

# Stockport Afternoon Flower Club Newsletter July 2021

## Club News

The June Demonstration by Louise Jones was attended by 21 members and 8 guests.

The numbers are a little down on the previous demonstrations - they don't know what they are missing! Louise entertained us with four beautiful designs.

Christine collected the flowers, enjoying a nice drive out to Wallasey. There are pictures opposite of some happy recipients. You can only see a little of the designs as this newsletter goes on facebook and the NAFAS Cheshire website and we don't want to spoil the surprise for her next audience.

Don't miss our July zoom to get the full picture! Liz Broad has been a regular visitor to our club and we are delighted that she has agreed to leave her comfort zone and branch out into zoom for us. She comes flushed with success, having just won Gold at the Virtual Cheshire Show.

Along with the rest of the country, we are still waiting full clarification of the next stage of Covid rules. You will know the news as soon as we do. Until then, stay safe and stay well.

## Area News

The Cheshire Area Virtual Show was a great success.

As it is an open show, virtual entries came in from all over the world. This was so exciting that it is to be incorporated into the next show, even if it is back to normal.

The full results are on the NAFAS Cheshire website with lots of photographs. There are some stunning designs, well worth a look. This great interpretation, in the class "Light and Shade" was done by Joan Quinland, our chairman. Thank you, Joan, for flying the flag for Stockport.



*The light on the plate, drawing the eye right into the centre is an effect you couldn't guarantee in situ - an unexpected benefit of virtuality.*

Cheshire Area was delighted to be awarded a gold medal for their stand at the Arley Hall Festival.

The next big event will be the RHS Tatton Show on 21 - 24 July. Make a bee-line for the Flower School marquee and see the wonderful moon gate they have designed.

## Flower Surprises - Will You Be next?



*Marjorie (left) is one of our invaluable raffle ladies. She was in the garden when we called. Gillian lives in the same apartment block.*

*Brenda (right) was sitting out with Marjorie enjoying the sun. At club you will find them side by side selling raffle tickets.*



*We thought Brenda (left) deserved a treat after her sterling efforts for Willow Wood hospice last month*

## Quiz Time Again

A few more questions to get the "little grey cells" moving.

1. The love apple is the original name of what?
2. Which plant take its name from the Italian phrase for beautiful women?
3. Which grain is used to make semolina?
4. Which TV presenter lives at Longmeadow?
5. Which garden in the Cotswolds is famous for its miles of sculptured hedges?
6. Which kings lived at Kew Palace in Kew Gardens?
7. Which garden flower was used as a form of currency in the 17th century?
8. What do we call the art of cutting shrubs into ornamental shapes?
9. What is landscape gardener Capability Brown's first name?
10. Soil can be alkaline, acidic or what?

*Answers in the August newsletter.*

## Next Zoom Meeting

26 July 2pm

Liz Broad "Flower Power"

Flowers from this demonstration will go to members

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