

Newsletter



September 2026

Costessey Flower Club

Committee
Contact points
for you;

President:
Doris Waymark

Chairman:
Kate Hopewell

Treasurer:
Jane Hamshaw

For others see your
2026 Programme

Christmas 2026

We have booked the date for our Christmas Wreath-making Workshop for this year which is Saturday 5th December between 9.30am and 12.30pm. If you wish to attend please add your name to the list at the next meeting on 1st October.

January 2027 - Social Meal

Due to popular demand we are again holding a social lunchtime meal in January 2027. Look out for more details to come.



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Autumn has arrived

No sooner have I finished one newsletter than it seems time to start the next! The children are back to school and lots of us now take our holidays. It was noticeable at our September club night that our numbers were down.

Rachel Borenkova was our demonstrator with her title 'Autumnal Offerings'. As usual Rachel put on a wonderful display and went to great lengths to discuss her designs and the techniques she was using. She also gave us some insight into looking after her garden.

At club night we started taking names for the **wreath workshop with Rachel on 5th December**. Can I remind you the workshop is from 9.30am till 1pm and the cost is £25. We will provide the ring, moss and wire needed and you provide the decorations/embellishments - either fresh or artificial.

We have also started selling tickets for our **Christmas Open Meeting** which is £25 for members and £30 for visitors which includes a finger buffet and drinks. Please encourage friends and family to come along. It is usually a fantastic night and one of our important fundraisers. We will be having stalls in the annexe for you browse and do a bit of Christmas shopping.

Pam is doing the usual tombola, and we would be grateful for any suitable gifts that could be used for this or the raffle. Members are always very generous, and it is much appreciated by the committee.

Plans are in place for the January lunch and we hope to have details of the price, venue and menu ready for the October meeting.

I look forward to seeing you all on **1st October** when our demonstrator will be **Lee Berrill with the title 'Autumn Tapestry'**.

Once again if any of you are interested in joining the committee, please contact either myself or Jane. We are always open to fresh ideas so if you have any thoughts or events that you think we might be interested in please let us know.

Kate

Dates for your diary;

Thursday 1st October – Demonstration by Lee Burrill entitled "Autumn Tapestry"

Thursday 5th November – Members Night – Arrangements within the theme of 'Fireworks Night'

Thursday 3rd December – Open Meeting - Demonstration by Tracey Griffin with her title "Winter Warmth" – Finger buffet and drinks included

January 2027 – Social Meal – Date and more details to come

Thursday 4th February – AGM

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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 purchasing your own copies in 2027 please speak to Cynthia.**

2027 calendars and diaries are also available.

As well as the NAFAS nationwide website:
<https://www.nafas.org.uk/>

lots of news and information on things happening locally in the East Region are available on the Area website:
<https://www.nafas-east.com/>



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September demonstration by Rachael Borenkova

Rachael created some beautiful arrangements in her 'Autumnal Offerings' demonstration and filled the stage with wonderful flowers and lots of autumn colour.



Other events coming up....

Friday 2nd October – Area Day – 10am until 3pm – Including speaker Mary Newton (forensic scientist) and flower arranging demonstration by Gill McGregor entitled 'Fanciful Flair' – Tickets £20

Thursday 15th October – Aylsham Flower Club – 10am until 3pm - Workshop with Pauline Foster entitled 'Tablescaping' – At Stratton Strawless Village Hall. Tickets £25 contact Crystal Dyball on 01603 291190 crystaldyball57@gmail.com

17th and 18th October – Flower Festival at All Saints Church, Swanton Morley – for details contact Jacquie Aldous: j.aldous302@btinternet.com

Friday 23rd October – Bungay Flower Club – Morning speaker Ben Potterton, afternoon demonstration by Beryl Cotton entitled 'Autumn Splendour' – Tickets £35 including lunch – Contact Mrs J Moore on 07534174029

Monday 2nd November – Norwich Flower Club – AGM and Christmas Event – Morning speaker Simon Davies, afternoon demonstration by Jacquie Aldous, Brenda Tubb and Rachael Borenkova – Tickets £20 including ploughmans lunch or £15 for afternoon demonstration only

Wednesday 9th December – Christmas Workshop at Jubilee Hall, Mildenhall – Rachael Borenkova and Roger Woolnough help you create two designs – Cost £40 which includes all materials needed