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Patchwork Summer....

Dear supporters Prague Patchwork Meeting,

In the summer issue, we would like to invite you to a number of interesting events. In August, there will be another Festival of Quilts in Birmingham, PPM will be present at this awesome show by the "LACE" collection.

In October, you will be able to visit the Prague FOR DECOR again, as in the last year; PPM and our partners will be present there.

Apart from information regarding these events, you can read about the huge quilt, which was completed in Pelhřimov and continue with the Mystery quilt project!

Have a wonderful summer,

Anna Štěřbová

The best for patchwork...

We bring you links to all the pages you may find useful when quilting!

www.sicistroj.cz

www.ragos.cz

www.strima.com

www.bernina.cz www.bernina.sk

www.patchwork-hobby.cz

www.patch-design.cz

www.aja-patchwork.cz

www.hotelstep.cz

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Danuše Březinová, p.2



5th Prague Patchwork Meeting
Photo: Petr Nikodem

More Pictures from the 5th PPM may be found on our webpage in the Gallery Section.

How was the Czech Patchwork record born....

From the 10th -11th June 2011, patchwork team of 6 members, lead by Danuše Březinová from the patchwork group Ostrava got together in Pelhřimov to complete a huge quilt full of houses. The quilt is 617 x 204 cm long and contains 328 different house blocks (even goats' sheds were included by the jury). 177 blocks and 20 222 pieces of fabric...

The quilt was made by 178 quilters from the whole Czech Republic.

How was this crazy idea created? We were discussing Pelhřimov with Pepa Fuxa (from PFAFF) already three years ago during Prague Patchwork Meeting, but then we forgot about the idea. In between I have started with the "Sulka" houses quilt, thinking that the quilt will be hanging in some children's home and there were more and more blocks with houses emerging. Suddenly, our sponsor, the sewing center Haišman, provided us with full support for Pelhřimov.

They brought us sewing machines, tables, sunshades and created a "sewery" in front of the shop. Our team: Pavla Křížová, Iva Chovancová, Lydie Nimrichterová, Tonja Chalupná, Hanka Součková and myself were adding forest and log cabins on spot, increasing the number of pieces to 20 222 (the jury refused to count them, they trusted us on this number, which we checked multiple times). Over the Saturday, we were completing the quilt, piecing blocks together and even adding the binding. In between we had to stop at least 5 times to go on stage and show our progress. We were really happy for the perfect service by Pavel Haišman and Pepa Fuxa, who helped us with everything...

Big thank you goes to all those who joined the project and sent us their house... Before we will split the quilt in smaller ones it will be travelling around the country on a number of quilting shows. We are already thinking about the next project, which will be a surprise for the next year!

Pictures may be seen at <http://www.patchwork-cz.com/brezinova/>.

Dana Březinová



The photographs were taken from
www.patchwork-cz.com
Author: Danuše Březinová

New living trends will be presented by FOR INTERIOR a FOR DECOR

The autumn season in the Prague trade fair area in Letňany will peak by set of trade fairs aiming at living, interior design and decorations. Visitors, who will come to the grounds of Letňany between the 6th and 9th October may look forward to the interior and design trade FOR INTERIOR as well as the decorations' trade fair FOR DECOR, which will bring lots of novelties from the world of living. The exhibitions will be complemented by two events – the expo aiming at presents and advertising goods FOR PRESENT and FOR GASTRO @HOTEL. Last year, the event was visited by almost 24 000 visitors, who had the chance to see 365 stands. This year is the expected number of visitors even higher.

All four exhibitions will offer the visitors a complete overview of trends in closely connected areas. The trade fair FOR INTERIOR represents the perfect option to get to know newest trends in living and interior design. The organizers wish to continue with the great experience of the last two designer shows – FOR INTERIOR in autumn and FOR FURNITURE in spring. The fact that the trade fairs are highly successful in Prague is also caused by the chosen locality. Prague, as an important business centre offers via its trade centre in Letňany perfect spaces for presentation as well as easy accessibility for visitors from the whole country.

The trade area in Letňany has a rich history in organizing shows and events concentrating on living. Therefore, the visitors are used to coming to the premises regularly. The huge interest of exhibitors into the FOR INTERIOR event may be also illustrated by the fact that now, 3 months prior the opening, 85% of all areas are occupied and the managers start to work on the concrete expositions and locations. The overall trade fair area will besides be increased by a further hall. Exhibitors will present new technologies, trends and materials.

Visitors will have the possibility to see not only designer and stylish furniture, but also house hold appliances, decorations and many other interesting items. The event will for sure be enjoyed not only by those who wish to complete their interior, but also by those interested in original accessories. These will be widely represented within FOR DECOR, which will be held in Letňany for the second time. **Visitors may look forward to seeing novelties, latest trends from decorations, glass, accessories and textile. High standard of the event is supported by the presence of Prague Patchwork Meeting, which will cooperate on the trade fair again in 2011.**

It was clear last year that organizing FOR INTERIOR and FOR DECOR together with another exhibition is a good choice, which is why it will be accompanied by FOR PRESENT trade fair again this year. The novelty for the autumn 2011 is the 1.st year of FOR GASTRO &HOTEL, which has been added to the previously named events by ABF due to multiple requests from professionals in the gastronomy and hotel area.

More information regarding the single events may be found on our pages www.forinterior.cz and www.fordecor.cz.

„You will be able to see designers', luxury and stylish furniture, but also accessories, decorations and lots of others”



Photographs were provided by ABF

Festival of Quilts in Birmingham

The ultimate patchwork and quilting experience - and not just in Europe!

The Festival of Quilts 2011

NEC, Birmingham
11th to 14th August

Halls 6, 7, and 8
Open: 10.00am – 5.30pm
(5.00pm Sunday)

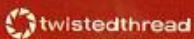
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Image: Hawaiian quilt, Queen Kapi'olani's Fan Quilt,
from the American Museum in Bath.



Become part of the international family of quilters by attending The Festival of Quilts which takes place at the National Exhibition Centre in Birmingham from Thursday 11th to Sunday 14th August.

Last year, 34,000 people made that trip and came from some 54 countries around the globe.

Keen quilters already know why. Quite simply, the Festival of Quilts is the pre – eminent quilting event this side of the Atlantic.

But if you are a non quilter, we can promise you a fabulous day out at a very modest price. Indeed, if you have never been to a quilt exhibition before, then, take a risk and come along anyway.

You will find a dazzling display of quilts in our many competitions; an equally dazzling array of white wall art galleries setting off the very best examples of patchwork and quilting; demonstrations galore from top experts; the largest shopping fest for specialist products and an enormous range of workshops. Obviously a lot of these sessions are aimed at the keen enthusiast, but there are countless sessions specifically staged to enable the complete novice to have a go.

And in the above list of what's included within the Festival, we have actually omitted the most important element of all.

In simple terms, it's you, the visitor!

We have never quite worked out why it is that quilters are such a great bunch of people – but the other thing you can be assured of if you are stepping tentatively into your first quilt show, is a very friendly welcome.

As we all know, size isn't everything, but the scale of The Festival of Quilts dwarfs everything else in Europe so, whatever your specialist interest, you find more, more, more.

So, if you are an experienced and enthusiastic quilter, we look forward to seeing you again and we know that we have plenty that's new in our programme this year. The only question is, how long do you intend to stay?

If you have never been to a quilt show; if you have never contemplated making a quilt, live dangerously! Risk an afternoon in your life to see what it's all about. Even if we don't convert you, you will come away dazzled by the colour, scale, artistry and unashamed talent of contemporary quilters, plus we bet you will have made a few new friends into the bargain.

What's more, even if you can't stitch, you can still buy one-off, fabulous works of art whilst at The Festival of Quilts and pretend to your friends back home that you have joined the community of stitchers! Quilting – a gentle pastime? Not a chance! Quilting is the new rock 'n roll of the textile world. You have been warned!

Prague Patchwork Meeting presents the LACE Collection of the Art Quilt Club of the Czech Republic, Stand No. A 62!

(27 quilts, special CD with two quilt projects in English and German)

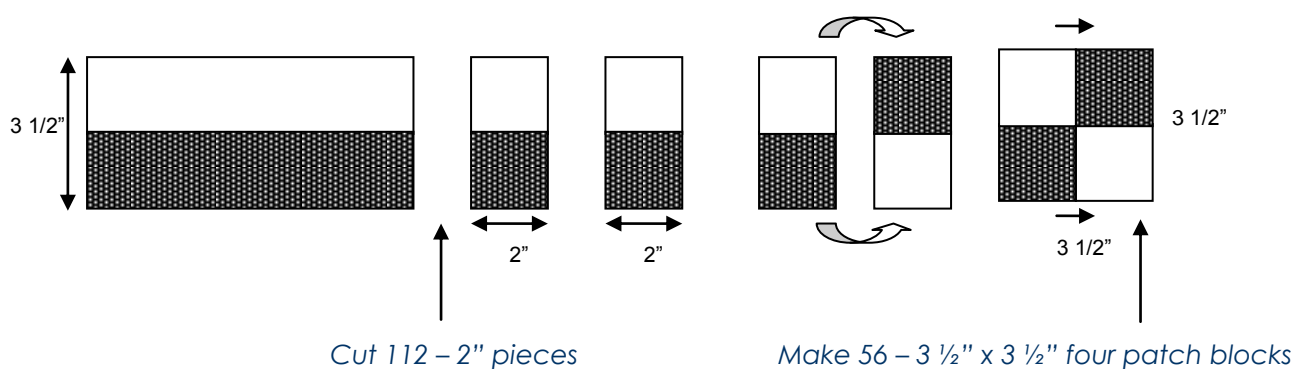
Mystery Quilt „Putování české hvězdy“ – Step 2

Design by Kimberly Elnmo

Quilt size: 80" x 80" (203x203 cm) / completed block size: 9" x 9" (23 x 23 cm)

STEP 2

1. Lightly press a 2" fabric #2 strip and a 2" fabric #4 strip right sides together (RST).
2. Sew $\frac{1}{4}$ " seam on long side of strip unit. Make 6 identical strip sets. Press strip set closed first, then press seam toward fabric #4. Cut 112 – 2" units.
3. Rotate one unit and place RST on top of another unit, butting opposing seams together. Sew two units together to form a four-patch square. Press each unit closed first; then open and press seam to one side. Four-patch units should measure $3\frac{1}{2}$ " square. Make a total of 56 – $3\frac{1}{2}$ " four-patch units.
4. Square-up units if necessary. Set aside.



In next month's PPM newsletter, you'll receive another clue to create the first block!

The project is supported by the general distributor of PFAFF for the Czech Republic – Haišman Company.

The biggest selection of fabrics for this project is brought to you by

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