



SNIPPETS

The Farnham Quilters' Newsletter

March 2019

Please send items for April Snippets by
31 March to ruthandpeterh@gmail.com

If you have been to an exhibition or found an interesting shop
or website, please share!

Coffee Rota Reminder.

March

Bernie Collins and Margaret Mullery

April

Fiona Stirton and Kathryn Gibbons

The Next Few Months at FQ

Please try and bring
a friend with you

11 March

- ❖ Lewis & Irene: Bryan Taphouse, managing director of Lewis and Irene will give a talk titled, From Raw Cotton to Quilt. He has over forty years' experience in the fabric industry. He will be bringing fabric for sale.

- ❖ Issue of 2019 Challenge

8 April

Sewing Evening – 'Ditch the machine'

If I clean the house, it
just gets dirty again.

But if I make a quilt, it
stays made.

I love that.

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What's on Elsewhere

2 February – 21 March

Exhibitions at The Old Chapel Textile Centre, Main Street, Greenham Business Park, Newbury, RG19 6HW.

See more information below.

27th February – 3rd April

Painting with Fabrics Exhibition: Lady Sew & Sew, Henley-on-Thames, Oxon. RG9 1EJ Free entry, (see below)

2 March

Chichester Regional Day, Chichester College, Westgate Fields, Chichester PO19 1SB . See more details below.

16 March

Region 3 Regional Day Colden Common Community Centre Vigor Way, Golden Common, Hampshire SO21 1UU.

QG Member £10, non-member £24.

See below

16 March

Quercus Quilt Show, Walthamstow Hall School, Holly Bush Lane, Sevenoaks TN13 3UL 10:00am to 4:00pm

Refreshments and traders. Entrance £4
Proceeds to Ovarian Cancer

16-31 March

Ramster Embroidery Exhibition, Ramster Hall, Petworth Road Chiddingfold, Surrey, GU84SN . Daily 10.00 – 5.00pm.

Entry £6.50. www.ramsterevents.com

6 April

Grenville Quilters Exhibition, Weyhill Fairground Village Hall, Weyhill, Andover SP11 0QN Entrance £2.00.

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3 May

Talking Textiles, Assembly Rooms, Chichester. 10am to 4pm. See below

21-30 May

Guildford Quilters Exhibition, Holy Trinity Church, High Street, Guildford GU1 3RR, 10,00 – 4.00 pm

Last Month's Meeting

This was a well-attended meeting with two new members a mother Julia and her thirteen-year-old daughter Darcy. The committee had borrowed a Tutor Box for Eccentric Crosses (simple curved piecing) from The Quilters Guild Modern Group. There was a lovely mini quilt enclosed as well as instructions. See the quilt here <https://modern-quilt.quiltersguild.org.uk/about-modern-quilt/tutor-boxes#nanogallery/nanoGallery/0/9>.



The committee had practised so that they could give us advice and soon we were free rotary cutting gentle curves and sewing concave seams to convex ones. Many blocks were made but it was felt some smaller ones would make a group quilt more interesting so please keep sewing bright strips to bright squares. I am relieved to report no blood was shed!!

One sad note to the evening-Chris Wildhaber an active long time member who had served on the committee has now sold her house and is re locating to Andover. We will miss you Chris.

Val Lillie who is now not moving is standing down as Linus rep but is assisting Evette Ness who is taking over the reins so do keep making Linus Quilts. Val is looking for a volunteer to co-ordinate with Guildford Quilters and Heather Quilters and deliver Baby quilts to Royal Surrey and Frimley – could this be you!!

Sheila Musson



Guild News

Chichester Regional Day

Saturday 2 March 9.45 – 4.15 pm Chichester College, Westgate Fields, Chichester PO19 1SB

Speakers: 11.00 am Gail Lawther – talk 'Glorious Gardens'
2.15 pm Janet Bolton – talk 'Working with Textiles – a personal journey'.

Cost £18 for Guild members, £25 non-members

Associated workshops:

- Friday 1 March 10.00 – 4.00 pm Gail Lawther 'Seaside Sampler (sewing machine required). £25 for Guild members, £36 for non-members.
- Sunday 3 March 10.00 – 4.00 pm Janet Bolton 'Handsewn Fabric Pictures' £30 for Guild members, £45 for non-members

Tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits provided but bring packed lunch.

Contact vivmelanie@yahoo.com

NOTE; This is likely to be the last event of its type in Chichester as they are not getting enough interest from members, which is a real shame for those people who come along to meet up with friends, have some retail therapy and listen to some top quality speakers.(Maybe not in that order)

Region 3 Regional Day

Saturday 16 March 10 a.m. - 3.30 p.m. Colden Common Community Centre Vigor Way, Golden Common, Hampshire SO21 1UU. QG Member £10, non member £24.

Speakers Amanda Leigh "A Common Thread"
Sandie Lush "How to make a Wholecloth Quilt."

Book with Jenny Chalmers: Treasurer_reg3@quiltersguild.org.uk.

40 Shades of Red: Conference & AGM 10-13 May 2019

Jubilee Campus, University of Nottingham NG8 1BB

Tickets booked by 15 February will qualify for the Early Bird Discount. The final registration date is 20 March. www.quiltersguild.org.uk

Lecture at UCA 'The Future with Textiles'

22 February saw Ruth Harrison, Sheila Musson and me following very distinctive red posters and helpful arrows to the brand-new Lecture Theatre at UCA in Farnham for the Inaugural Annual Textile Lecture. It was given by Matilda McQuaid from the Cooper Hewitt Smithsonian Design Museum in New York and entitled "The Future with Textiles" – Disruption and Collaboration.

We emerged after an hour and a half distinctly mind blown and feeling as if we had been in an episode of Tomorrow's World. Luckily our ticket included tea and cake afterwards to revive us. Matilda discussed a variety of research in which Design and Textiles meet with science to create new materials. These are all aiming to replace petroleum products with biologically manufactured renewable or recycled ones – "Biofabrication". She described synthetic leather grown in a matter of weeks based on yeast that grows nanofibres of collagen, the use of mycelium (the root system of fungi) which can be used for biodegradable insulation and you can even make bricks with it. Other research students are investigating spiders' web silk, pigment producing microbes for dyeing which use a fraction of the water currently required and a company called Algaeknit produce compostable yarn and material to make trainers.

The most amazing thing was the use of these new fibres in 3D printing. Using hinged pieces (think chainmail) an image can be folded and, after printing, unfolded into a dress though we weren't quite sure how useful that would be. The products were all experimental prototypes but could soon be mass produced, on the market and part of everyday life. Sustainability being the name of the game.

Penny Savill

National Needlework Archive

Lots more 'quilty' things happening at the National Needlework Archive at The Old Chapel Textile Centre Main Street, Greenham Business Park, Newbury RG19 6HW.

<https://www.nationalneedleworkarchive.org.uk/exhibitions-old-chapel-textile-centre.html>

Talking Textiles, 3rd May

A day of presentations at the Assembly Rooms, Chichester from leading contemporary artists who work with thread, exploring textile art, the maker and how they approach their art. Taking part: Ann Sutton MBE in conversation with Deborah Harwood. Ann Sutton, Internationally renowned artist with a commitment to innovation, new materials and a joie de vivre in every work, Claire Benn - artist, teacher and writer of the must-read blog Her Quiet Materials, Ptolemy Mann - weaver with works in major collections and venues

around the world, Kessia St Clair, best-selling author of *The Secret Life of Colour* and the *Golden Thread*, Deborah Harwood, artist and founder of *The Textile Space*. The day will run from 10am to 4pm 3rd May. You can find out more and book tickets by googling 'Talking textiles Chichester'

Exhibition: Painting with Fabrics

Wednesday 27th February to Wednesday 3rd April, Weekdays, 10am-4pm

Lady Sew & Sew, Henley-on-Thames, Oxon. RG9 1EJ

Free entry, just turn up and join in! www.ladysewandsew.co.uk

Meet the Artist: Kate Findlay

Wednesday, 20th March and Wednesday, 27th March 11.00am to 2pm

Kate Findlay, Textile Artist Textile artist, teacher, and general creative person with an interest in techie stuff too. Kate is particularly known for her Large Hadron Collider series first shown in 2012 but has since gone on to develop textile wall pieces, including some fibre optics. Her new passion is in creating fabric collage pictures of local Henley scenes and birds and wildlife. On display will be many of Kate's fabric collage pictures, as well as selected quilts from her Hadron Collider series

Advance notice for April ...

2019 Brockenhurst Needlework Fiesta

Takes place in the beautiful New Forest village of Brockenhurst in Hampshire on Saturday

27th April 2019, 10am to 5pm and Sunday 28th April 2019, 10am to 3.30pm

at Brockenhurst Village Hall, Highwood Road, Brockenhurst, SO42 7RY.

Stalls and exhibits range from the traditional to the contemporary and include embroidery and embellishment; weaving; beading; patchwork; dressmaking; yarns, threads, fabric and notions; specialist supplies and books ...and much, much more! In addition to the textile art exhibitors and demonstrators, both local and national traders will be on hand to share their infectious enthusiasm, invaluable knowledge and experience and to supply you with all the specialist books, tools and materials you could possibly need.

Light refreshments by the WI are available to purchase including delicious homemade cakes!

Tickets cost just £3.00 at the door.

Proceeds from the event are used to support local textile groups and raise funds for the local primary school and Village Trust for the benefit of the wider community.

