



Ebor Ruggers

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MEETING NEWS

7th June: "Work with what you've got": a workshop with Jenny Barnes, 10.30-15.30. To date nineteen people have signed up for the workshop so we still have room for six more participants. If you are interested please contact me at the email address overleaf, or phone 01904 612401. There will be a working meeting for those not attending the workshop. We are looking forward to seeing Jenny again and catching up with all her news!

****URGENT - PLEASE READ****

We have had to change the date of our 5th July meeting as it clashes with the weekend of Stage 2 of the Tour de France from York and many roads will be closed in and around York. Our meeting will now take place on the following Saturday ie 12th July. As planned this will be a working meeting including making up mini-mat packs, plus a strawberry tea.

Calling all crafters!

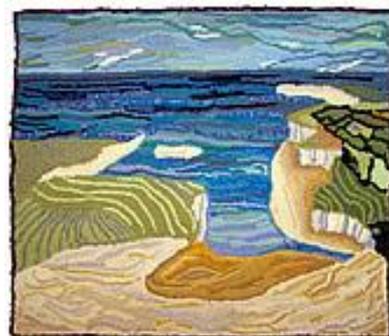
Heather Lamborn has some very tempting courses coming up at The Bee Loft, her studio situated amidst lovely countryside in Angram, near York. They include Embellishments, Upcycling and Re-designating (showing you how to give new life to favourite garments), Mosaics for Outdoors and Willow Lanterns to name but three. See www.heatherlamborn.com for more information. The cake comes highly recommended!

Woodhorn Matters Exhibition

Thurs 12th - Sat 14th June
Mon 16th - Sat 21st June
10.00am - 4.00pm

Woodhorn Matters are celebrating their 21st birthday this year, and to mark this auspicious occasion they are holding an exhibition of traditional and contemporary hooky and proddy rugs, wall hangings, cushions and bags in their hometown of Morpeth. Some items will be for sale. The venue is the Bagpipe Museum, The Chantry, Bridge Street, Morpeth, NE61 1PD, and entry is free.

Several of us have booked to go up on the train for the day on Saturday 21st June, so why not join us? Contact me for more details.



"Estuary" by Louisa Creed.

North Yorkshire Open Studios

June 7th & 8th & June
14th & 15th

From the website:

"From hidden locations on the North Yorkshire Moors and harbourside huts in Whitby and Scarborough to suburban living rooms in Harrogate and beautiful back gardens in the remote Yorkshire Dales, each year artists and makers across the whole of North Yorkshire invite the public into a host of intriguing spaces".

Sounds like the perfect excuse, if one were needed, for a day out in the countryside!

See www.nyos.org.uk for full details of artists taking part.

Members' Profiles: yours truly, Anne Bush

How long have you been rugging?

About 5 years.

What got you hooked?

I went to a "10 York Crafters" event at the cemetery chapel and Lewis Creed showed me how to hook. He was so encouraging and enthusiastic and told me about Ebor Ruggers and when the next meeting was. So along I went! I had always wanted to try it as I remembered my mother's proddy rugs from early childhood. After I had taken it up my father gave me her prodder which I still use.

What do you like about rugging?

I've always been a keen shopper in charity shops, jumble sales and car boots, so this craft gives me an excuse to do it even more! I think I probably like the hunting and collecting side of rugging more than the actual making. But as well as the thrifty recycling element I also love the idea of carrying a traditional craft into the future and making it relevant to a new generation. And of course it is a wonderfully sociable group, so I love all the chatting and laughing every month, as well as seeing what everyone else is making.

Do you enjoy any other crafts?

I love knitting and am trying hard to crochet!

Any rugging ambitions?

Umm... to actually make something?



Is your stash dwindling rapidly? Can you cram just a bit more in? Enjoy the thrill of the chase? If the answer to these questions is yes, then why not go along to the famed Sheriff Hutton jumble sale, which this month will be raising money for Martin House Hospice for Children. It takes place on Saturday 14th June at 2pm. But get there early if you want first pick or sharpen up your elbows!

Another jumble sale in June takes place on Wednesday 8th at St Luke's Burton Stone Lane. This is being held in aid of the Deanne Gee Memorial Fund which helps children with disabilities.

As well as being an early morning devotee of the York Racecourse car boot every Saturday, Margaret Hockey recommends a visit to the car boot at Home Farm Wigginton which takes place on most Sundays from April to October, starting at approx 8am. Margaret's verdict: "Not so many stands selling "antiques" and "vintage", more families having a clear-out".

Keep the date!

Lewis and Louisa Creed have kindly passed on details of the next "Mainly Rag Rugs" exhibition by the 10 York Crafters Group at the Cemetery Chapel in York.

It will take place on 17th-19th October from 10-4 each day. Entry is free. Put it in your diary now!

If you use Facebook, the "groups" are a wonderful way of sharing with other like-minded folk, including lots of rag ruggers. There are some incredibly talented people on them from all over the world, as well as beginners asking for advice. It is both inspirational and heart-warming to see the beautiful pieces being created and to read the support and encouragement being offered. Simply search in the "find friends" box and send a request to join the group.

My favourite groups:

Making Rugs, Hooked, Prodded and Rag Rugs

Rag Ruggers

Hooked Rugs and Proddy Mats

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