MEAD QUILTERS NEWSLETTER NOVEMBER 2026

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

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Meetings this Month

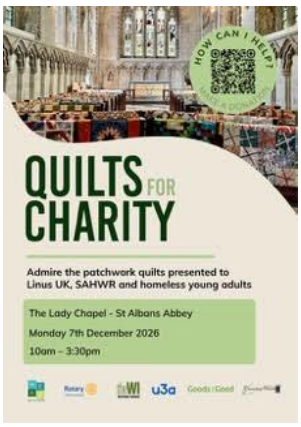
Tues 3rd November 2026: 9.30 am. Sewing morning
Bring your own sewing projects.
Stuffing will be available for heart cushions.

Saturday 7th November 2026: 1.00 pm to 4.00 pm
Saturday Sewing Day . Bring your own sewing projects.
Heather will be doing an applique demonstration for anyone who is interested in doing the applique block of the month with Morgane this year.

Tuesday 17th October 2026 : 7.30 pm : Member's showcase
Jo Day is going to show us some of her wonderful quilts and talk about her sewing journey. She will explain how she adapted the designs and tips that she picked up along the way and show the many different patchwork and quilting techniques that she has used.





Future Events	
Event	**How you can get involved**
Quilts at the abbey Monday 7th December 10.00am to 3.30pm	**St Albans Abbey, Lady Chapel** Come along to see the wonderful display of quilts made for donation to many causes. There will also be a sign-up sheet later for help with stewarding the exhibition. 
Baby Quilts for the Watford Neo-natal and Special Care Unit	'Watford Neo Natal Unit and Special Care baby unit would be delighted if we can give them quilts for Xmas gifts again this year. They can either be in Christmas fabric or colours or neutral; e.g. cream, gold, red or green. Sizes are: 18 x 16 inches or 20 x 18 inches. If anyone would like to make one that would be fabulous and fabric will be available at meetings in November. Thank you for all your support. Ginny'
St Francis of Assisi church Welwyn Garden City **28th Christmas tree festival**	**5th and 6th December 2026** We are decorating our tree with fabric eggs! Kits will be available at meetings this month to make the eggs for our tree. These must be returned to Jennie or Jo Day by 1st December. 
Christmas swap with Mimram and Icknield Quilters	Create an angel and post it to your swap partner. If you would like to be involved, email Fiona, with your name, address and a picture of your finished item by the 1st December. Then, you will receive the details of the person to send your item to. fionajpeacock@gmail.com.
Mystery Quilt and Applique Block of the month	Each month you will receive instructions to make your next block. These will either come together to make a mystery quilt or applique quilt. Contact Morgane to sign up for either or both of these projects over the next 12 months. Heather will be doing an applique demonstration at the Saturday meeting on November 7th, for anyone who is interested in the applique block of the month.

October morning meeting: show-and -tell



Morgane's fabulous quilt made from her quilting bee blocks



Beautiful quilt by Liz



Jelly roll quilt by Carol W





Antique log cabin quilt shown by Christine P



Colourful quilt by Michelle

Items for the exhibition by Carol and Francesca



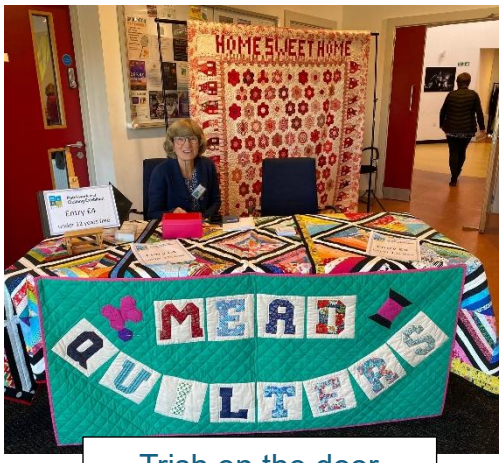






Mead Exhibition: 17th October 2026. Marford Hall, Wheathampstead

Our exhibition was a resounding success. The quilts looked stunning and the sales tables bulged with fabric and other goodies. The cushions on the tombola and the cakes on the refreshment stall, all made by members, were very popular. The raffle of 4 beautiful quilts and a rotary cutting set raised money for the local charity Youth Talk. Well done and thank you to all the members and their families who helped to make it such a success. To see pictures of all of the quilts on display, go to our website here – https://meadquilters.org.uk/news



Trish on the door



Joan with her sales table



Heather and Jennie dressed for the occasion



Jane and Christine P with the cushion tombola



Fiona and Lily at the raffle table



The lovely Julia from Stitch & Knit, Brookmans Park



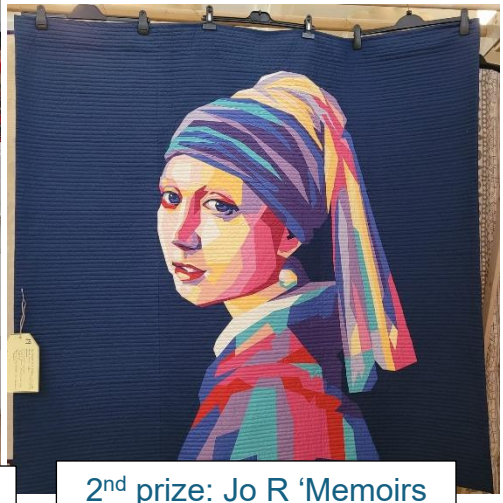
The fabric sales team, Stuart, Elizabeth and Linda



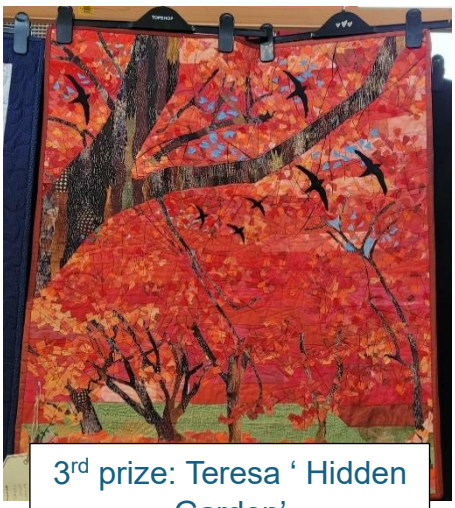
The winners of the visitors' choice and the raffle at the exhibition



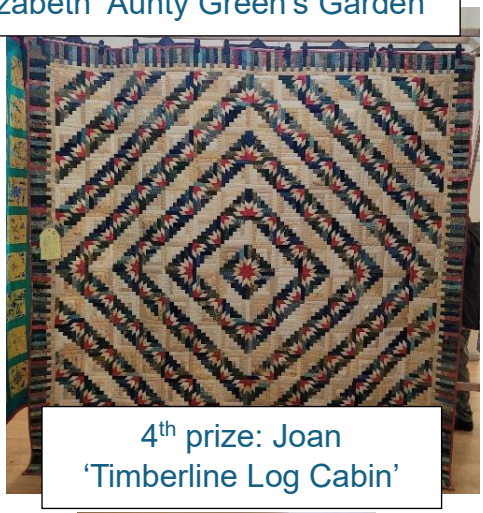
Visitors' Choice: 1st prize: Elizabeth 'Aunty Green's Garden'



2nd prize: Jo R 'Memoirs of Vermeer'



3rd prize: Teresa ' Hidden Garden'



4th prize: Joan 'Timberline Log Cabin'





1st prize raffle quilt, made by Joan, quilted by Morgane and won by Lesley!

3rd prize raffle quilt

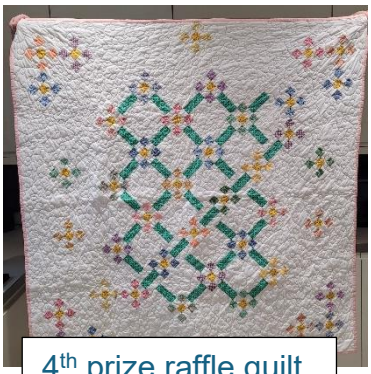




Volunteers from Youth Talk



2nd prize raffle quilt



4th prize raffle quilt



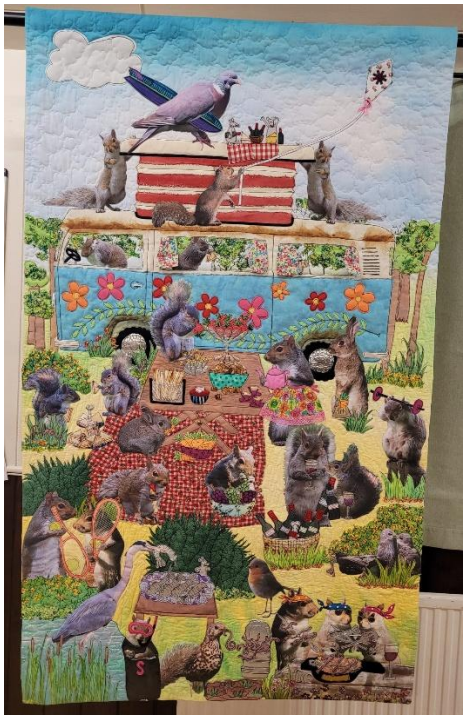
5th & 6th raffle prizes won by Jennie and Elizabeth

October evening meeting: **speaker Moira Neal,** free machine artist: A View from my Kitchen, and how it inspired a quilt. Moira showed us some beautiful pictures of the wild life in her garden and then explained how she incorporated them into a quilt. She also had a blanket printed with her quilt design, which was interesting.
https://www.facebook.com/p/Moira-Neal-Free-Machine-Artist-100048675651245/?locale=en_GB









Mead Quilters online

Mead Quilters Public Page:
This is a public page to advertise our group and events, managed by Liz.
Please do follow us on https://www.facebook.com/meadquilters and 'like' our posts!

Mead Quilters website - https://meadquilters.org.uk
News of our meetings and programme.

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

Mead Quilters on Instagram:
Janet looks after our Mead Quilters Instagram account. You can follow us here – https://www.instagram.com/meadquilters/?hl=en Please do 'like' our posts.

Members' Days Out: Francesca, Liz, Jeanette and Teresa went to the Knit & Stitch show at Ally Pally on the Thursday and Jennie and Jane went for their annual pilgrimage on the Friday and bumped into Carol W several times! Janet was also teaching on both days. The stalls were amazing, but it was very busy. Here are some of the quilts from the display section.

















