



We got all our Ducks in a row at our last meeting:

In June we gave away the following to Baby Basics, Sheffield Hospitals Charity (Northern General & Jessop's), Children's Hospital

17 Children's Book Bags, 2 bibs; 3 Fiddle Quilts; 13 drawstring bags; 1 zippy bag (+ toiletries); 6 Quilts; 2 large toy bags; 2 knitted blankets; 1 pr bootees; 5 cardies; 1 fiddle muff; 12 hats and 8 knitted toys.

The earliest known quilted garment is depicted on the carved ivory figure of a Pharaoh dating from the ancient Egyptian First Dynasty. In 1924 archaeologists discovered a quilted floor covering in Mongolia, estimated to date between 100 BC and 200 AD.

The Tristan Quilt, sometimes called the Tristan and Isolde Quilt or the Guicciardini Quilt, is one of the earliest surviving quilts in the world. Depicting scenes from the story of Tristan and Isolde, an influential romance and tragedy, it was made in Sicily during the second half of the 14th century.

In Europe, quilting appears to have been introduced by Crusaders in the 12th century in the form of a quilted garment worn under armour which later developed into the doublet, which remained an essential part of fashionable men's clothing for 300 years until the early 1600s.

Wonder if any of our modern-day quilts will last as long!

Meeting Dates for 2025:

4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month, 2–4 pm

26 August;

23 September; 28 October; 25 November