

MIMRAM QUILTERS NEWSLETTER

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It has been a good few weeks when the sun has shone, Team GB has done so well in collecting gold medals and I have been able to get loads of sewing done. Happy days. I hope you all have had a good time too.

It seems ages ago now, but we did have a wonderful Summer tea party in July when we had a superb selection of sandwiches and fabulous cakes. Thanks to the committee for their deft sandwich cutting and the members for their lovely cakes. There was surfeit of both at the end of the evening and Penny Chattey took home the sandwiches and fed her working party clearing her garden the next day and Wendy's daughter became the most popular girl in class as she took the left over cakes.

Some of you came on the coach from The Letchworth Settlement to NEC. We had a wonderful, exhausting but fruitful day. As always there were so many beautiful quilts to see in so many different categories. The retailers had goodies to tempt us and we all came home tired but happy. I didn't buy any fabric, for the first time ever!

Dates for the diary. At our next meeting on 5th September we are welcoming Janet Clare with a talk entitled Drawing with your sewing machine, which I am sure will be fascinating. She is giving a workshop the following day in Codicote Peace Memorial Hall. Do book your place by going onto the website and contact Penny Chattey directly.

We have a day of sewing on 17th September at Digswell Village hall. We used to call it a UFO day. Do get your name on the list which I will be bringing along at the next meeting. This is where we get together, sew, chat and drink coffee. Come and join us.

Tip of the month. Before you bind your quilt, after you have trimmed it, run a zig zag stitch all round the quilt, within the 1/4" seam allowance. This ensures that all three layers are held together and makes it easier to put the binding on. You can also attach the top of the sleeve at this stage making it more secure with machine stitching.

Happy sewing

Sally