# QUILTING MATTERS OCTOBER 2024 Newsletter



MEETING: Sat 19 Oct The doors will open at 9.30 am; the meeting will begin at 10 am.

Venue: Woodstock Centre, Stoke School Hall, Main Road, Stoke.

**Speaker**: Yumiko Uda, from the Nelson Japanese Society, will talk about **Japanese Culture Around Fabric.** 

Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available before the meeting.

There will also be a **Sales Table** again. Add to your stash!

We are asking you to bring:

- Your hand sewing/stitching or knitting. Tables will be set out for you to sit at.
- Your completed or nearly completed **projects** and any community guilts.
- Raffle money: \$2.00 for one ticket, 2 draws take place. Please purchase at the door.
- Any library books

**October Hosts:** Leslie Argyle, Kerri Ardern, Stephanie Alderson, Lois Zachariassen, Lana Wilson, Barbara Wilson

Please be there by 9.30 am to put out the chairs and tables, help set up the library and kitchen, assist at the sign in table, and welcome new members and visitors. Put out tea, coffee, milk, and biscuits. Use the new visitors badges, direct any new members to a committee member who will take care of them. Do the dishes at the **end** of the meeting and



help with general tidy up. Consult the members' list if you need to find a replacement, or send me an email.

NB. People often contact me to say they are not able to help with the hosting at a meeting. so we are usually at least two people short. If you arrive early and feel you could help us out in some way please approach one of the committee.

What do you call a gathering of quilters?

A block party.

Why couldn't Santa convince the quilter to visit? He didn't have enough backing.

Did you hear about the comedian who tried to do a whole set about quilting? They ran out of material.

### **President's report**

I'm currently having a busy week in Cambridge at Quilt Symposium. Attending some classes, shopping in the merchant mall, and looking at all of the amazing quilts in the exhibition. On top of all that is the astonishment of my tiger quilt winning the pictorial section of the exhibition! It was fantastic to have Nelson Quilters members there to support me, I really appreciate it.

It was great to see the liberated birds from the workshop and I look forward to seeing them as the are finished.

Keep the teapots coming in as the next meeting (November) is the deadline for these. The ones we have are great and I think it's fantastic that there is a range of styles.

I hope you're working on you odd bag of objects presidents challenge as I would like to display them at our Christmas meeting in November. I might have to find a prize for the viewers choice!

At show and tell this month it would be great to share what other members created and learned at classes at symposium.

I look forward to catching up with you all at the meeting.

#### Sandie





# Calendar 2024

Thurs 10 - Sun 13 Oct Canterbury Patchwork and Quilting biennial show. Papanui

High School, Christchurch, 10am—4pm each day

Sat 19 Oct Monthly meeting 10am Talk: by Yumiko Uda, from the

Nelson Japanese Society, about Japanese Culture Around Fabric.

Sat 26 - Mon 28 Oct Golden Bay Stitch and Quilt group Annual Show 10am-4pm

Collingwood Memorial Hall \$2.00 entry

Fri 1 - Sun 3 Nov Marahau Retreat register with Leone by phoning 0273396503

Weds 20 Nov End of year meeting 7pm Supper and activities provided.

Sat 23 Nov Christmas Star workshop - \$10.00 per person

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Weds 19 Feb Monthly meeting 7pm. Speaker: Renee Clothier from NZ

Textile Experiences on Slow fashion, darning, mending, fashion

design.

Fri 28 Feb - Sun 2 March Marahau Retreat

Sat 8 March Quilts in the Garden Show (Sat 15th if postponed)

Weds 19 March Monthly meeting plus AGM

Sat 12 - Sun 13 April Workshop with Sheila Christensen

Fri 16 - Sun 18 May The Great NZ Quilt Show, Air Force Museum, Christchurch

Sat 24 May Inktense Pencil on Fabrics workshop with Jo Hollings

# **Teapot Blocks and Christmas Challenge reminders**

Keep working on those Teapot blocks, due by the November meeting. We have a group of ladies who are happy to sew them together.

Also due in November are the paper bag challenges set up by Sandie. It will be fun to see everyone's creations.



## Quote from my 8 year old grandson:

It's nice to be important but it's more important to be nice!.

# **Community Quilts**

Since our last meeting five guilts have been donated to the Red Cross for a former refugee family from Pakistan. Three were also given to Women's Refuge who sent a lovely photo of two children wrapped up in their quilts.



NB. Remember that batting for using in community quilts is available.

Contact: Alison Paton 0210766486

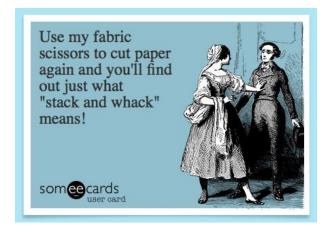
Or Geraldine Walker 0273666132

#### **Obituary**

We wish to acknowledge the passing of Joyce Jones on 27 September. Joyce was a long time member and life member of Nelson Quilters Guild. So many of us benefitted from her expertise and guidance.

### Christmas Star workshop Sat 23 November

See the information sheet attached to the email.



Marahau Retreat - Sew Beside the Sea

Don't forget to register with Leone.

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