

# Stockport Afternoon Flower Club

## Newsletter February 2021

### Zoom AGM 22 February 2021

You will be sent the link for this two days before the meeting.

Please link on in time to start for 1.15pm. If you have not done this before we advise joining the meeting at 1.05pm so that Joan can help you if you have any difficulty.

We have contacted every member personally to see if you are likely to be coming. Some members have said that they did not fancy being seen on screen or anyone to see their homes - once you have joined and been verified by Joan you will see a link which says "Join with video". Delete this and you will be able to see us but we will just see a black screen with your name on it.

When we plan to hold a meeting you will get an email inviting you to the meeting. It will show a link to press, a meeting ID and a password. Just click the link and you will be taken to the meeting. You might be asked for the ID and password - just copy them from the email. If you have any problems when linked to the meeting, the host of the meeting will help you on screen. If you want a practice connection before the day, just contact us and it will be arranged.

Now for the good news - at 2 pm we will be having a demonstration by Mark Entwistle. You will not want to miss that.

If you want to "bring a friend" as you might do to a normal club meeting, just give us their name and email address and we will send the link to them.

We intend to invite the members of our Facebook group who are not club members to join us and also members of a local WI group with whom we have connections. We promised to invite people who are not club members when we applied for the grant paying for this to comply with inclusion requirements. We will be very pleased to welcome them to our friendly club.

You will be pleased to know that we have had new members joining despite lockdown restrictions.

Stay safe and stay well.

### Zoom meeting Instruction

A very simple video showing this is on our facebook page or you can access it on youtube. Look for "Smart Simple Digital - How to Join a Zoom meeting for the first time". Please have a go, we'd love to see you.

### Find Us On The Internet

Go to [www.nafascheshire.org.uk](http://www.nafascheshire.org.uk) or [facebook.com](https://www.facebook.com)  
Then search for **Stockport Afternoon Flower Club**  
Club email: [flowerarrangers@btinternet.com](mailto:flowerarrangers@btinternet.com)

### Cheshire Area News

The demonstrations and workshops run by Area have proved very popular.

They will be run throughout lockdown and details will be sent to you as we have them. Make sure we have an email link for you.

Below you can see hearts made by our members at one of the online workshops.

How did you do last month - try these:

What do you think these plants are?

1. Sweeper
2. Falling bovine
3. Bovine herb
4. Windflower
5. Not asked to dance
6. Pink drink?
7. Van Gogh's blooms
8. Heated rods
9. Proper lady
10. "....., ....., give me your answer do".

Answers for last month:

1. Clover
2. Cornflower
3. Buddleia
4. Smoke Bus (Cotinus)
5. Viola
6. Buttercup
7. Sweet pea
8. Tiger lily
9. Crocus
10. Cane

### March Zoom Meeting

29 March 2pm

Easter Bonnet Afternoon Tea

Our president, Morag, would like you to make and wear an Easter bonnet (doesn't have to be all plant material). You can tell us how you made it, if you like, or just enjoy tea with us - you'll have to make your own, of course - while we tell you how we made our hats.



Left: Kokedama heart by Christine.....and below, one by Joan. Both at a workshop with Alison Cooper run by the Area CAN team.



Kokedama is the Japanese art of growing plants in soil covered by moss. It translates as "moss ball" but has been adapted here as a heart.