U3A FLOWER ARRANGING

MAIDS MORETON

Despite the constraints of the Covid lockdowns over the last year, this happy Group of ladies have been able to continue with the monthly Meetings. It has only been possible as the three Demonstrators have turned to and been prepared to explore technology as a new way of communicating.

The Demonstrators have cleverly adapted their Arrangements to fit within the ‘free’ time allowed on ZOOM and the demonstration has fortunately always been completed, as sometimes the Sessions have come to rather an abrupt end! With regard to the ladies that are not able to access ZOOM, notes are typed up on the requirements and methodology of the Floral Arrangement together with photos to demonstrate the Arrangement at various stages, and these have been circulated by e-mail.

We have had a regular attendance of between 10-12 ladies at most Sessions, so nearly 50% of those that had enrolled for the year. We have missed, as has everyone, the social interaction of being in the Village Hall and having taken a straw poll, as the rest of the year is so uncertain , it has been agreed to remain for the time being with the Sessions on ZOOM, in the hope by September 2021, all will have had their full vaccination dose and we can return to our normal Session in the Village Hall on the third Tuesday of the month.

As Group Coordinator, I would like to take this opportunity to thank the three Demonstrators for being so willing to stay on board, for all the preparation that has gone on beforehand by them so that the Floral Arrangements are easy to follow on screen, which has made it possible for this Group to continue.