

# Claygate Floral Club September 2024 Newsletter

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## WELCOME TO THE SEPTEMBER EDITION OF THE NEWSLETTER

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### CLUB CHAIR



The last few days of summer sunshine are much appreciated as we speed towards the Autumn. I hope that you all had a lovely Summer, catching up with family and friends.

It seems like a long time since our last meeting in July. Since then, we have enjoyed the Claygate Flower Show. Thank you so much to everyone who participated. As ever, a huge amount of work goes on behind the scenes and I would like to say a special thank you to our Committee and the Flower Show Committee for making sure that it was all a great success.

We have also had our annual outing at Borde Hill and Nymans gardens. I was so sorry to have missed this trip but I was assured that everyone had a lovely day out. A special thank you to Sue Shackel for organising the trip so that it went so smoothly.

The highlight of this part of the year is our Open Demonstration in November. Please see below for further details.

### UPCOMING DEMONSTRATION ON WEDNESDAY 4<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER

It seems a long time since we all were together so we're really looking forward to seeing you on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> September and welcoming Gill Smaggasgale demonstrating "Listening in Colour".

**This month's competition title is "A Feast for the Senses" and we look forward to seeing many entrants.**

Gill Smaggasgale also invites you to bring along any orchid tubes you might have going spare. Gill is a keen recycler and would be delighted to receive orchid tubes (or similar) things that you no longer need.

Please bring your cups for refreshments! Thank you



## DEBRA TABLE

Also please don't forget to bring your £1 coins for the Debra sales table. All money goes to the Debra charity. Sally would also like to remind those who owe money from our last meeting to please bring that along too!

## THANK YOU TO LUCINDA KNAPMAN "MORE FABULOUS FLOWERS" IN JULY



Many thanks to **LUCINDA KNAPMAN** for her very entertaining Demonstration "**MORE FABULOUS FLOWERS**" back in July.

Lucinda produced many beautiful arrangements that were keenly received by those lucky enough to win one!

## **DON'T FORGET TO SAVE THE DATE FOR THIS YEAR'S OPEN DEMONSTRATION ON FRIDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER**

Please remember to save the date of our Open Demonstration on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> November. 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 will be on sale at our October demonstration evening. Remember to invite your friends and family too!

## THE CLAYGATE FLOWER AND VILLAGE SHOW 2024

A huge thank you to all of you who helped and/or participated at this year's Claygate Flower and Village Show. It was a wonderful afternoon and brought so much pleasure to so many people.

A special shout out to all our club competition participants:

**Steve Wall, Anne Roberts, Sally Hewlett-Taylor, Irene Mallinson, Sue Hewitt, Susan Clark, Emma Cope, Caroline Andrews and Doreen Howells**

Thank you and very well done.

Also a heartfelt thank you to everyone who helped make up the arrangements for our club floral stand, supplied foliage and staffed the stand throughout the day. It really looked stunning and drew many admiring comments.

This year we picked some of our flowers from an artisan flower farm Plant Passion, based in East Clandon run by Claire Brown. Claire and her team pride themselves on producing season, scented and sustainable flowers. For any members who are interested in picking their own flowers please visit their website and note appointments to 'pick your own' must be made in advance. <https://www.plantpassion.co.uk>

### Fun at Claygate Flower and Village Show 2024!



## AUGUST OUTING TO BORDE HILL GARDEN AND NYMANS

Everyone had a fantastic day out and the sun shone for us this year, thank goodness! Here are some snapshots of the gorgeous gardens. A big thank you to Sue S for organising and putting a huge amount of work into it.



## UPCOMING EVENTS THAT MAY BE OF INTEREST

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> to Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> September: RHS Garden Wisley Flower Show [Click Here](#)**

**Friday 13<sup>th</sup> to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September: Strawberry Hill Flower Festival [Click Here](#)**

**Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> to Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> October: Autumn Flowers at Parham [Click Here](#)**

Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> October:

**ALDERSHOT FLORAL DESIGN CLUB**

ALL-DAY WORKSHOP TUTORED BY GRAHAM KING

**“Found; Recycle. Sculptured”**

**Cardboard And Fabric Designs.**

SATURDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER

10AM-5PM

VENUE: SMALL HALL, NORMANDY VILLAGE HALL,  
MANOR FRUIT FARM, GLAZIERS LANE,  
NORMANDY. GU3 2DT

COST OF THE DAY= £25.00

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PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH, TEA AND COFFEE AND BISCUITS  
WILL BE AVAILABLE ALL DAY.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO YOU JOINING US FOR AN EXCITING DAY

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