



OAST POST

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OPEN DAY

Margaret Walter will be in the Chair until the afternoon

Morning: Liz Bettes – The History of Liberty Fabrics

Afternoon: Sheena J Norquay – Seasonal Inspiration

Thank you to our hostesses:

Bright Headlands, Martello – and any volunteers from the Independents!

The Traders today are:

The Little Lavender Patch, Rainham Sewing Centre, Smart Frog, Karry.Dot.Com, Rose'n'Tony and Lina Patchwork (Nancy Adamek)

Please listen out for the timings of the various parts of the day.

The Hostesses would like to remind everyone that **tea is on one side of the canteen and coffee the other** – please see the signs on the doors

Workshops

Sunday 14 September: Free Motion Fantasy Bird
There are two spaces available.

Monday 15 September: Curving the Line
There is one space available

If you are interested in either workshop, please contact the Workshop Organiser, Stephanie Blunt, either at today's meeting or telephone her on 01233 641073. The cost is £20.00.

NB this is the last time that Stephanie will be organising the Speaker Workshops.

Members' Day Saturday 8 November

Members' Days are a great opportunity to devote a whole day to patchwork and quilting without the distractions of home! As the next one is in early November, perhaps this will be a good time to get on with all your Christmas stitchery. The day starts at 10.00am and finishes at 4.00pm. You will need to bring a packed lunch, but tea and coffee will be provided. Please contact Ingrid Hudson, who organises the Members' Days, on **01303 230117** (not as it appears in the membership card) for further information and to book a place.

Our Next Meeting – Saturday 6 December which is our Annual General Meeting

The Hostesses will be Grove and Fat Quilters

Members who won a rosette at national or international competitions are requested to bring their prize-winning quilt to the AGM when we will display them (complete with ribbons please!) for all to admire and so that we can properly congratulate you. If you are unable to come to the AGM, please could we have a photograph so that we can display it on the website?

Young Oast

We enjoyed our meeting in July despite the weather starting off cloudy. However, by lunchtime we were able to eat outside. We welcomed one new member and continued working on the lap quilt/wall hangings started earlier in the year. All are looking good and we hope to have them finished by Christmas. Our next meeting is Saturday 22 November 2014 and if you would like to participate, please contact Barbara Thorburn on 01303 238809 or email barbarathorburn@btinternet.com

The Kent Autumn Quilt Festival 2014

Friday 3 and Saturday 4 October

Clive Emson Exhibition Hall, Kent

Showground Detling

10.00am – 4.30pm

25 quilts from Oast Quilters will be exhibited at the show and some of our members are providing workshops.

http://www.grosvenorshows.co.uk/html/Spring_Kent.html

Show Prices:	Price at the Door (Cash or Cheque ONLY)	Booking in Advance (Cheques & Cards Accepted)
Adult:	£7.00	£6.00
Senior Citizens:	£6.00	£5.00
Children (8 – 16)	£3.00	£2.00

IMPORTANT!
MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTIONS ARE DUE
BY 31 OCTOBER LATEST!

If you are a member of a group, please provide your payment (still held to £15.00) to your Group Representative, who will then forward payment (preferably by one cheque for the combined sum) to Christine Duke, 7 Dymchurch Road, St Mary's Bay, Romney Marsh, TN29 0ET. New members may be added to the existing lists by reps. There will be forms for independent members.

Corners Meeting January 2015

This is one of our most popular meetings but it depends on our having eight volunteers to demonstrate. If anyone knows a special technique that they would like to share or an item that they think others would like to know how to make, please think about volunteering as a demonstrator. You could pair up with a friend and do the demo. Or you could do two each. If you go to any workshops at shows – Sandown or Festival of Quilts etc – you might be able to share the knowledge with us. We have quite a few very good teachers among us and if anyone has something that they would like to learn but do not know who to ask, if you tell me what you want I will probably be able to find someone to demonstrate it for you. My email address is sheila47kent@yahoo.co.uk and I will be at the July and September meetings. I will also be glad to tell you what is needed for a demonstration, even if you do not want to volunteer immediately! You can also tell your Group rep or one of our Officers.

Sheila Stojasavljevic (Owls rep)

Oast's Annual Challenge

Intriguing title! How will you interpret it? So long as your piece is made of three layers and held together by stitch then the world's your oyster! **Grab an entry form today.** The form must be submitted to the Secretary by 31 October and you must submit your item by 1.00pm on the day of the AGM (6 December).

Tea Money

Just a reminder, your donations for the refreshments at tea time are collected up and once we have amounted £100 the sum is donated to a charity which has been nominated by a group. We would welcome more suggestions – and suggestions from independents as well. Please let Ingrid Hudson know. Telephone 01303 230117 or email raffles.leoville@btinternet.com We had a 'thank you' letter from TOPS Breast Cancer Support Group who received the £100 Tea Money from the last meeting.

New Group for Canterbury

We are aware that a number of independent members in the Canterbury area may welcome the opportunity to come together as a group. Marion Fox has very kindly stepped forward to try to arrange this. It is likely to be a group which meets at her house initially during the day time from 2.00pm to 4.00pm, but might well move into a nearby hall. She asks that anyone who is interested should contact her on 01227 455697, or by email at: marion_craftyfox@hotmail.com

Hever Quilt Show

The team which is manning the YQ table have made up kits for the little projects the visiting children will tackle. They are just short of volunteers who will sit with a child while the child makes the kit into a wonderful prized possession. No experience is necessary as Mags will be there to oversee everything and all you will need to do is to make sure they know what they are doing as the item progresses and generally enjoy yourself. If you can spare two hours on Sunday, then you will get a free ticket into the castle grounds as well – that's worth £13.00 at Adult prices! Please give Mags James a call or send her an email this evening. Telephone 0208 289 9096 or email mags.james@googlemail.com

Recipe!

Some delicious cheese and bacon scones were available at the recent Phoenix Quilters' exhibition. The recipe will be available at today's meeting at a cost of 50p per sheet. Please see Wilma Keighley (the Secretary) for a copy.

Thanet Quilters' Programme 2014

Workshops (in aid of Charity)

Tuesday 7 October – 7.00pm, Speaker Joan Weston

Wednesday 8 October – 10.00am-4.00pm, Workshop with Joan Weston; "Mixed Media Quilts".

Saturday 11 October - Doughty's Road Show (See separate advert).

Saturday 29 November - Christmas Fair.

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

The Library

We are sorry that owing to some logistical problems, the Library cannot be available at today's meeting.

The book sale in March where old books, books that didn't get taken out very often, and some donated books were sold was again very successful and we made £85.00. This was used to purchase new books including two from Quiltmania 'The Home Patch by Anni Downs' and 'Indigo & Sarasa by Segoiene Schweitzer'. Other new books that will be available at the December meeting include 'Kaffe Fassett's Quilts in Morocco', 'Promenade in a Dutch Garden', 'Great Granny Squared', 'Fresh Family Traditions', 'Jelly Roll Jambayala Quilts' and 'Simple Patchwork Gifts'. This year the librarians haven't attended any Quilt shows which are usually a good source for purchasing books but they shall be attending the show at Detling where they will hope to add to the Library.

A letter to the Editor!

Dear Oast Members,

My name is Penny Jeffries and I have been a Young Oast Member in the past. I am currently conducting research for my dissertation. I would therefore be grateful for anyone who is willing to answer some quilt-related questions to aide me in my endeavours. If you feel able to spare 10 minutes of your time, please email the word 'yes' to me at pennyjeffries@live.co.uk

Thank you.

Mini Quilting Bees

Sylvie Plested is planning to run a miniature quilt group. It will be every other month and once it is established how many people are interested and where they live, a location will be found that is easily accessible to members. If you are interested in miniature quilts and perhaps joining the group please contact Sylvie on 01303 241124

Computerised Sewing Machine for Sale

Kath Stevenson. (The Fat Quilters, Nonington) has a 'Silver' computerised sewing machine for sale. It is one year old. She is selling it for £160.00. Please contact Kath on 01304 625398 or 07966776454.

Janome Sewing Machines for Sale

Janome 6260 QC £250.00. Also Janome 6215 QC only £50 - will explain! Avril Windrow 01303-240006.

Quilt Commission

Bright Headland Quilters (Isle of Sheppey) have been asked to make a quilt for an elderly lady, who doesn't drive. This is not something they would usually do and so they wondered if anyone was interested in making her one. Perhaps you could advise Vickie Foreman via email; vixforeman@yahoo.co.uk

City & Guilds Patchwork & Quilting (Design & Craft Qualification)

Level 3 Certificate

Tutor: Christine Chester

This course is likely to be run over two full days a month for two years with possibly a 3-4 day 'summer school' in the middle. Yearly fees would be in the region of £1200 - £1500 + exam and registration fees (usually a one off payment of approx £130) - depending on the type of fee Christine has to pay to get Studio 11 accredited as a C&G centre. She would be happy to have fees paid termly to make it easier to budget. Could anyone who is interested please email heron: christinechester@rocketmail.com There is no obligation attached to the e mail, she just wants to know if there is sufficient interest to warrant organising the course which might start in October/November.

Studio 11, The Old Printworks, 20 Wharf Road,
Eastbourne, BN21 3UG

Quilt and Craft Show

Pluckley Village Hall (TN27 0QZ)

Saturday 27 and Sunday 28 September 2014
from 10.30am to 5.00pm each day.

Lots of quilts and hangings on display plus other textile crafts, demonstrations and several trade stalls. £4 entrance to include tea/coffee and savoury or cake. Free parking. Phone Judy, 01233 840280 or Sue, 01233 840544 for further details or email judith.pool@hotmail.co.uk

Greenstede Quilters Biennial Exhibition

3 - 15 October 2014-09-06

Chequer Mead Arts Centre, De La Warr Road,
East Grinstead, West Sussex RH19 3BS

Monday – Saturday 10am - 4pm, closed Sunday

Free entry, parking adjacent, café at venue,
disabled access.

Contact Veronica Fowlie 01342 824995

Mole Valley Quilters (Region 2, Quilters Guild) Exhibition

Friday 24th October 2014, 12.00pm to 5.00pm
and Saturday 25th October 9.00am to 4.00pm
St Nicolas Church, Church Rd, Great Bookham,
Surrey KT23 3PD.

Members work and early 19th century quilt.
Charity Quilt Raffle proceeds to Surrey Air
Ambulance. Patchwork and quilting technique
demonstrations. Refreshments. Sales table. Local
schools patchwork cushion design project.
Admission £2.00 - children free. Participating in the
Mole Valley Arts Alive Festival. Pay and Display
car park nearby. Disabled access. Contact: Sue
01372 457710

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, CT7 9RS

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Tel: 01304 202270 email Fabric@thefabricfairy.co.uk

web: www.thefabricfairy.co.uk

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

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