



SNIPPETS

The Farnham Quilters' Newsletter

October 2021

Please send items for November Snippets by 31 October 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

11 October – AGM in the Spire Hall 7.30 pm

What's on Elsewhere

29 September – 9 October

Denise Jones, an exhibition of contemporary textiles worked in response to suffragette embroideries, Haslemere Education Museum, 78 High Street Haslemere GU27 2LA 10.00-5 pm closed Sunday and Monday.

www.haslemere-museum.co.uk/whatson



What's on Elsewhere (cont'd)

7-10 October

Knitting & Stitching Show, (30th anniversary celebration) Alexandra Palace, London.

<https://www.theknittingandstitchingshow.com/london/>

13 October

Jennie Rayment speaking at United Quilters, the Spire Church, Farnham 2-4.00pm in the large hall. Visitors are most welcome. Admission £5

15-17 October

Autumn Quilt Festival, Three Counties Showground, Malvern. 10-4.30 (Sun 4). See website for adm. Prices.

www.grosvenorshows.co.uk

29-30 October

Pilgrim Quilters 2021 Exhibition St Ann's Catholic Church Hall, 4 Brighton Road Banstead, SM7 1BS, raising funds for Sutton Women's Centre, 10-4.30pm Adm. £3 pilgrimquilters.co.uk

20th November

Beckenham Quilters Exhibition, Celebrating 40 years Beckenham Methodist Church Bromley Road, Beckenham, BR3 5JE 10 a.m. until 4 p.m. Entry £5 incl. Catalogue. Children and students free. Contact: Beckenhamquilters.co.uk

Last Month's Meeting

At last, we were back together in the Spire Church Hall after all those months of lockdowns and restrictions. The seats were well spaced apart and there were no refreshments, of course but we agreed masks could come off while we were seated.

Natalie opened the meeting with another plea for volunteers to join Ann Grainger (as Treasurer) and herself on the committee from October. The next meeting will be the AGM and Natalie warned that if a committee of at least 4 could not be formed, it could be our last meeting! Brigitte and Fiona have offered to help out with some of the tasks.

Judy was handed the Challenge trophy for her winning quilt, which she had brought with her. Natalie, Val and Gill also showed their entries later in the evening.

The main part of the evening consisted of a bumper show-and-tell and Val left the meeting laden with contributions for Project Linus.

Message from the Committee

Hello Ladies

It was great that we were finally able to meet up in September and thank you to everyone who brought along a 'show & tell'. But some of our group will be unable to join us at our meetings as they still need to protect themselves or their family from COVID. So can I please encourage you all to send anything you show at the meeting to Ruth Harrison for Snippets. This will enable to the whole group to see some of the fabulous quilts that are being displayed. [See below – Ed]

A big thank you to Ruth French & Fiona Stirton who have volunteered to work on the committee over the coming year. We still need to figure out how it will work, so if anyone else wants to volunteer it will be appreciated. My chairman's speech at the AGM will be concentrating on looking forward and asking for all your help in the year to come.

Natalie & the committee

Guild News

Region 3 Week-end 16/17 October.

This will be held at Swanmore Village Hall, SO32 2PF starting at 10 a.m. Please do book a ticket for a great day on Saturday with speakers Alison Hume and Carolyn Forster. Tickets £15 for Guild members and £20 for non-members. To book please email Margaret Jefferies at treasurer_reg3@quiltersguild.org.uk

Then the Workshop on Sunday is the Flying Swallows Block with Carolyn, price £35 for Guild members or £45 for non-members. There will also be a Young Quilters Workshop on Sunday morning making Autumn/Halloween items. Non YQ members are welcome, and the cost is £5 including materials. Please contact Penny Savill at yq_reg3@quiltersguild.org.uk.

Chichester Regional, Day 2021 13th November 2021

9:40am to 4:20pm at Chichester College, Westgate Fields, Chichester PO19 1SB.

Janet Clare 11.00am 'She believed she could and so she did'

Gill Towel 2.15pm Gaining Confidence With Colour

Lunchtime mini workshops, Traders, Raffle

There are still tickets available for this amazing day out with some lovely speakers and tutors. Take advantage of early bird prices now from the website! <https://region-2.quiltersguild.org.uk/events/view/chichester-regional-day-2021>

£15 Members (£18 if booked after October 1st) 22 non-Members (£25 if booked after October 1st)

Buying online - free postage

The lovely Sewing Studio in Redruth Cornwall doesn't charge p&p for mail order. They have a stupendous range of fabrics and haberdashery. <http://thesewingstudio.co.uk/>

Penny Savill

Zoom workshop – 'Three Rings Runner'

Ferrers Quilters are offering the following zoom workshop

'Three Rings Runner'
with Maria Spiller
Friday, 3rd December 2021
9.30 to 4pm
Cost £15.

This is a machine sewing workshop suitable for all levels of experience who are new to 'modern' techniques. The only pre-requisites are that you are familiar with the basics of your sewing machine, know how to use a rotary cutter and come to the workshop fully prepared. The aim is to piece one large block and create a sample of quilting in each space.

Designed as part of a body of work based on gardens and inspired by tree age rings, this design uses free-form 'improve' cutting and piecing techniques. The design is scalable and flexible so, once familiar with the technique, could be used for cushions, bags, quilts etc.

For booking and payment details please email jeanne.dockerill@gmail.com



Textile Art at the RA Summer Exhibition

The last thing I expected to see at the annual Summer Exhibition at the Royal Academy (delayed until Autumn this year, because of Covid) was a quilt. However, the organisers this year decided to celebrate the 'magical beauty in making' and the 'use of a multiplicity of materials from quilting, knitting, Crochet, weaving, to sculpting and painting with unusual materials.'

Prominently displayed in the first room I entered was 'Sweep', a large quilt by Sally Mae Pettway Mixon, a member of the Gee's Bend Quiltmakers Collective, (with a price tag of £10,860). Throughout the gallery there were several more quilts as well as many examples of textile art.

Here are some of the quilts:
Ruth Harrison



'SWEEP'
Sally Mae Pettway Mixon
Gee's Bend Quiltmakers collective.



UNTITLED
Marlene Bennett Jones
Gee's Bend Quiltmakers



Joanna Sheldon454 - MY MAKE-UP QUILT
Mixed media | Appliqué on cotton and quilted

Juliet Flockhart- HILOS DE AMOR

Mixed media | Pieced top, silk and bamboo wadding, single textile back, hand-quilted together



Show and Tell

Natalie Lang

For those who were at the last Hale day 2 years ago, you may remember that I was doing a 9 patch with a friend of mine. Well I have finally got it finished, as I struggled through lockdown to get a co-ordinating fabric that worked with the patches. I know it's not perfect, but I keep learning whenever I make a quilt.



Ruth Harrison

I saw this pattern in the 'Love Quilting' magazine but decided to have pink stars instead of the yellow ones in the pattern. I was really nervous about tackling the spiral quilting. I watched the youtube video lots of times before I got my courage up to have a go. I used my walking foot, and the edge guide (screwed on really tightly) to keep the distance even. There might be the odd wobble, but overall I'm happy with the result.

