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Market Square Zuilters

May Meeting

A visit from Juberry Fabrics



The meeting was opened by Pauline as Sandra was unwell.

The main business of the evening was a dealt with by Sue and was a proposal to increase fees from the AGM in September. Annual Subscription will be increased to £30pa but most other costs will stay the same apart from SOS Days which will be £5 for a whole day and £3 for half.

This was proposed by Sue, the Treasurer, seconded by Beverley and the motion was carried.

The only other change was that members over 80 should have free membership—which was great news for one member who turned eighty the following weekend!

Thanks—many thanks to Geraldine, Julia and their husbands for once more moving the quilt stands. They still need a more permanent home after the show next year so please bear this in mind.

Malvern Quilt Show

Sue was thanked for organising the bus and the tickets for Malvern—42 members and friends went on the trip.

It was a beautiful day so we were able to eat our lunches outside and use the outside catering areas for hot drinks or ice-cream as required.

The Show was of the usual high standard with plenty of trad-



ers, many with discounted fabrics. It was a shame to hear that there had been a problem with things being stolen which may put them off coming again.....

Chairperson Sandra Harris

Treasurer Sue Dobbs

Secretary Pauline Byrne

Workshops Rita Maton

Gail Winter

Geraldine Priest

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Refreshments Pat Blatchford

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Raffle Joanne Rabbitts

Sandra Kidwell

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WEB PAGE www.marketsquarequilters.co.uk

Next Meeting— this will focus on applique techniques so please bring any examples of applique for Show and Tell.

The SOS day on 15th June has had to be changed so it can now be used for working on the charity quilts or for doing your own work. It is a good opportunity to escape the house and spend a few hours doing uninterrupted sewing...

Next meetings are:-

The Castle School Wed 5th June 7—10pm

St Mary's Greenham Thurs 13th June 10 –3 pm

St George's Church Hall Sat 15th June SOS 10—4pm



Hothouse

Flowers -

one of the

winning entries at Malvern.

What to do with an old tray cloth...

Show and Tell



A small handbag made using a photoprint—this was purchased by Sandra because she just could not resist!



A needlecase made by Helene



A small quilt made by Geraldine entitled Painted Desert



Two samples by Rita and June—the results of a recent Embroiderers Guild workshop using organza and sheers which have been machine stitched and then cut out using a soldering iron.



Two small containers made by Bev which she says are very quick to make and might be suitable for the sales table at the next Show.

This month's batch of Premmie Quilts



This pink and green premmie is made from blocks quilted by June's Mother many years ago .



These delicate quilts have been beautifully hand quilted by an old member—Jeannie.



Sue has used some jolly bee fabric and Mo some Hello Kitty.

Talk by Juberry Fabrics

Julie had kindly come to give us a talk about using precut packs such as Jelly Rolls, Layer Cakes etc.

Juberry is our closest quilt supply shop but Julie began by announcing that the shop will soon be closing and she will be moving the business to Wales. This is sad news for us as she has helped many members with advice about their projects over the last few years.

However, she passed on some useful information and ideas.

The advantage of using pre-cut packs is not only the time and accuracy saved in cutting but also that the colour co-ordination has already been done so there is little waste. There are many variations

Mini—42 x 2 1/2 inch squares

Charm—42 x 5 inch squares

Layer Cake-42 x 10 inch squares

Jelly roll—42 x 1/2 inch strips the width of the fabric

Dessert roll—42 x 5 inch strips

Honeycomb—a hexagon pack

Honeybun—sashing strips

These are made up of about 30 different fabrics depending upon the range so only a few of them are repeated.

One piece of advice given when using jelly roll strips for something like a Jelly Race (check the Missouri Star Company if you do not know what this is!) the strips should be sewn in one direction and the next one in the other to avoid getting a banana shaped quilt top..

Moda is one of the main companies that makes precuts and there are many free patterns on their web site under Moda Bake Patterns.

Julie brought some samples of things which she has made using pre-cut packs.

Here is a table runner using a Mini Pack





and a cushion using a Charm Pack.

We wish Julie all the best with her new venture and will pass on any information about her business.

The Soldiers Charity

Here is a Flag of Thanks made by Linda to send to the Sewing Soldier for Armed Forces Day.



The flags will be on display at St. Thomas's Church, Salisbury from 24th to 30th June.

The flags will then be made into quilts, bags etc. for veterans and members of the forces community.



The favourite entry at Malvern.



Part of a redwork quilt on a British theme.

Some of the work inspired by Dorchester Abbey at the Region 6 display.

Festival of Quilts

There are two local shops running coaches to the FOQ.

Village Fabrics on Friday £36 inc entrance

Quilters Dream on Saturday £38 inc entrance

Their web addresses are on the next page.

Fabric Fayre

July 20th—there will be another Fabric Fayre at The Old Barn Great Bookham KT23 3PQ

Thirteen traders will be there and they have mini workshops which can be booked on the day—it is a good idea to get there early enough to get a place.

Entrance is £3 with profits going to Princess Alice Hospice

Farnham Maltings

June 8th—Thread—a celebration of textiles with workshops, talks, demonstrations and traders.

Region 6

June 15th and 16th—a display of work made over the last 10 years at The Cloisters Gallery Oxford OX4 1JX

July 6th—workshop with Monkey Buttons at Benson Parish Hall OX10 6LZ www.monkeybuttons.com

Victoria and Albert Museum

Mary Quant from 6th April and in to next year

Royal School of Needlework

The Embroidered Home

An historical exhibition on until August

NNA Greenham

Apr 30th—July 11th—needlework by members of **Berkshire Women's Institute** over the past 100 years.

Tues—Thurs 10am—4pm and Sat 6th July





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

JuBerry The shop is closing later this year to

become an online business.

Quilters Dream June 22nd- Scrap Challenge

- EPP cushion Aug 3rd— coach to FOQ

Village Fabrics June 21st—Create a Landscape

July 30th— meet Jenny Doan from the

Missouri Star Quilt Company Aug 2nd—coach to FOQ

New Threads

Purple Stitches July 6th—Roman blind w'shop

Lady Sew and Sew Jun 7th —machine quilting for the

terrified with Dawn Cameron Dick June 3rd-14th—Wendy Nicholson Picking up the Threads exhibition

Lorne Hill

Our own Joanne and Sandra have published a list of their workshops at East Garston—have a look . There is a beginners quilting course but they are not all quilting—they also have knitting, crochet, etc.

They have a friendly drop-in stitch and chat session on a Tuesday morning. lornehillquilts@yahoo.co.uk



Embroiderers Guild

Some of our members also belong to the Newbury branch. Go to www.newbury-embroiderers.co.uk for more details of their events this year. There is a packed programme for 2019 and they meet in the same hall at St. Francis on a Monday evening. Visitors welcome. www.newbury-embroiderers.co.uk

This month 10th June, Caroline Marriot will talk about A Journey Through Textiles and demonstrate her working methods.

Forthcoming MSQ Events

Activities 2019

The theme this year will be reinforcing basic techniques and sharing members experiences of using kits, gadgets, pre-cut packs etc This will include mistakes made and lessons learnt.

SOS days are June 15th and October 26th.

SOS days are held in St. George's Hall Andover Road RG14 6NV 10—4 pm and cost £3. Bring own lunch.

Greenham Sewing Sisters

Meet on the second Thursday of every month in the Paddock Room at St Marys Church Hall, Greenham RG19 8RZ 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^{st} Wednesday of month at The Castle School RG14 2JG 7 – 10pm. Also an opportunity to stitch and natter and to get to know people.

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 is the main Club evening.

Bring and Buy

There will be another opportunity to have a sort out and sell some of your bits and bobs at the Club meeting on 24th July



Some more Malvern quilts.....

West Berkshire Heritage based at the museum and at Shaw House have organised lots of workshops—from design your own perfume in March to making a willow bird feeder in July and there is even Patchwork for Beginners!

www.westberkshireheritage.org/whats-on

New exhibitions at the museum are Nick Schlee who is a local landscape artist and next week Focus on Lambourn is beginning.

NNA Greenham

There is a full programme of events and exhibitions on the website

www.nationalneedleworkarchive.org.uk

Quilters Guild

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

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.

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

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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

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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.