



Kapiti Coast Quilters

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What's Happening?

Guild Meeting -Evening	Fabric By Three	Thursday 4 September
Guild Meeting- Day	Work on quilts for Art Trail Table Mats	Tuesday 16 September
Christmas Dinner	Parkwood - \$35.00 per person	6.00 pm 11 December

Meeting Checklist

Bring

- show and tell,
- raffle money,
- friends
- library books.

THURSDAY MEETING - DUTY ROSTER.

Are you on the roster? Remember to arrange your own swap if you can't make it

	September	October
Hall	Judith McDonald Marie Marsden	Keitha Riddle Shirley Morrison
Host	Judith McKendry	Sally Mundell
Library	Jenny Mason Alison Tierney	Belinda Nixon Shirley Thomas
Tea	Jane McNamara Sheryl Meech	Barbara Parker Tania Preston

Lorraine's Piece

What a wonderful accolade for our Community Quilts team to win the Arts and Culture section of the Wellington Airport Regional Community Awards. Although a small group of our quilters had been making quilts to give away since 2004, and Robyn Burch and Margaret Fawcett set up the bi-monthly Saturday sessions, it didn't officially become a Guild activity until we changed the constitution in 2012. By then we had made and given away many quilts.

Sitting amongst all the other recipients of other awards was a humbling experience. There are a lot of people doing a lot of good things which we don't hear about. We learnt that the Menz Shed could do with tools, the Coastguards have to fund raise to buy new vessels, and that the Surf Life Savers and the St John's Ambulance have youth groups. In turn we told them that they could contact us through Fibre Flair for either donations of fabric or people that they thought could do with a quilt. Our thanks go to Jane McNamara and Sheryl Meech for putting in our application for the award.

On Tuesday the quilts we are selling at the Arts Trail were taken home to be sewn together and other ideas for sales items were suggested. It was good to see that we will have plenty to display.

How is your challenge coming along? I hope it is further on than mine. They need to be handed in by our Thursday October meeting when they will be hung in the Bridge Club until our Thursday November meeting. It is at the November meeting we will have a prize for the Viewer's Choice.

Happy quilting and patchworking,
Lorraine

Community Quilts

Our October meeting was a very happy gathering. As well as working hard on our current quilts, which really made great headway on the day, and welcoming back Jenny and Marion from overseas trips, we celebrated the fact that our group had won the Arts and Creativity category of the Kapiti Community Awards. Not only is this recognition for the contributions made to the community but the award certificate was accompanied by a very generous cheque for \$1,000 which will be put to good use for the making of future community quilts. Don't forget, if you know of someone in our community who is in need or needs rewarding please let us know.

Ronnie Rutter

Tuesday Quilters

A number of you were interested in making the table mats I had on Tuesday. I will bring instructions with me to the next Tuesday meeting. However if you want to start them at the meeting you will need 4 fat quarters of coordinating fabrics and batting and a backing for them as well as your usual quilting needs. Judy

Christmas Dinner

Parkwood has been confirmed as the venue for our Christmas function. The cost will be \$35.00 and this will cover food and drinks – wine and non alcoholic beverage will be available. Don't forget that the Towrags from Lower Hutt will be entertaining us and will have a number of their quilts with them. Mark the date in your diary -**6.00pm on Thursday 11 December.**

Book Reviews

'In Love' with Squares and Rectangles. By Amy Walsh and Janine Burke.

10 Quilt Projects with Batiks and Solids.

This book has some very spectacular quilts, often in a very limited colour way, which is great if you want to match a specific colour scheme – there are also alternative colours illustrated to help with your decisions.

Being all squares and rectangles, it is very easy to put together without any concerns over bias stretching although there is a need for precise ¼" seams. The clear instructions and requirements for different sizes make this a good book for people like me who are trying to reduce the colour stashes in the cupboard.

The use of batiks is most effective, although not absolutely essential, other fabrics do seem to work providing any patterns are abstract and muted. One quilt is primarily illustrated all in solids and is very attractive with the particular illustration of various greys etc. making it very suitable for a masculine recipient.

In all, I thought this has some great quilts for anyone looking to produce something really attractive, usable and not especially a "family heirloom".

Robin Goring.

Spotlight on Neutrals Pat Wys

They may be neutral by way of colour, but they are certainly not neutral by way of beauty. Making use of value and style these quilts are stunning. You could follow the colours the book shows, use the values and use up your stash, or go for pastels, autumn colours or use eye catching colours. Any of these would result in some very beautiful quilts.

The book includes suggestions on cutting, squaring up blocks, dispersing seams evenly, applique and several other techniques that will help you in your quilt making.

It also includes sayings. For example; "Imagination is more important than knowledge." Albert Einstein
A beautiful book to look through for inspiration.

Simple Contemporary Quilts Valerie van Arsdale Shrader

What a fun book. A wide range of colours and styles are included. As well as helpful techniques in the front of the book, there are measurements for different sizes depending on the finished look you want on the bed.

I am very taken with the 'Space Age Lounge' design page 40, the layered 'Tumbling Leaves' page 44, and the 'Two Trees' quilt on page 102.

The different quilting treatments are also fun to look at and make use of in the finished works.

Do have a good look in our library. We have a huge range of books of all ages, and there is often something hiding among the pages that may interest you and get you going in a new direction.

Sally Mundell

Buy and Sell

If you have anything **related to quilting** to sell or something you want to buy, I am happy to put a notice in the newsletter. Email me at jbboyle@paradise.net.nz

Fabric Fair – Fund Raiser by the Kapiti Soroptomists

FABRIC FAIR 11 am to 3 pm 4 October 2014 Coast Community Church 57 Hinemoa St, Paraparumu

Calling all FABRIC FANATICS!! Too much fabric? Why not sell it at our Fabric Fair? (and you could even buy more!) To reserve a stall and for further details contact: Shennan 04 9022717 or Judith 021 898692 or soroptimist.kapiti@gmail.com Watch the media for more details of the FABRIC FAIR such as craft demonstrations, cafe and craft sales. Proceeds will go to local charities that support young women and girls to achieve their potential

We all have stumbling blocks...what is important is turning them into stepping stones -L .Kay Alexander

Coming Events

13-14 September	A celebration of Quilts Rose City Quilters	College Street Normal School College Street Palmerston North
19-28 September	Master Quilters Exhibition Pieces of Time	Carterton Events Centre Holloway Rd 10am-4pm, gold coin entry
26 Sept-5 Oct	Wellington Quilters Exhibition	Portrait Gallery (Shed 11)
4-5 Oct	Cotton On Quilters Exhibition	Wanganui Girls College Jones St
18 October	KCQ Community Quilts	Bridge Club rooms
7-9 November	Festival of Quilts	North Shore stadium
11 December	Guild Christmas Dinner	Parkwood Centre
16-21 January 2015	Manawatu Quilting Symposium	Palmerston North

Club Meetings

Where: Bridge Club rooms Elizabeth St Waikanae

When: 7.15 pm on the first Thursday of the month

Listen to the guest speaker, bring along your latest projects for Show and Tell, browse or borrow library books, and take your chance in the raffle.

And 10.30 am to 3.30 pm on the third Tuesday of the month

Members are welcome to bring sewing machines to work on their own projects and tables will be available for pinning out quilts. Please feel free to bring your lunch and stay for the whole day or come for part of the time, either morning or afternoon. There will be tea and coffee available during the day. If you have any queries please ring Beryl Stevenson 9046301 or Judy Boyle 9042282.

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