



Pelican Patch

*The Official Newsletter of the Westernport Quilters inc.
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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 October 2024

Dear Members,

The end of the year is fast approaching but before then Westernport Quilters has 2 significant events. The Retreat at Loch and the AGM.

We will have a meeting for members who are attending the Retreat before lunch on Tuesday to discuss the catering and other details for the weekend.

All outstanding money should be paid by the end of this week. Contact Debbie Higgs if you need to know how much you owe. Remember you can make the payment by Bank Transfer. Please remember to add your name and retreat in the Reference line when you make a payment

The AGM will be held at our November Meeting before our end of year lunch. All committee positions are vacant, and nomination forms are available at the Welcome Desk. I have informed the committee members that I will not be standing for President for another year. Ongoing medical issues have made it increasingly difficult for me to carry out all the required tasks. Please carefully consider if you are able and willing to fill this position. I will continue to with the Newsletter and be a member of the Committee.

The paperwork for the AGM will be sent out in a group email by the end of this week, along with membership renewal forms. Keep a look out for the email in your Inbox. Please see me if you have not been receiving the group emails.

I repeat what I wrote last month. *"All of the existing members have held many positions on the Committee over the years and as we are getting older it is not sustainable for the club to continue relying on the same members to keep the club growing.*

Please think about how you can help at the club so we can continue to see it grow and remain vibrant."

Our guest speaker this month is Neroli Henderson, a talented fabric artist who works in many mediums. I'm sure we will enjoy her presentation and be inspired by her work.

We have had many entertaining and informative guest speakers this year and we must thank Caroline Hill and Glenda Daff for their work in making the Guest Speaker Program work so smoothly. Many thanks to you both for the time and effort you contribute.

On each table there is a list for members to fill out about the food they will be contributing to the End of Year dinner. This year we will put both the salads and the dessert on a central table to be shared between all members.

Happy stitching

Margaret

WPQ 2024 Committee

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<i>Ex Officio:</i>	Barbara Rimington		

Cynthia Parsons and Joanne Posthuma will share the Kitchen role.

Birthdays for October

Happy Birthday

to the following members who share a October Birthday



***Jenny Allen, Molly Arnott, Maureen Baldwin, Rozlyn Chidley, Liz Gower,
Lyn Heggart, Joanne Posthuma***

**Roster sheets for next year are on the
Welcome desk.**

**Please think about when you may be able to help with these
essential tasks and add your name to the list.**

Kitchen Roster 3 Members

Thank You to members who filled in the gaps!!!

October	Rosalie Cowan Raelene Warner
November	Margaret Howlett Liz Taylor

Welcome Desk Roster 2 Members

Please write you name on the list to fill in the gaps

October	Pauline Munro Liz Taylor
November	Raelene Warner Mary Stupka

Meeting dates for the rest of 2024

October

October 15th General Meeting 10am – 2pm

Guest speaker Neroli Henderson

November

November 5th Workshop Day 10 am -2pm Cup Day Meeting
Wear a fancy Hat.

November Fri. 8th – Sun 10th Retreat at Loch

Saturday 9th Nov is our usual Sat meeting date. Day Visitors are welcome to join us at Loch. Just let me know if you intend to come.

November 19th 10am – 2pm AGM and **End of year Luncheon**

December

December 14th Saturday meeting if there is enough interest. Will include a Christmas afternoon tea

Date to be announced Committee handover meeting and planning day

Meeting dates for the start of 2025

January

January 21st General Meeting 10am - 2pm

February

February 4th Workshop 10am – 2pm Sit and sew day

February 8th Sat Saturday meeting 10am – 3pm

February 18th General Meeting 10am – 2pm

Caring Quilts Update for October *from Carolyn Sweeting*

Toiletry Bags for Impact for Women

After a magnificent effort we made our annual donation of drawstring bags in August, and already we have 29 bags towards our 2025 donation.

Members are using their own stash of fabrics, as well as taking advantage of the precut fabrics available at our regular gatherings. We have also received donations of ribbons and cords, and these, as well as instruction sheets, are available at our gatherings as well.

Remember, the finished size needs to be 12 x 16 inches.

We are also accumulating quilts in the following categories

Premmie Quilts – 20” x 30” (approx. 50x76 cm) with a darkish backing.

Wheelchairs for Kids – about 36”-39” square (about a yard or a metre square).

Aged Care quilts – about 38”- 45” square or rectangular, suitable for women or men.

These are delivered to where they need to go in collections of about 10 or more.

Through Satu, we have discovered that the **Peter MacCallum Cancer Centre will take quilts of any size**, so if anyone wants to donate a quilt there you may like to take advantage of Satu's kind offer to deliver them when she visits the Centre from time to time.

We have a roll of **batting** in our storeroom for anyone who needs a piece for any of the Caring Quilts they are making. See Carolyn at any Meeting or Sit and Sew if you'd like a piece, preferably knowing the size you need!

Happy Sewing,

Carolyn

Services directory

<p>Sewing Machine repairs Rick Wise Tel. 59831878 or 0408 557 606</p>	<p>Sewing Bee Café 80 Baxter-Tooradin Rd, Baxter Tel. 59715737 www.sewingbeecafe.com.au 10% discount for WPQ members</p>
<p>Treehouse Textiles 64 Main Street, Mornington Tel. 0427 570 950 www.treehousetextiles.com.au 10%discount for WPQ members</p>	<p>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</p>
<p>Girraween Quilting – Sally Rule Edge to edge and custom quilting Email: sallyrule286@outlook.com.</p>	<p>Palm Beach Quilting 7/2 Industry Blvd, Carrum Downs Tel. 9775 1601 www.palmbeachquilting.com.au 10% discount for WPQ members</p>
<p>Margaret Johnson Rose Garden Quilting Quilts basted, edge to edge quilting 9789 0477</p>	