



# CHESHIRE AREA OF NAFAS

## Members' Newsletter

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Hello everyone. I hope you are all keeping well and didn't indulge in too many chocolate treats over the Easter weekend! Flowers seem to be appearing everywhere now – a real treat for us flower lovers to enjoy. In this month's issue; Workshop round up, Showtime, National Flower Arranging day and introducing Flowers from the Farm.

Happy reading!

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

### Cheshire Area Workshops

The third workshop in the series of 'Foam-Free Creativity' was held at Disley Flower Club's venue in High Lane on Sunday 26th March 2023, tutored by Sharon Nolan. It was another great day, with really positive feedback.

All our foam-free creativity workshops were a great success with other events hosted by Nether Alderley and Ashton Hayes & Tarvin. Many thanks for your hospitality and wonderful cakes! Grateful thanks to our Area Education Representative, Sharon N, for organising these and to tutors Pam F-W and Eleanor G for sharing your creative ideas.

We are now taking a break from workshops for a few months but the creativity will resume for the Autumn series with the first one possibly being in Lymm in September. We look forward to welcoming back established 'workshoppers' in the Autumn and also 'newbies' who are keen to learn some new techniques. All workshops cater for every level. Watch this space.

## SHOWTIME

Show season is fast approaching with the traditional spring show at the Great Yorkshire Showground (Harrogate Show) from 20-23 April. Wishing all our floral design competitors the very best of luck. We look forward to hearing about your experience and seeing some photos of your designs. Good Luck!





With less than a month to go, the National Show at Gloucester Cathedral (12/13<sup>th</sup> May) is fast approaching. It's the first opportunity (for a few years) to compete 'in-person' at a National Show and tickets are selling fast. The 'Penno and Price' demonstration is already sold out. The two days at the Cathedral promise to be fabulous. In addition to stunning floral designs and exhibits to enjoy, there will be several demonstrations / talks taking place during the two days. I know some designs are currently being 're-designed', creations are being scrapped with the decision taken to 'start again' and stress levels are rising but stay positive - Cheshire Area sends its best wishes to all our competitors. We know you'll do Cheshire Area proud.

Good luck to everyone competing!

## Royal Cheshire County Show



**'The Shape of Things to Come'**

in the

**Theatre of Flowers**

**(Cheshire Area Show)**

- Will you be competing this year?
- Floral design schedule now available on Cheshire Area of NAFAS Website
- Closing date for entries 1<sup>st</sup> June
- Volunteers required for both days - are you willing to help? (volunteers will get free entry to the show)
- Please support your Area Show in 2023

# NATIONAL FLOWER ARRANGING DAY ....

.....WHAT WILL YOU CREATE?



National Flower Arranging Day is Friday 5<sup>th</sup> May (day before the Coronation). Each Club supporting the event will receive £25 from Area. Simply send photos of your design(s) to [treasurer@nafascheshire.org.uk](mailto:treasurer@nafascheshire.org.uk) Your designs can also be featured on our Area website: Contact our website manager, Mike Gallagher, [mike.gallagher@btinternet.com](mailto:mike.gallagher@btinternet.com) to send in your photos, promote your Club & keep your Club details up to date  
(These cards are being distributed to all Clubs to use for the event)

## Flower Arranger Magazine

Summer issue 2023 is out now!

Would you like to order future copies of the magazine?

Contact Catherine on

[flower.arranger@nafascheshire.org.uk](mailto: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 9<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:treasurer@group2000.org.uk) or contact the Chairman by phone 0161 633 5830 or email [chairman@group2000.org.uk](mailto:chairman@group2000.org.uk).

# MOORFIELD FARM FLOWERS

Are you planning a 'Flower Festival' or Floral Event this year? Require some locally grown flowers for a workshop? Look no further – introducing Tom and his sister Laura from Moorfield Farm Flowers.




Moorfield Farm Flowers is a family-run flower farm based in Bramhall, Cheshire. Sustainable, British farm flowers can be delivered to you (7 mile radius of the farm) or alternatively there is a kerb-side pick-up. The experiences and workshops for 2023 are now available for booking. Check out the website for all the details [www.moorfieldfarmflowers.co.uk](http://www.moorfieldfarmflowers.co.uk)



## Getting Out & About

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



**Wistaston Flower Club**

FLORILEGIUM

FRIDAY 12TH MAY 2023

GLOUCESTER CATHEDRAL

Wistaston and District Flower Club invite you to come with us and be amazed at the talent and beautiful creations as a result of the NAFAS National Competitions within the Cathedral.

Pick up at The Brittles bus stop, Wistaston at 8.00am  
Military Arms, Sandbach at 8.30am

Leaving Gloucester at 4.30pm

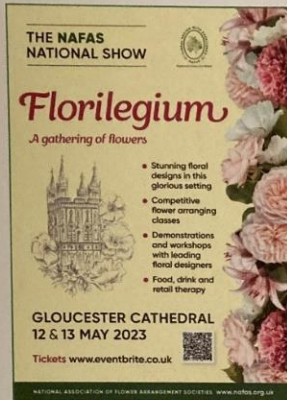
Cost is £46.00 which covers the coach, entry to the Cathedral, drivers tip and parking at the Brittles, Wistaston.  
Alternatively, the cost of the coach to Gloucester is £23.50 which includes the drivers tip and parking at the Brittles, Wistaston.

Payment can be made cheque or by bank transfer - Please contact Carol Campbell email [cazc47@gmail.com](mailto:cazc47@gmail.com) or 07989 880679 for details, as soon as possible.





## NESTON FLOWER SOCIETY SPRING TRIP 2023



### RHS MALVERN SPRING FESTIVAL



13th and 14th May 2023  
£165 per person including coach,  
hotel, breakfast and entry to  
both the Cathedral and Malvern

Join us for this super trip to two fabulous shows!  
Discover the best flower arrangements in the UK and  
shop till you drop for accessories and plants.  
Coach from Neston or pick up points along the way.

Staying in twin rooms at the Mecure Hotel, just 15 minutes away  
from the beautiful city of Gloucester



For further information and a booking form, contact Pat Wood on  
0151 336 3170 07803 703 183 or Email [frank.wood7@btinternet.com](mailto:frank.wood7@btinternet.com)

A private Wirral based company Centenary Leisure and Travel Club is running  
a day trip to the **National Show at Gloucester Cathedral on the 13<sup>th</sup> May.**

The cost of the trip which is inclusive of return travel, on board refreshments  
and a contribution to the driver's tip is £40. Admission to the show on a  
group ticket is £22.50

**Total cost is £62.50**

Pick ups from: Wallasey Village, St Andrew's Church Bebington and the M56  
motorway services

For booking requests or further enquiries contact [ann.shevlin@hotmail.com](mailto:ann.shevlin@hotmail.com)  
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All of us @ Cheshire Area