



# SNIPPETS

The Farnham Quilters' Newsletter

August 2021

Please send items for September Snippets by 31 August to [ruthandpeterh@gmail.com](mailto:ruthandpeterh@gmail.com). If you have been to an exhibition or found an interesting shop or website, please share!

## Coffee Rota Reminder.



## The Next Few Months at FQ

9 August – Outdoor meeting in Farnham Park  
Details to follow.

## What's on Elsewhere

### 29 May – 31 October

'The Joy is in the Making', National Trust, Standen House and Garden, West Hoathly Road, East Grinstead, West Sussex, RH19 4NE 10.00 – 4.30 . Well known makers demonstrate their creative craft. Featuring The Great Pottery Throw Down judge and ceramicist Keith Brymer Jones, world-renowned knitting, needlepoint and patchwork expert **Kaffe Fassett**, embroidery artist Niamh Wimperis, recently seen on The Victorian House of Arts and Crafts, internationally exhibited textile artist Mr X Stitch plus well-known presenter turned photographer Edith Bowman.

<https://www.nationaltrust.org.uk/standen-house-and-garden/features/the-joy-is-in-the-making->

## What's on Elsewhere (cont'd)

### 28 August - 4 September 2021

'Nature's Hidden Beauty' exhibition by Natural Selection at Cowslip workshops, Newhouse Farm St Stephens, Launceston. 10.00 – 4.00 pm  
[www.cowslipworkshops.co.uk](http://www.cowslipworkshops.co.uk)

### 10-12 September

Great Northern Quilt Show, Great Yorkshire Showground, Harrogate. 10-4.30 [www.grosvenorshows.co.uk](http://www.grosvenorshows.co.uk)

### 17-18 September

Liberty/Project Linus Challenge Exhibition, Witney Methodist Church, High Street, Witney. 10-4.00. Exhibition of quilts made by quilters in Oxfordshire with fabric donated by Liberty of London for Project Linus. Free admission.  
[jandmmetcalfe@gmail.com](mailto:jandmmetcalfe@gmail.com)

### 22-27 September

'New Beginnings', an exhibition by new group Chichester Creative Textiles, at Oxmarket Centre of Arts, East Street, Chichester. Tues-Sat 10-4.20 (Sun 3.30). Free admission. Contact: Phyl Wilson 01243 782797

### 15-17 October

Autumn Quilt Festival, Three Counties Showground, Malvern. 10-4.30 (Sun 4). See website for adm. Prices.  
[www.grosvenorshows.co.uk](http://www.grosvenorshows.co.uk)

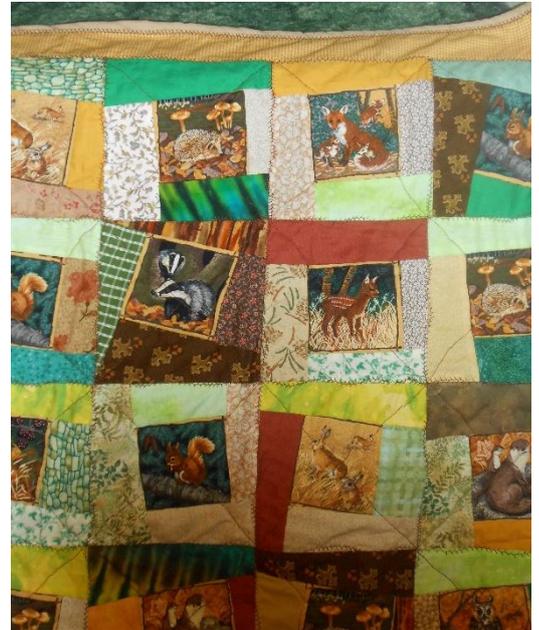
### 12<sup>th</sup> February 2022,

The Fairground Hall, Weyhill, Andover, Hants. SP11 0QN, 9.30am – 4.00pm

## Last Month's Meeting

After over a year of Zoom meetings it would have been great to meet up as planned in Farnham Park, especially as July has traditionally been our Garden Party meeting. Sadly, the Rain Gods had other ideas, so it was back to Zoom... which 11 of us joined.

Margaret M showed us a quilt she had been making for Linus using animal pictures (donated by Margaret L) surrounded by crazy piecing.



Brigitte was working on some hand-piecing using rectangle scraps – and had TWO Christmas quilts cut out and ready to be made!



Lyn had been busy with a striking diamond scrap design.

These all led on to the inevitable discussion about scraps and their propensity to multiply. Throwing away fabric, even ugly fabric), is just not on! Perhaps we should have a material swap when we at last get to meet up in the Hall. In the meantime, if you are so inclined, there are plenty of ideas out there on the internet to use up those pieces you have no idea why you ever acquired in the first place.... (see below 'Ugly Fabric')

## Message from the Committee

Hello Ladies

It was a real shame that we were unable to meet up in Farnham Park on the 12<sup>th</sup> July but the weather was really bad!! Connie will be hosting the 9<sup>th</sup> August meeting as I will be off sailing in the Irish Sea. She is going to try again for Farnham Park (Weather permitting!!) or on Zoom if the weather is bad again. Further details to follow once closer to the date.

Thank you to everyone who joined the Zoom call on the 12<sup>th</sup> July and thank you for all your suggestions for recruiting new members. We will put a flyer together and we can start putting it up around Farnham and see what response we get. Thank you also for all your assistance and suggestions on how to support new members.

But, I don't want to forget our existing members. I know that some of you are extremely skilled and qualified in your quilt making, but I also appreciate that there may be a few of you (like me) who haven't been doing it long and want to learn some new tips and tricks. Or maybe you have been piecing and quilting for quite a while but there are techniques you tend to avoid because you haven't been happy with the results, and you would be interested in having another go at getting to grips with them. So please let me know if any of you would like any skills sessions or is it just me!! If you know what you would like to learn then please offer suggestions and we can see how we can bring it all together.

Please also start thinking about whether you would be able to help on the committee next year, as currently it will only be Ann Grainger and myself!

Happy quilting and looking forward to meeting up soon  
Natalie & the committee

### Linus Quilts

If all had gone according to plan, the July meeting would have been an opportunity for Val to collect any quilts anybody had made for Linus etc. So please bring them along to the August meeting in the Park instead. If that isn't possible, get in touch with Carole to make alternative arrangements.

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## Guild News

### Festival of Quilts Visitors' Choice

The Visitors' Choice is voted for by visitors to the FOQ. This year, all quilts entered will be displayed on the FOQ website after the show. The public will be invited to vote for their favourite on the website. The winner will be announced at the end of August and will receive prize money of £500. <https://www.thefestivalofquilts.co.uk/visitors-choice-award/>

### The Janome Fine Art Textiles Award Shortlist revealed

The international juried exhibition recognises the creative talents and skills of a broad community of high-calibre artists using textiles, cloth and thread as their primary medium. The award is open to amateur and practising artists producing gallery-quality fine art.





Shortlisted works will be on public display at an exhibition at the Festival of Quilts at the NEC Birmingham from 29 July – 1 August and at The knitting & Stitching Show in London and Harrogate this Autumn. <https://www.theknittingandstitchingshow.com/>



The winner of The Janome Fine Art Award 2021 and the award for Innovative Use of Textiles, sponsored by Her Quiet Materials will be announced at The Festival of Quilts Awards Ceremony at 12.30 pm on 29 July at the NEC Birmingham.

*(Images represent a small selection of the shortlisted entries).*

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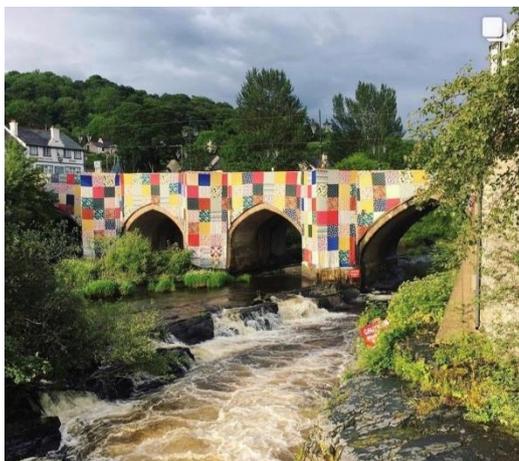
### **Ugly Fabric**

'5 Ways to use Ugly Fabric' including free quilt pattern (note: the pattern is towards the end of the video).



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=RePQz1eN5Ko>

### **Bridges, not Walls**



A giant patchwork art installation has been unveiled on a bridge to mark the beginning of a music and dance festival. Bridges, Not Walls, by Luke Jerram, has been installed on Llangollen Bridge in North Wales as part of the Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod. The artwork consists of 800 handcrafted squares of fabric made by people from the local community and around the world. It covers both sides of the bridge, which is nearly 200ft (60m) long.

Jerram said of his artwork: "From the moment I saw it, Llangollen Bridge struck me as incredibly powerful, both physically and symbolically. The message and celebration of peace is at the heart of the Llangollen Eisteddfod and so this historic bridge, one of the seven wonders of Wales, makes the perfect canvas. "As Sir Isaac Newton once said 'We build too many walls and not

enough bridges'. "From Israel to the USA, we are at last exploring the possibility of building bridges rather than walls."

Llangollen International Musical Eisteddfod is largely taking place online this year, with most events being made available free of charge

### **The Crafty Nomad – new Free Motion Quilting online course**

Confident & Joyful Free Motion Quilting – 4 Week Course for Domestic (Regular) Machines.

The course will begin on the 4th of September 2021. Its aim is to banish your Free Motion Quilting Fears. So if you're scared of ruining your pieced quilt tops with free motion quilting, and always pay to send your quilt tops out to long arm quilters, then this course could be just what you are looking for! If you wish you could quilt it yourself on your domestic machine, then join in and learn how to free motion quilt with confidence AND enjoy the process. No more getting frustrated with your results. You'll learn how to set up the machine and all the tips and tricks for a smooth process, as well as how to form lots of designs of course!

Cost £75. <https://sewingschool.thecraftynomad.co.uk/courses/joyful-fmq>

### **Pre-order Quilt Kits from Cotton Patch**

Have a browse through their new Special Projects ebook. You can flip through this 100+ page book, packed with current and pre-order quilt kits, on

<https://user-13729161406.cld.bz/Patchwork-Quilting-UK>

