

MEAD QUILTERS NEWSLETTER DECEMBER 2025

Contributions to the newsletter are very welcome. Contact Jennie by email: barwise.jennie@gmail.com

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This month's meetings

Tuesday 2nd November 2025: 9.30 am Morning sewing meeting with mince pies!



A small Christmas sewing project will be available, so bring your sewing kit including - fabric scissors, pins or clips, needle and thread, biro or fabric marker.

Don't forget your Quilting Bee block and any decorations for the Christmas Tree Festival, that you may have finished.

Tuesday 16th November 2025: 7.30 pm. Christmas party and quiz

Bring some show-and-tell (anything you have made and not shown before) and a plate with 6 items of food, sweet or savoury. There will be fruit punch and a Christmas quiz. All members welcome.

November morning meeting: show and tell





Two beautiful quilts by Morgane

November morning meeting: more show and tell



A stylish quilt by Carol W



Strip quilt by Francesca



A first quilt by Michelle



Cosy blanket by Trish



Quilted picture by Linda



Log cabin cushion by Jennie



Amazing tree skirt by Alison W





Clever gift bags by Jeanette



Cute bag by Carol M

Future Events		
Event	How you can get involved	
From Nov 2025 Members sales tables at meetings	You can now book a sales table at any Mead meeting to sell your own sewing related items and keep all the proceeds. The cost is just £5. You could also join with other members to book a table together. Please contact Elizabeth to make a booking - elizabethr0649@gmail.com	
Monday 8 th Dec 2025 10 am to 4 pm	Exhibition of quilts for charity at St Albans Abbey Do go along to the abbey to see the display of quilts, many made by Mead Quilters.	
23 rd to 25 th Jan 2026 Mead Retreat at Denham Grove Hotel.	Join in our enjoyable and productive weekend. Two whole days of sewing! For further details, contact Jennie – barwise.jennie@gmail.com	
28 th Mar 2026 Quilters Guild Herts Area Day Marford Hall, Marford Road, Wheathampstead.	Please make a booking now if you can come, Jennie is organising this event and is hoping for lots of support from Mead members as it is very local. Full details and how to book a place here - Region 7 - Events - The Quilters' Guild	
17 th Oct 2026 Mead Quilters Exhibition Marford Hall, Wheathampstead.	Put this date in your diary today, so that you make sure not to miss it! We are also looking for donated quilts for the raffle (throw size and above). If you think you have one or can make one, please contact Alison W - amwill22@btinternet.com	





Progress of the Mead Quilting Bee Some of the blocks from our first monthly swap.







November Saturday sewing day and cracker workshop with Janet Goddard













Dates for your diary: Shows, fairs and festivals

8th December 2025: Display of quilts for charity at St Albans Abbey. 10 am to 4 pm

16th **to 22**nd **December 2025: Christmas Tree Festival,** St Saviours Church, Sandpit Lane, St Albans, AL1 4DF. Do go along and see our tree!

Sun 11th January 2026: Quilters Fair. 9.30 am – 4.00 pm. Farnham Maltings, Bridge Square, Farnham, Surrey, GU9 7QR Sat nav: Red Lion Lane, GU9 7QN

28th **Jan – 11**th **Feb 2026: Annie Folkard's exhibition** of contemporary quilts at The Horton, Haven Way, Epsom, Surrey. KT19 7HA. 9.15 am – 4.30 pm daily.

19th **– 22**nd **March 2026: The Stitch Festival,** Business Design Centre, 52 Upper Street, Islington. N1 0QH. 10.00 am – 5.30 pm (3.00 pm Sunday)

Let us know of any upcoming events that you have heard of, so that we can keep members informed. If you visit any of them, do send pictures!

Events and Speakers at Quilters Guild Groups. Oct 2025			
Mon 2 nd Mar 7.30 pm Visitors welcome. This event is now free for members of Mead Quilters	Speaker at Mimram Quilters. Sara Sullivan, A History of Colour through Sylko. https://www.facebook.com/Speakersanddemonstratorsuwi/posts/from-the-inboxsara-sullivanoffering-two-talksin-person-within-45-miles-of-winche/877139194449944/	Welwyn Civic Centre, Prospect Place, Welwyn, Herts. AL6 9ER	
Mon 1 st June 7.30 pm Visitors welcome £5	Speaker at Mimram Quilters. Helen Butcher, Miniature Madness. Little Patch Pockets: Home Page	Welwyn Civic Centre, Prospect Place, Welwyn, Herts. AL6 9ER	
Mon 3 rd Aug 7.30 pm Visitors welcome £5	Speaker at Mimram Quilters. Kathy Osborne of Quilt St Albans, 'My Quilting Journey'.	Welwyn Civic Centre, Prospect Place, Welwyn, Herts. AL6 9ER	

November evening meeting. Speaker Annie Folkard. Inspired by Colour

Annie took us through her quilting journey, arising from several very demanding (and frankly terrifying!) workshops with Debbie Crow in Ohio and culminating in some impressive successes. Her work was fascinating.

















November evening meeting: show-and-tell

Lovely quilts by Jeanette and Val





Mead Quilters online

Mead Quilters website - https://meadquilters.org.uk

News of our meetings and other events

Mead Quilters Members Facebook group: This is a closed group for club members. https://www.facebook.com/groups/770972933274429

Mead Quilters Public Page:

This is a public page to advertise our group and events. Facebook

Mead Quilters on Instagram:

Janet looks after our Mead Quilters Instagram account. You can follow us here - Mead Quilters (@meadquilters) • Instagram photos and videos

Quilting Classes available at Quilt St Albans, Redbourn

Thanks to Heather for the link. Classes available: applique, introduction to patchwork and quilting, walking foot and free motion quilting. https://www.quiltstalbans.com/classes