

## **Newsletter**



April & May 2023

I was sorry we had to miss meeting at Patcham Community Centre on the 6<sup>th</sup> May, but I hope you all enjoyed watching the Coronation. Did you notice the embroidery on Queen Camilla's dress? It was stitched at the Royal School of Needlework and it included the floral emblems for the four nations but also 2 small dogs, all embroidered with silk thread. The terriers were visible when the Queen sat on her throne!

The trip by BEG members to Worthing Museum on the 11<sup>th</sup> May was very successful and very inspirational. It is amazing how beautiful garments were completely stitched by hand often with inadequate lighting.







## Grand Fabric and Thread Sale 10am to 12pm. 3rd June 2023

Come along, bring a friend, add to your stash! Enjoy the tea and cake.

Your committee members will be there from 9am and would be very grateful if you could assist either with the setting up and/or with serving teas and cakes. All the fabric is priced but obviously needs to be displayed to its greatest advantage. We will also need assistance with putting out the tables and any chairs. We will be upstairs in rooms 3 and 4, as the Young Stitchers will be using the end room.

If you are unable to help perhaps you could make a cake and pop in with it during the morning. We would be very grateful for any assistance, even if it is only for part of the morning.

All monies raised will go into the Brighton Embroidery Groups funds, which helps us to keep our membership fees low. We will soon be planning another trip, and workshops with specialist tutors, any money raised will allow us to subsidise these.

## Embroidering Lace with Dianne 3rd June 2023, 2 to 4pm.



Many of you have chosen your lace and background colour, plus Dianne has kindly stitched them together so that you can begin with your embroidery immediately. Dianne is also bringing 5 spare sets of lace and fabric for any new members to use. I wondered if the photograph, on the left, which was taken at Worthing Museum might inspire you.

You will need to bring the usual sewing kit, including scissors, embroidery hoop, and needles, plus any embroidery threads that will blend in or contrast with your chosen lace. We will have some DMC stranded threads available for you to use. Dianne will also bring examples of her 'stitching on lace', to inspire you.