



Mole Valley Quilters

February 2024

Dear Members

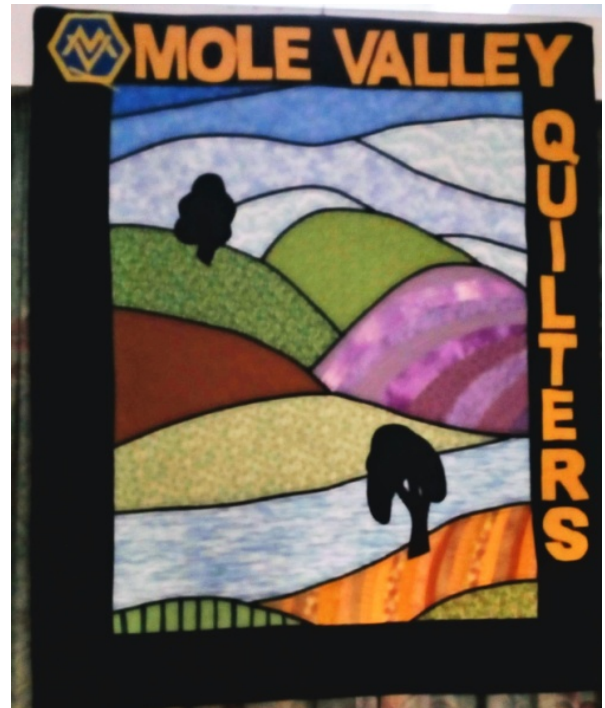
February already - and for a few days at least the weather hasn't been too bad!

Those members who made it to the afternoon tea at Denbie's last month were treated to a super cream tea - scones with jam and cream and lots of tea or coffee - and the feedback from members has been overwhelmingly positive. Everyone seemed to have a good time chatting with friends - despite the challenging weather. At one point the rain was so hard on the glass roof that it started dripping through. We all sloshed back to our cars with umbrellas much in evidence - but it certainly didn't spoil the afternoon.

This Thursday we have our meeting that was postponed from January which is a zoom meeting so no need to go out in the cold this month.

Looking forward to seeing you all online on Thursday

Best wishes



NEXT MEETING

Thursday 1st February 2024

This is the postponed meeting from last month

Sally Moss will talk about the history of Welsh Costume

This is a ZOOM meeting - Marie Louise will be sending out the link and joining instructions this week - please let her know if you don't receive it.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

1 February 2024 - ZOOM meeting - history of Welsh Costume with Sally Moss - Marie Louise to send link

7 March 2024 - Kate Findlay talking about Appliqué Birds

22 March 2024 - Quilt as you go workshop with Jane Byford. Places still available - see details below

4 April 2024 - AGM

14 - 16 June 2024 - Quilt show at Kempton Park Racecourse



**MVQ Quilt As You Go Workshop with Jane Byford - 22nd March 2024 -
The Harrison Room (9.30 am – 4.00pm)**

This fun workshop will cover 3 different techniques for making Unit Quilt As You Go. You will make 2 sample pieces and a mystery item.

Bring your sewing machine and general sewing kit, sewing scissors, cutting equipment (a 12in x 12in board is the largest you will need).

1. Circles into Squares you will need:-

- A 10inch square of fabric
- A 5 inch square of a contrast fabric
- A 5inch square of wadding to cut to 4 and a half inches square
- Matching thread
- Walking foot, optional
- Spray starch, optional
- Templates will be provided

2. Squares into Triangles you will need:-

- 4 X 5inch squares, this should be 2 pairs with contrast eg. 2 plain and 2 pattern or 2 different sets of colours
- An 8 inch square of wadding
- Matching Thread
- Point turner
- Quarter inch foot, optional

3. Mystery Liberty Hexagons

- The kit will be provided by the tutor just bring a neutral coloured sewing thread.

The cost will be £30 to MVQ members (£35 for those outside the club). Please arrive at the Harrison at 9.30am for a prompt 10am start and bring your own packed lunch.

TIPS FOR QUILTERS

When cutting fabrics for triangles, I stack several fabrics right sides together and in alternating colours so that two triangles are cut in position to be sewn together. When I am ready to sew them I use a darning needle to pick up the triangles allowing the two colours to stay together. They adhere to each other and are perfectly lined up of sewing - *Katie Esh, Ronks, USA*

For appliqué I find a 1/4 inch seam allowance is too wide and makes unnecessary bulk. I prefer house about a 1/8 inch seam allowance and then space my stitches a little closer together - *Laurie L Rott, Fargo, North Dakota*

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