



Chainstitch

Otago Embroiderers' Guild Inc

October 2019

A message from our President, Mary Flaherty

This year is heading towards the final few months very quickly. It won't be long before Christmas is upon us. Every year decorations seem to appear earlier and earlier. And to that end our AGM is looming. We would like those considering standing on the committee to fill in forms at our next meeting which is an evening meeting on Thursday 24th October. There are members standing down after giving a number of years on the committee, so we need your help to continue providing the wonderful opportunities to stitch, share, enjoy friendship and support one another.

I do hope you have all been looking at the Wanaka Embroidery School website and choosing classes you would like to attend. A huge amount of work goes into organising the school and it needs your support. There are a wide range of workshops on offer to stimulate your interest in all areas of embroidery. So plan your weekend in Wanaka stitching, or join one of the workshops offered in Dunedin.

Fran Rawlings from Heritage Roses Otago and the Dunedin City Council has sent us an invitation to celebrate the return of roses to Dunedin's Victorian Cemetery on 7/8 December from 10.00 – 5.00 pm. There will be Guided tours, Presentations, Display table and Devonshire Teas. So mark on your calendar if this is of interest to you.

The Regional Exhibition is also looming. I do hope those going through enjoy the experience and those entering work are happy with the outcome.

It was a thrill to read in the Otago Daily Times that one of my favourite NZ poets has been awarded the Katherine Mansfield Menton Fellowship to write in France for a year. I have taught Sue Wootton's poetry and enjoyed reading her work for years. Kevin and I stayed in Menton in 2000 and we visited Villa Isola Bella which will be the seat of Sue's writing. It is high on the hills overlooking Menton and the Mediterranean Sea.

As it is on Earth, Sue Wootton

You were tickled by your laughing mother
and you birthed the word love, tucking it

under your breastplate like a charm. Or
she wasn't laughing and it wasn't a tickle

and you grew a hard hide on the harm.
Every touch and every word's a spell.

All words are born in the body.
All words are borne by the body.

Who cups your fontanelle
and sings into your cells – the luck

or lack of this appalls; it forms the ill or well
you'll draw from all your life.

Heart has hater. Earth always has heart.
Oh I am terrified, whispers the girl

in her ninth month, as her baby tests its heels
against the whole world's skin.

Committee

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If you could like to share information with OEG members via Chainstitch please email Cathrine Waite at cate.waite@gmail.com

MEETING INFORMATION:

Guild Meetings:

Leith Bowling Club, 2 Duke Street, Woodhaugh. Meetings in 2019 are as follows:

Thursday evening meetings; doors open 6.45

October 24

November 28

Thursday Workshop:

Contact: Jan Letts, 021 254 7816

Senior Citizens Rooms, Lower Octagon, every Thursday from 9.30 a.m. - 11.45 a.m.

To attend workshop meetings you must be a member of the Otago Embroiderers' Guild. There is a \$1 charge for tea/coffee.

Project Group:

Contact: Sharon Evans, 027 665 4590

Meetings are held in the Mornington Presbyterian Church hall

Second Thursday evening of the month; 7.00-9.30 p.m.

Christmas Group: *this group no longer meets. If, however, someone is interested in organising it then please contact a member of the committee to discuss.*

New Members: Isabella Foster, Fiona McLaughlan and Jane Siddle

Subs: a note from our Treasurer, Jane Carroll

You can now pay subs for 2020

Full annual membership: \$60 (reduced to \$55 if paid by 31 March 2019)

Country Membership: \$45 (\$40 if paid by 31 March 2019)

Associate Membership: \$30. This category is for members of other guilds. Please state the name of your Guild on form.

Student membership: \$20 if aged between 13-18 years; \$2 per session if aged between 5-12 years.

Payment methods:

Cheque: made out to 'Otago Embroiderers' Guild'

Please hand to Jane at a Guild meeting; in an envelope with your name on the outside

Or you can post your cheque to:

The Treasurer

Otago Embroiderers' Guild

PO Box 5732, Dunedin 9058.

Online into bank account 03 1732 0001345 00

Payee: Otago Embroiderers' Guild

Particular: YOUR NAME

Code: subs; Reference: membership type, e.g. full, country, associate or student

October Programme

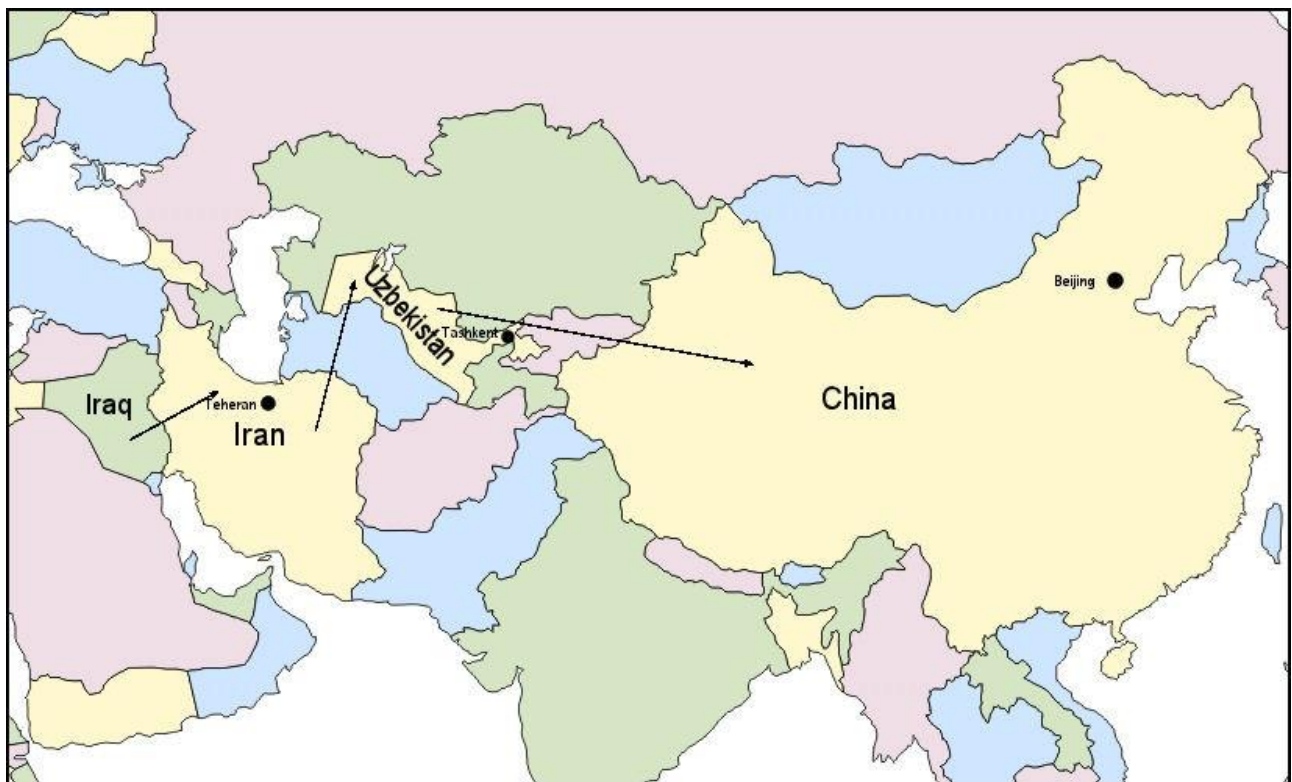
Please remember to pay \$5 to your tutor.

- Evening Project: Surface stitchery with Judy Mason

- Own stitching
- Modules Group
- Stitch along - month 9 ready for collection
- Show and Tell table: Oldest WIP (work in progress)

Around the World Stitch Along Part 9

This month we continue our journey to Egypt, Syria and Iraq to discover the Egyptian feather stitch, Damasc darning, and the Mossoul stitch. However, I have had to admit defeat! The diagram and instructions for this stitch just don't seem to make sense. If you go through the website, you will be able to see them, and try to work them out. I'd love to see the finished stitch! So this month, instead of Egyptian feather stitch we will just be working 2 versions of feather stitch. We will also be working Damasc stitch, and Mossoul stitch.



NOTICES

We congratulate our Guild member Julie Dawkins on being the 2020 recipient of the Gay Eaton Award for attendance at the Wanaka Embroidery School. If you have a seat available for Julie in your vehicle travelling to and/or from Dunedin to Wanaka, can you please contact a member of the committee.

New Library Book

- Mega Mini Cross Stitch by Makoto Oozu

Otago Guild 2020 Exhibition Dates

Our 2020 Exhibition is planned for 13-21 November 2020 in the Community Gallery, Princes. Street.

Archival Boxes for storing your precious pieces of embroidery

Neville Studios are now making archival boxes. This is the best way to ensure that your pieces of embroidery, or anything else that you want to preserve, will be protected. Call in and see Gregg or Lesley to discuss sizes and prices.

Evacuation Procedures

Can you all please ensure that you check the notice on the wall in the Bowling Club rooms re Evacuation procedures and meeting points.

OEG EXHIBITION 2020 PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

The Power of Poetry

Embroider a line or lines from a published poet and then embroider your interpretation to represent the imagery in the lines. The piece must be titled – An extract from (title of the poem) by (poet).

This can be presented in different ways to fit within a 5 inch (13cm) by 8 inch (20cm) radius. It can be much smaller provided it fits within the measurements provided. It could be a plaque, or a needle case, or a small box or a little book. That is entirely your choice.

e.g. An extract from 'Hunger' by Laurence Binyon

I am Hunger

Embroider examples of physical, mental or spiritual hunger.

Or

An extract from 'To Autumn' by John Keats

Seasons of mist and mellow fruitfulness

Close bosom friend of the maturing sun

Embroider images of autumn literally or figuratively.

Children's poetry, humorous poetry and NZ poetry are wonderful sources of inspiration.

Regional Day

2nd November at Riversdale.

Canterbury Embroiderers' Guild Biennial Selected Exhibition

Guest Exhibitor: Jo Dixey

Venue: Visitor Lounge, Canterbury Museum, Rolleston Avenue Christchurch

Dates: Saturday 19 October to Sunday 3 November

Southern Regional Embroidery Exhibition 2019



Croydon Aviation Heritage Centre

Mandeville

October 26 –November 23 2019

NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

6 PM, Thursday 28 November

- Monthly notices
- Annual General meeting
- Quiz
- Please bring donation for the food bank
- Please bring small plate to share for supper
- Stitch along months 10, 11 and 12 will be available
- Show & Tell Table: 2019 finishes

We will electing office bearers and committee members for both the Guild and for the Conference committee. There will be two rounds of elections; one for Guild and one for Conference committee.

If you are interested in being on either of these committees please ensure that you complete and sign a nomination form for the appropriate committee (there are separate forms). You will also need someone to sign that they have nominated you for a post. The elected Guild president will arrange a meeting date with the Guild committee. The Conference committee will need to meet to vote in committee for the position of convenor.

ROSTER FOR OCTOBER

The committee thanks you all for your help

Catering:	Alaina Van Koten
Raffles:	Julie Dawkins
Library:	Margaret Stevens
Treasure Chest:	Colleen Kelly and Cathy Todd
Hostess:	Lorna Jackson

Check out our website at

www.oeg.org.nz

REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR NAME BADGE

