have a coffee morning in May, and hopefully by our meeting in April I will have a date for you. Some of you may know that I play bowls at the Norfolk Bowling Club on Unthank Road in Norwich. The club has agreed to let us use the pavilion that overlooks the outside rinks. There is plenty of parking, so that is not an issue. We will send a board round at the next meeting to see how many people are interested. If numbers are low we obviously will not do it.

Linda Knights, who did a demonstration for us at the AGM, has kindly offered to do some classes for us if any members are interested. We will again send a board round at the next club night to see if there is any interest. I know Linda does classes in other areas, so it is a really kind offer.

I look forward to seeing you all on the charity day, and at the April club night.

Kate

Forthcoming dates for your diary in 2025;

Thursday 3rd April - Our demonstration evening with David Wright - His title is 'Soon be summer'

Thursday 24th April - Dereham and District Open Evening - Demonstrator is Nick Grounds - For tickets contact Jane Harding on 01362 692711

Thursday 1st May - Our demonstration evening with Vicki Hease - Her title is 'Here comes summer'

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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. If you have any old copies you no longer need why not share them or pass them on to others.

Coming soon!

We are considering organising a coffee morning at a local Bowls Club. If you are interested please let us know at our next meeting in April when we will be looking at the level of interest. If you have any other ideas for events in the future please chat to one of the Committee or email us at; costesseyflowerclub@gmail.com

Demonstration by Violetta in March

Thank you to Violetta for her demonstration on 6th March when she inspired us with her innovative designs and techniques.

This is the beautiful hand tied arrangement Violetta created.



Sad News

As Kate mentioned at the March meeting we recieved the sad news that one of our Members Vivienne Eagling passed away recently. Our thoughts are with her family at this sad time. We have been informed by her daughters that her funeral is at Breckland Crematorium at 11am on Friday 4th April followed by a gathering at The Brasserie at Barnham Broom should anyone wish to attend.

Charity Fundraising Day 19th March

We are pleased to confirm that this event is **SOLD OUT**. We look forward to seeing everyone who has purchased a ticket. Any queries regarding tickets please contact a member of the Committee. No tickets are available on the day.

Other dates for your diary in 2025

Suffolk Show – 28th and 29th May 2025 - Trinity Park, Ipswich

Royal Norfolk Show – 25th and 26th June 2025 – Norfolk Showground, Norwich

Sandringham Flower Show – 23rd July – Sandringham Estate, Norfolk

NAFAS National Show – 19th/20th September – Gloucester - Two day trip available via IC Travel website - ictravel.co.uk/trip/nafas-national-flower-arranging-show

