



CHESHIRE AREA OF NAFAS

Members' Newsletter

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Hello everyone.

I hope you are enjoying the lovely summer weather or are you secretly wishing for some rain to water the garden?! (Forget that – we're currently in the middle of a thunderstorm!). June is 'Royal Cheshire County Show' month and the marquees are already up at Tabley. The Cheshire Show team have had their last meeting pre the show and all flowers have been ordered for the President's Marquee and the 'Theatre of Flowers'. Good luck and thank you to everyone competing – there wouldn't be a show without you. Looking forward to seeing you at the show – please come and say 'hello'.

In this month's issue, we are sharing some more stunning designs created for the Coronation and National Flower Arranging Day at the beginning of May plus more designs from the National Show at Gloucester and Malvern Spring Show. We also ask the question; Can you help the CAN team? As requested at our recent Club Representative's Forum at Frodsham, we also have a new section entitled 'News from National' as we share information from HQ. Looking forwards, the Interflora World Cup is being hosted in Manchester in September – read on for further details.

Happy reading!

If you would like to feature anything in this monthly newsletter, then please email your information to treasurer@nafascheshire.org.uk.

You are receiving this newsletter because you are the named Club contact or have subscribed individually.
Please share this newsletter with as many members as possible – thank you.

NATIONAL FLOWER ARRANGING DAY



.....WHAT DID YOU CREATE?

We are pleased to feature some more floral designs created by our talented members, bringing pleasure to others by sharing our love of floral art.

Leek embraced the Coronation for their theme...





And from Sale – a lonely bouquet awaits collection



Two lonely bouquets by Chester Flower Club



Upton-by-Chester found some different places to leave their bouquets.... Hope Doreen enjoyed her flowers.

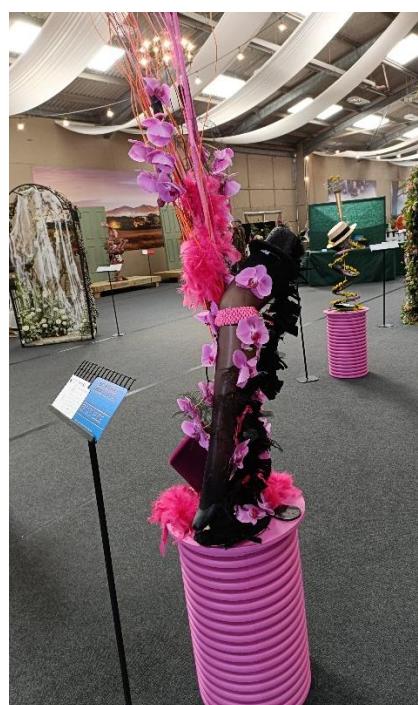


A stunning pedestal created by South Cheshire



SHOWTIME

Congratulations to Carol Baker (Frodsham) who competed at the Malvern Spring Show (no foam) and was awarded two 'Second Prizes' for 'Blue Planet' and 'All that Jazz' Well done!



For those of you who couldn't make it to Gloucester Cathedral for the National Show, we can now bring you the results from our Cheshire entrants plus their fabulous designs. Huge congratulations to everyone who competed – Cheshire really does have a wealth of talent.

Rita Roberts – Jubilate (2nd Place)



Pat Murphy – Jubilate (3rd Place)



Gill Jackson – Jubilate (Highly Commended)



Denise Hubbard – Block & Stone



Pam Fleming- Williams – Block & Stone



Gill Davies – Richly Woven (3rd Place)



Gillian Jackson - Rhapsody in Blue (Commended)



Janet Schofield

Helen Hunter – Quietude



Pat Murphy - Quietude



-Topaz & Cinnamon & Gold Moidores



Carol Baker – Quietude



Denise Hubbard – Quietude



Frodsham & District (Eleanor Griffiths)

- Rejoice (Very Highly Commended)

Candles & Canticles

Debbie Davies (3rd Place)



Eleanor Griffiths (Commended)



Karen Clegg





Louise Jones – Feast for the Eyes (3rd Place)



Janet Schofield – Feast for the Eyes



Carol Baker – Feast for the Eyes



Joan Quinland – Feast for the Eyes

THE NAFAS NATIONAL SHOW

Florilegium

A gathering of flowers

GLoucester Cathedral • 12 & 13 May 2023

Tickets www.eventbrite.co.uk


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Royal Cheshire County Show



Our own Cheshire Show is next week. Good luck to everyone who has entered the competitions in the 'Theatre of Flowers' Looking forward to seeing you there.

Thank you to everyone who has volunteered to steward and well done to our 'Cheshire Show Team' for making this happen. Enjoy!

CAN Team – Can you help?

Are you looking for a new challenge? Do you have skills and experience that you would like to share? Are you a good team worker? Are you a good listener, communicator and good at planning. The CAN team is seeking new

members (to be elected at the October AGM) to join the team, specifically; Administrator / Secretary, Events Leader, Education, Leadership & General Support. Are you able to help in some way? Please get in touch via treasurer@nafascheshire.org.uk. We need your support to secure our future. Thank you.

Flower Arranger Magazine

Would you like to order future copies of the magazine?

Contact Catherine on

flower.arranger@nafascheshire.org.uk



Silver Celebration

Visitors are welcome to join Group 2000 for a very special celebration – their Silver Anniversary.

GROUP 2000

Sunday 9th July 2023

A demonstration by Laura Leong, Interflora Florist of the year
and Chelsea winner

at 2.00pm Antrobus Village Hall,
Knutsford Rd, Antrobus, Northwich CW9 6LB



Join us for a very special celebration of 25 years of Group 2000.
Wine, nibbles and cake from 12.30 followed at 2.00 p.m. by a
demonstration by Laura Leong a very talented floral designer and
friend of Group 200.

To celebrate our Silver Anniversary this event will only cost visitors £10.00 Visitors, tickets available from treasurer@group2000.org.uk or contact the Chairman by phone 0161 633 5830 or email chairman@group2000.org.uk.

Getting Out & About

If you are organising a trip or event
and would like to publicise it here,
please let us know.

To receive this newsletter directly to your inbox, please send an email to newsletter@nafascheshire.org.uk and we'll add you to the distribution list

NEWS FROM NATIONAL

At the last Club Representatives Forum on 25th April at Frodsham, members requested to receive more information from NAFAS HQ in London. So, let's start at the very beginning.....The NAFAS website address is: www.nafas.org.uk As I was keen to find out more about National and wanted to 'Meet the Team' I logged on. From the main menu I selected 'About' followed by 'Our Team'. For each person there is a photo and a mini-bio. The team includes:

Lilias Hoskins – National President

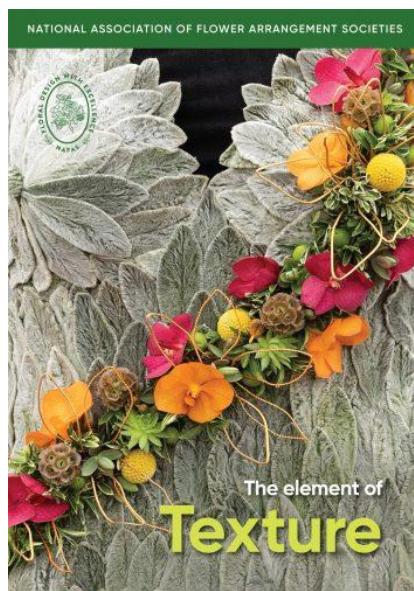
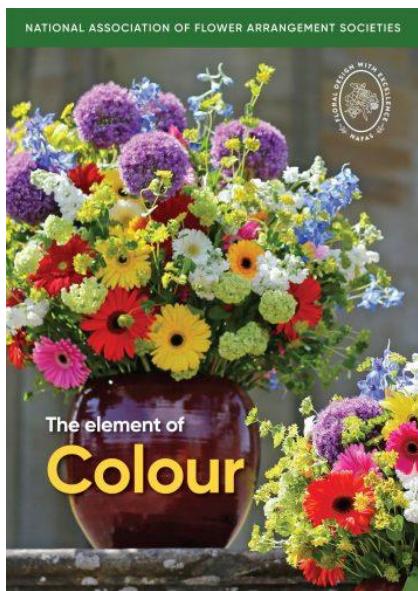
Katherine Kear – National Chairman

Nicky Whylie – National Vice Chairman

Trustees are: Peter Mathers, Mala Williams, Ellie Meaking, Lynn Wales, Ann Harding & Philida Irving

Staff are: Steven Lane (Chief Executive), Sylvia Loader (Secretary), Vanessa Keys (Administrative Secretary), Sylvia Tong (Finance Manager) and Layla Hill (Education Administrator)

As I continued browsing on the NAFAS website, I found two useful free downloads –



There are also several NAFAS documents available to view including NAFAS Business Plan 2023-25 and the Environmental Policy (effective from March 2023) which covers the following:

(Extracted from the contents page of the online document)

Contents:

1. General
2. Recycling / reuse
3. Suppliers
4. Travel and Transport
5. Meetings
6. Floral Foam

Blue Forms – The new digital version is currently still being tested (final stages) prior to roll out (fairly soon).

Log on to your NAFAS website for plenty more information and news.

Save the Date



The World's biggest floristry competition the 'Interflora World Cup' is coming to Manchester on 7-9th September at the Manchester Central Convention Complex (GMEX).

'Imagine the Olympics crossed with the Chelsea Flower Show, then add extra drama, challenging creative workshops and seriously delicious food and drink – that's the Interflora World Cup 2023. The main event though, is the floristry competition. It's the world's biggest, bringing together exceptional florists from around the globe together to compete to be world champion. These are the best in the business, and they're here to create stunning floral art (and maybe a bit of drama too)'. (Extract taken from the Interflora website)

Cheshire Area will be represented at the event too. Several of our talented demonstrators will be creating designs at the event (not competing) providing us with a great publicity opportunity.

For further information and to book tickets for this exciting event, please logon to the Interflora website.

With best wishes from all of us

@ Cheshire Area