

	<p>The 'Yes we can – together' project is a collaboration between DGRI's Specialist Palliative Care Unit , Alzheimer Scotland, Hampden Park and Ann Hill - Quilter in Residence with NHS Dumfries & Galloway.</p>
		<p>Throughout the project those participating have been involved in the choice of fabrics, the colour and the design. The quilts have been inspired by the conversations between Ann Hill, and the person with dementia. Members of the families where possible, and members of staff have always been involved.</p>



This is what a football pitch full of quilts looks like – impressive !

Saturday 8th June saw 125 volunteers from all walks of life lay 5012 quilts on Hampden Park in Glasgow. The project aimed to raise awareness and raise funds from the sale of all the quilts for Alzheimer Scotland.

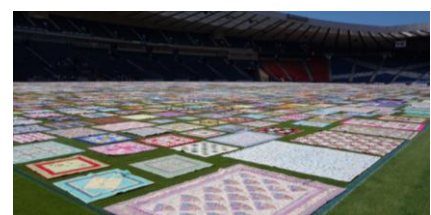
The sun shone throughout the day and everyone had a great time.



However, it took 4 years to get to this point. The first two years involved me talking to those living with dementia and putting their personal memories onto quilts. Some of those quilts were in a separate exhibition in the Millennium Suite at Hampden Park. The next two

years were taken over with talks around the country persuading (very willing) quilters to make enough quilts to cover a football pitch. The project is entitled “Yes we can – together” and I am pleased to report that “Yes we did – together”.

An enormous thank you to all who contributed quilts, to those who helped along the way and to the volunteers who turned out on a wonderfully sunny day to help me make my dream a reality.



Ann Hill, Quilter in Residence. (June 2013)