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Claygate Floral Club

May 2026 Newsletter

Affiliated to Surrey Area, NAFAS



WELCOME TO THE MAY EDITION OF YOUR NEWSLETTER



Welcome to mid Spring. I think that May is probably my favourite month of the year in the garden. My garden is pretty wild anyway, but this month my front garden will be filled with daisies. I think everything is going to be flowering quite early this year, as my south facing roses are in bud and likely to be flowering in May again this year, rather than June. Last year my lavender was flowering in June rather than July. Let us see what type of weather this Spring and Summer brings!

Please could we have the last few outstanding membership payments this month from those of you who have yet to do so. I think there is also one outstanding Flower Arranger payment of £17. The Summer addition of the magazine has arrived. It has some great themed ideas and I will bring this along to May club night

Vivien

WEDNESDAY 6th MAY CLUB NIGHT



This month we are delighted to welcome Graham King and look forward to enjoying his demonstration “Inspirational”. Graham is a highly respected British floral artist, author, NAFAS demonstrator and educator with over 30 years of experience.

MAY’S COMPETITION - “ANY ARRANGEMENT IN A RECYCLED CONTAINER”

May’s competition, “**Any Arrangement in a Recycled Container,**” is the perfect chance to get creative and see everyday items in a whole new light. Take a fresh look around your home—you might be surprised at what could become the perfect base for a beautiful arrangement. Whether you’re a seasoned arranger or just giving it a go, your entry could inspire others just as much as theirs inspire you. It’s always great to see the variety of styles and ideas our group brings, so don’t hesitate—join in, have fun, and share your creativity with everyone this month.

SAVE THE DATE! A SUMMER WORKSHOP WITH VIVIEN

WEDNESDAY 5TH AUGUST CLAYGATE FLOWER CLUB’S SUMMER WORKSHOP WITH VIVIEN

This year I will be organising a Summer Workshop. I thought it would be fun to try something a little different and so we are going to have a go at making some floral jewellery and maybe floral hair slides.

When I did my floristry training, we used to make floral bracelets using coloured floristry wire, shiny beads and small delicate flowers. The result was lovely and of course the jewellery can be reused with fresh flowers again and again.

You can come along and have a go or just watch and enjoy getting together with friends for a Summer Workshop and chat. I will need to have an idea of numbers nearer the time so that I can purchase the necessary materials and sundries. I will also give a more detailed idea of what we will be making in upcoming newsletters.

APRIL'S DEMONSTRATION - "A SPRING WALK"

Thank you to Ellouise



We enjoyed another fabulous evening with Ellouise, who delighted us all with her stunning arrangements, created with such effortless skill and speed.

A heartfelt thank you as well to everyone who entered April's competition, "A Spring Arrangement in Your Favourite Container." We were treated to so many beautiful creations, and the whole evening felt like a true celebration of spring, brought to life through both Ellouise's work and your wonderful designs.



UPCOMING EVENTS

WEDNESDAY 27TH MAY – DR SOLOMON LEONG – BANSTEAD COMMUNITY HALL. 1.15PM FOR 2PM

BANSTEAD FLOWER CLUB
PRESENTS
INTERNATIONAL FLORAL DESIGNER
DR SOLOMON LEONG



Wednesday 27h May, 2026

Banstead Community Hall, Park Road, Banstead, SM7 3AJ

Doors Open 1.15 for 2pm– Visitors £15

Advance Booking only;

Contact Sarah Mewett on: 07979325754

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SATURDAY 6 JUNE 2026 ROYAL WINDSOR FLOWER SHOW 10AM TO 6PM

<https://rwrhs.com/royal-windsor-flower-show/#tickets>

For anyone interested in going this promises to be a wonderful day out, and several members will be attending. No organised transport has been arranged so everyone who wants to go will need to make their own way or coordinate car sharing.

To help members connect on the day, we have arranged a meeting point. We will gather at **11:00am outside the Demonstrations Marquee.**

SATURDAY 11 JULY 2026 CLAYGATE FLOWER SHOW- CLAYGATE

More information about the event can be found on the show's website:

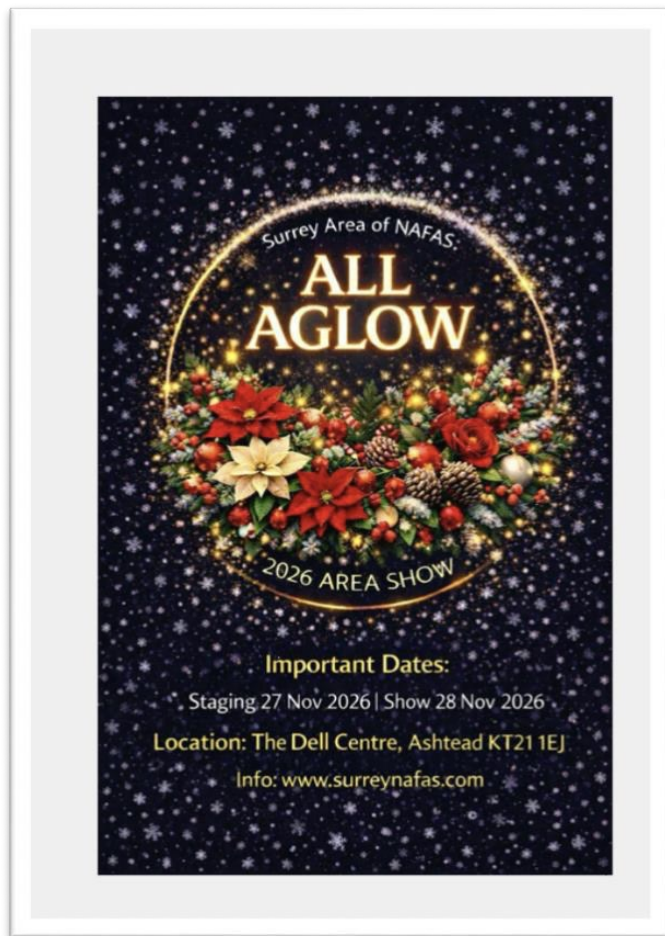
<https://www.claygateflowershow.co.uk/>

TUESDAY 1st – SUNDAY 6th SEPTEMBER - WISLEY SHOW “THAT’S ENTERTAINMENT” – Entries required between 9th May and 26th May 2026. Schedule and booking form can be found here:

<https://www.surreynafas.com/shows>



SAVE THE DATE - Surrey Area Show 27/28 November 2026 at the Dell Centre, Ashted. Schedule to be released in June 2026



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