

OAST POST

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HAPPY NEW YEAR!

And a very warm welcome to new members of Oast Quilters

TODAY'S MEETING

CORNERS!

Traders: . Smart Frog and The Sewing Shop in Canterbury. If you can't spot them – they're probably at the far end of the dining room. Thank you to our hostesses:

Woodland and Pieceful Patchers

These are the corners to choose from (choose four):

Cilla Joyner	Envelope Bag
Maggie Kingston	Edges and Bindings
Joan Wood	Cathedral Windows with a Twist
Sylvie Plested	Fancy Fandangos (Needlecase)
Judi Kirk	Zen Quilting
Caroline Johnson	Foiling onto Fabric
Linda Pearce	Sewing Curved
	Seams and Edges
Stephenie Syvret	Beach Hut Bunting

Young Oast

At the time of writing, the dates for Young Oast haven't been finalised yet, but hopefully they are available at today's meeting – they will be displayed on the notice board. All the regular members have been contacted. For more information please drop Barbara Thorburn an email on barbarathorburn@btinternet.com

Interesting websites:

<http://www.quiltindex.org>

<http://www.textileartist.org>

<http://www.philippanaylor.com>

Next Meeting

Saturday 8 March

**N.B. At St. Anselm's School,
New Dover Road, Canterbury**

Hostesses: *Quay and Brook Quilters*

Speaker: Helen Howes

Topic: What a Lot of Quilts!

Helen has a big, friendly workshop in a complex of old farm buildings in South Norfolk, where she works, shows, and teaches. Helen has always worked with cloth - she can remember learning to read, but by then she could already sew. For more than thirty years Helen was primarily a kite maker, and found immense pleasure in putting art into the sky. In recent years she has become an artist in a wider range of textile and mixed media fields and teaches and lectures across the country. She still sells kites – see her website:

<http://www.helenhowestextiles.co.uk>

Helen is a member of Textile Art Group Suffolk; Contemporary Quilt; The Quilters' Guild of the British Isles and The Embroiderers' Guild and exhibits regularly.

An issue of Oast Post is published at each of the six meetings of Oast Quilters. Members are invited to submit copy for the Newsletter, which should be provided to the Editor at, or before, the Committee meeting prior to the relevant Oast Meeting (this is held on the Monday two weeks before the Oast meeting). As a member you can advertise one-off items for sale free of charge. There is a charge to traders for advertising in Oast Post. Please let us have details of any local patchwork and quilting exhibitions or events which may interest members. For further information, please contact the Editor, Liz Coleman on 01303 863197 or by email at Lyminge.Liz@live.co.uk



For Sale

'Big Foot' large clear offset quilting foot suitable for High Shank machines including Pfaff 1200 Series and New Home 8000.

High Shank bought in error.

Cost £18. Accept £10.

Please ask Ann Wood at the registration desk.

Belonging to Oast Quilters.....

FOR HIRE – Quilting frames and stands.

There are six quilt stands which can be borrowed and two plastic tubular quilting stands. For further details please contact Jenny Hoyle, Chairman, 01303 253345 or email j.k.hoyle@googlemail.com

FOR LOAN – Library books etc. We have a vast and varied selection of books and DVDs and videos, with regular new purchases. The Library is always located in the dining area. If you haven't borrowed anything before, the Library Ladies (XTREME) will guide you. Please make sure that you bring back anything borrowed **at the following meeting**. If you can't attend the following meeting, please ask a friend to bring it back on your behalf.

Information on Oast Quilters workshops, news and events can be found on the website www.oastquilters.co.uk

Most of this year's workshops are now fully booked, but to add your name to a waiting list, please contact the Workshop Organiser, Stephanie Blunt, 01233 641073 or email bingham.blunt635@btinternet.com

Saturday 22 February

UFO Day

Another opportunity to work, in the company of fellow quilters and uninterrupted by household concerns!

If you would benefit from a day away from home, where you can get on with that project totally uninterrupted – then a UFO day is for you! The next meeting is at the Lower Hardres Village Hall, and it only costs £5.00 to attend. You'll need to bring a packed lunch but tea and coffee are provided. For further information please contact Ingrid Hudson on 01303 230117 or email:

raffles.leoville@btinternet.com

There is another UFO day booked for Saturday 8 November.

Donations to Charity

At the last Committee meeting there was a discussion concerning the money collected in aid of charity at tea time, when pots are left for people to put in their small change. £200.00 is to be sent to the Macmillan charity this month (preferably to a local branch). It was felt that members may like to nominate small, local charities which may benefit from a small donation in future. Every time £100 is saved up, a cheque will be sent to one of the nominated charities. Each group is asked to nominate a charity and the group reps should advise the committee of the chosen charity at the next committee meeting. The names will go in a 'hat' and be drawn in order to provide a list. If a charity is nominated by several groups – then the charity will go on the list however many number of times. At each meeting it will be announced which is the nominated charity for the day. As there are now 34 groups this method should keep us going for several years!

Unfortunate News.....

Grosvenor Shows Exhibition (Detling)

Just as we were getting excited about the proposition, Jenny, our Chairman, received notification from the organiser that the Detling Show was likely to be cancelled; a final decision to be taken shortly. Oast is likely to be offered the opportunity to stage the exhibition of a variety of Oast Quilters' work at one of the organiser's other quilting shows.

Volunteers Needed

The Membership Secretary, Ann Wood, announced her intention to stand down in August 2014 and is looking for volunteer(s) to take on the role. Chris, who prints the badges is also standing down. Both Ann and Chris would be happy to have the new incumbents shadow them for the next several months but in any case the **new volunteer(s) must be ready to take over in September.**

New Groups

To remind new groups, a roundel showing your 'logo' or some way of describing your group name should be provided to be stitched onto the membership banner. Please ensure it has a diameter of 6" (finished).

The date of the next Committee Meeting is Monday 24 February, 7.30pm at Cranmer House, London Road, Canterbury.

DOUGHTY'S ROADSHOW

Thanet Quilters have invited
Doughty's Patchwork & Quilting Shop
for a Sales Day of their
**fabulous range of fabrics
and relevant quilting supplies.**

Please note this date in your diary

**SATURDAY 11th OCTOBER 2014
10.30AM - 2.30PM**

at
Church House, Kent Gardens, Birchington, Kent CT7 9RS

Thanet Quilters' Program 2014

Tuesday 4 th March, 7pm	Corners
Wednesday 5 th March, 10am-4pm	Workshop with Marion Fox "Foundation Piecing"
Tuesday 3 rd June, Tuesday 7pm	Speaker Gail Lawther
Wednesday 4 th June, 10am-4pm	Workshop with Gail Lawther "Enchanted Forest"
Tuesday 7 th October, 7pm	Speaker Joan Weston
Wednesday 8 th October 10am-4pm	Workshop with Joan Weston
Saturday 11 th October 10.30am – 2.30pm	Doughty's Road Show (See separate advert)
Saturday 29 th November	Christmas Fair.

Please contact Cathy Northcutt for further information and venue details on 01843 599166
(cathyquilt@btinternet.com) or visit our website www.thanetquilters.org.uk

Machine Embroidery Classes Aldington Village Hall

**February 15, April 12, June 14, September 20 and
November 15 2014 all 10.00am to 4.30pm**

Come and explore free machine embroidery, having fun with your sewing machine on five Saturdays in 2014. Louise will be demonstrating and teaching free machine skills as well as Appliqué and fabric painting to create a small work of art. Come to one or all of them. £25.00 per day. Tea, Coffee cake and Fruit will be provided. Possibly pub for lunch - maybe!!

Contact Louise Jessup 01233 720809 or
louise@bumbledesigns.net

You might just catch at...

The Arthouse Gallery, Oad Street Centre
Oad Street Borden ME98LB

A display of handmade quilts by artist Caroline Curnow. Also stump work; Thelma Dickens, woodturning: Rod Litherland; watercolours: John Bostock and Sandra Dixon.

Did you know.....

.....that a Knit and Natter session is held

Every Tuesday from 9.00am – 11.00am
in

The Kitchen at the Beaney House of Art and
Knowledge

18 High Street, Canterbury, CT1 2RA
Bring your knitting along to this friendly, informal, self-led group every Tuesday. Everybody welcome, whether you're a pro or just knitting your first rows.

Also at the Beaney...

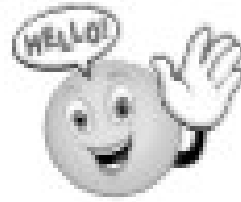
Trouble and Strife

Saturday 18 January to Sunday 2 March

The Front Room - free admission.

To complement the exhibition of Manet's 'The Execution of Maximilian' and John Opie's 'Murder of Thomas Becket in Canterbury Cathedral' the Front Room will be displaying selected 2D artwork by talented Kent-based artists that have used similar themes of struggle and conflict in their work.

We are now open !



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The Fabric Fairy

Castle View Suite, 3-5 Frith Road, Dover CT16 2PT
Tel: 01304 202270 email Fabric@thefabricfairy.co.uk
web: www.thefabricfairy.co.uk

Announcing a new fabric range!

At Fabric Fairy we know how important good quality fabric and wadding at affordable prices is to the quilter - so we are delighted to announce that we will be ordering our fabrics from a new supplier in Tyne and Wear, **Nutex Fabrics**. Their keen pricing means that we can offer discounted prices to our customers.

We know how popular our range of fabric remnants from the wholesaler in Wrexham is with quilters and we now have **even more** of these interesting and varied American fabrics - **still** at the incredible price of £5.00 per metre.

We will not be replacing our current stock of Timeless Treasures fabrics on the bolt since their wholesale prices have increased significantly – but if you have any specific fabrics in their range that you trying to get hold of – just let us know.

Andy and Michelle Cooper