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Market Square Quilters

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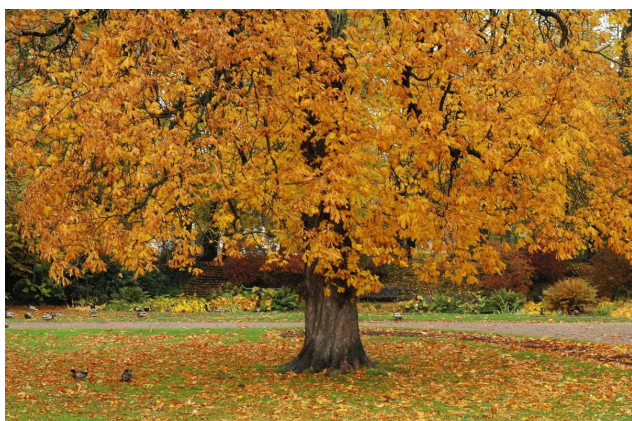
Next Meeting— 24th October

St Francis de Sales at 7.15pm

The October meeting will have a **Halloween** Show and Tell



There will be sign-up sheet for food contributions at the Club Day on 3rd November.



AGM

As all of the officers and committee were willing to stand for another year the AGM business was quickly dealt with.

The minutes of the last AGM were accepted with no matters arising. Sandra gave a Chairpersons report on the activities during the year and Gail followed with a report on all the demonstrations and workshops which had been run.

Sue read through the accounts which had been audited by Barbara and these were accepted. Sue confirmed that the subs would not need to be increased for another year and that there was a healthy bank balance which should see the Club through the next exhibition in 2020.

The committee was duly re-appointed and thanked and the meeting closed.

September Meeting

There was a good turn out for the meeting and plenty of things to show on an autumnal theme. Some of these were the result of a previous Club Challenge to make something with Autumn leaves on it—this was my quillow and there is a quilt on the next page from Joanne.



Jenny also brought an embroidered leaf hanging but I failed to photograph it, sorry. However she also brought a hand quilted blue and brown quilt.



Show and Tell



A large colourful quilt by Cat which she quilted at Juberry..



Joanne's leaf bordered quilt and a Harvest Home design.



and another very successful design.



Sue C had made a quilt and matching cushion using old Laura Ashley fabric.



An Autumnal quilt by Jenny which she has backed with a Liberty shawl.



Two small cross stitch cushions by Jacqui.



Helene made a baby quilt and once again there were lots of premmie quilts, including 20 from a friend of Maureen who lives in Thatcham.



from Val, June,



Jan and Lesley, and another pile from Pam. Thank you.



Jacqui showed us a bag which she had made up with an old wooden handle which had been lurking in her sewing cupboard. Thank you to our activities organisers for the inspiration.

Which brings me to the **Christmas Challenge** :-

Make a 'container', a bag, stocking, box etc. using one of the techniques which have been demonstrated through the year. This does not have to be Christmassy.

Bring it along to Show and Tell at the Christmas Party .



Demonstration of corded handles

Rita and Gail talked through the process of making a cord to use as a strap on a bag. Almost any threads can be used and either wound around a card and zig-zagged over,



or spun on a special gadget which



winds them together..



Quilt Stands - update

Having not found a storage solution at the time of the AGM , the only answer seemed to be dividing them up amongst members—that or have a bonfire....!

However, I am pleased to report that Geraldine has agreed to store them in the short term (and she was not even at the meeting) but the long term problem still remains so keep your suggestions coming please.

Club Day

Saturday November 3rd Club Day. This is a bi-annual meeting with lunch which welcomes visitors to hear two lecturers speaking about their specialist areas of quilting. If you would like to take a peek at their work go to :-

Kate Findlay –artsfindlay.co.uk

Catherine Lawes –catherinelawestextiles.com

There will also be two traders tempting us with their wares—Purple Stitches www.purple-stitches.com and Quilters Dream www.quiltersdream.co.uk

The cost is £12 for members and £15 for visitors and a shared lunch is included. This can be paid to Sue at the next meeting or on the day. There will be sign up sheet for contributions of food at the October meeting.

It will be held at St. George's Church Hall on Andover Road, Wash Common RG14 6NU

Forthcoming Events

There are various workshops at our more local quilt shops

www.juberry.co.uk

www.quiltersdream.co.uk

www.villagefabrics.co.uk

www.newthreads.com

www.purple-stitches.com

www.ladysewandsew.com

lornehillquilts@yahoo.co.uk

nationalneedleworkarchive.org.uk

Lady Sew and Sew

Nov 6/7th—2 day tuffet workshop

Nov 14th— Borders and bindings workshop

Village Fabrics

Oct 19th—Origami candle surround workshop

Nov 3rd—End of Bolt sale with 20%off

Nov22nd—Xmas Foundation Piecing workshop

Purple Stitches

Oct 28th—Fussy cutting for EPP workshop

Nov 1st— Crazy patchwork scrap buster workshop

Dec 1st—Improvised Piecing modern workshop

Meadow Quilters

December 1st—Christmas Fair 10—3

Charvil Village Hall, RG10 9TT

National Needlework Archive

Oct 9th-Dec 6th—Fusing Fabric exhibition by Mary Beal

Nov 3rd—Xmas sack workshop

Dec1st—Cathedral windows Christmas workshop

New Threads

Oct 20th—Apple core workshop (hand)

Nov 10th—Table runner in a day workshop

Quilters Dream

Oct 27th—Advent calendar workshop

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Our own Joanne and Sandra have now published a list of their Autumn workshops—have a look . These are not all quilting—they have knitting, crochet, wreath making etc. They also have a drop-in stitch and chat session on a Tuesday morning.

St Thomas's Hospital in London has put out an appeal for pairs of knitted 5" bonding squares—one for mother and one for baby to familiarise each with the others smell. Apparently most neonatal departments use them so we may be able to send them to Basingstoke along with our preemie quilts.

As long as they are washable any wool will do. This heart design can be found at

www.emilysstar.co.uk/knitting-patterns.html

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:

1st 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

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Embroiderers Guild

www.newbury-embroiderers.co.uk for more details of their events this year.

Jane Austen House Chawton

As well as displaying the quilt made by Jane Austen and her sisters the museum is showing a community quilt made to celebrate the bicentenary of her birth throughout 2018.

Welsh Quilt Centre

The exhibition is a re-cap of the last ten years of exhibitions so there is a good variety of hand stitched Welsh quilts from the collection of Jen Jones. The centre is closing in November so this is the last chance to see them . www.welshquilts.com

Victoria and Albert Museum

Fashioned by Nature

This exhibition is on until 27th January and explores the influences of nature on fashion and what we wear from 1600 to the present day. The fashions are displayed alongside natural history specimens and examples of new developments in fabrics and dyes .

Royal School of Needlework

Animals in Embroidery

On until the end of December

Malvern Autumn Quilt Show

19th to 21st October

Knitting and Stitching Show

Alexandra Palace 11th—14th October



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.

I am pleased to report that I did manage to get a dress-makers dummy from Daphne—now I feel I can tackle my piece of Liberty linen!

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.

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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

Quilters Guild

Being more involved in the regional QG is still being investigated....

At the moment MSQ is a member of The Quilters Guild which has no specific benefit to members apart from the very important insurance cover. We do receive a quarterly magazine which is full of interesting articles and also a regional newsletter (we are region 6) so if you would like to see these please ask at a meeting. Back copies are kept in the library.

www.quiltersguild.co.uk

By the By

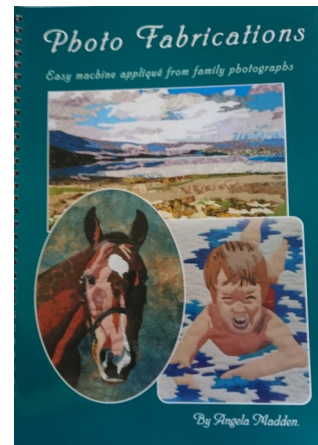
I see that there is a range of Harry Potter fabrics out now if anybody is that way inclined.

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Do you know what a **STABLE** is?

A Stash That's Accumulated Beyond

Life Expectancy

I bet I am not the only one who has one of these!!



Ever fancied turning a photograph into a fabric creation?

Somebody (sorry I cant remember who) gave me this book to put in to the Club library and I had a glance through it before putting it away. I was very impressed with how clear the instructions were so please get in touch with me if you would like to see it.

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 attach an updated list of books with this newsletter.