

# **Pelican Patch**

The Official Newsletter of the Westernport Quilters inc. P.O. Box 163, Tyabb. Victoria 3913

On behalf of the Club and the land on which we meet, we acknowledge the Bunurong / Boon Wurrung peoples of the Kulin nation, owners of this unceded land, and pay our respect to their elders, past, present and emerging.

# President's Patch May 2024

#### Dear Members,

We had a great day at the Hastings Craft Expo. **"Our Big Shopping Bags**" were well received, and we sold lots of patterns, fabrics, and other donated items. Altogether we raised \$460 and had the chance to speak to lots of prospective members. We will have to wait and see if we get any new members but there was a lot of interest in our Saturday meetings. A big thanks to all members who spent time sewing the shopping bags and attending on the day.

Our May meeting is the Biggest Morning Tea. Please bring along something delicious to share and donate a gold coin for your morning tea. The proceeds will be added to the money from the Hastings Craft Expo and donated for Breast Cancer Research.

The Craft and Quilt Show is on at Jeff's Shed from the 24<sup>th</sup> to the 27<sup>th</sup> July. There is an Expression of Interest form at the sign in desk. If we get enough names I will arrange for a 24 seater bus for the Friday 26<sup>th</sup> July

There has been a lot of interest in the Retreat at Loch in November from the 8<sup>th</sup> to the 10<sup>th</sup>. Unfortunately, the number is restricted to 24 and to date 22 places have been taken. A \$50 deposit is required by **June 18th** to secure your room. Catering arrangements are still to be organized so the \$190 for the 2 nights is at present for the room and facilities only. Glenda Daff and I will visit Loch shortly to investigate all catering options.

If you didn't receive emails about the Retreat, please let Debbie know so we can check your contact details.

Our 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday meeting at Baxter was quieter than the other 2 but given it was the day before Mother's Day we know people are busy. 12 attended and it was very pleasing to see members mixing and getting to know other members they may not normally sit with. "**Well done**" to everyone.

I would like to remind members to wear their name badges, I know I sometimes, I should say many times, have trouble remembering names and it is a great help to new members.

#### Pelican Patch

With the cold weather we have been experiencing it's great for staying indoors and stitching. I am on a mission to complete the many UFO.s I have in my cupboards. And look forward to showing the completed items at meetings. I have completed one bag and am currently working on a Di Ford quilt that I started 12 years ago. Watch this space for a progress report.

Happy stitching

Margaret

#### WPQ 2024 Committee

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Cynthia Parsons and Joanne Posthuma will share the Kitchen role.			

# **Birthdays for May**

## Happy Birthday to the following members who share a May Birthday



#### Gaynor Backx, Marianne Bradley, Glenda Daff, Margaret Griffin,

Elizabeth Hutchesson, Barbara Rimington, Mary Stupka, Luisa Waterhouse

#### **Kitchen Roster**

May	Jenny Allen
	Heather Stafford
June	Leonie Valentini
	Janet Richardson
July	Rozylyn Chidley
	Marianne Bradley
	Nina Bate

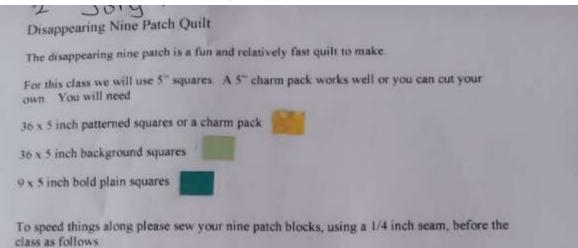
#### Welcome Desk Roster

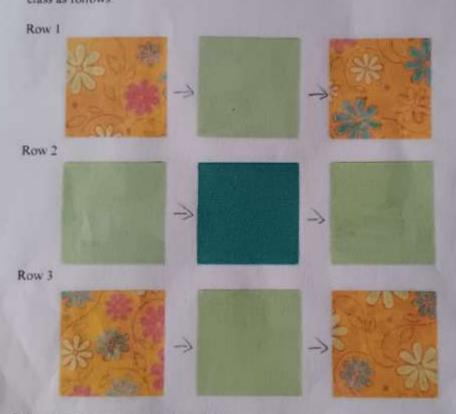
Мау	Janet Richardson
	Carole Hayes
June	Raelene Warner
	Libby Hutchenson
July	Barb Rimington
	Liz Gower





## July Disappearing 9 Patch Tuesday 2<sup>nd</sup> July





Press seams towards the backing fabric

Now sew the rows together, 'nesting' the seams, to make your nine patch block. Try to be as accurate as possible Press. Repeat until you have 9 blocks.

On the day of the class please bring your sewing machine, cutting mat, rotary cutter and 2 rulers (longer than 14") and your 9 patch blocks The disappearing nine patch is a fun and relatively fast quilt to make



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Brenda King	Marianne Bradley
	Chicken Scratch
From the Sat meeting Two the same but different	
Sue Carroll and Janet	Brenda King and Jean Wrangle
Richardson	



# Our stall at the Hastings Craft Expo



## Caring Quilts Update for May from Carolyn Sweeting

#### Wheelchairs for Kids programme

We welcomed Chris Such from the Somerville Tyabb Rotary Club to our April general meeting. He spoke to us about Rotary's Wheelchairs for Kids programme, begun in Western Australia in 1998, and it is now supported by Rotary Clubs throughout Australia.

The wheelchairs are specially designed and built for all terrains, and are distributed to young people who have suffered because of man-made and natural disasters across the world. To date well over 56,000 have been distributed to more than 50 different countries.

We were very pleased to give Chris **23 knitted blankets and quilts, and well over 60 knitted toys** (I lost count!) which he will forward via the kind services of Dulux to Western Australia, ready for distribution to the recipients overseas.

Thanks so much to everyone, members and friends alike, who contributed to this donation. We have already begun our next accumulation of quilts and toys for another delivery in 2025 and Chris said he will be happy to come back to visit when we have the next bundle ready to go.

#### Toiletries Bags for Impact for Women

By the end of our April meeting we have accumulated 209 bags. Thanks to everyone who has contributed time, fabric and cords to this cause.

There is so much in the news recently about the appalling number of deaths of Australian women at the hands of men. Impact for Women supports the women and children in very many ways, and I'm sure the bags we handmake to hold the Mothers Day and Christmas gifts are appreciated because they show the recipients that we care.

Thank you for your various contributions.

Kind regards, Carolyn



# Westernport Quilters Meeting dates for 2024

Мау		
May 7 <sup>th</sup>	Workshop Day Janet Richardson 5 items to make with squares	
May 11 <sup>th</sup>	Sat Meeting 10am – 3pm Baxter	
May 21 <sup>st</sup>	General Meeting: Biggest Morning tea	
	Guest speaker Tina Whitely	
June		
June 4 <sup>th</sup>	Workshop Day Satu Simmons, Gail Evans Disappearing 9 patch	
June 8 <sup>th</sup>	Sat meeting 10am – 3 pm Tyabb	
June 18 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting	
	Payment of \$50 deposit for Loch Retreat due	
	Guest speaker Max and Louise	
July 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Workshop Day	
	Christmas tree Lesley Kumar	
July 13 <sup>th</sup> Sat	Sat meeting 10am – 3pm Tyabb	
July 16 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting	
	Guest speaker Michelle Yoe	
July 26 <sup>th</sup> Fri	Expressions of interest	
	Bus trip to Vic Quilters Showcase \$20	
August		
August 6 <sup>th</sup>	Workshop Day Caroline Hill Christmas heart wall hanging	
August 10 <sup>th</sup> Sat	Soup n spud day	
	Sat meeting 10am – 3 pm Tyabb	
August 20 <sup>th</sup>	General meeting	
	Guest speaker Karen McGregor	
September		
September 3rd	Workshop Day	
September 14 <sup>th</sup>	Sat meeting 10 am – 3 pm Tyabb	
September 17 <sup>th</sup>	General meeting	
	Guest speakers 3 Members Quilting Journey	
October Seniors Month	Possible inclusion in Shire Seniors Month Program	

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October 1 <sup>st</sup>	Workshop Day Margaret Johnson Bargello Placemats		
October 12 <sup>th</sup> Sat	Sat Meeting 10	am – 3 pm Tyab	b
October 15 <sup>th</sup>	General Meeting		
	Guest speaker	Neroli Henderson	
November			
November 5 <sup>th</sup>	Workshop Day Cup Day Meeting		
	Wear a fancy H	at.	
November Fri. 8 <sup>th</sup> – Sun 10	) <sup>th</sup>		
	Retreat at Loch		
November 19 <sup>th</sup>	AGM and En	d of year Luncheon	

# Services directory

Sewing Machine repairs Rick Wise Tel. 59831878 or 0408 557 606	Sewing Bee Café 80 Baxter-Tooradin Rd, Baxter Tel. 59715737 <u>www.sewingbeecafe.com.au</u> 10% discount for WPQ members
Treehouse Textiles 64 Main Street, Mornington Tel. 0427 570 950 <u>www.treehousetextiles.com.au</u> 10%discount for WPQ members	Snugglelyn Quilts – Lyn Wright Tel. 5981 9397 or 0412 263 539 Computerised long arm quilting Special member prices Open 6 days Fat quarters, wide backing, cutters, templates, mats
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