



Embroiderers' Guild

MARLBOROUGH & DISTRICT BRANCH

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NEWSLETTER – APRIL 2014

2014 DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

12 May Meeting/Speaker – Tiggy Rawlings
“Travel & Textiles”

13 May Workshop
CANCELLED (see below)

10 May SW REG. FESTIVAL DAY

19 May Stitch Day

27 May Y.E.

REMINDERS FOR THIS MONTH

4-6 Apr. EG AGM
(Wyboston Lakes, Bedfordshire)

7 Apr. PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH - 12.30 for 1pm
(plus demos, etc.)

14 Apr. WOW Day

15 Apr. Y.E.

22 Apr. Design to Stitch (6)

28 Apr. Stitch Day

PLOUGHMAN'S LUNCH : £5.00 p.p. **7 April – 12.30 for 1.00pm**

This is a great social event and hopefully everyone able to attend has put their name on the list to ensure we obtain sufficient food, etc.

During the afternoon we will be holding demos to show how to use the equipment we have available. Also Show & Tell sessions of members' work (incl. Workshops, WOW, Drawing group, etc.) - please bring in any of your work either complete or unfinished to display.

NB: Tony Millett who runs Marlborough News Online is scheduled to visit us on this date. He wants to do an article on the Guild and take a few photos. www.marlboroughnews.co.uk

WORKSHOP : James Hunting. **“Contemporary Hand Stitching”**

Regretfully we have had to make the decision to **CANCEL** the above workshop.

There were not enough members signing up to it and therefore not financially viable to continue. This is disappointing for you all but hopefully everyone will understand we had no choice. It may be that we can consider asking James to return at another time if there are enough interested members.

EXTRA WORKSHOP : Amanda Hislop **“Layers in Land and Seascapes”**

The aim of this workshop is to explore an expressive approach to the effects of layering papers, fabrics, threads and found materials to form surfaces for stitch. A set of process notes, specialist materials, fabrics, papers, fibres and threads will be supplied at a cost of £6 approx. Vernice will be taking bookings at this month's meeting.

BRANCH OUTING : ART IN ACTION

An outing to 'ART in ACTION' is being arranged for **THUR. 17 JULY**. The cost is £25 which includes the coach and ticket. The coach will pick up from Hungerford at 8.30am, Lockeridge at 9.00am and Sainsbury's, Oxford Rd., Swindon at 9.30am. Susanne will start collecting names on Stitch Day (31 March) and be at the Ploughman's Lunch (7 April), to enable you to put your name on the list. Or ring her on 01672 861658 or email sastedman@sarsendv.co.uk to book your place. Your place is confirmed on receipt of the full amount of £25. The earlier you book the better, as coach parking is limited and must be booked as soon as possible. Friends and family are very welcome. For full information regarding "The best in Visual Arts for demonstrations, exhibitions and traders etc in lovely surroundings" visit www.artinaction.org.uk.

URGENT REQUESTS

SW Region

Ann Hampton, the current Regional Chairman, is sadly retiring this year and the Region is looking for someone to take on this position. If any member is interested – please contact Ann direct who will be happy to provide full details, etc. Email: annhamptonsw@yahoo.co.uk

Branch Committee

With Yvonne and Shirley both standing down this year – we will require a new Chairman and Secretary to take over these roles at our AGM in October. Our Committee Meetings are very informal and held during the morning of General Meetings. Both positions are not considered to be too arduous but do require use of computer. Shirley is happy to continue with the newsletter. If any member is interested - arrangements can be made to attend a meeting which will help give an idea of what is required. Our Branch is thriving and we very much want it to continue. Please contact Yvonne or Shirley a.s.a.p. who will be willing to advise and give any further details.

YOUNG EMBROIDERERS

The Committee recently approved the purchase of two new Silver sewing machines - which were much needed for our very successful and growing YE Group. Following the demos given by Tom Dilley at last month's Stitch Day, these were selected and obtained. Members will be pleased to know the children are thoroughly enjoying learning the many different stitching techniques, etc. now available and the machines are already being put to good use.

DR'S SURGERY WALL-HANGING

The renovation work has already commenced and is being done on Stitch Days. However, if you are interested in helping – Rosemary Hawes has kindly offered to also have small groups working on it at her house - please contact her direct for details.

LIBRARY

Margaret Steers is now unable to continue with the Library – however we are pleased to advise that this will now be run by Ann Johnson. Please let her know any books you would like to recommend.

BRANCH EQUIPMENT

We are pleased to advise that Chris Cook has kindly agreed to manage our Branch machines. They are available for members to use free of charge for Workshops and Stitch Days - and can also be hired on a monthly basis @ £5. Please see Chris if you wish to use or hire anything.

TRAVELLING BOOKS

Unfortunately, with the current renovation work being done on the wall-hanging, there does not appear to be sufficient interest in our starting this project at present. It has therefore been decided that we postpone making the books until later when hopefully members will have more time to undertake them.

WHAT'S ON – WHEN & WHERE

SHIPTON QUILTERS (12th Exhibition)

Sat. 12 April : 10.00am - 5.00pm & Sun. 13 April : 10.00am - 4.00pm

at Rendcomb College, Rendcomb, Nr Cirencester, Gloucestershire GL7 7HA

(Rendcomb is situated off the A435 Cirencester to Cheltenham Road)

Admission £4.00- Children under 16 free.

Proceeds to the West Midlands Air Ambulance & The Encephalitis Society

Demonstrations - Sales Table - Traders – Raffle / Coffee - Lunches - Teas available

Details: 01242 580781 For Raffle Tickets please call 01242 673241 <http://shiptonquilters.blogspot.co.uk/>

NATURE IN STITCH

The Kingcombe Group of Embroiderer - a group of semi professional embroiderers who are mostly EG members.

There will be work by Jane Lemon, Ruby Lever, Lynn Horniblow, Pat Clayton, Sandra Coleridge and others.

17 April - 5 May (incl) : 11.00am - 5.00pm

at Killerton House, Broadclyst, Nr Exeter EX5 3LE National Trust entry charges apply

Details: Jean Hornsey Email: jeanhornsey@fiscali.co.uk

KAFFE 2014 – THE COLOURFUL WORLD OF KAFFE FASSETT

at American Museum, Claverton Manor, Bath, BA2 7BD

22 Mar - 2 Nov 2014 : Tues - Sun 12.00 – 5.00pm (Closed Mondays, except during August and on Bank Hols.)

World-renowned knitwear and textile designer Kaffe Fassett returns to the American Museum in Britain in 2014 to celebrate his fifty years working as an artist and colourist.

The only museum of American decorative and folk art outside the United States.

Educating the United Kingdom - and the world - about American cultural history since 1961.

All Museum buildings and shops are open from 12noon. The Café serves light lunches from 12noon - 2pm.

Afternoon teas, cold drinks, cookies, and ice cream are available until 5pm.

The grounds and car parks close at 5.30pm.

Details: 01225 460503 Email: enquiries@americanmuseum.org www.americanmuseum.org

BROCKENHURST NEEDLEWORK FIESTA 2014

at Village Hall, SO42 7RY

26 & 27 April 2014 : Sat. 10am - 5.00pm, Sun. 10am - 3.30pm

Free car parking. Light refreshments by the WI. Tickets £2.50 at the door.

A popular event for all textile enthusiasts situated in the wonderful setting of the New Forest National Park (2 mins. from

Station). Many well known traders covering all aspects of sewing, beading, hand & machine embroidery, knitting, patchwork,

etc. Textile Art Exhibitions and on-going demos. Details: www.brockenhurstfiesta.co.uk

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

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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