



Hello Everyone

Welcome to the Autumn Members' Newsletter as we look back on some of our Club's anniversary celebrations and look forward to plenty of demonstrations and workshops during the Autumn (and dare I say Christmas!) months. Our 55th Emerald AGM is on 2nd October - just a few days left to buy your AGM Demonstration tickets. Looking forward to seeing many of you at Frodsham Community Centre.

If you have some news or photos to share or would like your Club event featured in this newsletter, please send details to treasurer@nafascheshire.org.uk.

Happy Reading!

CONGRATULATIONS & CELEBRATIONS

On the 9th September, Rural Chester Flower Club enjoyed an afternoon tea to celebrate their Sapphire Anniversary. Ann Ashton welcomed everyone and Dorothy Irvin looked back over the history of the Club and had even found a Club T-Shirt from the very first meeting. Betty, one of the founder members was able to attend the event and it was a chance to have a look through all the Club archive albums. After fizz, savouries, scones, cakes, meringues and the celebratory cake, a short talk about Japanese etiquette and Ikebana was given by Tracy-Anne Clancy, who had been invited to share in the Club celebrations. Congratulations to you all!





Fast forward a week, and Stockport Afternoon Flower Club were celebrating their 55th Emerald Anniversary with a lunch, followed by a demonstration by Mark Entwistle. Chairman Mary Brownhill welcomed everyone and shared the history of the Club (including a couple of name changes) with members and guests. The anniversary cake was created by our former Area Secretary Morag McCord with flowers, table arrangements and gifts created by Christine Leigh. The Club President gave the vote of thanks to the committee at the end of the afternoon. A wonderful celebration of flowers and friendships.





Show Successes for Tarporley



From Carole Chia (Tarporley Flower Club):

I 'had a go' at the Southport Flower Show this year (August). I think I was



quite lucky to gain 1st place for, 'Bamboo Folly' - Novice class (Allen Trophy) and 2nd place for, 'Colour Burst'. [Congratulations Carole – Beautiful work, no luck involved!] Pat Murphy, also from Tarporley Flower Club, achieved a 2nd and 3rd place with her entries. [Well done Pat – delighted to hear the results].

Are your Club details up to date on our Website?

Don't forget to send your latest **2025 / 26 Club Programme** to Mike Gallagher for inclusion on our website. Additionally, if you have classes to offer, please let us know so that we can include them on our 'Flower School of Cheshire' classes page / advertise for free!

webmaster@nafascheshire.org.uk

Publications

2026 Diaries and Calendars

£.4.50 each plus postage or collect at the AGM. Available from

treasurer@nafascheshire.org.uk

Blue Forms are available from treasurer@nafascheshire.org.uk priced £1.50 for 10 plus postage.

Flower Arranger Magazine 2026

The subscription for 2026 (4 issues) is £17.00

Please place your order via your Club Flower Arranger Officer

before 8th November 2025

Workshop Successes for Neston



A Church Flower Arranging Workshop was hosted by Neston Flower Society in September, aimed at tackling a pedestal design. Hints and tips were shared about seasonal flowers and foliage and sustainable methods of arranging. Judging by the fabulous designs created, it was a great success all round.

Vanessa Lees attended the workshop and was able to talk to the participants about Flower Clubs of Cheshire and the benefits of belonging to a Flower Club.



Club Demonstrations in October

Missing a Club demonstration? Visitors are welcome to attend demonstrations and workshops at all our Flower Clubs in Cheshire, with the Club's annual programme and all the details being available on our Flower Clubs of Cheshire website. Visitor's fees vary from club to club – please check the website www.nafascheshire.org.uk

Club	Date	Demonstration / Workshop	Demonstrator
Ashton Hayes & Tarvin	8th Oct	A Touch of the Equisite	Kate Russell
Chester F C	15th Oct	Shilton Car Boot Collection	Lynne Sharpe
Disley & District F C	8th Oct	Stamps in my Passport	Sue Hodgson
Eddisbury & Sandiway F C	14th Oct	AGM & Talk	Diane Lloyd
Elworth F C	20th Oct	Glory of Autumn	Beryl Cotton
Frodsham and District F C	8th Oct	Trip in a Tardis	Sionedd Hughes
Goostrey F C	9th Oct	Carnival of Colour	Leanne Williams
Hale Barns F C	14th Oct	Through the Garden Gate	Denise Hubbard
Handbridge F C	16th Oct	Come Fly with Me	Karen Schofield
Knutsford Floral Design Club	15th Oct	My Journey with Plants	Don Billington
Lymm Floral Art Group	20th Oct	Workshop - Eco Owl	Debbie Davies
Mid Cheshire F C (Hartford)	22nd Oct	Botanical Art	Mark Entwistle
Neston Flower Society	16th Oct	A Brush with Colour	Kay Ford
Nether Alderley	16th Oct	Serendipity	Margaret Rumens
New Brighton F A S	14th Oct	RHS Medals & Accolades	Julie Pearson
Prestbury F C	1st Oct	A Woodland Walk	Derek Morgan
Stockport Afternoon F C	27th Oct	Inspired By	Namiye Sianga
The Bramall Hall F C	28th Oct	Workshop	Led by Dawn Weaver
Upton-By-Chester	22nd Oct	October Splendour	Dean Sharpe
Widnes Blossoms	1st Oct	A Box of Delights	Kate Russell
Wilmslow	22nd Oct	Catch of the Day	Susan Fairhurst
Wirral F C	6th Oct	Viva la Vida	Leanne Williams
Wistaston & District FC	1st Oct	As You Like It!	Dorothy Monks

There are plenty of Christmas demonstrations and workshops on the horizon.....

Read on for more information

Club, Area and National Events



Knutsford Floral Design Club Open Demonstration and Workshop with Ioachim Erema

Demonstration: Friday 10th October 2025 at 7:30pm
(doors open 6:45pm)

Early bird Ticket £25 (paid before 31st August),
£30 from 1st September.

Workshop : Saturday 11th October, 10am start
(doors open at 9:30am)

Early bird Ticket £45 (paid before 31st August),
£50 from 1st September

Venue: Chelford Village Hall, SK11 9AS

For Tickets (non refundable)
Email : Treasurer@Knutsfordfloraldesign.co.uk

AUTUMN DOOR WREATH WORKSHOP

Join us to make a rustic door
wreath. Step by step tuition.
All materials provided.

Wed 15 October 7.15pm

£20

Members £16

Booking essential

Email: enquiries@ddfc.org.uk

**Disley & District Flower Club
High Lane village hall, Disley SK6 8AB**

Bespoke Flower Arranging Classes @

Eleanor's Studio

Tarvin Road, Frodsham, WA6 6XH

£40 (everything provided)

Wednesday 24th September 1.30pm

Tuesday 7th October 1.30pm

Wednesday 22nd October 1.30pm

For more information / to book a place message
07761 022 871 or email
griffithseleanor96@gmail.com

Basic Flower Arranging Classes @

Eleanor's Studio

Tarvin Road, Frodsham, WA6 6XH

**£30 for Adults, £20 for Children (accompanied)
everything will be provided**

Saturday 4th October 10am - 12 noon

Saturday 18th October 10am - 12 noon

Saturday 25th October 10am - 12 noon

For more information / to book a place message
07761 022 871 or email
griffithseleanor96@gmail.com



Mid Cheshire Hartford Flower Club

Wednesday, 22nd October at 7.00pm

Mark Entwistle – Botanical Art



Mark's
success
includes:



- 3 Gold Medals at RHS Chelsea Flower Shows
- 10 years demonstrating and creating floral designs



Email HartfordFDCclub@gmail.com

Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/MidCheshireHartfordFlowerClub>

Visitors are welcome £8 entry
Hartford Methodist Church Hall, Beach Road CW8 3AD

Lymm Floral Art Group Monday 17 November 2025

Christmas at the Castle

Christmas Floral Demonstration

Lymm Golf Club, Whitbarrow Road,
Lymm WA13 9AN

7.15pm for 7.30pm

Dawn Weaver

National Demonstrator
Multiple Chelsea Gold
Medallist



Visitors welcome £15 pay at door



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Nether Alderley Flower Club

Christmas Demonstration

At

Chelford Village Hall

On

Thursday 20th November
2025

at 2:00 pm

by Sara Barrow

National Demonstrator

"Santa Claus is Coming to Town"

Tickets £15 incl. tea and mince pie
from Mrs M Nicolson 07847 564211

or email

naflowerclub000@gmail.com

CHESTER FLOWER CLUB CHRISTMAS WORKSHOP

Friday 21st November 2025

10.00am to 3.30pm



FORTHCOMING FESTIVE FUN WORKSHOP WITH GILL MCGREGOR

INTERNATIONAL FLORAL DESIGNER, NAFAS NATIONAL
TEACHER, NAFAS AREA DEMONSTRATOR AND AUTHOR

This forthcoming fun, flower arranging workshop will include 2 festive designs - a festive table design which will showcase distinctive techniques and how to make "candles" with leaf manipulation.

The second design will be free standing to enhance your home with a festive feel. Each technique will be taught individually to ensure all delegates can complete each component and then each design will be demonstrated with clear, concise explanation of the Elements and Principles of Design and construction methods. So you go home with 2 festive designs to decorate your home whilst enjoying fun and friendship with flowers.

Suitable for all abilities except absolute beginners.

At The Five Villages Hall

Station Road, Backford
Chester. CH1 6NT

Cost £35

to include tea and coffee,
bring your own lunch

For information re booking please call Diane 07803 964548

Any queries re the workshop please e-mail gill@gillmcgregor.com





invites you to

55th AGM

on 2nd October 2025

@ Frodsham Community Centre

(Fluin Lane, Frodsham, WA6 7QN)

**The AGM will start at 11am until 12.30pm (approx.)
followed at 1.30pm by a floral art demonstration by
Nick Grounds**

‘Glorious Green’

**(Members & guests are welcome to attend the demonstration even if not
attending the AGM)**

**AGM Emerald Anniversary Flower Arranging Competition
will also be held (All Classes entitled ‘Emerald’)**

(Schedule to be issued separately)

Demonstration tickets £25 (Early Bird £20 before 31st August)

Email Treasurer@nafascheshire.org.uk to book your tickets

(Please bring your own lunch)



Education Day

Facilitated by Vanessa Wellock
National NAFAS Teacher

Content includes leaf manipulation, wiring techniques and Christmas designs



Suitable for teachers, workshop leaders and experienced flower arrangers

Sunday 19th October 2025

Frodsham Community Centre

WA6 7QN

10.00am – 3.30pm

£25

Bring your own lunch – tea, coffee and homemade cakes provided

To find out more and to book your place email Pam at

education@nafascheshire.org.uk

Sunday 2nd November 2025

10.00am until 3.30pm

Plumley Village Hall

**Flower School of Cheshire - Masterclass -
learning from some of our Cheshire best**

We have such a wealth of expert knowledge, skills and experience in Cheshire.

If you would like to hear and learn from some of our Cheshire best, this event is for you.

Dive into the art of floral design with our talented and prestigious award-winning Cheshire members.

You will gain invaluable insights into their various styles of floral design, share their accomplishments, struggles and how they overcame obstacles to become some of the best in NAFAS.

Join us for an enjoyable hands-on floral experience to boost your confidence in floral design. This floral masterclass is designed to ignite your creativity and unleash your potential. **For more information email: education@nafascheshire.org.uk**



From All of Us

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Flower Clubs of Cheshire

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