

LFAG – December update

Hello everyone

We hope you are all well and your Christmas preparations are well under way.

Here's an update about Lymm Floral Art Group, Cheshire Area and NAFAS HQ.

LFAG virtual demonstrations <https://lymmfloralartgrouporguk.wordpress.com/>

Our November virtual demonstration was on Monday 16th November with Mark Entwistle when he presented his fabulous white and red Christmas demonstration to 23 members and 15 visitors. The free raffle winners had their designs hand delivered the following day by Janet Schofield.

Our next Zoom meeting will be on Monday 18th January when our AGM will take place followed by a short virtual demonstration by the very talented and innovative Alison Chambers (nee Cooper).

If you've not used Zoom before and would like some help with the technology, please get in touch. We can set up a test meeting exclusively for you so that you can find your way around the Zoom screen and become confident to use it.

If you use a laptop, please speak with Vanessa (01925 757471) or Sheila (01925 212682) or Pam M (07876 176501). If you use an iPad, please speak with Tracy Ann (01925 210836) or Pam H (07786 368108) or Janet S (07974 332387).

LFAG Christmas Tree

Our Christmas tree was rehomed at Moss Brow Farm, Warburton following the cancellation of St Mary's Christmas Tree Festival. Thank you to Gill Davies and all the members who created the magnificent spheres. It's a still life style of floral design and looks very festive using the colour theme of green, pink and silver. Some photos are on the club's website and we had 26 visitors to the page in one day.

Could you send some photographs of your Christmas designs to put on our website? Perhaps you have created a door wreath or a table decoration and would like to share with the group?

Arley Christmas demonstration

16 members and friends attended Arley Hall's Christmas demonstration by Jonathan Moseley and 4 of our group went home with one of his designs. He created lots of designs you could replicate at home with natural plant material from Arley's gardens. Many people said it was so nice to get out, meet members to have a socially distanced chat and enjoy a relaxing live demonstration.

Some interesting facebook, websites and YouTube videos suggested by club members

NAFAS Areas have been busy creating Christmas videos and some a whole series to celebrate Advent. Some are on facebook and you can just click on the link, just like a website, as there's no need to be a facebook user.

Flowers North West have created an advent calendar of YouTube videos by various area and national demonstrators. Here's a link to their Facebook page where you will find all the designs of you can click. [\(5\) Flowers North-West | Facebook](#)

Sara Barrow creates an Advent craft idea. A NAFAS Area Demonstrator and winner of many competitions including RHS awards. Sara creates a non-foam table design using test tubes and corrugated paper. [Advent Calendar - 12th December - YouTube](#)

Angela Turner, the NAFAS National Demonstrator, is renowned for her natural style and here she brings you a beautiful Christmas look with seasonal berries and flowers. Three different designs create a stylish festive feel. (49 mins duration but you can select how much you want to watch). [Christmas Flower Demonstration with Angela Turner - YouTube](#)

Pip Bensley, a NAFAS National Teacher, shows you how to make a pretty table centre using foraged and garden plant material using a simple container from your home. Everyone can do this whether they are a beginner or expert. This video is one of a series of 5 from the Wessex and Jersey Area of NAFAS. (35 mins duration). [Foam Free Christmas Table Design with Pip Bensley, National Teacher - YouTube](#)

Join **Emily Broomhead** for the start of our Wessex and Jersey Area Festive demonstrations. Emily has three beautiful designs to share with you and get you in that Christmassy mood. (42 mins duration). [Emily Broomhead National Demonstrator HD - YouTube](#)

The **Association of Irish Floral Artists** have also created an advent calendar of Christmas mini demonstrations [\(5\) AOIFA - Association of Irish Floral Artists | Facebook](#)

Jacqui Arnold from the Kent Area of NAFAS uses candles in her Christmas design. [Christmas at The Old House by National Demonstrator Jacqui Arnold - YouTube](#)

Cheshire Area [NAFAS Cheshire - Flower Arranging Clubs in Cheshire](#)

Phase one of the Live Floral art demonstrations and flower related talks have been delivered via Zoom. They have proved to be a great hit with so many clubs and members across Cheshire. Phase two will start in the new year and dates will be confirmed shortly. The demonstrations and talks are FREE OF CHARGE to members of Cheshire area affiliated clubs.

We have submitted our club photograph for the National Chairman's December Challenge for a 'Festive Gift' (attached). The January title is 'Burns Night'. Would you like to create a design for our club's January entry?

NAFAS HQ

The new NAFAS website is now live and it's a great improvement on the previous version. [NAFAS](#)

We would like to wish you a wonderful, albeit slightly different Christmas and let's hope we can all get together to enjoy our love of flowers as early as possible in 2021.

Lymm Floral Art Group Leadership Team

Tracy Anne, Pam H, Vanessa, Janet M, Pam M, Sheila, Janet S & Stella