



Bourne Quilters Newsletter July 2024

Chat from the Chair

We are now into the last few weeks of show preparation and there are plenty of details in this newsletter about the things you can be doing to help make it a huge success! Don't be shy about showing off your work, everything is appreciated! I'm looking forward to having another, closer look at all the wonderful work we have seen at our show and tell sessions over the last two years. If you're too modest to 'show off', think of it as sharing your trials and tribulations and the sheer JOY of having finished a piece!!

Thank you to everyone who has signed up to help over the weekend. We are still looking for volunteers. I understand that not everyone is available, and we all have other commitments to consider, so if you are able to help just for an hour or two, that will be very much appreciated.

Looking forward to seeing you at Monday's meeting, armed with contributions for sales, lucky dip etc.

Meeting Report 3rd June

We welcomed Samantha Boot to talk to us on 'The perfection of imperfection' a journey through quilts. She showed us some of the quilts that she had made starting with some that we would all recognise as a traditional patchwork quilt. However, striving for perfection, with all the accurate piecing that it entails can be debilitating and she has since explored other ways of achieving her perfection.



There were quilts with random pieces appliquéd but where the fabrics evoked memories, light and shadows moving across the fabric and even one that was definitely not square!



Samantha now specialises in hand piecing and combines decorative stitching using many repurposed textiles as well as natural dyes and pigments.

We were also pleased to have Maggie Haynes from **Tuppenny Barn** at the meeting, to tell us about the work that they do there. The charity grows organic produce and uses this to create learning experiences for all ages through school trips, and community group sessions for vulnerable members of the community.

This year Bourne Quilters have chosen to support the charity and have made a fantastic quilt which will be raffled off to support their work. It will be on show at their open day on 30th June.



Show and Tell



More beautiful makes from our members.....



Hand Stitched Mini Quilt

Workshop- 22nd June

A small but select group of quilters joined Samantha Boot at Westbourne for her workshop. We were encouraged to think about our memories of a place and capture those thoughts in a way that meant something to us.



These memories included ideas such as the sea, or a home for over 30 years, and by exploring what we could see, hear, touch, feel and smell we started to turn them into a small quilt.

The memories for all of us flooded back and over the course of the very peaceful day we talked about such seemingly random elements such as candlewick bedspreads, stripy flannelette sheets, bright colourful flowerbeds and waking up on a cold winters day to ice on the inside of the windows.



By the end of the day, and after a lot of coffee and biscuits, we all had the beginning of our own precious memory quilt.



Coming Up.....

July 1st

We will be preparing for the show! There are lots of jobs to be done such as wrapping the lucky dip, laminating and trimming labels and signs, measuring our black fabric for displays and so much more!

July 27th and 28th **BOURNE QUILTERS SHOW**

See below for more details

August 5th

The very welcome return of Jackie Dimmock. She entertained us with part one of her talk last year and she will be returning to bring us part two! She brings delightful mini quilts to illustrate her talk and we are bound to have a fun evening.

September 2nd

Joy Harber (Salvage) is coming to speak to us. Her talk is called 'An obsession with log cabin'. I'm told she is a great speaker and extremely popular. She will do a workshop on 3rd September. You can sign up for this at the July meeting.

Bits and Bobs and Supplies In the May newsletter there was a piece about having a repository for those pieces of hardware we use for bags etc where we have to buy 50 and only need two!! The collection has been started as we have been donated a few pieces. If you have an excess of 'D' rings, buckles, beads etc and could spare a few please bring them in.

Mel Lewis - Sugarbowl Crafts

Mel Lewis from our March meeting has been in contact. Her website, sugarbowlcrafts.com has details of her workshops and talks for the rest of the year.

IT'S SHOW TIME

Bourne Quilters Quilt Show - Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th July

**** only 4 weeks to go ****

Registering your quilts and other items for display

So far we have about 60 quilts signed up. Usually there are about 180 items, but like me you may be burning the midnight oil at the last minute to get your entries done.

Registration started at the May meeting - copies of the relevant forms were sent with May's newsletter and of course everything is also available on our website: www.bournequilters.com

Please do register your entries as soon as you are able to!

Don't forget....

You can submit the information for your display label on paper or by email to Caron (caronmoss1@gmail.com) Please remember to add your registration number for each quilt !

Lucky Dip

If you have any magazine freebees or notions that are surplus to requirement please bring them to the July meeting

Publicity

If you are able to put up a poster or help with distributing them, then please pick one up at the July meeting or let Rita know. Lots of people, even those who are not quilters love to come so its great to get the word out

Raffle Quilt

You will have seen the raffle quilt at the June meeting when Maggie from Tuppenny Barn came to talk about the work they do. We now have raffle tickets available for you to sell. We also have 2 occasions when we will be displaying the quilt, selling raffle tickets and advertising the show.

- ☒ Tuppenny Barn Open Day 30th June
- ☒ Meridian Centre, Havant 13th July

If you could help on either occasion - even for just an hour - please let me know: karen.lillington@btinternet.com or 07886 796857

The draw for the raffle will take place at the AGM in December

Volunteers Needed

Thank you if you have signed up already😊

We are still looking for volunteers to help on Friday 26th (set-up) and on show days (27th and 28th) - if you can help, even for an hour, please let Chris know on busybarrells@gmail.com or let her know at the July 1st meeting. Chris will arrange the timetable so that everyone gets a chance to see the show as well.

Sales Table

If you have anything for the sales table please bring it to the July meeting. We will be pricing items over the course of July and its helpful if we have all the makes together so we can be consistent with the pricing. But if you are still sewing, no worries, just let one of the committee know and we can arrange collection or drop off.

Key Dates

- Mon 1st July - Hand in items for the sales table, lucky dip, books and UFOs
- 8th-26th July - Put up posters advertising the show
- Wed 24th July - Hand in quilts and all other items for display or for sale
 - Workshop inspired makes
 - Selfie portraits
 - Chairman's Challenge entries
- Fri 26th July - Set-up up the halls/stalls
- Sat 27th July 9 am - Final set-up before the show opens at 10am
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Any other questions?

If you want to know anything else please ask - I'm sure there will be others who are thinking the same question.

The Last Page.....

If at any time you are aware of another member who has been bereaved, is ill, in hospital, or just needs cheering up then please contact Kathy on: patchworkbear@gmail.com 07909 692559 or 01243 373545 so that Bourne Quilters can send a card. We would rather be told twice than not at all.

If you would like to come to our Monday meetings but find it hard to get there, please let a **member** of the committee know, it's not a promise as it would depend on where you live and who is passing but several members who come along have said they would be prepared to pick up and drop off if needed. Let Karen know on karen.lillington@btinternet.com or 07886796857

BQ has **wadding for sale** at the Monday meetings at a very reasonable price. It is available in multiples of half a metre.

Price: 80/20 - £10/metre Bamboo - £11/metre

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Bourne Quilters Programme 2024

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July 1st	Show Preparation
July 27th and 28th	BQ Quilt Show
August 5th	Jackie Dimmock Part 2 - The Good, the Bad and the Downright Ugly
September 2nd	Joy Harper - An Obsession with Log Cabin
September 3 rd (Tuesday)	Workshop - Joy Harper Log Cabin Emsworth 10am-4pm
October 7th	Kate L'Amie - local textile artist
October 8 th (Tuesday)	Workshop - Kate L'Amie Emsworth 10am-4pm
November 4th	Christmas Sewing
December 2nd	AGM and Party

Bourne Stitchers Dates 2024

2nd, 16th, 30th July	13th, 27th August	10th, 24th September
8th, 22nd October	5th, 19th November	3rd, 17th December