



# SNIPPETS

The Farnham Quilters' Newsletter

July 2017

Please send items for August Snippets by 31 July 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.

### July

Garden Party

### August

Sheila Musson and Lyn Stalybrass

### September

Pam Andrews and Connie DeVilliers

## The Next Few Months at FQ

### 10 July

Garden Party

11 Stephendale Road, Farnham, GU9 9QP

☸ There is limited parking in Stephendale Road. Alternative parking in hospital car park opposite.

☸ Please bring plate/glass/cutlery, a contribution to the food (with serving spoon) and a garden chair if possible

14 August

**Sew and Chat**

### 11 September

Sewing Evening: making Christmas decorations for Winterfest



## What's on Elsewhere

### 1st - 16th July

Romsey Quilt Festival, Romsey Abbey  
10 am - 4pm, subject to Services (See below)

### 15-16 July

C&G Certificate Exhibition, Regency House,  
Brunswick Square, Brighton BN1 2FJ  
10.00-4.00 pm Adm. Free  
Details [saracook3@ntlworld.com](mailto:saracook3@ntlworld.com)

### 15 July – 10 September

Art 'Dialogues' Guildford House, Guildford  
GU1 3AH. Daily 10.00-4.45 pm (11-4 Sunday)  
Adm free. Details [www.quiltart.eu](http://www.quiltart.eu) or  
[sara.impey@gmail.com](mailto:sara.impey@gmail.com)

### 4-31 August

Wessex Quiltmakers Jane Austen Celebration,  
exhibition of small quilts at Discovery Centre,  
Jewry Street, Winchester SO23 85B  
Mon-Fri 9.00am-7.00pm, Sat 9.00am-5.00pm,  
Sun 11.00am-3.00pm

### 10-13 August

The Festival of Quilts 2017  
Hall 7, 8 & 9 NEC, Birmingham

### 26 August

Fabric Fayre  
The Old Barn Hall, Church Road Bookham  
KT23 3PQ. 10.00 am – 4.00 pm

### 1-3 September

West Country Quilt & Textile Show  
Exhibition Centre, University of the West of  
England, Bristol BS34 8QZ  
Details: [westcountryquiltshow.co.uk](http://westcountryquiltshow.co.uk)

### 9 September

St Andrews Parish Fayre, Farnham  
See details below

## **Last Month's Meeting**

Belinda Jeffries and her daughter Penny gave a talk entitled 'Quilting, A Family Tradition'. Belinda showed us a series of beautiful quilts ranging from early ones in 'country' style and colour through to her current vibrant 'modern' quilts including one which she started at a Kaffe Fasset workshop and finished several years later! Penny won the Quilters' Guild BA Bursary in 2015 (see article in The Quilter Autumn 2015 page 5 of the Festival of Quilts supplement), studied textile art in Bath, spent a month working with Kaffe Fasset and now designs beautiful silk screen printed textiles.

Judy announced that we would not be taking part in the Farnham Carnival since the organisers had decided at very short notice that they would not be providing a craft marquee as promised. As we would obviously need to keep our quilts under cover for reasons both of security and the weather, we felt obliged to withdraw from this event..

However, this means that we are now able to participate in the St Andrews Summer Fair on Saturday 9 September where we will be 'under cover' inside the church/ It is Heritage Weekend so there will be lots of visitors around. If you have any of the kits that were handed out at the Hale sewing day, please don't forget to bring these in.

## **Guild News.**

### **Romsey Quilt Festival 1st - 16th July 2017**

This triannual exhibition is free and runs from 1st -16th July 2017. A descriptive catalogue is available at:[www.romseyfestival.org](http://www.romseyfestival.org) £2.50 which includes a discount voucher for Greenhill Patchwork Shop

Friday 7th July – concert in Romsey Abbey, at 7-30 pm, 'An Evening with Ricky Tims' – music, quilts and story-telling. Tickets, from £15, are available from the Romsey Tourist Information Centre or [www.ticketsource.co.uk/musicinromsey](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/musicinromsey)

Saturday, 8th July – A day- long Seminar will be held from 10. Am- 4.pm in The Lantern Theatre, Mountbatten School Romsey. This is in two parts with a break for lunch. The morning session is 'Rhapsody Quilts', in this information packed lecture/ demo you will learn the design process Ricky used in his award winning Bohemian Rhapsody and Fire Dragon Rhapsody quilts to create your own individual and unique quilt. Ricky will show how to design an original Rhapsody medallion while demonstrating some techniques that have made his quilts so memorable. There will then be a break for lunch which can be pre-ordered on arrival or you can bring your own picnic. The Second half of the day will be 'Machine Quilting Overload' where Ricky will share many of his secrets and methods for fine heirloom quality machine quilting on a domestic sewing machine. He'll teach the techniques used in his award-winning quilts. The cost of the day is £40. Tickets are available from the Romsey Tourist Information Centre or [www.ticketsource.co.uk/musicinromsey](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/musicinromsey)

### **Festival of Quilts 10 – 13 August**

Would you like a free ticket? All you have to do is some stewarding. Two sessions of 2 hours either early shift or late shift will gain you one of those tickets. Perks:

- Entrance to show from around 0830 when it's quiet.
- Cake to die for and drinks on tap (not alcoholic though)
- Your own loo
- Private stewards' room to dump your bags and tired feet
- Free catalogue

What do you have to do to earn your keep? Spend two hours guarding quilts or other exhibitions where you get to see the quilts at leisure, touch them with your white gloves on, chat to people. Shifts are either 9.30-11.30 and 1.30-3.30 or 11.30-1.30 and 3.30-5.00. If you are interested, email [gavin\\_ketchen@hotmail.com](mailto:gavin_ketchen@hotmail.com)

## **Handmade and Homegrown Festival at Hever – 1-3 September 2017**

Closing date for entries 30 June. Quilters' Guild Region 2 members' Challenge is "Forest Fauna", size A3. Non members may submit a quilt for the main display, or for Quilts Outside (using suitable materials), no theme or size limit. Entry forms and further information will be available on 8 May. Please ask Penny Savill for the Farnham Quilters' Affiliated Group number. Hanging fee is £5 for Guild members or £7.50 for non Guild members. Group entries are also encouraged.

Free entry ticket to all exhibitors – also free entry on the Friday for RHS members (Hever is an RHS Partner Garden). If you would like to make an item for their Tombola, the theme is Foxes this year.

### **Knitting Machines**

Revive and Thrive have a request from Kampala (where a lot of the sewing machines go ) for Knitting machines. Do you have one lurking in the loft or under the stairs? It must be in working order as they have no one to service it/them. If you no longer need it and can pass it on please contact Margaret Mullery 01252 549269 or [margaret@margeof.co.uk](mailto:margaret@margeof.co.uk)

### **Another Scenic Journey to a Quilt Show.**

Finding Basingstoke for the Roundabout Quilt show was easy, Finding All Saints Church wasn't too bad, my Sat Nav worked. Finding the car park was another matter. We could see the car park but had no idea how to get into it.

I drew up outside the church and asked a lady how to get to the car park which we could see from the road as it was behind the church. Her reply. Turn right, turn right again and then its rather tricky.

However after 30 minutes going round the notorious roundabouts in Basingstoke we found the car park. I did suggest to the organisers that another time if they put the post code of the car park on the leaflets or in magazines it would make my life easier and perhaps others too.

It was worth the effort plus getting hotter by the minute as once inside the cool church we were treated to a myriad of colours. Quilts of all sizes, designs and colours were on display to delight us. My eyes immediately spied an attractive quilt in Autumnal tones this was my visitors choice but it was a toss up between this and an appliquéd Teddy Bear quilt which any child would have loved to own.

There were a lot of quilts made at various workshops which showed the diversity of colours using the same designs. Linus quilts were spread amongst the seating also on display were an array of cushions and bags.

Margaret Lelliott found out about Bonding Squares which were on display. These were in fact knitted triangles which mothers and premature babies were given to hold to be able to scent to enable babies to smell their mothers and vice versa when they were separated. These were exchanged each time to renew the scents.

In the Church hall next door were three traders with a good selection of fabrics and notions plus the refreshments, Margaret and I sampled some home made cakes and two glasses of cool squash before we set off for home.

The Sat Nav took us straight home in half the time it took us to get to the quilt show. We enjoyed the show just not getting there.

Margaret Mullery