

Chairman's Chat



As Summer gently fades into memory we welcome Autumn. As the days grow shorter and the air turns crisp, Autumn arrives with its golden hues and cozy charm. It's the perfect time to curl up with The Flower Arranger or one of the many flower books you have, if you're anything like me. It's a season of transition, reflection and celebration. Where nature puts on its most spectacular show of colour, we find warmth in creativity and comfort. The fallen leaves remind us of nature's cycle. Our floral arrangements that burst with colour, at Harvest Festival time.

This season is a treasure trove of textures, tones and storytelling through flowers and foliage



We have left behind the summer season, a busy time for JDS&E with the training of new Area Judges. My sincere thanks to all of the committee for giving up their valuable time and who worked hard in mentoring and organising everything involved to train candidates. This is a difficult task, but as usual, the team did it extremely well. On behalf of all the members in the Area, our Congratulations and Well Done to the successful candidates, who I'm sure, we will see putting their newly qualified talents to the test at our local shows. I would like to share with you all some messages I have received from candidates;

"Fantastic team in way of organising training and test"

"Appreciative of all support from JDS&E committee"

The chosen Flower of the Month is the vibrant colourful Marigold, meaning Warmth and Creativity. I thought this was appropriate as it describes us all.



Latin for little clock the name Calendula refers to the clock shaped face of blooming Marigolds in the Calendula genus. Marigold the common name comes from “Marygolde”, the conjoining of two words in old English: Mary and Golde, the gold coloured blooms may have earned the name because they were presented to the Virgin Mary when a person did not have actual gold coins to give as a prayer offering.

“Friendship is to People what Sunshine is to Flowers”

Q: What are Natures Treasures ?

A: “Flowers Fun and Friendship”

My final message to all you all

“May This Autumn Be A Harvest of Happiness”

Best Wishes
Gloria x