



Embroiderers' Guild

MARLBOROUGH & DISTRICT BRANCH

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NEWSLETTER – FEBRUARY 2014

2014 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- 3 Mar. **Meeting / Speaker : Wendy Dolan**
“ Creative Stitched Textiles ”
4 Mar. Workshop : Wendy Dolan
“ Architectural Textiles ”
18 Mar. Design to Stitch Course (5)
31 Mar. Stitch Day

REMINDERS FOR THIS MONTH

- 3 Feb. **Meeting/Speaker : Amanda Hislop**
“Land Lines, Drawn Lines,
Stitched Lines”
17 Feb. Y.E.
18 Feb. Design to Stitch Court (4)
24 Feb. Stitch Day

2014 EG SURVEY OF BRANCH MEMBERS

REMINDER: The closing date is 8 March and, if required, we will arrange to submit them on your behalf via the Branch (in sealed envelopes) – to be collected on or before our meeting on **3 March** (last date). Collection tray near notice board.

WORKSHOP REMINDER

Please see Vernice or Kay to make a booking for the next workshop on “Creative Stitched Textiles” with Wendy Dolan on **Tues. 4 March**. A list of requirements will be provided.

MESSAGE FROM TERRY MURPHY

Please pass on to branch members my great appreciation of their 'get well' wishes received soon after my operation. The open heart surgery went well and my recovery has been better than anticipated. Having said that I have to build up my cardiac fitness and continue to be a 'well-behaved' patient. Thank you.

*With best wishes to all members
of Marlborough Branch*

Terry (CE – EG)

TRAVELLING BOOKS

Members will have received the information provided by the EG – those interested in taking part are requested to please put their name on the clipboard list provided by the Notice Board.

We already have a couple of names and it is suggested that, when we have several more, it would be important for there to be a small sub-committee (say 3 people) to decide on the format, number and style of books, etc. and pass on the information to all those who want to be involved.

As this is a Member's Activity, which needs to be totally managed by members, it is hoped that those interested could perhaps arrange to get together to decide how it is to be done. The Branch would of course cover any expenses.

Kath Danswan, Susanne Stedman and Lindsey Sherwood have all expressed enthusiasm for the idea, so anyone else who is interested please have a word with them and hopefully we can get it off the ground.

HALL STORAGE

The Chairman of KVH has advised that we now have an extra small cupboard to use for storage – this is situated in the small meeting room (off the hall) on the left-hand side .

MARLBOROUGH DR'S SURGERY

The Hanging we did for Marlborough Doctors' Surgery a few years ago is unfortunately now in need of some TLC and both Rosemary Hawes and Audrey Peck have kindly offered to help renovate it. The Doctors own the Hanging and we have permission from them to take it away for the required work to be carried out. It will probably be housed with Rosemary and members will be able to go round to her house to stitch. Members willing to assist are requested to please contact Rosemary or Audrey direct.

WHAT'S ON – WHEN & WHERE

GATHERED MEMORIES EXHIBITION

1 Feb – 14 Mar. 2014 at the National Needlework archive

Open: Tues-Fri 10am-4pm. 1st Saturday in the month.

Exciting textile exhibition by a group of artists, *including our own Ann Smith*, inspired by memories. All the artists collaborated to create a large, yet fragile installation of tea-dyed silk strands which is the highlight of the exhibition. Their individual work is varied and each uses different materials, worth a visit if you have the time.

<http://gathered-memories-trw.tumblr.com/>

BATH TEXTILE ARTISTS are having an exhibition entitled "**WILTSHIRE UNRAVELLED**" at The Pound Arts Centre, Pound Pill, Corsham. SN139HX www.poundarts.org.uk 012149 701628

8 Feb – 22 Mar. 2014 : 10am - 6pm Mon - Fri. : 10am - 4pm Sat. Free admission.

A variety of techniques from felting and weaving to silk painting and stitching will be on show exploring many aspects of Wiltshire's history and landscape. There is a nice coffee shop on site and if you are unaware of its existence you may be interested in some of the other activities which take place there.

EG NATIONAL CONFERENCE & AGM

4 – 6 April 2014 at Wyboston Lakes, Bedfordshire (Nr. St. Neots)

Full details & booking info published in Contact.

2014 SOUTH WEST REGIONAL FESTIVAL DAY

(to be organised and hosted by Exeter & District Branch)

Sat. 10 May 2014 at Bicton College, East Budleigh, Budleigh Salterton, Devon EX9 7BY

Speakers : **Maggie Grey** in the morning with the Madeira lecture/**Jane Hall** in the afternoon.

Competitions : Members - "Moors" (pieces to be no more than A4 in size)

Young Embroiderers' - "My Favourite Place" (pieces to be A5 postcard size)

The tickets are £28 each to include tea/coffee on arrival, a two course lunch and tea/coffee and cake in the afternoon. The food choices are beef lasagne or vegetarian lasagne with a large selection of salad accompaniments followed by fruit crumble and custard. The chef has also said he can cater for coeliac diets as well. Having eaten there before I can recommend all of the above as he's a super cook and they source as much as possible from their own veg gardens and farms.

There is plenty of parking for cars and for coaches and Bicton College is a beautiful venue.

Further details from : Lucy Jennison (Branch Sec) Email: lucy_jennison@yahoo.co.uk

www.bicton.ac.uk/getting-her

AN EXHIBITION OF TEXTILES & EMBROIDERY (EG Branch Event)

24 May – 8 Jun 2014

Blackmore Vale Embroiderers' Guild present "An Exhibition of Textiles and Embroidery"

The Branch exhibition is part of Dorset Arts Week.

Embroidery and Textiles for sale. There will be light Refreshments for sale.

10 am - 4 pm. There are disabled access and facilities.

Bishops Caundle Village Hall, Holt Lane, Bishops Caundle, Dorset DT9 5ND

On the A3030 between Sherborne and Sturminster Newton

Please advise Shirley if you know of any forthcoming events throughout the year.

THE BRAID SOCIETY

" We had a great time last year - here's hoping for an equally great 2014. Dates are as follows, all Sundays again - held 10.00am - 4.00pm in The Memorial Hall, Oxford St, Aldbourne, Wilts. SN8 2DQ £5 to include tea, coffee, soft drinks and home-made cakes.

Feb 9th Come & Try Day

April 13th

June 8th

Aug 10th

Oct 12th

Dec 14th (probably a shared lunch again)

All appropriate interests are encouraged and membership is open to everyone. The work covers Japanese, Peruvian, Lucet and Looped braids, Plaits and Cords and also Inkle, Tablet, Backstrap and Finger weaving as well as other skills. Further details - Email: aldbournebraids@btinternet.com

Look forward to seeing you, Best Wishes, Sally and Rosie "

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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