

Newsletter



June 2025

Costessey Flower Club

Committee Contact points for you;

President:
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**For all others see your
2025 Programme**

Royal Norfolk Show 25th and 26th June

**We are participating in
the Club Class again
this year. This and
many other floral
arrangements will be
on display in the Flower
Tent (near the Garden
Village) so please
come along and see
our entry if you visit the
Show.**

**We are 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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Lots happening!

The flower club has had a busy couple of weeks with the coffee morning at Norfolk Bowls Club, which seemed to go well. We raised over £200, which will go some way to helping with the costs of our entry to the Royal Norfolk Show. Jane and I, with help and guidance from Linda, have decided to enter in the club class. It would have been very easy to stand back and do nothing, as it does require a lot of planning and commitment, and is very challenging. But if we want Costessey Flower Club to increase its membership, things like this are important. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ann Hammond, who for many years has undertaken the task, and but for health issues would have been there this year as well. Ann we miss you! Hope you are improving.

Some of us went on a garden visit to Hoe Hall last month. Vicky was an excellent host, and her garden was delightful. The Wisteria walk was in full bloom and the perfume incredible. Thanks again to Pam for arranging this.

Well what can I say about our club night in June! From previous experience of having Julia Knights as a demonstrator we knew we were in for a good night, but she certainly surpassed all expectations. I have not heard so much laughter at a demonstration for a long time. Her daughter Rosemary also seems to be following in her footsteps. We were privileged that Julia agreed to step in at short notice and do the demonstration. We had quite a few visitors on the night, and I am sure that they will have been impressed with the evening.

Our first flower arranging class in May went well and the next one is Saturday 28th June between 2 and 4pm at Breckland Hall. If you have any friends or family that are interested in learning to arrange flowers please encourage them to come along. The cost is £12.50, which in today's world we feel this is really good value for money. One of NAFAS vision statements is 'friendship through flowers'. I know whenever my friends and I do a class together there is always a lot of enjoyment and laughter!

There are a number of things coming up soon which are listed below and overleaf, not least of which is an 'Away Day' being arranged by Aylsham Flower Club on Tuesday 30th September. This is a coach trip to Flora Media in Peterborough, a garden tour, a demonstration and Lunch. The coach leaves Woodgate Nursery at 7am although sadly there is no pick up in Norwich. The cost is £55 for the day. If you are interested we can give you more details or you can contact Crystal Dyball.

Our forthcoming demonstration on **THURSDAY 3rd JULY** is a change to the programme, we have **Rachel Borenkova** as our demonstrator, and we will also be presenting a cheque from the charity day to LILAC, so if you can make it that night we'd love to see you. Lastly thank you to all who have put their names down as volunteers to help at club nights. It is much appreciated, and does make a difference.

Kate

Forthcoming dates for your diary in 2025;

Thursday 3rd July - Our demonstration evening with Rachael Borenkova

Saturday 12th July - Area Day - Morning speaker Mary Newton, a Forensic Scientist; Afternoon demonstration by Mig Kimton

Thursday 17th July - North Walsham and Bradfield Flower Club - Demonstration by David Wright "Kaleidoscope 25 A Celebration" - Visitors welcome cost £16

Thursday 7th August - Our demonstration evening with Amanda Hughes

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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 are interested in ordering these please speak to Cynthia.

Any ideas?

Our recent coffee morning was enjoyed by a number of members and their friends and successfully raised some funds for the Club. If you have any ideas of events you would like to see us run please speak to one of the Committee.



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The garden visit to Hoe Hall

What a beautiful garden it was! The Whisteria walk a particularly stunning scene.



June demonstration by Julia Knights

What a wonderful demonstration and beautiful display Julia created.



Other dates for your diary in 2025

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 - Sadly the two day trip being organised by IC Travel has been cancelled due to a lack of interest. However you can obtain tickets for the show or enter the competitions via the NAFAS website; www.nafas.org.uk/event/nafas-national-show-natures-challenge/