

Southwell and Nottingham Branch report to the 2019 AGM

During the course of the past year our members have enjoyed a number of meetings, including a visit to Flower Pod, close to Southwell, where we learned about the work undertaken to support people of all ages with mental health issues; toured the gardens, purchased flowers and rounded off the visit with tea and cake.

Our meetings at Attenborough, Hucknall and Bramcote included demonstrations and workshops run by members and guest demonstrators, and a presentation on flower arranging post-Oasis was of topical and of particular interest to many.

We continued the tradition of CEFAA members undertaking an annual flower arrangement in Southwell Minster, and individual members joined in the Association Chain of Flowers in June their individual churches.

Promotion of our Association is encouraged at our church events such as Christmas Tree festivals and on our individual church websites and notice boards, and we are pleased that we have been able to welcome one or two new members this year, although sadly, we have been affected by the loss of some elderly members.

Overall the branch and its committee remain positive and enthusiastic about the future as we continue to see the pleasure flower arrangements in our churches offer to congregation and visitors alike, as well as the personal pleasure it offers to us.

Frances Yates, Branch Chair

Presented by Annette Godfrey, Vice Chair