

NAFAS East of England Area Noticeboard – Key dates

Area Council meetings

Wednesday 12th March - Area Council – Jubilee Centre, Mildenhall - Doors open 10.00am for 11.00am
Wednesday 11th June - Area Council – Jubilee Centre, Mildenhall - Doors open 10.00am for 11.00am
Monday 15th September - Area Executive meeting & JDS&E committee meeting – Jubilee Centre, Mildenhall - Doors open 10.00am for 11.00am
Wednesday 15th October - Area Council & AGM – Jubilee Centre, Mildenhall - Doors open 10.00am for 11.00am

Area Days

Saturday 26th April - Area Day – Jubilee Centre, Mildenhall. Doors open 10.00am for 11.00am. In the morning, Simon White with 'Never a Dull Moment' and in the afternoon Nick Grounds will demonstrate 'Flowers with Eastern Promise'.
Saturday 12th July - Area Day - Isleham, Cambridgeshire. Doors open 10.00am for 11.00am.
Friday 3rd October - Area Day – Jubilee Centre, Mildenhall. Doors open 10.00am for 11.00am.
Saturday 4th October - Workshop with an International tutor.

JDS&E events

New NAFAS modules – Unit 101 First Steps in Flower Arranging – Tilney All Saints - 12th February, 19th March, 9th April 11th June and 16th July. Tutor is Jennifer Allen Thompson, NAFAS National Teacher. For more information, please contact jmathomp@aol.com
Demonstrators Refresher Day – Saturday 8th March – 10.00-3.00 – Workshop with Helen Hare – Jubilee Centre, Mildenhall
Workshop with Angela Turner – 13th & 14th May 2025 – Including overnight stay and possible visit to Salisbury Cathedral flower festival – Organiser is Rachael Barnard (rjbarnard80@gmail.com).
Judges training – Tutor Valerie Best - 29th January, 26th February, 26th March, 7th May (Mock Test) 18th June 30th July (Test) – Jubilee Centre, Mildenhall.

Flower & County Shows

Suffolk Show – 28th and 29th May 2025 -Trinity Park, Ipswich
Norfolk Show – 25th and 26th June 2025 – Norfolk Showground, Norwich
Sandringham Flower Show – 23rd July – Sandringham Estate, Norfolk
Hadleigh Show – 17th May 2025 – Holbecks Park, Suffolk.

Flower Arranger distribution dates

Spring edition
9th January
Summer edition
9th April
Autumn edition
10th July
Winter edition
9th October

Spotlight Newsletter Dates

Spring
Published 1st March, copy submission date 19th February
Summer
Published 1st June, copy submission date 21st May
Autumn
Published 1st September, copy submission date 21st August
Winter
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Group Meetings

Cambridge Group
29th March 2025 – with Angela Turner
25th October – AGM with demonstrator
Colchester Group
24th March
23rd June
24th November - Includes AGM
East Suffolk Group
17th March 2025
16th June 2025
20th October 2025 - AGM
King's Lynn Group
To be advised
Norwich Group
24th March 2025 *NEW DATE*
30th June 2025
3rd November 2025 - AGM plus activity

National Events

Salisbury Cathedral 'Spirit of Water' flower festival
– 13th-18th May - Salisbury
National Show – 19th/20th September – Gloucester Cathedral