

Claygate Floral Club November 2024 Newsletter

Affiliated to Surrey Area, NAFAS



WELCOME TO THE NOVEMBER EDITION OF THE NEWSLETTER

Claygate Floral Club
presents
Snowflakes
An evening with Tracey Griffin
Friday 29th November 2024
1900 for 1930 start
Claygate Village Hall
Church Road
Claygate, KT10 0JP
Tickets £16
Contact: cfcopend@gmail.com
Light refreshments included
Tickets non-refundable
www.claygatefloralclub.co.uk

CLUB CHAIR

The clocks have gone back, we are now entering the Autumn/Winter phase of the year and our thoughts turn to celebrations!

It is not long now until our Open Demonstration on Friday 29th November so if you haven't done so already, please do not forget to purchase your tickets.

This is a great night out and a lovely way to get into the festive spirit so please bring along your friends and family to kick off the season in style!

Tickets will be on sale at our November demonstration or can be ordered by emailing cfcopend@gmail.com

We look forward to seeing you there!

UPCOMING DEMONSTRATION ON WEDNESDAY 6th NOVEMBER – “INSPIRATIONS” WITH VIJAY BHATIA

Please do join us on Wednesday 6th November as Vijay treats us to her ‘Inspirations’ demonstration.

Please bring your cups for refreshments! Thank you

THANK YOU TO ELLOUISE HASTLER-STOTT - “AUTUMN LEAVES” IN OCTOBER



It was a great evening with Ellouise who entertained us with tales from her professional floristry business and by creating some amazing arrangements.

OCTOBER CLUB NIGHT



October’s competition “Harvest Bounty” also saw a fantastic number of entries which made the evening extra special as we had so many floral designs to admire and inspire us! Thank you so much to everyone who entered.

This month's competition title is "Fireworks" and is a great opportunity to use vibrant colours and dynamic shapes to create floral arrangements that mirror the excitement and spectacle of fireworks! We look forward to seeing lots of entries again this month.



YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU!

We would love someone additional to help out with the floral planning and organisation of the Claygate Village Show. As you know, this takes place in July but there is lots that goes on behind the scenes. Sue Clarke and Anne Roberts have done an amazing job to date but if anyone else is interested in helping out with the programme for next year's Flower Show please see them at club night for details of what is involved.

UPCOMING CLUB EVENTS

CLAYGATE FLORAL CLUB'S OPEN DEMONSTRATION 2024 FRIDAY 29TH NOVEMBER, 1900 FOR 1930 START AT CLAYGATE VILLAGE HALL

This year we have the wonderful Tracey Griffin with her "Snowflakes" demonstration.

Tracey is an RHS Chelsea Gold Medal winner and an International and National NAFAS Demonstrator, so we can't wait to see her in action.

Tickets cost **£16** and will be on sale at our November club night.

Contactless payments preferred but we are also accepting cash and cheques made payable to 'Claygate Floral Club'.

Remember to invite your friends and family too!

CLAYGATE FLORAL CLUBS NEW YEAR DINNER, TUESDAY 14TH JANUARY, 1900 FOR 1930 AT THE HARE AND HOUNDS, CLAYGATE, KT10 0JL

All members are invited to join together for a delicious dinner in January!

MAIN COURSE CHOICES

Oven baked Cod with new potatoes, tender stem broccoli and a bisque sauce - this is the "Not Gluten containing Ingredients" NGCI

Rosemary and garlic lamb cutlets tenderstem broccoli, potato gratin, red wine jus - NGCI

Butternut Squash, lentil and Almond Wellington new potatoes, tender stem broccoli and gravy -Vegetarian option.

Slow braised Beef Bourguignon, creamy mash curly kale.

DESSERT CHOICES

Bakewell Almond Tart with Chocolate sauce and Coconut ice cream -vegetarian

Chocolate brownie with pecan ice cream

Sticky toffee pudding and vanilla ice cream -NGCI

Ice Cream - choice of Honeycomb, Double chocolate chip, Pistachio, and vanilla.

The club will pay for the service and for a drink of your choice, which will be either a soft drink, wine or beer. There will be jugs of water on the table. Of course you can purchase additional drinks at the bar throughout the evening if you wish.

The cost is **£24.50** per person

Please reserve you place and purchase your ticket at our November or December club nights where you will be able to confirm your food choice too. Contactless payments preferred but we are also accepting cheques made payable to 'Claygate Floral Club' or by Bank Transfer:

Claygate Floral Club
Sort Code: 30 19 22
Account No.:00392987

Please remember to reference your transfer with your last name followed by H&H (e.g. LewinH&H)

UPCOMING EVENTS THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST

Thursday 7th to Saturday 9th November: W&J Area Show "Winter Wonders" Broughton Village Hall, High Street, Broughton, Stockbridge, SO20 8AX

Wednesday 13th November: Oxted and Limpsfield Floral Design Club's Open Meeting with Angela Turner "A Natural Christmas" - St Peter's Church Hall, Limpsfield, Surrey RH8 0DG, 12.30pm Email: angela.23griffin@outlook.com

Wednesday 27th November: Surrey Area of NAFAS Workshop with Richard Twistleton, 10am for 10.30am-3.00pm at the Old Barn Hall, Great Bookham, KT23 3PQ - £40 – enquiries to aegillott@gmail.com 07811 088949

Events in 2025:

Wessex and Jersey Area of NAFAS – Speakers’ Training

As an Area we would very much like to run a training course for Speakers over next year (2025) with the Mock and Final tests in March and April of 2026. There are several Wessex and Jersey members wishing to train, but we would like to increase the numbers.

If like me, you were born to be inquisitive and love to investigating things or are passionate about certain subjects this could be for you. We have members who speak on photography, gardens, flowers, floral design, historical subjects and people. The subject matter is never ending. You may use PowerPoint, projectors or props suitable to illustrate your talk.

Speaking takes you out and about to meet many others who share your interests and often in turn become friends. It is a wonderful social experience.

The course will be run by National Teachers and Speakers. The course will cover 11 different training sessions. There are 3 certificated days which you should attend together with the tests. Once you are qualified your name and contact details will be added to the Area Speakers’ list. It also can lead to eventually training as a National Speaker and speaking to other organisations.

If you are interested, we would love to hear from you. Please contact Gill Pelton, Wessex and Jersey Area Speakers’ Representative on Mobile: 07764942008 or on email: gilljohn.leopelt1@btinternet.com, we look forward to hearing from you.

Tuesday 13th May – Sunday 18th May: Salisbury Cathedral Flower Festival, “The Spirit of Water”

Friday 19th September – Saturday 20th September: National Show, “Natures Challenge” to be held at Gloucester Cathedral

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