



Chair Sue Albins. Secretary Ann Skeggs. Treasurer Carol Rowe

Newsletter for January 2026
Next Meeting Thursday January 29th 7.30 PM

November Meeting. This was our last meeting of the year and we enjoyed making chocolate truffles and having a social evening with a finger buffet. Sadly only 3 people entered the yule log competition. Well done to Carol, whose entry was exquisite and took first place.

January Meeting. Vasantha is unable to demonstrate for us this month but Carol Rowe has kindly offered to step in and she will be demonstrating something on a Valentines theme. Please come along and show your support. Do dress up warm as the hall is not always very cosy even with the heating on. The kettle will be on so if you want to make a hot drink before we start please do so.

Other News.

Workshop. We have discussed doing another full-day workshop this time with Christina Georgiou making a figure model, this will be in May or June in the Tollgate Hall. The cost will be approx. £60 for members and £75 for non members. There is a maximum of 12 people for the workshop and full payment will be needed on booking. More details to follow.

Mini Workshops. If you would like to do some mini workshops please let us know what you are interested in doing and we can organise these.

Christina Georgiou is demonstrating for Chelmsford group on Tuesday 10th February at 7.30. at Christ Church, 164 New London Road, Chelmsford, CM2 OAW. She is doing an Easter Bunny Cake, the meeting is free as it is the last one before they close down. If you would like to go along please let me know so we can organise car share.

NSA Update. Alan Dunn will be doing a zoom demo in February or March. The link will be sent out when we receive it. Alan is an international demonstrator who makes exquisite flowers and is well worth watching.

Cake International Birmingham. The NSA have a stall again and will be doing hour-long mini workshops on all 3 days. You can book a workshop on the day but spaces are limited to 8 people per session and are free. If you are going and have an hour to spare they would appreciate some help to promote the association and just generally talk about the benefits of belonging to a club.

Don't forget to send pictures and sugarcraft news to Christine and Ann for our website and Facebook page, or like, comment and share via the Facebook page. Please ask the permission of anyone featured in photos and keep personal details to a minimum for these sites which will help to keep everyone safe from scams etc. I know that we have permission to have personal data on our members which we do not share with other people and is only available to me and the secretary, but if we post photos from club meetings or workshops please let us know if you do not wish to be in the photo.

Sales table. Don't forget to look on our bargain basement sales table, we accept donations or if you have equipment to sell we take 10% commission. Please label with your name and price and take home anything that does not sell. We do not take large cake tins, cake stands or books as we have nowhere to store them.

Special offer of attending 1 meeting for free for visitors still applies so please spread the word as we would love to see more people at our meetings and hopefully show people our craft.

We have posters available if anyone can display them or distribute to various locations e.g. libraries or village magazines.

Regards Sue