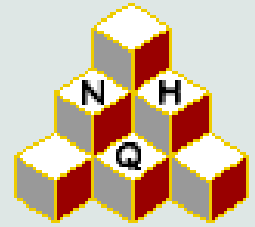


# Newsletter February 2023



## Club News

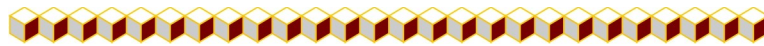
### Meetings

15<sup>th</sup> February - A visit from Ellen Young talking about guide dogs for the blind.

1<sup>st</sup> March - A visit from Kim Burton, stitch book studio, Portsmouth.

15<sup>th</sup> March - Trader, Sew Busy from Fleet.

The full programme is available on our website under events.



## Show & Tell





On a recent retreat Anne Cheng made this quilt for a friend and had a go at long arm quilting for the very first time with a pantograph. Her friend had made the patchwork blocks and then had given up, she was very pleased with the finished quilt and it went straight onto her bed.



## ***Quilt Stands***

The quilt stands have now been removed from Costello school, some have been homed with members and 30 have gone on a trip to Bognor! They are being stored there for us until their groups exhibition in May which gives us some more time to consider what happens to them.



## ***Exhibitions***

Due to the increased cost of hiring and their unhelpful attitude the committee have decided that any future exhibitions will not be held at Costello. A couple of venues are being looked at which are more economical and a decision will have to be made as to whether we hold any more and what form they should take. Please have a think about this as we will be asking your opinions in the future. We also need to decide if we should start making another charity quilt, as these take a long time to organise and make. We usually start making the next one shortly after an exhibition has been held so that it is ready in advance for the next one. Even if another one is not held a quilt could be given to a charity to raffle themselves. This is another decision for the group and will be discussed soon, please let us know any thoughts and any ideas for a quilt we could make.



## ***Southern Star***

Someone (nameless) wrote a piece about our exhibition in the Southern Star with some pictures, they obviously enjoyed their trip and the bacon sandwich! The group have a copy at the reception desk at our meeting if you don't receive one and would like to take a look.



## ***Other events***

4<sup>th</sup> March – Doughty's road show Emsworth, contact Doughty's for details.

10<sup>th</sup> - 15<sup>th</sup> May – Guildford quilters exhibition 10-5pm free entry.

Place farm barn, West Horsley place, Surrey, KT24 6AN



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