

Mead Quilters

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A LETTER FROM THE CHAIR

It was great to see so many of you at the AGM where your Committee was re-elected and an additional committee member, **Alison King**, was also elected. **Alison** with **Jennifer** will be organising refreshments for the May meetings onwards.

There were an amazing number of entries for the Four Seasons Challenge, won this year by **Betty Swindley**.

There seems to be great support for the suggestion of future outings and general agreement that such events may need to be subsidised if we cannot fill the vehicle. Your Committee will be considering outings over the following months and would be interested if individual members wished to organise a specific event.

Some of our younger members offered to plan a Facebook page to publicise Mead Quilters.

Mainly, until November, our focus will be on the **Mead Quilt Show**. We hope that each member will sell at least one book of raffle tickets, in aid of **The British Heart Foundation**.

By the time you read this, we will hopefully have made a start on sales at the **Hatfield Craft Fair** this month, and we are very grateful to Carol Wort for organising the display and a big thank you as well to members staffing the stall.

The **AGM Challenge** for the coming year is to make a table runner suitable for use at our Christmas parties. The basic fabric (green) will be given to you and will be available from the May evening meeting onwards. All you need is Christmassy fabric and threads to decorate the panel in any way you like. After the AGM next year, we would like to retain sufficient runners to use at Christmas parties; the Committee will meanwhile will be considering how any remaining ones can be put to good use.

Janet, Stasha and other members of the Quilt Show committee will require plenty of quilts to display in November. Although “just made” quilts will be ideal, you probably have others that have not been previously displayed. The more diversity in style of quilt the better! We want to make it a bumper show.

So “keep quilting”!

Valerie Pollington

MEAD CHALLENGE 2018-19

As usual at our April AGM meeting, we judged **The Mead Challenge**. This year the subject was **The Seasons** - limited to one metre square.

There were 19 entries which were varied and interesting. The winner was decided by the “coin in the cup” method which meant every Member could choose which ones they liked best.

The winner was **Betty Swindley** with these four



joined panels representing the **4 Seasons** . . .

Second in the The Mead Challenge was Linda Cosgrove's Winter Moon . . .



and a very close third was Karen Benge's tree . . .



Congratulations to them all.

Barbie

FOR SALE £25.00

Brother KH-710 Knitting Machine, with Tutor text book. The machine is neatly contained in its own case with the tools held inside.

It could be delivered or brought to a morning meeting if need be. I do not use this one as I now have a Bond machine which takes thicker threads.

Contact: Jennifer 01707 330965

TEA ROTA

- May 21: Pat Driscoll, Janet Goddard
June 18: Janet Thornhill, Joan Douglas
July 16: Ginny Edwards, Jennifer Shields

ADVANCE NOTICES QUILTS IN THE LIBRARY An Exhibition By London Quilters

At Swiss Cottage Library from June 3 to 28 excluding Sundays. This is usually a fantastic exhibition from a wide range of quilters showing many different styles of patchwork and is well worth a visit.

BERKHAMSTEAD QUILTERS EXHIBITION

Saturday 7 September from 10 am to 5 pm.
Northchurch Social Centre, Bell Lane,
Northchurch HP40 3RD

Again a local show well worth a visit.

Young Quilters

A new group is starting here in Flitwick

Young Quilters is part of the Quilters Guild.
We offer workshops to young people between the ages of 5 - 18

WORKSHOPS
will be held in
FLITWICK LIBRARY
On Saturday 11th May,
Saturday 8th June and
Saturday 6th July
1:30pm ~ 3:30pm

If you like the idea of producing a useful sewn project in just two hours and would like to become part of this group then contact Linda via email - linda@youngquilters.com to find out more details as you will need to book a space.

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Here's a photo of a quilt made by a Dutch lady who had been living in Ghana and used African fabrics in all her quilts.

She was also called Hilde, hence my interest in her work.

Hilda

Lucy from SECRET GARDEN QUILTING

. . . has asked us to tell you she has some new workshops on her website, details below . . .

PEN LOCK NOTEBOOK



Wednesday 12 June 9.30 am - 1 pm
£22.50 including a copy of **Beth Studley's** Pen-
Lock Notebook pattern

CUSHION WORKSHOPS [Pictures top of next
column] £40 (including pattern)

Heart Applique: Friday 17 May

Folded Pinwheel:

Saturday 8 June and Wednesday 3 July

Baby Buzz Saw: Wednesday 10 July

Each workshop: 9.30 am - 3.30 pm



WHAT TO DO WITH A MINI CHARM



Friday 28 June 9.30 am - 3.30 pm
£40 including FREE Mini Charm Pack from SG's
current selection

Book online at

www.secretgardenquilting.co.uk

Or contact Lucy Gurney on 01582 227808

LOOKING FOR CLASSES?_____

For those of you who are new to quilting, we
can recommend the classes held at **Sandridge
Village Hall** by **Judith Wilson** and **Trisha
Tominey**.

Email them here . . .

classes@judithwilson.co.uk

Also, **Fashion & Fabrics** at **24 Beech Road, St
Albans** runs classes, and **Simone Taylor**, the
new owner, can do your **long-arm quilting!**

As I am away in the USA next month there
will not be a June Newsletter, but I will be
back with a new one in July.

Linda