

QUILTING MATTERS

JULY 2023

Newsletter



MEETING: Sat 15 July. The doors will be open at 9.30am; the meeting begins at 10 am.

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

Speaker: Elizabeth Perrone from CCS will speak; plus UFO/PhD , Stay and Sew afternoon.

We are asking you to bring:

- **Any quilted items that you would like to be considered for the August meeting display at Greenmeadows.** See below for more information.
- 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** - \$2.00 for one ticket, 2 draws take place. Please purchase at the door.
- Any **library books** please. **Lunch** if you are staying on.

JULY HOSTS: Lana Wilson, Carla Wardrop, Lyn Trolove, Pat Taylor, Gillian Dickson, Elisabeth Shallcrass

Please be there by 9.30am and put out the chairs and tables, help set up the library and kitchen, and welcome 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, 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.

Advice from a Singer Sewing Machine Manual from 1949

When you sew, make yourself as attractive as possible. Put on a clean dress. Keep a little bag of French chalk near your sewing machine to dust your fingers at intervals.

Have your hair in order, powder and lipstick put on. If you are constantly fearful that a visitor might drop in or your husband will come home, and that you will not look neatly put together, you will not enjoy your sewing.



Presidential Update from Lorraine

I don't know about you, but I think we've been getting some very chilly days. That's always a good excuse to stay in and sew for me. 31 members were at our meeting in June and there was a real buzz as the 'Hints and Tips' forms were filled in. You just never knew what you didn't know, did you? Alison is busy collating that information which will be available soon.

Also available soon will be the flyer from Greenmeadows about their Adventure in Art event, 6th ~ 20th August. Our designated day is Saturday the 19th and we'd love an enthusiastic turnout. More about this elsewhere in the Newsletter and at our 15th July meeting. The Ruler Workshop was a great success and we will get Kaye Amos back again as she proved a very good instructor, not to mention houseguest as Valerie can confirm. She said she learned such a lot and she would happily put her up again. Thank you Valerie for being such an accommodating host and chauffeur.

Cheers all. Lorraine

An Adventure in Art plus Open Studios at Greenmeadows Centre, Stoke

Quilt Display on Saturday 19 August from 9am to 4pm

- Note that although this is not an actual exhibition it is a magnificent chance for us to display our many talents to the public. It will also be a great advertising opportunity.
- Please bring your quilts, bags, place mats, wall hangings etc that you would like to be considered for the display to the July meeting. You will need to take them home afterwards and chosen items can be brought to the rooms on the day, or to a committee member the night before. Alison Paton and Lorraine Brady are happy to have items left with them.
- We would like some members to be at the tables doing quilting activities., whether it be hand stitching, cutting up blocks,... Sandi will be demonstrating thread stitching.
- We have booked 2 machines from the library for the public to use for prepared small sewing activities.
- A table will be set up if you have any quilted items for sale, but as mentioned previously, you or a small group will need to be in charge of those goods.
- We are looking for support throughout the day so don't all come at 9am
- There will be no actual meeting at the Stoke School that day.



Community Quilts

This 'Dear Jane' quilt was given to Nelson Quilters by Daphne Willis's husband. It was not finished and has been partly quilted by Valerie McNaughton then hand quilted and finished by Pat Pomfret-Brown. It was gifted to the cancer society in her memory. They were overwhelmed with it and absolutely thrilled to receive it. They are probably going to keep it for next year's fund raising event, silent auction at their ball .



Another group that was thrilled to receive quilts from us are SuperGrans Tairawhiti. Many thanks go to PBT Freight who delivered the 38 quilts and 35 bags for us at no cost!



Elizabeth Perrone from Nelson/ Marlborough CCS Disability Action will speak to us at the July meeting. There has been a request for us to make baby/child quilts for the carers of disabled children in our areas. We have some quilts aside to give to her. If you would like to make one we have plenty of batting, some material, and backing materials.

What occurred to the pet cat that ingested a round of yarn?

It had mittens."

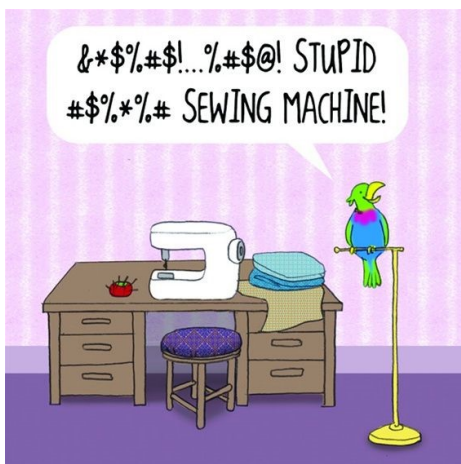
Nothing haunts us like the fabric we didn't buy.

Suggested sizes of quilts:

- Cot quilts: 32- 36" by 38- 46"
- Lap quilts: 36 - 46" by 46 - 58"
- Single bed: 44-54" by 60 - 70"

Calendar 2023

- Sat 15 July Monthly meeting Elizabeth Perrone from CCS will speak; plus UFO/PhD , Stay and Sew afternoon.
- Sat 19 August **Quilt display** at the Greenmeadows Community Centre in Stoke. 9am to 4pm. More information above.
- Sat 09 September **Whims Watercolour full day workshop** by Anne Murchison from Chch. This class is now full.
- Sat 16 September **Monthly meeting- show & tell** from previous Saturday's workshop, **Kwandi demonstration** by Marion Whyte with opportunity to try it out or just stay on and sew afternoon.
- Membership Market Place**—an opportunity for members to sell any excess materials, patterns, quilting bits and bobs to fellow members and any invited friends. Tables will be provided but you are responsible for your own goods and cash/change.
- Sat 21 October **Monthly meeting** plus Stay and Sew; buy in pizza for lunch.
- Fri 03 - Sun 05 Nov **Festival of Quilts**, aqg.org.nz/auckland-festival-quilts
- Fri 03 - Sun 05 Nov **Marahau retreat**
- Sat 18 Nov **Monthly meeting and end of year event.**



Quilter's parrot

Be kind to our sewing machines for they are the piece makers!



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