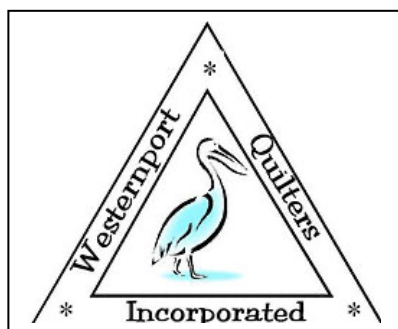




Pelican Patch

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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 July 2026.

Hello and welcome to July, we all know how chilly and foggy it has been so I won't mention it,

Well this month is the Soup and Spud meeting day so bring along your plate, bowl or mug and cutlery and enjoy the day.

Also a huge thankyou to Roslyn for all the work she puts into this day.

Payments for the Irene Blanck workshop are due at the August meeting as well as the \$50 deposit for the Loch Retreat weekend. We have a waiting list so please pay.

Our speaker this month is Sam Kumer. See the two emails you have been sent for further information.

Next month's August meeting, as there is no guest speaker we will have a Members Showcase. I was thinking we could all bring along an item we have made that is special to us to show. It can be big or small, and there will be no prizes or competition. So have a think about it.

We are into the second half of this year and we really need members to think about forming a new committee for next year. Most of this current committee has been doing this job for a while or second time around and we need another lot of members to take over positions. No new committee members means no club. You would not be doing it alone as the previous committee will always be there to help. Meeting days are currently the second Tuesday of the month.

Enjoy this meeting.
Happy sewing
Heather

PS.

Reminder that we have a Soud and Spud day on Saturday the 8th August at the Sit and Sew.

The members in red will be stepping down in November and need to be replaced for 2027.

WPQ 2026 Committee

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<i>President</i>	Heather Stafford
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<i>Treasurer</i>	Debbie Higgs
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<i>Caring Quilts</i>	Carolyn Sweeting
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<i>Web page contact</i>	Martina Burnell
<i>Face book and Instagram</i>	Luisa Waterhouse
<i>Kitchen</i>	Margaret Howlett

Birthdays for July

Happy Birthday to the following members who share a July Birthday

Dawn C, Margret E J, Raelene W, Jenny S



July 2026 Caring Quilts Update from Carolyn Sweeting

No new donations have been delivered this month – we had a big clear-out during May and early June, but we have accumulated quilts in all of our usual categories, so that when we have enough to make a decent donation, off they will go. That is usually 10-12 quilts for an Aged Care facility, and 25 or so Premmie Quilts.

The preferred sizes for our regular donations are as follows:

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

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

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

Quilts of Valour – at least 50” x 70”. We are warned off florals, pinks and neon fabrics. We can, however, donate just quilt tops, rather than finished quilts. Quilts of Valour will also take quilt blocks measuring 8 ½”, 10 ½” or 12 ½”.

Ronald MacDonald House. We now have a conduit to get quilts to this organisation thanks to Margaret Howlett. These can be bigger sizes, for younger people.

Impact for Women. We now have about 120 Bags of Love ready to go and quite a lot cut out ready for sewing. It would be much appreciated if anyone could help get them stitched up ready to be delivered by August/September.

Thanks to everyone for supporting these charities.

Happy sewing,

Carolyn Sweeting

Meeting Dates for 2026

July 21st	General Meeting 10am – 2pm – Guest Speaker Sam Kumar – End of Life talk in, side room. Soup and Spud Day
August	
August 4th	Workshop - Potato chip - 10am - 2pm Sit and Sew
August 8th	Saturday Sit and Sew 10am – 2pm - Soup and Spud
August 18th	General Meeting 10am – 2pm
September	
September 1st	Workshop – Brenda Dean – How to become a stripper - 10am - 2pm Sit and Sew
September 12th	Saturday Sit and Sew 10am – 2pm

September 15th General Meeting 10am – 2pm – **Guest speaker – Cindy – Gippsbeary Cottage, Korumburra.**

October

October 6th Sit and Sew 10am - 2pm

October 10th Saturday **Workshop with Irene Blanck** - 10am – 4pm
Sit and Sew

October 20th General Meeting 10am – 2pm

November

November 3rd Sit and Sew 10am - 2pm – Wear a race day hat.

November 6-8 Loch Retreat Weekend

November 14th Saturday Sit and Sew 10am – 2pm

November 17th AGM and Lunch 10am – 2pm

December 12th Saturday Sit and Sew 10am – 2pm

THANK YOU FOR YOUR HELP, IT IS VERY MUCH APPRECIATED.

If you cannot attend on a nominated date, please try to find a member to replace you

Kitchen Roster - 3 Members	
July	Jenny S, Nina B, Jenny A
August	Leonie V, Jo-anne P,
September	Carol S, Raelene W
October	Deb H, Pauline M, Marg H

Welcome Desk Roster - 2 Members	
July	Martina, Glenda
August	Gail E, Marianne B
September	Barbara M, Judy B
October	

Service directory

Palm Beach Quilting
7/2 Industry Blvd, Carrum Downs
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www.palmbeachquilting.com.au

10% discount for WPQ members

Please present 2026 membership card.

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Tel. 0427 570 950

www.treehousetextiles.com.au

10% discount for WPQ members

Sewing Machine repairs
Rick Wise
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Sewing Bee Café
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Tel. 59715737

www.sewingbeecafe.com.au

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Fat quarters, wide backing, cutters, templates, mats

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Julie Goodwin's condensed milk slice from Margaret H.

250g packet butternut snap biscuits
 100g salted butter, softened
 1 cup (150g) white choc bits
 1 cup (70g) moist coconut flakes
 1 cup (120g) pitted dried dates, chopped
 1 cup (150g) peanuts
 1 x 395g can sweetened condensed milk

1. Preheat oven to 170C fan-forced. Spray a 30 x 20cm slice tin with a little cooking oil spray and line the base and sides with baking paper.
2. Place the biscuits and butter into the bowl of a food processor and pulse until it resembles wet sand.
3. Spread the biscuit mixture over the base of the pan with a spatula.
 Using clean hands or the base of a drinking glass, press the mixture down firmly.
4. Spread the Choc Bits over the base, then the coconut, the dates and then the peanuts. Pour the condensed milk evenly over the top.
5. Bake for 30 minutes or until pale golden on top. Allow to cool, then chill in the fridge for around 2 hours before slicing into squares. Keep condensed milk slice in an airtight container in the fridge.

I don't have a food processor, what can I use instead to crush the biscuits?

If you don't have a food processor, crush the biscuits in a plastic bag with a rolling pin then mix through the butter.

Are there any flavour variations?

Switch up the flavours with gingersnap biscuits, apricots and walnuts (all else the same), or dark choc bits, dried cranberries and slivered almonds (all else the same).

Can this slice be made nut-free?

Yes. Simply swap the cup of peanuts for a cup of cereal, like Nutrigrain or Cornflakes, or even crushed up crackers like Salada.



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FLINDERS BRANCH

Craft De-stash Market

9.00am - 1.00pm
 Friday 25th September 2026 (Public Holiday)
 St Mark's Anglican Church Hall
 1 Balnarring Rd, Balnarring



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