QUILTING MATTERS SEPTEMBER 2024 Newslet*t*er



MEETING: Sat 21 Sept 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: Some members of the **Top of the South Steam Punk Society** in full costume will tell us about the story behind their costumes and how they make them.

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

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 quilts.
- Raffle money: \$2.00 for one ticket, 2 draws take place. Please purchase at the door.
- Any library books please.
- Show and Tell for participants who attended the Liberated Birds workshop.

Sept Hosts: Anne Churcher, Christine Blair, Helena Boodee, Sue Bowskill, Anne Bieleski, Donna Armstrong

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 **Eileen Gordon** 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.

Car Parking at the meeting.



We have been asked by the school principal to let you know to park in the marked spaces only. Also if there is a traffic cone in a park it means it is being kept for the speaker for that meeting. Many thanks.

President's Report

I have just attended the Liberated Birds workshop. Margaret was a lovely tutor and everyone seemed to thoroughly enjoy the class. It definitely tested the grey matter.



The My Time My Life event we attended a few weeks ago was well received and thank you to members who manned the stall and missed out on our monthly meeting.

We have the Adventure in Art event we are attending in a week or so and it would be great if our members could support this and come along and stitch for part of the day.

We have had some very interesting speakers that have been organised for us recently and if anyone has any suggestions for other speakers please let us know.

I have mentioned before that we are having an exhibition at the Gardens of the World on the Saturday 8th March 2025. 'Quilts in the Gardens'. This is going to be a casual exhibition as it will be outdoors. So take this into consideration when you're thinking about what you would like to exhibit. There is a marquee that we can hang some quilts in but it is still exposed to the elements and fantails. We were thinking about stringing up rope among the trees and pegging quilts to them. You would be responsible for hanging your quilts. There will be stalls, so if you have things or would like to make some items to sell you are more than welcome to have a stall. Your stall will be your responsibility. Any other ideas that you have for our exhibition are always welcome.

I have some exciting news! My tiger quilt has been accepted to be exhibited at symposium. I am attending symposium in a few weeks and look forward to seeing some of you there and telling the rest of you about it at our October meeting.

It would be great if you could bring along a bag you have made for our September show and tell. I have seen a few of you with some and it would be great to share these.

Many thanks

Sandie

To my children: Don't make fun of me for asking about how to use my cell phone.

Remember I once taught you how to hold a spoon!

Calendar 2024

Sat 14 - Sun 15 Sept	Waimea Quilt show, Wakefield School hall. Entry \$3.00, 10 - 4.
Weds 18 Sept	Adventure in Art at Greenmeadows Centre, Stoke. 10am - 4pm
Sat 21 Sept	Monthly meeting 10am. Speakers - some members of the Top of the South Steam Punk Society in full costume will tell us about the story behind their costumes & how they make them.
Weds 02 - Sun 06 Oct	NZ Quilt Symposium, Cambridge HS, Waikato
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
Weds 20 Nov	End of year meeting 7pm Supper and activities provided.
Sat 23 Nov	Morovian Stars workshop - \$10.00 per person

^{*} NB Note that we have had to change to a Saturday morning for our speaker.

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Weds 19 Feb Monthly meeting 7pm

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.





Community quilts

A big thank you to Lorraine Brady who has offered to do the community quilts for Sandra while she recovers from a hip replacement and then broken femur.



Adventure in Art on Weds 18 Sept at Greenmeadows Centre 10am - 4pm

This will be a similar display to the one we held last August. We are looking for helpers to sit at the tables and sew, sell raffle tickets, greet and converse with visitors etc. Please email me if you can assist.

There will be a small sales table run by the committee of quilted items and materials. If you want to sell anything that is fine but you will have to be in charge of that yourself.

We also need quilted items, such as quilts, table mats/runners, bags, toys etc to display, preferably different to those displayed last year. The committee will set up the display, from about 8.30am so items can be dropped at the centre, or left with a committee member prior to that. Please name your item.

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