

QUILTING MATTERS

FEBRUARY 2022

Newsletter



NELSON QUILTERS GUILD

MEETING Wednesday 16 February 7pm – 8.30pm

The doors will be open from 6.30pm and the meeting will begin at 7pm. The reason for the earlier start is because we want to allow time to clean up (according to the school's Covid requirements) afterwards

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



Speakers: There will be no speakers this month. There are a few items to discuss, AGM information and nomination forms, plus Show and Tell and general social catch up.

- ♦ There will be a small sales table of materials which have been donated to us from recent house clearances.

We are asking you to bring:

- Your **community quilts** and any completed or nearly completed projects.
- **Raffle money** \$2.00 for one ticket, 2 draws take place . Please purchase at the door.
- Any **library books** please.

PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING REQUIREMENTS FOR MEETINGS

- Masks must be worn.
- Vaccination passes must be shown. The school requires this. We will record this information on a membership list for future meetings.
- Social distancing must be observed where possible.
- We suggest you bring your own mug. Tea, coffee and milk and biscuits will be provided.



FEBRUARY HOSTS: Nicoline de Veer, Michelle Crawford, Steph Cocker, Anne Churcher, Ruth Carlile, Sue Bowskill

Please be there by 6.30pm and put out the chairs and tables, help set up the library and kitchen, welcome members and visitors. Put tea and coffee and milk. 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.



Calendar - make sure these dates are on your calendar!



- ♦ Weds 16 February: 7 - 8.30pm **Monthly Meeting** at Stoke School
- ♦ Fri 4 March - Sun 6 March: **Marahau Retreat** Cost is \$40.00pp
- ♦ Saturday 19 March: **AGM** and **Meeting** at Stoke school, plus **workshop/UFO day**

Looking ahead

- ♦ Fri 10 - Sun 12 June: **Teapot Valley Retreat**
- ♦ Fri 11 - Sun 13 November: **Marahau Retreat**



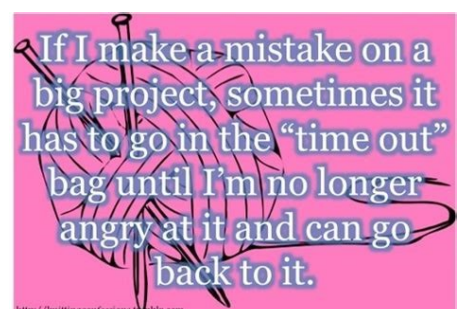
Marahau Retreat

Friday 4 March 3pm - Sunday 6 March 3pm.

This weekend is always a treat in a relaxing and beautiful environment, with delicious meals (self catered for in groups), lots of laughter and sharing of ideas.

The cost is \$40.00 per person for the weekend. Please register your name and any dietary requirements for the meal roster with Leone now on 0273396503. It is on a first in first served basis as only 12 - 14 can be accommodated. Contact Leone if you want to come for the Saturday only.

Remember the next time you enter your sewing area that creative minds are rarely tidy.



Items for Thought and Discussion



- **Change of meeting days** - At our recent committee meeting the idea was suggested that we change our meeting days to the Saturday following the 3rd Wednesday of every month. We were all in agreement but wanted to put the idea to our members and would welcome any constructive feedback at the February meeting, by email or contacting a committee member. The reasons behind the change are because of covid requirements for gatherings where doors and/or windows must be opened up (evening meetings would be cooler), people are more reluctant to go out in the evenings now, we can book the hall for the day and include workshops, UFO and sewing times. The latter would incur a small extra charge for hall hire for those who stayed on.

In anticipation of this change we have pencilled in bookings for the hall for Saturdays from March until the end of the year.

- **AGM** - As indicated on the calendar the Guild AGM will be held on Saturday 19 March at the Stoke school hall. Nomination forms for office bearers and committee members are now available. We would value some more committee members. It is a productive and enjoyable group to be part of.

It is a good idea to have read the constitution beforehand particularly if you think any changes could be considered. The constitution can be found on the website under the heading Constitution. Click on the image and it will automatically zoom up. Any suggested amendments must be notified in writing one month before the AGM.
- **Quilt Show** - The committee is considering holding a show mid year at a smaller venue (we have one in mind). A lot of the organisation has been covered but we would need more input from members as it was quite draining for most of us to be on the two committees.
- **Bridge Valley Retreat ?????** - We are thinking of holding another retreat at Bridge Valley this year in late August or early September. Who would be interested ? We thought it would be an ideal opportunity to incorporate a couple of workshops.

Community Quilts

June Mannix has been very busy since our last meeting, delivering the wonderful community quilts that members had made. Four quilts plus bags went to Women's Refuge, five quilts plus cushions and goodies went to Charity 4 Kids, and four quilts to Age Concern.



And that is not all - 60 cushions were delivered to the Children's ward at the hospital, Sandra sent 22 cushion covers over from Sydney, and Geraldine Walker and her Monday group have produced another 28 cushions.

So it is not surprising that we received an award from Age Connect at the end of last year.

Guild Website

A lot of work has been done on our website recently (address below). You will see a page has been added with information and photos about the Anne Crampton Award. There is also a link to the Constitution as previously mentioned.

Machine for sale

Janome Memory Craft 9700 embroidery machine - comes with hard cover, instruction manual and various 7mm feet attachments, invisible zip foot, open toe free motion foot etc & automatic threader. Price \$250 ono



Rimu sewing table custom-made with shallow drawers at the top for threads, scissors, and deeper easy moving slide drawers down the side, with original cork top surface.

\$250 ono or \$500 for both table and machine.

Enquires and viewing to Susan Devonshire 541-0720 or Lyn McCullough 0274199618



Guild gear

We would like to collate and make an inventory, and reduce club gear. It is becoming difficult to keep track of everything and to store it. Please let us know if you have anything.

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