

PICTURE CAPTION STORY

SPONSORED KNIT IN FOR HOSPICE FUNDS

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There's no pulling the wool over their eyes..... for these fundraisers have knitted up a massive £42,000 in funds for Cornwall Hospice Care from an annual Sponsored Knit in, since it was started 24 years ago.

And no doubt a few yarns were spun as a group of 60 knitters took part in this year's knit-in last Thursday (April 24) and raised nearly £3000.

The one-day event, which is organised by the St. Austell Fundraising Group, took place at the homes of Committee member Morwyn Arthur, in the morning and Margaret Geeke, a Trustee of the Charity and Chairman of the group, in the afternoon.

Adjudicator Nancy Radway spent a full day keeping a close eye on the ladies – and two men - at the two venues and judged categories including the neatest and longest squares and the one with the most holes.

Said Margaret: “ This is a typical example of how much local support the hospices receive and we are extremely grateful to all those that take part and support our event.”

Cornwall Hospice Care provides specialist care for patients with life-threatening conditions at its two hospices, including Mount Edgumbe in St. Austell, and provides practical, emotional and spiritual support to them and their loved ones.

It now costs more than £5 million annually – around £10 a minute – to provide these services. More than 85pence in every £ has to be raised through fundraising.

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