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Market Square Quilters

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Next Meeting— Next meetings are:-

Wednesday 24th July

Bring and Buy Sale bring any items for sale and a named pot for the money. Don't forget to bring some cash with you!!

The talk will be about **Useful Gadgets** so please bring anything that you think might be interesting for other members to see—also anything which you feel did not do the job it was sold for.....

We could still do with some more contributions for the Linus suitcase so if members could donate one or two fat quarters they would be put to good use.

There will be a sign up sheet for food contributions for the August Pudding Party.

The Castle School Wed 3rd July 7—10pm

St Mary's Greenham Thurs 11th July 10 –3 pm

June Meeting

Sandra welcomed everybody and received quite a few apologies—including me so I have been sent details of the meeting.

Sandra pointed out that there had been a very poor attendance at the recent SOS which had not only slowed progress on the Snakes and Ladders charity quilt but also meant that the Club had lost about £40 on the hire of the hall.

Members were asked to suggest workshops which they would like to attend in the future.

A visit to Village Fabrics including a workshop was suggested and many people seemed interested so the costs will be worked out asap and names taken.

The August meeting will be the Pudding Party and members were challenged to bring anything which they had made with a **Floral** theme—I imagine most people have got something so it should be a good Show and Tell.

In the meantime please continue to make Mug Rugs for the tombola at the Exhibition.



Jenny San surprised everybody with a quiz based upon a sampler quilt which she had made—members had to guess the names of the twenty blocks. Cat won a box of chocolates which she then shared with the group.

Unfortunately this reduced the time which had been allocated for an exchange of ideas and knowledge about aspects of applique. Gail gathered members around a table which held samples and an informal session was held.

Applique

This is an ancient technique practised in most cultures and is a method of securing one piece of fabric on top of another which can be done by hand or machine.

There is much more freedom in design than in patchwork - as the pieces do not have to be jig-sawed together so it allows for flowing lines in the motifs e.g. flowers, leaves, animals etc.

Usually the edges of the motif have to be turned under which can be fiddly but the introduction of fusible web and reliable machine embroidery stitches can allow a more speedy result. Felt is also in fashion as an applique material at present.....

Most people though enjoy building up their designs with hand stitching. These examples are by Maureen who has made many applique and Baltimore quilts.



hand



machine



needle-turned



San Blas applique from Central America



This quilt is by Cat

and this one by Liz H



Show and Tell



A strippy cushion by Sandra H



and a very smartly dressed hare by Sue D.



A colourful quilt by Pat Bur—this is her Storm Quilt as it was stitched when she was housebound by Hurricane Irma!



and lastly some of the knitted donkeys which Sandra H makes for the Dorset Donkey Sanctuary.

This month's batch of Premmie Quilts



If you can, please donate some material so that more of these much appreciated quilts can be sent to Basingstoke Premature Baby Unit.

Workshop at The Anvil, Basingstoke

Elaine noticed this workshop coming up in November which some members might be interested in .

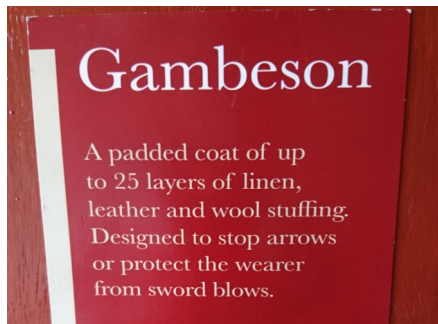
1 & 21 Nov / 10am - 1pm
**ENGLISH PAPER PIECING
(CHRISTMAS PROJECT)**
A hand quilting method of folding fabric over paper/card templates and then hand sewing the pieces together. Please bring your own sewing kit.
£36

Wed 13 Nov / 7 - 9pm
CROCHET
Come and learn the basics of crochet and how to learn to make a classic Granny square.
£55

By-the-by



Another historic piece of quilting for you, spotted on a day out to Arundel Castle—an early stab vest!



Forthcoming Events

There are various workshops at our more local quilt shops

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 closed and is now an online business.

julie.betts@juberry.co.uk

Quilters Dream

Aug 3rd— coach to FOQ
Aug 19-23rd Summer School

Village Fabrics

July 30th— meet Jenny Doan from the Missouri Star Quilt Company
Aug 2nd—coach to FOQ
Aug 16th—machine quilting
Aug 17th—SALE
Aug 31st—create a seascape

New Threads

Purple Stitches

July 6th—Roman blind w'shop
July 13th—bolster cushion

Lady Sew and Sew

July 1st—ONLINE SALE
July 14th WAREHOUSE SALE

Lorne Hill Quilting

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

Festival of Quilts

August 1st—4th NEC Birmingham

The Guild is celebrating its 40th birthday so it should be a good year to go. I see that one of the displays is of Baltimore Album quilts, both old and new, from America so anybody who likes applique should enjoy that.

There is still time to send in Little Boxes for the Region 6 tombola—they need to be received by 26th July.

Send to Tina McEwen, 8 Cross Road, Cholsey, Oxon OX10 9PE

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

Region 6

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— last chance

An historical exhibition on until August

August 1st—26th Ecclesiastical Embroidery at

Exeter Cathedral

NNA Greenham

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

Tues—Thurs 10am—4pm and Sat 6th July

West Country Textile Show

August 29th—31st UWE Bristol

A good show for those who enjoy all forms of textiles not just quilting.

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

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 day on October 26th with a focus on free machine quilting.

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

Other meetings are:

1st 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.

2nd Thursday of each month in the Paddock Room at St Marys Church Hall, Greenham RG19 8RZ 10.00am – 3.00pm.

Fee is £3 for tea, coffee, biscuits and hall hire. W

4th Wednesday at St Francis de Sales Hall 7.15—10pm which is the main Club evening.

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.

My daughter has asked me to look out for a sewing machine for her. A fairly modern machine with speed control, drop feed dogs, needle down etc. Bernina or Janome would be preferred so if anybody is thinking of changing theirs this side of Christmas please let me know.

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

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.

