



NEWSLETTER

July/August 2011



Close
up of a
doormat
made by
Elizabeth
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JULY'S MEETING

Again the meeting was well attended and people were able to try a whole range of activities in the workshops provided. Thanks to all who ran these. The workshops included bird mobiles, finishing and hanging techniques, brooches - both the proddy and button varieties and bunting-making for the picnic. Sorry if I missed anything out but I didn't manage to get round everything myself! People seemed to come away with lots of ideas. They also came away with lots of materials and clothing from the charity shop upstairs which was opened especially for the group at 4. Many bargains were to be had and hopefully the shop will be able to do this again for future meetings.

The next meeting is the picnic on 6th August which, to be on the safe side, will be held at Dunnington. Please bring along your lunch/tea and a rug or two to put out to show other groups what we get up to. We are hoping that the Woodhorn Matters will be able to come as well as other local groups. Look out for the bunting - all made with recycled fabrics.

Meeting Dates

12-30 4-30pm at Dunnington Reading Rooms
Church Street, Dunnington YO19 5PW.

- 6th August - Annual Picnic. This will be held at Dunnington and be indoors just in case! The hall will be open from 10 til 4.30. Please bring along your lunch/tea. We will be inviting other local rag rug groups.
- 3rd September - working meeting and collection of DOORMATS.
- 1st October - working meeting and if you have made something for Christmas in the past could you bring it along to show others e.g. trees, wreaths, cards etc?
- 5th November - working meeting and "swop shop". Have you some material/textiles/wool/books that you like to swop? Bring them along to exchange with other group members.
- 3rd December - "Secret Santa" and Christmas Lunch. Bring along a "rag rug related" present to put under the tree and some food to share.
- 7th January 2012!! - working meeting.

THERE IS NO NEWSLETTER IN AUGUST.

Have a great Summer!

HAPPY HOOKING!!

OTHER NEWS ITEMS

WOOLFEST

Thanks to Kay for organising the trip to Woolfest. It sounded a great success. Angela reports :

I thoroughly enjoyed being driven there and back and being able to enjoy the wonderful scenery. It was a good event with many more stalls than last year and there was a wonderful busy atmosphere. Even the coffee was good, the flapjack was enormous, and tasty from the mobile van and John said he enjoyed a very good lunch in the cafe. Every aspect for uses of wool was covered with the exception of rag rugging. I shall be in touch with the Wool Clip to see if this cannot be addressed in future years. I know Cilla dropped out at the last minute through illness but she isn't the only ruggers in the North of England. The Wool Clip has asked for feedback and suggestions.

Angela also says:

Looking forward to seeing members on the Art's Barge at the Bonding warehouse Landing near Skeldergate Bridge between 10 and 5 on Friday

29th July where we will be demonstrating rugging. Refreshments are available on board. The following day we will be at Bar Lane Studios demonstrating again from 10-4. There will be art on show and there is a cafe. Please come along to one or both and support our group. Both these events have come about because of our involvement with York Open Studios.

WE NEED YOUR DOORMATS!!

Last meeting saw even more doormats produced and very lovely they are too! Thank you to everyone who has contributed so far.

At the September meeting, when all 'doormats' will be collected in, there will be time to get them labelled and - in case anyone is uncertain about preparing them for hanging - we can work on that too. Meanwhile, do call Jenny if you are unclear about anything.

Dates For Your Diary.

- The Moors National Park Centre, at Danby near Whitby, has a variety of exhibitions organised including Brigantia on Colour and Texture, Heartlands and The Inspiration of Trees. Contact 01439 772737 or www.northmoors.org.uk/inspiredby for more info.
- 29/7/11 - The Arts Barge is landing at the Bonding warehouse in York and we are demonstrating on the barge for the day (10-5). This is part of the Festival of the Rivers.
- 30/7/11 - Ebor Ruggers will also be demonstrating at Bar Lane Studios (near Micklegate Bar) from 10-4. There is a cafe and a range of art on show.
- 3-4/9/11 - British Wool Weekend at The Great Yorkshire Showground in Harrogate.
- 2-4/9/11 - The Great Northern Needlecraft and The Great Northern Quilt Shows are also on this weekend at The Great Yorkshire Showground in Harrogate. Not sure if you can get a ticket for all but may be worth investigating! Contact www.eventcentre.co.uk or 01423 544544 for more details.
- 11/10/11 - Rag Rug day - The Walled Garden at Scampston. Lewis and Louisa Creed are running a workshop 10 til 3.30. It costs £70 inc of coffee, lunch and materials. For more info please contact The Walled Garden on 01944 759111 or at www.scampston.co.uk

