



Autumn Newsletter 2018

'Celebrating 55 Years of Flowers and Friendship'

Dear Member,

Welcome to this Autumn newsletter.

I hope you have all been enjoying the beautiful weather that we have been having although it has caused a few problems with our gardens!

We have enjoyed a busy few months since the Summer newsletter went out to you.

First we had our club outing to Jacqueline Iddon's garden near Leyland. The weather was glorious if not a little too hot and unfortunately Jacqueline was ill on the day of our visit but her family welcomed us to their beautiful garden and we were well looked after, enjoying a delicious lunch, tour of the garden and card making demonstration by Jacqueline's daughter Tilly. We even had the chance to buy some of the garden plants and cards on sale. The day was enjoyed by all and my thanks to Alison Broadbent for organising it for us.



Sheltering from the sun which makes a change from the rain!



A view of the beautiful garden

Many thanks to Alison Broadbent and Sue Barber for the photographs.

The Summer continued with our annual Coffee Morning at the end of July, which this year was held in the Olde Barn at Grappenhall Community Centre.

We had a fabulous turnout and we were treated to a lovely floral demonstration by Debbie

Davies from Formby with her 'Morning of Musicals' theme. Debbie had recently received a Gold medal at RHS Chelsea along with her sister Louise Jones and was also part of the Cheshire Area of NAFAS Gold medal team at RHS Tatton which included our own club member Pat Murphy.

The morning was enjoyed by everyone and we raised £695 from this event.

My thanks to all our committee and to our members and friends for the hard work, support and generosity with this event.

It continues to be our main fundraising event towards our club funds and because of this we can continue to book demonstrators from further afield and offer them a generous flower allowance.

It also allows us to keep our website www.stocktonheathflowerclub.uk maintained, up to date and interesting to look at.



A photo of Debbie with her beautiful coffee morning designs and one courtesy of the Cheshire Area RHS Tatton team with their beautiful Gold medal exhibit. Well done Cheshire Area!

The next important date for your diaries is Monday 26th November when we will be holding our charity fund raiser in aid of St. Rocco's Hospice at the Park Royal Hotel, Stretton.

The event starts at 7.30pm with doors opening to ticket holders at 6.45pm.

The demonstrator for the evening will be Mark Entwistle with his demonstration 'Snow is Glistening'

Mark's demonstrations are very much in demand and for those of us who saw Mark at our club meeting in March 2017 we know we are in for a real treat!

Tickets priced at £10 are on sale now so please do spread the word as we always look forward to this event being a sell out.

There will be a variety of stands to browse and buy from with some new ones added this year.

Please do have a look at the notice board and table for all the other events happening in the Cheshire area. There are lots of exciting workshops and club demonstrations in and around the area.

Thank you for your continued support.

Best Wishes,

Kath

