

QUILTING MATTERS

JULY 2022

Newsletter



NELSON QUILTERS GUILD

MEETING: Saturday 23 July: The doors will be open from 9.30am and the meeting will begin at 10am.

Venue: Woodstock Centre, Stoke School Hall, Main Road, Stoke. Heating will be on.

Speaker: Chris McGuigan who has a background in textile arts.

Workshop: Making Messenger bags with Chris McGuigan. Details have been provided in the last two newsletters. You are welcome to bring a friend but please let Sandra know on 02102909539 asap.

We are asking you to bring:

- Your **completed or nearly completed projects** and any community quilts .
- **Raffle money** \$2.00 for one ticket, 2 draws take place. Please purchase at the door.
- Any **library books** please.
- Cash for the **Sales table**. Feel free to contribute to the sales table if you are wanting to destash! There will be surplus library books for sale. \$2 for books, 50 cents for magazines
- Your lunch if staying on. Tea, coffee & biscuits are provided. Anyone not doing the workshop is welcome to stay on and sew. There will be a cost of \$5.00 for hall hire.

JULY HOSTS: Ricky Unterberger, Lyn Trolove, Bev Rutledge, Juliet Neale, Elizabeth Morris, Valerie McNaughton

Please be there by 9.30am and put out the chairs and tables, help set up the library and kitchen, welcome members and visitors. Put out tea and coffee and milk, and biscuits. Use the new visitors badges, direct any new members to June Mannix who will take care of them, help with clean up at the end. Consult the members' list if you need to find your swap/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 members.



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Community Quilts



Since the last meeting 52 cushions have been delivered to the Children's Ward at the hospital.

Seven quilts have been taken to Red Cross. Two more families have arrived from Pakistan.



Notes of Interest from the July Committee Meeting

- Due to price increases for hall rental several other possible venues have been investigated. Only about one place was suitable but storage was a problem. In the meantime the Stoke School hall is to be used for meetings for the rest of 2022. We will relook at holding a mixture of evening and day meetings again in 2023 and would welcome any feedback on this.
- The guild entry to the Christmas Tree Festival has been confirmed
- Please note that a copy of the committee meeting notes and financial reports are available at every monthly meeting. See Steph HB and Marion.
- More batting is being ordered for using in community quilts.
- Please remember that the Guild Constitution is on the website, some paper copies will be available for members at the next meeting if desired.

Decorations for the Nelson Cathedral Christmas Tree Festival



At the July meeting small packs will be available for people to take to make up. They will consist of a material rectangle of a native bird, backing material, batting and a piece of multi-coloured cord for hanging. Examples of the material are at left with the green parrot having been completed. Sequins, beads etc have been added. There will be some other completed samples to look at. If you have made your own versions in the meantime that is fine.

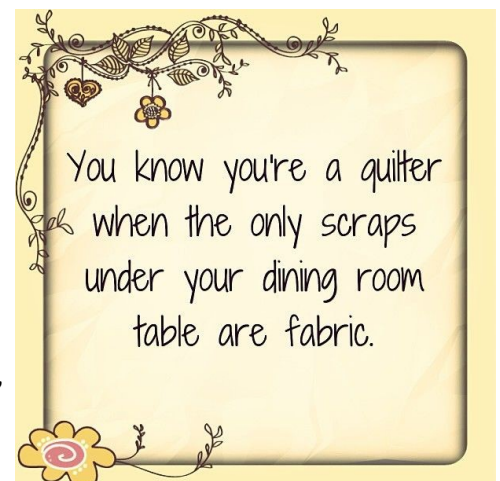
Bridge Valley Retreat : Fri 19 - Sun 21 August

A message from our trusty camp mother, Leone Burborough. (Apologies for the mistake in last month's newsletter re who to contact. Leone coordinates any Retreats and Sandra is the Workshop coordinator.)



Bridge Valley Retreat is booked for the weekend 19-21 August. The cost will be \$140.00 p.p. so long as we have more than 22 attendees for the weekend. If the numbers are lower then the costs will increase. We need a minimum of 18, or we will have to self-cater. We are booked in for our usual time frame 3 p.m. Friday until 3 p.m. Sunday. This time we will be able to use the bedrooms attached to the main building (last time they were being renovated). For registration please phone **Leone 027 339 6503** or email **rlburborough@outlook.com**. Don't forget to let Leone know if you have any special dietary requirements!!! Your payment will need to be made, one week before the retreat, into the guild account NBS 03-1354-0270512-00, or in cash to Marion Whyte at the next Guild Meeting. Looking forward to another great weekend catching up and sewing!!! If you are concerned about catching covid, flu etc. please feel free to bring and wear a mask.

- “How did you know the thief was a seamstress?
She seemed to be following a pattern.”
- “What do you call a gathering of quilters?
A block party.”
- “Read about a new website called
www.needleinahaystack.com. Took me ages to find it.”



August meeting workshop pillowcase making with Geraldine Walker

FABRIC REQUIRED FOR MAKING A PILLOWCASE

Three coordinating fabrics cut the full width of fabric (WOF) as follows:

Top - 10" strip WOF

Piping - 4" strip WOF

Body - 25" strip WOF



Canterbury Quilt Show



If you are going to Christchurch over the school holidays this quilt show is a must. I am looking forward to it and will also deliver one of the two community quilts that were made at the June meeting. Thank you so much Ricky for your generosity in quilting these.

The pictured quilt is being donated to the Cancer Society for the new rooms that are being built in Christchurch for people receiving treatment.



Calendar

- Weds 20 - Sun 24 July 10am-4pm **Canterbury Patchwork and Quilting Guild exhibition.** Papanui High School, Langdons Road. \$5.00 entry
- Sat 23 July: **Monthly meeting, speaker & workshop** . Chris McGuigan will speak and take a workshop on making messenger bags with emphasis on fitting zips, rings, swivels and linings. Sales table.
- Fri 19 – Sun 21 August: **Bridge Valley Retreat.** More information above.
- Sat 27 August: **monthly meeting, speaker** Sandie Sixtus will tell us about her visual arts journey. **Workshop** with Geraldine Walker on pillow case making to put those finished quilts in.
- Sat 17 Sept: **Meeting, speaker, sales table.** Lyn Cotton will speak about her work with the Nelson Women's Centre.
- Fri 23 - Sun 25 Sept: **Waimea Quilt Show** at Wakefield School Hall
- Tues 4– Sun 9 October 2022 : [NZ Quilt Symposium](#) - Sacred Heart College, 35 Laings Road, Lower Hutt. More information from their website - open the blue hyperlink.
- Sat 15 Oct: **Monthly meeting.** Symposium feedback.
- Fri 11 - Sun 13 November: **Marahau Retreat**
- Sat 19 November: **Meeting and end of year function**
- Sat 26 November– Sun 15 January **Christmas Tree Festival** at the Nelson Cathedral.



It is great to have a social chat at our monthly meetings but could we please make sure it does not happen while the person taking the meeting or the guest speaker are talking. It prevents some of us who are a bit hard of hearing to actually hear what is being said.

Of course you must respond when all those awesome works of art are being shown!



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