



SNIPPETS

The Farnham Quilters' Newsletter

July 2021

Please send items for August Snippets by 31 July to 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

12 July – Outdoor meeting in Farnham Park.
Meet at the Golf Club car park at 7 pm.
See Message from the Committee below

Postponed Events

Romsey Quilters Exhibition

Cancelled but keep hold of your raffle tickets
When the draw takes place you will be contacted if you have won a prize.

Lullingstone Quilt & Craft Festival 2021

With much regret the region 2 committee has agreed that it would not be a good idea to have the show this year. A survey showed that there would not be many quilts submitted and there would be very few visitors. With this in mind, the show has been postponed till 15th - 17th July 2022

What's on Elsewhere

29th July - 1st August 2021

Festival of Quilts,
The NEC, Birmingham:
Adult (**19+**): £17.00, Concession
(60+): £15.00, Children: Under 18s:
FREE. 5–18-year-olds will need to order
a ticket (to ensure they get the same
entry time as their parent/guardian).
Under 5s do not require a ticket. You'll
need to book a time slot to help us
stagger entry flow and reduce queues.
Please note that all tickets are subject to
a £2.50 transaction fee and ticket
postage is £2.80.

Should The Festival of Quilts have to be
cancelled due to the pandemic, ticket
holders will be offered the choice to
transfer their booking to 2022 or receive
a refund. If you choose the refund, the
full cost of the entry tickets, workshops
and/or show guides purchased will be
refunded but the transaction fee will be
retained. If the show goes ahead, our
normal terms apply and tickets for The
Festival of Quilts are non-refundable.

<https://www.thefestivalofquilts.co.uk/>

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

12th February 2022,

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

Last Month's Meeting

Natalie opened the meeting with the news that the prime Minister's announcement of the four-week delay in relaxing Covid restrictions on meeting indoors meant that the July meeting, which was planned to take place in the Church, could not now go ahead. As people tend to be busy in August so it might be best to plan for our first indoor meeting to be moved forward to September.

For the Show-and-Tell, Doris had been making quilts for Linus, and bags for a friend to sell. Margaret showed some quilts on a seaside theme and had six quilts ready to take over to Val.

Sheila suggested meeting outside in July – weather permitting. Pam suggested bringing a snack and a chair. Natalie welcomed any suggestions and would sort something out. [See Committee's message below.]

Natalie was still interested in receiving offers of teaching sessions. Pam mentioned that Brigitte has a Christmas Star project that might be suitable. Pam said she liked the sewing days at Hale Institute and perhaps this could be opened out to other groups Lyn felt it was more worthwhile to bring a sewing machine for a whole day rather than a couple of hours. Natalie and Carole would investigate the possibilities.

Sheila mentioned that there is a small exhibition at the Farnham Museum of craft work that people have done during the lockdown – including a couple of Brigitte's quilts and a Young Quilters one. An antique crazy quilt was also on show in a glass cabinet. [see below]

Message from the Committee

Hello ladies

I am really pleased to say that I have had a lot of interest in meeting up in Farnham Park for our meeting on 12th July (Weather dependent!!). I know a few of you aren't sure if you will be able to make it but would be great to see you if you can. It has also been suggested that we might want to meet at 7pm.

The plan is to park in car park for the golf club / park and find somewhere on the football pitches to set up. Please bring your own seat and refreshments.

Please make a note of my mobile number – 07990 525355, so that you can advise me on the day if your plans change or you unable to find us in the evening!! But we will send out a note closer to the 12th, when we will have a better idea of what the weather will be like.

Carole has been in touch with Val and she has suggested that anyone with quilts for Linus either bring them to our meeting on 12th July or arrange to get them to someone who is going.

Thank you to those who have let me know that they are willing to help with running skills lessons, please email if you haven't already so that we can start putting together thoughts for different types of sessions. We will be looking at days at The Hale institute and we will look at advertising the events with other groups to encourage new interest.

Happy quilting and looking forward to meeting up soon

Natalie & the committee

Guild News

As you can't come to **Lullingstone Quilt & Craft Festival** this year - The Quilters' Guild of the British Isles Region 2 has brought the show to you!!!! Exciting isn't it!! Firstly - we have a quilt show - you can view the quilts from your favourite armchair. We have workshops - no lugging that machine all the way to Kent! We have talks - no hard plastic chairs for you this weekend! **It's all happening on 16th - 18th July 2021 so [head over to their website to get the details and the entry form](#) or contact Jan for details and the schedule for all the weekend's activities at exhibitionorg_reg2@quiltersguild.org.uk**

Information about other events

<https://region-2.quiltersguild.org.uk/events>

Update from Grosvenor Shows

Ardingly Quilt Festival,
Ardingly
02 Sep to 04 Sep 2021
South of England Showground,
Ardingly

Springfields Quilt Show,
Spalding
24 Sep to 25 Sep 2021
Springfields Events Centre,
Spalding

Autumn Quilt Festival,
Duxford
22 Oct to 24 Oct 2021
Imperial War Museum,
Duxford

Spring Quilt Festival,
Harrogate
18 Feb to 20 Feb 2022
Great Yorkshire Showground,
Harrogate

National Quilt Championships, Sandown,
Esher
28 Apr to 30 Apr 2022
Sandown Park Racecourse,
Esher

Great Northern Quilt Show,
Harrogate
10 Sep to 12 Sep 2021
Great Yorkshire Showground,
Harrogate

Autumn Quilt Festival,
Malvern
15 Oct to 17 Oct 2021
Three Counties Showground,
Malvern

North West Quilt Show, Haydock,
Newton-le-Willows
28 Oct to 30 Oct 2021
Haydock Park Racecourse,
Newton-le-Willows

Spring Quilt Festival,
Exeter
31 Mar to 02 Apr 2022
Westpoint Exhibition Centre,
Exeter

Quilts UK,
Malvern
12 May to 15 May 2022
Three Counties Showground,
Malvern

Buy tickets at <https://www.grosvenorshows.co.uk/>

The Dorset Arts & Crafts Showcase 2021

Thank you to those of you who responded to our survey earlier this year. We are delighted to confirm that there is now sufficient interest for us to press ahead with the planning of a Dorset Arts & Crafts Association 2021 Showcase event, which will take place at the Purbeck School in Wareham from Friday August 6th to Tuesday August 10th.

With the restrictions imposed by Covid and limitations set by The Purbeck School, it is not possible to have individual entries into our usual judged trophy competitions or to have indoor stalls run by DACA members. Instead, we will be celebrating the wide diversity and high quality of arts, crafts & photography carried out within Dorset. Although this will mean a smaller event than usual, there will still be plenty to see and to buy.

A major theme of the showcase will be a gallery style display of work created by DACA members. All items in this display will be for sale. If you are interested in submitting work for this display, you will first need to join DACA as a member. This would be at a cost of £10, which includes free admission to this year's event. Details are provided on our [website](#)

The details for submitting work for sale are -

Handing in Dates - 3rd-4th August

Collection of unsold work - 11th August

Maximum number of items submitted per member – 15 (increased from 10, not all items may be displayed on day one)

Commission Rate on Sales - 20%

No Entry Fee

If you are interested in submitting work, please send an e-mail with your name, e-mail address, type of work (art, photography, craft) and likely number of items to Celia Morris (entries@dorsetartsandcrafts.org). If your device configuration allows, you may be able to click on the button below to access a formatted e-mail which you can complete with your details.

As well as the display of work for sale, we will be creating a display of trophy winners' work (which will not be for sale) as well as displays relating to the history and evolution of DACA as an organisation.

We are now moving rapidly into the detailed planning of the 2021 Showcase and our website should be updated in the next couple of weeks. We will also be asking for volunteers and stewards - thanks to those of you who have already expressed a willingness to help.

Quilters' Day at the Fairground, Andover

Saturday 12th February 2022, The Fairground Hall, Weyhill, Andover, Hants. SP11 0QN, 9.30am – 4.00pm

A one-off day returning to the fairground again, to put Covid behind us and raise money for alzheimers & dementia research in memory of friends lost during the pandemic.

Morning & afternoon mystery workshops

Both by hand, each pack is included in the price of your ticket and contains full instructions & materials: all you need to bring is your sewing kit to include small, pointed scissors and red, white & green cotton threads. Any other notions will be supplied.

Raffle: as previously everyone gets a raffle prize. Tickets £2. Sales table & mini exhibition of work



TICKETS: £18 which includes both workshops, refreshments and cakes excludes lunch – please bring your own lunch – a café is on the Fairground site if you wish to buy lunch.

Cheques made payable to J Rundle and sent with an SAE to 6 Barrow Hill, Goodworth Clatford, Andover, Hants. SP11 7RG.

Always a popular day - numbers may be limited so book early to avoid disappointment - refunds can only be made if a ticket is resold

Thread Exhibition Maltings – 12th & 13th June

The system for attending Thread was like most of the Exhibitions held at the Maltings. A booking is required but you could stay as long as you liked. We booked for 11am. A one-way system was in operation which seemed to work out well. I found that it wasn't over busy but comfortable for walking around. This enabled us to spend more time with the Exhibitors and not to feel that you were holding everyone else up when asking questions.

Upstairs (in the not sure what it is called but the room that Farnham Quilters use for the Quilting Exhibition) on display were the 4 quilts that were designed by Alice Kettle (I think she will be of the Alice and Ginny fame) and represents Farnham with the river, meadows etc, almost like a map of Farnham. Two copies were made, and one cut up into blocks. School children were asked to draw flowers and trees etc and then these were given to people to interpret into embroidery on their block. I saw Sheila's tulip and my friend Kate's sunflower. I felt that it wasn't made prominent enough and people were just flipping through the room without looking.

At 2pm we had booked to go on a Botanical Dyeing class which we enjoyed very much. It got a bit noisy because after dyeing on a silk scarf and whilst the scarf was steaming we tried Hapa-Zome – Flower Pounding which involved placing foliage between pre-prepared material and banging with a hammer “pounding” to impart the shapes and colours of the plants.

Pam Andrews, this months' Roving Reporter

Farnham Museum

Sheila arranged for some of the volunteers with Farnham Young Quilters to visit Farnham Museum on 8th June. Two of Brigitte's quilts were on display with our Young Quilters house quilt.



We met with Sam Reavey, Assistant Curator of the Museum. There was one quilt on display which was made by Ester Ann Peters, 1890. It was made for her granddaughter, Marjorie Jane Orchard, who died in Aldershot in 1982. The quilt is adorned with a variety of modelled creatures, flowers and objects, as well as embroidered texts and mottos.

This quilt and the crazy quilt curtain were both given to the museum by another of Ester's granddaughters



The rest of the items shown to us had been taken out of storage.

Crazy Quilt also made by Ester Ann Peters, 1860 – Crazy Quilt of silks and velvets. As you can see the quilting didn't manage to get finished.



Christening Set – bay toilet basket, pin cushion, christening mantle and sleeves. They were first used for George Coldham Knight. He was born 3rd February 1761 and died 26th March 1833.

Embroidered bedcover – early 18th century. Linen bedcover intricately embroidered in silks with floral design and an overall meander motif.



We were also shown the Morning cap that once belonged to Charles 1. He gave it to the Vernon family of Farnham in 1648. The Vernon family supported the King during the Civil War, and the cap was given as a thank you for their help. The cap is made with the best materials of coloured silk threads and beads and is of the highest workmanship, which would have been very valuable at the time. The cap still belongs to the Vernon family, who allows the Museum to display it on their behalf.

If anyone would like to organise a trip to the Museum please contact Sam Reavey on 01252 715094 email sam.reavey@farnhammalt-ings.com

