

MIMRAM QUILTERS NEWSLETTER

www.mimramquilters.org.uk

NOVEMBER 2016

Autumn is definitely in the air and now the clocks have gone back there is no excuse not to sit inside with the curtains closed and get on with some sewing and completing your work for the exhibition. There's only 136 days left.

I hope you enjoyed our last meeting. Another year gone by, AGM done and dusted and I hope you learnt something from the quilting demo I did with you. It was to give you some encouragement to think about hand quilting on your quilts, instead of always doing the usual 'in the ditch'. It does take some practice so don't give up at the first attempt.

This next month we are taking the hand quilting another step and I will be showing you the technique of Sashiko. The Japanese method of quilting using a much thicker thread and larger needles and usually working on a pre-printed pattern. We are providing you with a kit that you can work on and either make it into a needle case or pin cushion. I do hope you will come and enjoy the evening. Please bring your sewing kit along to this meeting and all further practical meetings.

I wonder how many of you went to Duxford last week, it is a good show to go to see a lot of the favourite traders all in the same place and touch the fabric. Online shopping is all very well and good but if you are trying to match up a fabric there is nothing like seeing and touching. I was unable to go this time but they usually have a good selection of quilts on display to.

I want to tell you about an event that is taking place in Cottered on 19 November, it is a Quilters Guild Region 7 event and we are very lucky to have Liz Trenow, author of the Forgotten Seamstress coming to talk to us. I am sure she will be very entertaining. We are also having four demonstrations to participate in and I hope you will come, even if you are not members of the Guild you can come as a visitor. Contact Ann Edwards on <<mailto:ann.mci.edwards@btinternet.com>> ann.mci.edwards@btinternet.com for your tickets. There is plenty of parking and the trader is Joanna Kent of the Crafty Quilter. Look forward to seeing you there.

If you haven't done so already it is subscription renewal time. The fee hasn't changed and is still £36.00 payable to Mimram Quilters. Your new programme will be available at the next meeting too and will also be available on the website along with a google calendar and updates.

See you next week

Sally