

QUILTING MATTERS

MAY 2023

Newsletter



MEETING: Saturday 20 May The doors will be open from 9.30am and the meeting will begin at 10 am.

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

Speaker: Chris Webb will speak briefly about the Nelson Quilters Facebook page.

We are asking you to bring:

Your hand sewing/stitching or knitting. Tables will be set out for you to sit at rather than everyone being seated in rows.

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. Many are overdue!

MAY HOSTS: Shirley Early, Gillian Dickson, Otte Corbett, Anne Churcher, Ruth Carlile, Leone Burborough

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, 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

Community Quilts

We have purchased a lot more batting for community quilt use, due to a really good special at Spotlight recently. Some of it is at Steph Murch's place (027 7280 001) and some at Alison Paton's (021 0766 486). Anne Murchison has offered to find a contact person/group to where we can send our community flood victim quilts.



From the President



Well I did it!

Stayed up for the entire Coronation Ceremony. For someone who regularly drops off to sleep during movies etc, I did very well. I loved seeing live shots of London since I doubt I'll be going back there. My daughter was flying to UK at the same time so we had texts going backwards and forwards saying not very flattering things about some of the outfits but full of admiration for Penny Mordaunt carrying that sword, and her beautiful ensemble. I was at College in London with Tim Noad, the man who designed Charles' insignia and the stole which William placed around his neck. Tim and I achieved Fellowship of the Society of Scribes and Illuminators in 1993. He went on to be a noted Calligrapher with the College of Arms. I came home.

Sick of the rain yet ? Try and look on it as an excuse for more fabric and sewing. I am really looking forward to Rosalie's workshop starting after our next meeting and continuing the following Saturday.

I'm still looking for participants for Kaye Amos' **Ruler Workshop** having only 6 confirmed . Come on! We need to support our visiting tutors.

Also, **Teapot Valley**. I love this wee break with like-minded people. The dog is booked in to her boutique accommodation and I'm READY.

Have you been checking out our **Facebook and Website**? Chris is doing a fantastic job and she will enlighten those of us about the mystery of Facebook at the next meeting. It helps to widen and expose our presence and when you are sitting sewing all by yourself it is heart warming to know what's going on with others.

I've ordered my **Watercolour Quilt kit** so that's another one to look forward to.

This year is flying by!

See you all soon. Stay warm....and dry.

Lorraine

Teapot Valley Retreat costs are as follows: \$156 per person for the weekend (this



includes supper on Friday & Saturday nights, Breakfast on Saturday and Sunday, Lunch on Sat & Sunday, plus morning & afternoon teas and of course your accommodation. If you want to go for Saturday only the cost is \$50.00 pp which includes your morning & afternoon teas, lunch and dinner or a part day is \$40 pp which

includes Morning and afternoon teas and lunch. Please register your interest with Leone Burborough on 027 3396 503 and pay into the bank account asap.

Information for Upcoming Workshops

1. One Block Wonder on Saturday 20 and 27 May, taken by **Rosalie Johnson**.

(0211132598 or rosaliej48@gmail.com)

Information has been emailed to those who have registered.

Cost: \$20.00 for members and \$25.00 for non-members, payable on the day, or by online banking. Account at the end of the newsletter

2. Quilt Ruler Workshop on Sunday 18 June, taken by Kaye Amos from Chch.

This is designed for people who have special quilting rulers and want clearer instruction on how to use them. **Cost:** \$40.00. This has been confirmed. Register your interest with Lorraine on 027 2299 548 or lbrady@xtra.co.nz

3. Whims Water Colour quilt workshop on Sat 9th Sept, taken by **Anne Murchison, Chch**

Cost: \$20.00. **It is really important that you order your preferred kit via Anne before 1st July.** The class limit is about 15 people. I have included the information that was in the previous newsletters.

www.whims.cc Right click and go to Open Hyperlink. When the web page is open go to Our Products and then to All Quilt Kits.

Anne will order the kits in from the U.S. Participants will need to read the back of the pattern (when they get it) to see what they need in the way of fabric for borders, batting, backing and binding.

The cut off for Anne to order the kits is 1st July - to give time for them to get here. When they arrive, she will notify everyone, with the amount they need to pay, and give them her bank account to pay directly. Once payment has been made for all the kits, she will send them all to Alison - to give to those doing the class, so they will see on the pattern what they need - it will also list the other requirements like tools, thread etc.

STEP 1 is to look at the website and decide which kit you want.

STEP 2 is to email Anne on scottmurch1@gmail.com with your order by 1st July.

NB Anne given me an example that she has made which I will show and explain at the next meeting. Subscriptions Due

Please note that the yearly subscription is now overdue. It is \$35.00 per annum and \$20.00 for those further afield. It can be paid into our bank account (details at the end of the newsletter) or in cash at the next meeting. Thank you.

Many thanks to those who have paid already.

Calendar 2023

- Fri 19—Sun 21 May **Motueka Quilt Show** 10:00am – 4:00pm ; Motueka Recreation Centre, Old Wharf Road, Motueka
- Sat 20 May **Monthly meeting** plus **One Block Wonder workshop Part 1** taken by Rosalie Johnson (021 1132 598) Information in April newsletter on the website. Members : \$20; Non-members \$25
- Sat 27 May **One Block Wonder Workshop Part 2.**
- Fri 9 - Sun 11 June **Teapot Valley retreat**
- Sat 17 June **Monthly meeting** - awaiting confirmation of speaker
- Sun 18 June **Quilt Ruler Workshop** with Kaye Amos from Chch. Cost: \$40.00
- Sat 15 July **Monthly meeting** plus UFO afternoon
- Sat 19 August Monthly meeting will be a **quilt display** at the Greenmeadows Community centre in Stoke. More information to come.
- Sat 09 Sept **Full day workshop** by Anne Murchison from Chch. Info above.
- Sat 16 September Monthly meeting- show & tell from previous Saturday's workshop
- Sat 21 October Monthly meeting NB This is Labour weekend
- 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.**

As promised another **quilting limerick** courtesy of chatGPT (this is an artificial intelligence program that you can instruct to do certain things).

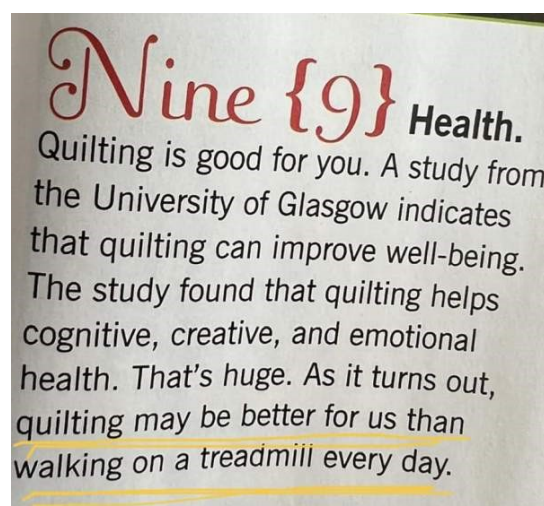
When it comes to a quilt, don't be shy

Just give it a go, you can try

It's more than just sewing

It's an art that keeps growing

A masterpiece you can't possibly buy.



How cool is this quote from this month's Mary Jane magazine in an article about "Why women quilt."

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