



August 2024 Newsletter

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Vice President's Piece

The days are finally getting longer, and although it's still cold, we can look forward to warmer days to come. My recent visit to south-east Queensland gave me a hint of spring warmth which was lovely. Essentially my visit was to catch up with older members of my family, but I still managed to fit a few crafty things in.

There was the obligatory Quilt shop visit (with purchase), a visit with an aunt who quilts, a personal trunk show from a member of Toowoomba Quilters Club, and I got asked my advice on how to restore a 49 year old quilt. Never a dull moment in a quilter's life!

While I was not at the August meeting, I trust it was a good turn out and worthwhile to hear Dr Gillian Green's story. A big thank you to Gayle for running the meeting. Thanks also to Prue for challenging us to create a Postcard quilt. The good thing about this project is that it is small and doesn't have to take much time.

For many of us our focus in the next month or so will be on preparing for Quilt Symposium. What a great opportunity to learn some new things, experience different tutors, and to meet with like-minded creators. And of course, there is the usual inspiration from the quilts in the Exhibitions and the temptations at the Merchants Mall. It will be a fantastic week of everything Quilty!

Alison
Vice-President

August Club Day

We were treated to a fascinating talk in August by Gillian Green who had spent part of her childhood growing up in Indonesia and had returned later in life to Indonesia with her husband in his NZ Ambassador's role. Gillian showed us her beautiful range of traditional sarongs and explained the lengthy process in creating the wonderful batik patterns. She entertained us with stories of her life in Java and the wearing of the sarongs.

Next Sit and Stitch

Saturday, 24 August 2024

St Andrews Church Hall Plimmerton

Silverstream Retreat

Saturday, 23,24,25 August

Next Club Day

Saturday, 14 September 2024

Plimmerton Pavilion

Doors Open 12.45 pm

Guest Speaker: Caroline O'Reilly

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Some of Gillian's display. True batik sarongs are the same both sides.

September Club Day

At the start of our September Club Day we will have a quick Special General Meeting to approve the audited financial accounts and also approve the revised Constitution – papers will be emailed separately next week. A big thank you to Alison Tierney for her great work as Treasurer over the last few years in keeping our accounts in order.

We will also cover and seek approval of the revised Constitution so we can reregister under the new Incorporated Societies Act 2022. A small working party has been reviewing the Constitution which was last reviewed in 2016.

Most of the changes have been very minor. The main change is ensuring we include Dispute Resolutions procedures and we have used the Incorporated Societies' suggested procedures template. Our membership form has also been updated – new members must consent that they accept club policies, bylaws and constitution. Our register of members must also include the date any members resign.

With the members' approval at the September meeting, the new Constitution will be submitted for our reregistration.

2024 Speakers

September: **Caroline O'Reilly** – was involved in setting up Suffragettes in Stitches and is also involved in Vinnes ReSew. She likes to take lots of questions like an interview style so please have a think about something you'd like to know about these projects.

November: **Moonhee Han**

Mini Retreat

Thank you to Lesley and Hannie for organising another wonderful mini retreat at the end of July. There was a very good turn out, especially on the Saturday, and again we all enjoyed great chat, sewing, eating and lots of laughs.

Future Retreats – Something to think about

A discussion was had at the July Mini Retreat about whether Coastal Quilters should run three Mini Retreats per year perhaps starting with the first one at the end of February, second one end of July and third one end of November. Whether we have three Mini Retreats has been brought up a number of times before and a number of people seem very keen.

Do we need to look at only having one Silverstream Retreat a year or still keep it at two Silverstream Retreats per year? So far Silverstream Retreats have been booked till 2026 although this can be changed.

Please members think about it so we can start organising our Mini Retreats for next year.
Thanks, Hannie.



Close up of some of Ruth's current hand work.

Gift Quilts

Alison unfortunately cannot make the September meeting but Prue will be on hand to receive any projects coming in and will have a couple more project packs ready to hand out. Please have a chat with Prue if you'd like something to take home to work on.



Some of the many blocks handed in at the September meeting. Should be enough for two quilts.

Block of the Month

We hope to see lots of postcards at Show and Tell this coming meeting! Check out Sarah Ruiz tutorials on Pinterest on ideas to get you started. Thanks Prue for organising this postcard challenge.

Judith will have our next Paper Bag Mystery Block for this next month. Get in quick and see Judith to get your little bag of surprise fabric!



Two gift quilts ready – from a previous month's Paper Bag Mystery Block finished.

Bus Trip – Saturday, 3 August

What a great day this was. After a slight delay with bus issues and the extremely foggy start to the morning, we made it over the hill to our first visit at Good Wool Hunting Wool Shop where we were provided with an unexpected morning tea of beautiful sandwiches, savouries and cake. Lots of us came away from there very impressed with the shop and the variety of beautiful wool - there were lots of extra bags of purchases being brought back on to the bus! On then to Masterton with great views of the snow on the Tararuas. Plenty of time there to meander from a lovely quilt shop at Kuripini shopping village into Masterton township and Evans. Greytown was our last stop and Jet and Miss Maude were busy with us looking/buying and then time for a coffee before heading back over the hill. A big thank you goes to Lisa and Margaret for their great organisation and getting us all back safely!

From Bruce at Goodwool Hunting

Thanks to everyone for visiting and what a lovely group. We were very lucky to have such a beautiful late winter's day. Appreciate you taking the time out to travel this way. Always happy to host you all again.

All the best, Bruce - 021 247 1577 www.goodwoolhunting.co.nz

Classes Coming Up

Angela is working on classes for next year but here are the confirmed classes so far. Watch this space as more are confirmed.

Date	Class Name	Description	Payment Code
16 Nov	Finish it Up – Di Barnden	Get those UFO's into the daylight and get them moving. Di will be on hand as always to help, advise and get you back on track. Always a fun day.	FinUp
2025			
15 Feb	Churn Dash – Di Barnden	More info on class to come.	ChurnD
17 May	Quilted Bags – Clare Smith	More info on class to come.	QBags

If you have any suggestions of classes that you would like to do, please talk to Angela Ambler (email angelaa@xtra.co.nz) or put a note in the suggestion box which is on the sign-in table on meeting days.

Occasionally a class will have an additional cost for equipment or materials.

- Your place in class is not secured until you pay. Please ensure you register and pay and do not just turn up on the day.
- All classes start at **9.30am (unless otherwise stated)** and are held at the St Andrews Church Hall, Steyne Avenue, Plimmerton unless stated otherwise. Please arrive early to set up your machines etc.
- **It is important we each remember to help clear up our own area (table away & floor clean) before leaving – we are all volunteers!**
- Please be mindful that attendance at any of our classes is for those members who have enrolled and paid to attend. Turning up without enrolment or popping in puts extra pressure on our limited space, time and tutors. Thank you.

When paying online, use the club's bank account BNZ - 02 0524 0056822 00 and please remember to include your name and the Payment Reference for the class you are doing. Classes are \$40.00 for members and \$55.00 for non members.

Archives

Moira Butterfield who has recently joined the Committee has taken on the task of archiving all CQ records. If you have any old photos, memorabilia etc tucked away we would love to see them and ensure they are saved for the Club's future records.

It is only a few years (2028 is fast approaching) until we will be celebrating our 40th Anniversary!

If you have anything it would be great if you could bring it along to our Workday in October or otherwise talk to Moira at our next Club day or email Moira at mjbutty@icloud.com
Thank you.

Meeting Duties (All helpers to arrive by 12.45 pm)

If you are unable to do your duty please contact a committee person.

Our pool of members able to contribute, especially with heavy lifting, is limited so we really appreciate your offers to help on the day, even though you may not have been down for any duty.

September 2024		November 2024	
Hall:	Gayle Carmichael	Hall:	Lindy McKeown
Kitchen:	Raewyn French Raewyn Hill	Kitchen:	Merilyn McLachlan Diana Quigan
Sales:	Jean Corin Verena Coleman Denise Field Nicola Drake	Sales:	Jean Corin Verena Coleman Denise Field Nicola Drake
Raffles	Shelley Knox	Raffles	Joy McDonald
Quilt Holders:	Moira Butterfield Marilyn Holland	Quilt Holders	Sally Ross Bridget Quigan
Frames	Alz and Janine Armstrong	Frames	Alz and Janine Armstrong
Library:	Isobel Whooley	Library:	Marilyn Piercy

Helper Duties

If you are new to helping out with duties, the following is a simple version of what is expected.

Hall	Please arrive by 12.45 to help put out chairs in the hall and at the end of meeting help stack any unreturned chairs to back of hall.
Kitchen	Simone brings milk, biscuits and cups etc. Prior to start of meeting, you need to put out cups, biscuits, coffee, milk in jug, make sure zip is boiled and teabags put in pot ready for the tea break. Help pour tea during break and afterwards wash up any cups and tidy up kitchen area.
Sales	A committee person (Nicola) will direct you as to what is required eg put out fabrics, books etc on sales tables, take in sales and after afternoon tea help pack up and count all money taken in.
Raffles	Sit at raffles table and sell raffles! At end of afternoon tea, count up money taken which is then given to Denise Daniel (Treasurer)
Library	Maree and librarian helpers will give you a container of pens and as books are taken out, members name and date of return are written on library book cards. (Return date of books is the month following). Cards to be put in numerical order in container and given back to Library Helpers at end of break.

Helpers:

Jean Corin, Denise Field, Verena Coleman (Sales Table), Simone Etheredge (Chief Tea Lady), Maree Le Comte, Louise Shirkey, Judy Elliot (Library), Prue Cooke-Willis (Club Membership), Judith Havill and Prue Cooke-Willis (Gift Quilts), Lesley Hall (Mini-retreat, Sit 'N' Stitch), Alz and Janine Armstrong (Frames & Photos), Rachel-Mary Perry (Almoner), Angela Ambler (Greeter) .

Classes: Nicola Drake

Membership: Prue Cooke-Willis 027 337 3493 Email: prudencecw@gmail.com

Rachel-Mary Perry is our Club Almoner. Please contact Rachel-Mary on 021 1705 151 or email rmperry1943@gmail.com if you know of someone coping with an illness or bereavement.

Subscriptions 2024/25

Our yearly Subscriptions for 2024/2025 are now due for payment. The remit to increase our subscription was passed at our AGM . Please note that they are now \$30.00 for the year beginning June 2024 through to May 2025. The preferred payment option is online.

When paying online, use the club's bank account BNZ - 02 0524 0056822 00 and add the following information to the payment:

Particulars: **Your Name** **Code:** **Subs** **Reference:** **2024-25**

If you are paying by cash, we can take these at our next meeting on 14 September 2024.

Coastal Quilters Bank Account Number

Payment of classes, retreats, subs, bus trips etc, please include your surname and the reason for payment eg subs, Bus trip, class name (payment reference)

BNZ - 02 0524 0056822 00

Have you changed your address – snail or email?

If so, please let Prue (prudencecw@gmail.com) know so she can update lists and keep you in touch with Coastal Quilters.

Committee 2024/25

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Lindy McKeown	Newsletter Editor	021 2800 315
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Nicola Drake	Sales Table/Raffle Liaison	021 396 473
Angela Ambler	Classes	027 2802 391
Judith Havill	BOM/Gift Quilts	027 3198 235
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Off Committee Roles		
Maree Le Comte	Librarian	04 232 4425
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SUGGESTIONS OR CONTRIBUTIONS?

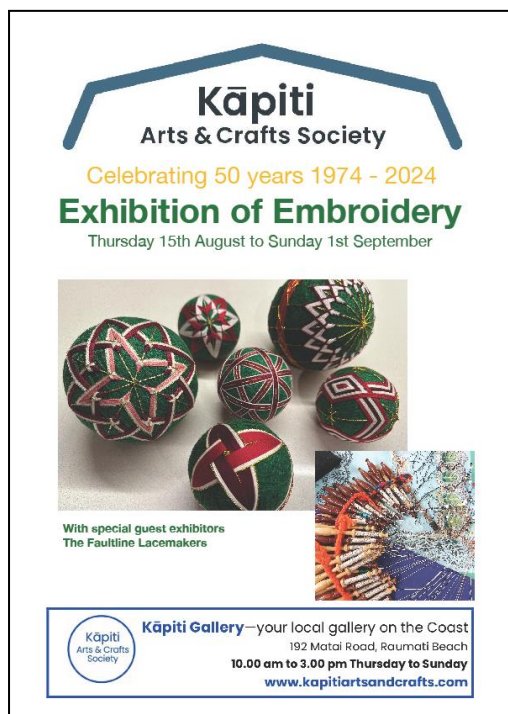
Have you any ideas for a class, project, book or speaker? Please speak with one of our committee or put your ideas into the Suggestion Box on the table in the front foyer. We welcome any suggestions.

Karori Arts & Crafts is offering a workshop with Cherie Gurney, "Slice of Heaven," 28 & 29 September, 10am to 4pm. The two-day course is \$173.00 for KACC members \$208.00 for non-members.

<https://www.kacc.org.nz/store/products/slice-of-heaven-with-cherie-gurney>

This course is designed for quilters or textile artists ready to learn improv quilting.

Make your very own Slice of Heaven using modern graphic fabrics. On Day 1 create one half circle using a variety of improv quilting techniques. On Day 2 complete the other side of the circle with stitch, using a mixture of straight lines and free motion quilting. Apply two modern methods of applique to your chosen background. Learn to develop and execute a quilt plan for creating your own piece of original textile art.



Kāpiti Arts & Crafts Society
 Celebrating 50 years 1974 - 2024
Exhibition of Embroidery
 Thursday 15th August to Sunday 1st September

With special guest exhibitors
 The Faultline Lacemakers

Kāpiti Gallery—your local gallery on the Coast
 192 Matal Road, Raumati Beach
 10.00 am to 3.00 pm Thursday to Sunday
www.kapitiartsandcrafts.com

Wellington Fabricabrac

Yes !! We have our next event booked in for Wellington Fabricabrac : 28th September 2024

We are at the same venue :

St Anne's Parish Hall
 22 Emmet Street, Newtown, Wellington
 10am to 1pm

Facebook : [Fabric-a-brac](#)

Facebook: [Event page](#)

Instagram : [fabricabracwgtn](#)

If you would like to be a stallholder at the event please complete this form to go into the [ballot](#) for a table.



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PRESENTS
CALICO CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA

St Heliers Church and Community Centre,
 100 St Heliers Bay Road, St Heliers

SATURDAY NOVEMBER 2
 10AM-4PM

- Craft market
- Merchants
- Craft demonstrations
- Quilt displays
- Cafe
- Spot prizes
- Raffles

EFTPOS Available

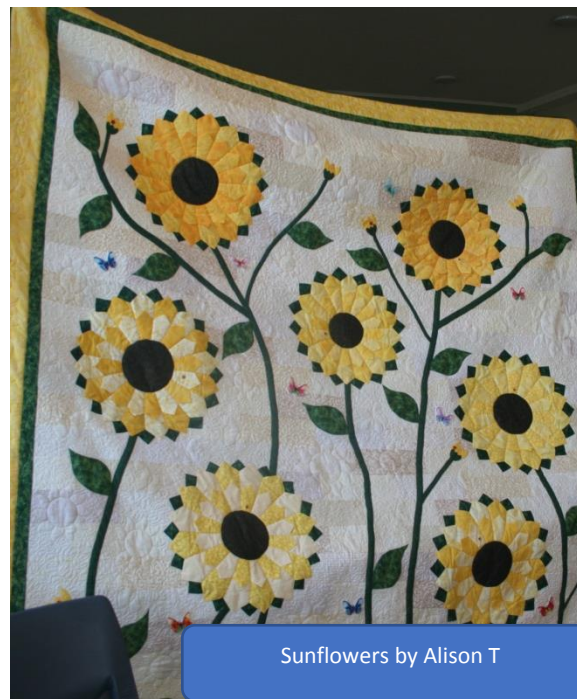
Merchants
 All Things Bernina
 Apple Basket
 Bowerbird
 Tis the Season
 Wild and Woolly

FREE ENTRY!

Show and Tell



Alison T's - love the car parked in the garage?
Photo on right is of her husband's hotrod.



Sunflowers by Alison T



Another of Alison Ts.



Catherine's for her brother's 50th



Clare's recycled quilt turned into a jacket.



Prue's bag from class with Clare.



More Christmas decorations for Marge's grandchildren.



Some of Clare's classes being offered at Symposium.

Slow Stitch Group Afternoon
Clare Smith is running the first meeting on Sunday, 1 September 1.00 – 4.00pm at Arts on Track Studio at Plimmerton Railway Station.
RSVP to Clare (smith_c@actrix.co.nz) for the first meeting to give her an idea of chairs required. Koha to cover tea and coffee, lights, loo paper etc.

Does your Favourite Backing have a Right Side? (I didn't know this!) Wrong side up can cause lots of issues. Some needle punched battings have definite right and wrong sides. Look closely and you're likely to see tiny needle holes or dimples on the right side and balls of fuzz on the wrong side. Scrim battings also have right and wrong sides.

Why does it matter? Placing the wrong side up can cause bearding, where batting fibres work through the fabric. It can also cause tension problems and broken needles when machine quilting the layers together.

Suzy Williams has a full article about this: suzyquilts.com



Coastal Quilters Events Calendar 2024

August	24	Sit and Stitch , St Andrews Church Hall, Plimmerton
	23-25	Full Retreat, Silverstream
September	14	Club Meeting , Plimmerton Pavilion
	28	Sit and Stitch , St Andrews Church Hall, Plimmerton
	28	Wellington Fabricabrac , St Anne's Parish Hall, 22 Emmet Street, Newtown, Wellington, 10am to 1pm
October	2-6	Quilt Symposium – Cambridge High School – Registrations open
	12	Club Work Day , Plimmerton Pavilion
	26	Sit and Stitch , St Andrews Church Hall, Plimmerton
November	2	Auckland Quilt Guild , Calico Christmas Extravaganza, St Heliers Church and Community Centre, 100 St Heliers Bay Road, St Heliers, Auckland
	9	Club Meeting , Plimmerton Pavilion
	16	Class: Finish It , Di Barnden
	22-23	Mini Retreat , St Andrews Church Hall, Plimmerton
December	14	Christmas Meeting

Coastal Quilters Events Calendar 2025

February	15	Churn Dash Class, Di Barnden , St Andrews Church Hall, Plimmerton
April	4-6	Full Retreat, Silverstream
May	16-18	The Great NZ Quilt Show 2025, Christchurch
	17	Quilted Bags, Clare Smith , St Andrews Church Hall, Plimmerton
September	5-7	Full Retreat, Silverstream