New Brighton Flower Arrangement Society



November 2021 Newsletter



This month we welcome our very own



Louise Jones

With a demonstration entitled

The Holly and the Ivy

(Members competition: Merry and Bright)

It was very pleasing to hear such positive reports about last months meeting and here we are now having our third meeting and Christmas demonstration.

Let's hope we are on a roll and can look forward to more normal circumstances in the coming months.

The picture of **Louise Jones** above was taken after a short filmed demonstration that Louise did for Flowers North West. Louise is also a member of Formby Flower Club. You may know that Louise hails from Formby. The film is now available on YouTube. The link is on our Facebook page but you could search for **Autumn Glory in a YouTube search.**

November Meeting

Teas Joan Forster Kay O'Rourke,Lynn Forfar

Welcome Arrangement Colette Dunkley

Vote of thanks Marina Ashton

Help with chairs at end of meeting
Janette Kelly
Rebecca Kelly
Celia Shaw,
Ann Collins



At our December meeting there Edena will lead a workshop, to make a table centre embellished with a twig star. Please sign up at the November meeting. A requirements list will be available on the night.

Also our December meeting we have our annual competition in memory of Hilary Milns. We ask you to judge the competition by placing coins in the saucer adjacent to the exhibit. Please place 50p

in the saucer next to your first choice. 30p in the saucer next to your second choice and 20p in the saucer next to the exhibit that is your third choice. The exhibit that attracts the most cash will be declared the winner and will receive the trophy and will have the opportunity to nominate the charity to receive all the donations.

This is a fun competition and we appeal to everyone to enter and to be generous in voting. Plenty of time to get the necessary coins sorted out for the night.

Christmas sweaters and other frivolities welcome

Dates for your diary

Wednesday 17th November Chester Flower Club
Christmas demonstration 'A Winter's Night' by Mark Entwistle.

1.30pm at The Five Villages Hall ,Station Road Backford CH1 6NT
Visitors welcome £8 at the door.

Tuesday 23rd November Wirral Hospice St John's are having their annual Christmas Demonstration at Heswall Hall. Exciting newly qualified National Demonstrator Vanessa Wellock will be giving a demonstration entitled 'Its the Season' Demonstration starts at 7pm Doors Open 6.30pm (no admission before this time) Tickets cost £12, to include a hot drink and cake. Anne Williams may have tickets at Club Night or you can book them at the hospice fundraising office on 0151 343 0778 or on line https://t.co/nyZeFMHn74

October Meeting

Income

Membership	£ 46
Visitors	£ 26
Raffle	£100
Tombola	£ 26
Plant sale	£ 6

Total £204

Expenditure

Demonstration £333 (Includes demonstrators fees,flowers and petrol)

Hall hire

(For year) £270

Emerald expenses (Pens etc) £ 98

Sundries £ 12.81

Total £714.20

Cheshire Area of NAFAS

The **Cheshire Area Website** has been considerably revamped. I hope to make better use of the facilities and put more club news on the site.

<u>nafascheshire.org.uk</u>

All the clubs in the Cheshire Area of NAFAS have been placed in **clusters** to support each other with issues and events that relate to their immediate areas. We are in the 'Lily Cluster' with Hoylake, Heswall, Wirral, Neston and Upton by Chester. It has improved the flow of information between clubs and it's hoped it will reap many benefits. We are represented by Catherine and the cluster is co- ordinated by yours truly.

Keeping safe at Club Night

If you are able to wear a mask, please wear one at club especially when walking about the room.

When out and about I notice signs that say "Keep Wirral Well-get jabbed and get tested'. I would like to encourage folks to take one of their twice weekly lateral flow tests on club night to reduce risks of infection especially if you are unable to wear masks. I understand the Floral Pavillion are very obliging with testing and with supplying test kits.

Looking forward to seeing you all next month bringing your competition entry and wearing your Christmas sweater with that inimitable New Brighton Style.

Stay positive, test negative, Best wishes

Colette