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# Market Square Quilters

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## December Meeting



Beverley brought in a wallhanging which she had completed for Christmas—she was particularly pleased with her inspiration to put a bauble on the hanger.

Sue brought her finished Little Houses quilt which had been enhanced with small red buttons and also tiny buttons for the doorhandles.

## Next Meeting— January 24th

### **St Francis de Sales at 7.15pm**

There are no organised activities so bring some stitching of your own.

Maybe you received something for Christmas which you would like to show everybody.

If you have something which would be interesting to show at the visit to North Hampshire Quilters on February 7th and you are not able to go yourself, please bring it to the January meeting and someone will take it for you.

## SOS—Saturday 27th January

### **St George's hall 10am—4pm**

Either bring your own work or join in with Beverley's (Friendship?) Quilt.

## Stitch and Chat—Wednesday 3rd January

### **The Castle School 7pm—10pm**

Bring some stitching and come and browse the library.

**Invitation**— North Hampshire Quilters have invited us to their meeting on Wednesday 7th February to Show and Tell our work. If you are interested in going to this evening meeting please contact Sandra for the arrangements for getting there.



Several people had taken part in the Christmas Challenge which was to take inspiration from a Christmas card and produced a stitched piece. This is Jenny's which she had turned in to a wallhanging but the original card was also a linocut which she had designed herself.

Well done to everybody who took part. Also thanks for all the delicious food contributions to the Christmas party. It was a happy night with a quiz organised by Sandra and the usual hilarity during the Fat Quarters Game.

*HAPPY NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL*

*P.S.* Just in case you are in need of fabric—there is a Quilters Fair at Farnham Maltings GU9 7QR on 14th January and an exhibition by Village Green Quilters

## **Mottisfont Abbey**

There is an exhibition of the work of Kaffe Fassett on at the moment at this National Trust property in Hampshire. It runs until 14th January.

## **Events**

There are various workshops at our more local quilt shops

[www.juberry.co.uk](http://www.juberry.co.uk)

[www.quiltersdream.co.uk](http://www.quiltersdream.co.uk)

[www.villagefabrics.co.uk](http://www.villagefabrics.co.uk)

[www.newthreads.com](http://www.newthreads.com)

[www.purple-stitches.com](http://www.purple-stitches.com)

[www.ladysewandsew.com](http://www.ladysewandsew.com)

Lady Sew & Sew now have a yarn department if you are in to knitting.

Our nearest wool specialist is **Yarnfest** at Hermitage where they do classes and social knitting [Yarnfest.co.uk](http://Yarnfest.co.uk)

Also specialist yarns at **Skein Queen** World's End.

Joanne and Sandra at Lorne Hill have published a new list of classes.

[www.lornehillquilts.com](http://www.lornehillquilts.com)

## **Forthcoming Events**

[nationalneedleworkarchive.org.uk](http://nationalneedleworkarchive.org.uk)

### **Lady Sew and Sew**

7th Jan—Winter sale begins and continues through January

### **Purple Stitches**

They are organising a Quilters Retreat 16th-18th March

### **West Berkshire Museum**

Details of next years events are on West Berkshire Heritage site. There a day classes in flower arranging, watercolours, willow, pottery etc.

## **Forthcoming MSQ Events**

### **Greenham Sewing Sisters –**

We meet on the second Thursday of every month in the Paddock Room at St Marys Church Hall, Greenham 10.00am – 3.00pm. Fee is £3 and that goes towards tea, coffee, biscuits and hall hire. We hope that more of you will come along and join us in future and enjoy the company of fellow quilters and have a sew and natter.

### **Other meetings are:**

1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of month at The Castle School 7 – 10pm.

The Club library is held here so if you want to borrow any books or DVD's etc. come along to look.

4th Wednesday at St Francis de Sales Hall 7.15—10pm

## **Embroiderers Guild**

### **Quilt stands**

Please bear in mind that we could do with a new storage space for our quilt stands at some point so let us know if you hear of anywhere.

### **Quilt Show dates for 2018**

I had not realised that there were so many until I saw this leaflet! [www.grosvenorshows.co.uk](http://www.grosvenorshows.co.uk)

Jan	19th-21st	Newark
Jan	26th-28th	Ardingly
Feb	16th-18th	Edinburgh
Feb	23rd-25th	Harrogate
March	2nd-4th	Duxford
April	6th-8th	Exeter
May	17th –20th	Malvern
June	1st-2nd	Spalding
June	22nd-24th	Esher
Aug	31st-2nd	Harrogate
Oct	19th-21st	Malvern
Oct	26th-28th	Duxford
Nov	9th-10th	Maidstone
Dec	7th-8th	Spalding





## **FACEBOOK PAGE**

I know that many of you have visited the page and hope you find it useful. Please spread the word with your quilting and sewing friends and ask them to like our page – the more members we have the more we can get our message around.

## **WEB PAGE [www.marketsquarequilters.co.uk](http://www.marketsquarequilters.co.uk)**

**LIBRARY** – If you are not able to make it to The Castle School on the first Wednesday of each month 7 -10pm to borrow books you could email me with any requests and I could bring them to the monthly meeting. I will bring a selection of books to each monthly meeting. A list was attached to the November newsletter.

**FOR SALE/WANTED/FREecycle/HELP!** If you have any items to pass on or are having problems with a technique or need help to get started on a project, please email me the details and I will notify members in the newsletter.

## **Copy**

I will be happy to include in the newsletter any reports of exhibitions, workshops, shops etc. which members have found interesting. Please send them to me at [caroline2226@gmail.com](mailto:caroline2226@gmail.com)