



Embroiderers' Guild

MARLBOROUGH & DISTRICT BRANCH

NEWSLETTER – OCTOBER 2012

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

5 Nov. Meeting / Speaker : Angie Hughes
 "New Works for Old"
 6 Nov. Workshop : Angie Hughes } **Bookings now**
 "Exploring Velvet" } **being taken**
 20 Nov. Design for Stitch Course with Chris Cook
 26 Nov. Stitch Day

REMINDERS FOR THIS MONTH

1 Oct. BRANCH AGM
 Speaker : Kate Dowty "Trial & Error"
 15 Oct. WOW Day
 20 Oct. SW Reg AGM (Horton, Ilminster)
 23 Oct. Design for Stitch Course with Chris Cook
 29 Oct. Stitch Day
 30 Oct. Y.F.

ANNUAL SUBS : REMINDER

Renewals were due in Sept.:-	HQ	£25.00	(increase of £2)
	Branch	£18.00	(no change)
	Total	£43.00	

Please make cheques payable to M&DEG.

NB: A Branch Membership No. is now required to enable a membership card to be issued and this is obtained when your details are entered on the EG Register. Therefore, if you have not already done this, printed forms are available and, when completed, Shirley will be happy to enter the details on your behalf to obtain your number. If you have any concerns about the EG website, we are assured it is well protected and very secure.

BRANCH AGM : 1st OCT. 2012

The AGM will start at 2.00pm. The Agenda & Accounts is being circulated to all members and will also be displayed on the Notice Board. One nomination has been received for Chris Cook to be elected to the Committee.

The Minutes and Reports from our 2011 AGM can be seen in the Minute Book by the Notice Board. (NB: These were previously displayed November last year and also available throughout this year.)

REGIONAL AGM - SATURDAY 20 OCT. 2012

Hosted by South Somerset Branch

at Horton Village Hall, Nr Ilminster, Somerset, TA19 9QR

We have applied for lunch tickets for those who have put their names on the list to attend. The lunch tickets (£5.00) will be available for payment & collection at our next meeting.

Please ensure you have made your own car-share travel arrangements. Directions available if required. On arrival tea/coffee will be served at 10.00am (with an opportunity to shop as well) and the AGM commences at 10.30am.

REMINDER re CHAIRMAN'S CHALLENGE "STREET FURNITURE" - Branch competition

A5 SIZE - ANY STITCH, ANY COLOUR, ANY TECHNIQUE, YOUR CHOICE OF STREET FURNITURE

Our Christmas Lunch is approaching fast - and with it the competition for 'Street Furniture'. We know some people have had difficulty with the title but we would love to see lots of entries on the day because this will form a part of the work shown at our Regional Festival Day next year. It can be pattern or picture, purely figurative or abstract, in the technique of your choice - let your imagination rip and bring your bollards & lamp posts, bus stops & commemorative seats to the Christmas Lunch.

For the Festival Day, a form will need to be filled in for insurance purposes asking for a valuation of your work. Please add £25 to the value you put on it in order to allow for the insurance company's claims excess. (Further details available from Margaret Heath)

**Please complete your work for judging at our Christmas Lunch on 3 December 2012
 - all entries will also be displayed at the Regional Festival Day on 18 May 2013**

BRANCH WORKSHOP

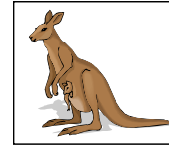
In order to avoid confusion with our other workshops - Chris Cook's workshop will now be called "Design for Stitch Course". The course will run on the third Tuesday of each month for six months - and will commence on **23 October 2012**. The cost for the complete course is £120.00 which is payable in advance. Please see Kay Francis to book and receive further details.

K & S SHOW : ALEXANDRA PALACE : FRI. 12 OCT.

Tickets are still available (cost £22.00 includes travel & admission) please see Marion to make a booking & for further details. **Full payment is now required.**

MY TRIP TO AUSTRALIA

I was recently in Australia and while there was lucky enough to be invited to visit the HQ of the New South Wales EG and was able to join in their Show and Tell. I told them about our Upper Kennet Valley Embroidery and gave out the packs of postcards I had taken with me - the ladies were thrilled and thought the wallhanging was wonderful. I also taught an Embroidered Bowls class to a mix media group. When staying on the Mornington Peninsula, I visited a branch of the Victoria Guild. During their notices the members were asked to do 'squares' - which every branch in Victoria are taking part in - and I was pleased to learn that they had seen my CD cases idea which had appeared in one of the magazines. Embroidery is very much thriving in Australia and it was a thrill for me to be able to see it at first hand.



By
**Kath
Danswan**



JEAN PHILPOTT (Ex-member update)

Many members have been asking if we have heard from Jean since she moved away from her Devizes home and we thought you would like to know the following.

Jean is still quite active - walking in the wood with the dogs and gardening. She is being well cared for by Phillipa & Rob (family friend & husband who are both very fond of her) but obviously gets tired quickly. Unfortunately, her short term memory is not good and she does not seem to write letters now. However, she has been to the memory clinic at West Suffolk hospital and is now on medication. Marion has her address if anyone wishes to write to her.

WHAT'S ON – WHEN & WHERE

Michael Heseltine Gallery, Chenderit School, Middleton Cheney, Banbury, Oxfordshire OX17 2QR.

Looking Through : Cherwell Valley Branch of the Embroiderers' Guild 2012 Exhibition

27 Sept. - 17 Oct. 2012: Mon - Fri 9 - 5 pm; Sun 2 - 4 pm on 30 Sept, 7 & 14 Oct; Thurs 5 - 8 pm on 4 & 11 Oct (with demos). Details from 01993 898837

Bristol Guild Gallery, 68/70 Park Street, Bristol, BS1 5JY (See poster on Notice Board)

Telling Tales : Bath Textile Artists Exhibition : **6th - 27th Oct. 2012** : Mon-Sat. 10am -5pm.

There will be a wide range of interesting work on show and for sale which includes felt, 3D pieces and stitching. It is a stewarded show so there will always be someone on hand to ask about the work.

William Morris Gallery, Lloyd Park, Forest Road, London, E17 4PP

Everyday Encounters : William Morris argued that art should be part of our everyday life. This exhibition is a response by members of the Society of Designer Craftsmen, whose collection of new work aims to bring the useful and beautiful into our homes and lives. Many of the works, including textiles, are for sale.

13 Oct. 2012 - 3 Feb. 2013: Wed - Sun, 10am - 5pm. Details : 020 8496 4390 www.wmgallery.org.uk

Pre-booked groups and school visits also welcome on Tuesdays, 10am - 5pm. Free entry

Malmesbury Town Hall Gallery, Malmesbury SN16 9BZ

Shape Stitch Colour : Beyond the Green : **23 Oct. - 10 Nov. 2012**. Details: 01666 822143

Sir Harold Hillier Gardens, Jermyns Lane, Ampfield, Romsey Hants. SO51 0QA

Material World : An exhibition depicting a wide range of uses for textiles in decoration and fashion. Exquisite items for sale as well as demonstrations of different forms of textile applications. Exhibitors belong to many Hampshire Embroiderers' Guilds as well as weaving groups.

1 - 30 Nov. 2012 : 10am - 4pm daily. Free Admission. Details : 01794 369318 www.hilliergardens.org.uk

WANTED

The Hall are very short on teaspoons - if you are able to help provide any old ones you may have at home, it would be much appreciated. This will enable us to store some in our kitchen cupboard for use at meetings, etc.

FOR SALE - EMBROIDERY FRAME

Lawrance & Lowing free standing revolving tapestry frame 60 cm x 20 cm (Beechwood).

£30 donation (to go to Church in Minal)

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If you have any interesting news items or any other information, which can be included in our monthly Newsletter, please pass details to Shirley. Also, please advise if you wish to receive the Newsletter via email.

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