Riviera Quilters Inc.

NEWSLETTER
December 2016

Sending warm wishes to you and your family during this Christmas Season.
May your home be filled with love & happiness

WELCOME TO RIVIERA QUILTERS

Riviera Quilters was formed by a group of patchworkers in East Gippsland in 1989. The initial membership was 30; today our membership is well over 100. Many members come from other parts of country Victoria as well as Melbourne and South East New South Wales. Members enjoy many happy hours together as we share or pass on our knowledge, not only at our meetings but also at our weekend retreats, on bus trips and at mini-workshops. Our Annual General Meeting, held as part of our August gathering, is always well supported and is a rewarding time for members as we hand over a donation to our approved charity. Our guest speaker for the day is always interesting and well informed. Our Christmas meeting is a special time for members and our Biennial Exhibition is a time to appreciate all the beautiful work done by our members.

Riviera Quilters meet twice a month at " East Gippsland Community & Educational Hub",
Cnr Dalmahoy & Service Streets, Bairnsdale.

Meetings are held on the first and third Saturdays of the month, excluding January.

On the first Saturday of each month, Rooms 2&3 are open from 11am - 3pm.

A short formal meeting is held at 12 o'clock followed by a Show and Tell of member's work.

Our library is open to members on these days from 11am-12noon and after Show & Tell.

On the third Saturday of the month Rooms 2&3 are open 10am-3pm. There is no formal meeting on this Saturday, and members are free to bring their sewing machines. We often have wokshops on this Saturday which will be advertised via our bi-monthly Newsletters and group emails.

Visitors are always welcome. .

Membership is open to all interested persons and fees are due on the **1st September each year.**

The annual fee is **$30.00** plus $10 joining fee for new members.

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY
2016 - 2017

December 3rd	Christmas Party 11am Rooms 2&3 The Hub, 27 Dalmahoy Street, Bairnsdale. Hostesses - AM - Glenda Ingram & Julie Neander PM - Heather Caddy & Ros Pearce
2017 February 4th	MONTHLY GATHERING 11am -3pm Rooms 2&3 The Hub, 27 Dalmahoy Street, Bairnsdale. Hostesses - AM - Heather Caddy & Carol Bailey PM - Liz Traynor
February 18th	SIT & SEW 11am -3pm Rooms 2&3 The Hub, 27 Dalmahoy Street, Bairnsdale.

HOSTESSES WANTED

We have almost 100 members, yet every month we have a battle filling the hostess roster.
We only require 44 hostesses in total for the year - the sums don't quite add up.
Please consider putting your name in the roster, it's a small part to play for your club.

***** LUCKY DOOR PRIZES *****

In order to be eligible for the monthly Lucky Door Prize, you must be wearing your badge!
However new members will be exempt until their badge arrives!
Thank you to Heather Caddy for her generosity in providing the prizes.

Library Report

Borrowing Rules
Members may borrow 3 books (only one can be a new book) plus 2 magazines per month. Books may be returned and borrowed between **11.00 am** and **1 pm.** If you are borrowing or returning books when the library table is unattended please place your name on them.

New Books
- Making the Australian Quilt (G25) by Annette Gero. For those of you interested in the history of Australian Quilting this is an excellent read. Illustrations in the book are from the recent display at the National Gallery of Victoria.
- Constantinople Quilts (H43) by Tamsin Harvey .includes projects inspired by Turkish Iznik Tiles.
- Radiant Landscapes (L25) by Gloria Loughman transforms tiled colors and textures into dramatic quilts.

The Improv Handbook for Modern Quilters (W34) by Sherri Lynn Wood explores a new approach for beginning to advanced quilters who want to improvise.

Features of *Quiltmania 114 are:* ***Features of Quiltmania 115 are:***
Part 4 Mystery Quilt Discovery Part 5 Mystery Quilt Discovery
Camelot Quilt (Final part) Baskets Forever Quilt
Cameo Roses Quilt Bella Quilt
Hexie Kisses hexagon Quilt Harmony Quilt
Shuffle pinwheel Quilt Marigolds Quilt
Stepping Stones hexagon Quilt Humble Hands Bear Paw Quilt
Patties Roses- a two coloured quilt Welcome Home Quilt

AQC Great Australian Quilts No 7
This edition concentrates on quilts, wall hangings and cushions by well known textile artists. The accompanying DVD has Sue de Vanney showing us how to make a fabric collage.

Don't forget if you know of any suitable titles of books we should include in the library please let me know.

Judy White

You Are Invited

to our annual

Christmas Party

DATE: Saturday 3rd December, 2016
TIME: 11 am
VENUE: Rooms 2&3 The Hub
(our normal meeting place)

Please bring ;

* **A plate of food to share**
* **Wrapped gift** to play the Kris Kringle game (value $10)
* **Gift for Mother Christmas Appeal** - unwrapped non-perishable food item/s or cash donation in an envelope

SECRET PALS WILL BE REVEALED
30cm FABRIC SWAPS RECEIVED

Quilt Show Case

Riviera Quilters have been invited to be profiled as a group at Quilt Show Case in July 2017.

This is an extraordinary opportunity to show off the talents of our group, therefore, we are looking for expressions of interest from anyone interested in exhibiting a quilt. Guidelines will be in February's newsletter

THE FAT 1/4 SWAP

If you love collecting Fat 1/4's, why not join the 2017 Fat 1/4 Fabric Swap

- You need to fill out the form on the bottom of this page.
- You will receive a list of the Fat 1/4's you are required to purchase. There will be 12 in total.
- How you go about purchasing these will be up to you -
  -It could be one per month,
  -Just when you see 'the perfect one' for a particular person
  -The whole lot at once.

The Fat 1/4's need to be delivered back to Riviera Quilters meeting on Saturday 4th November 2017,
They will then be sorted, parcelled up and presented to participating members at our Christmas Party 2017.
If you were a participant you will receive a beautiful bundle of twelve Fat 1/4's in return.

This form needs to be handed back ASAP.
You may pop it in the FABRIC SWAP BOX AT THE FRONT DESK
or hand to Judy White (our librarian) by Sat 4th February 2017

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I would love to participate in the Fat 1/4 swap

NAME……

ADDRESS……

……PC……...

EMAIL……..PHONE……

MY CHOICE FOR FAT 1/4's WOULD BE

COLOUR……..…….. (e.g. blue, brown. pastel, bright)

STYLE…….. ……. (e.g. batiks, reproduction, novelty, Christmas, plaids)

SIGNED……...

THE SECRET PAL PROGRAM

Riviera Quilters will be running a Secret Pal program for all interested members in 2017.

Two forms are included in this newsletter - **PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH FORMS** (one is for the organisers and the other is for the person who will be giving to you).

Each person involved in the program will have a Secret Pal for the year and will also become someone else's Secret Pal.

During the year you may do little things for your Secret Pal such as sending her a birthday card or message or popping a little gift in the Secret Pal basket at a gathering, or posting a surprise to her if you cannot attend meetings, or even send her a favourite recipe or pattern - the possibilities are endless!

Remember, participation is voluntary and does not need to be costly. Handmade items (even home baked biscuits and cakes or a special flower) are lovely to give and to receive as are secret messages or other thoughtful deeds. The amount you do for your Secret Pal is entirely up to you, but **please** don't let your nominated Secret Pal feel they've been forgotten.

If you are interested in participating in this fun venture, **please fill out BOTH FORMS** and return them to the Secretary. Names will be drawn at the first gathering next year , on Saturday 4th February, 2017 - you can either post the forms to the address below or bring to the Christmas Party on Saturday 3rd December 2016, or the first gathering on 4th February next year. If you are unable to attend on that day, you will receive your Secret Pal advice by mail.

Items for your Secret Pat can also be mailed to:
Secret Pal,
c/- The Secretary, Riviera Quilters Inc.,
PO Box 276,
Bairnsdale Vic 3875

Your Secret Pal will be revealed at the Christmas Party at the end of the year. If you wish to reveal yourself to your Secret Pal, simply sign your card or gift and then they will have the pleasure of meeting the person who has had you in their thoughts all year.
The moment of revelation is always full of laughter and fun!

Remember, an unexpected kindness always brings a warm feeling to the heart and a smile to the face.

PLEASE COMPLETE BOTH TOP & BOTTOM SECTIONS AND HAND BOTH BACK

Riviera Quilters Secret Pal for year **2017**

I……………………………………………………………………………………(PRINT NAME)
Would like to participate in the SECRET PAL program with Riviera Quilters.

My birthday is ;……………..(date) …………………..(month) ………………(year – optional)

My favourite colour is………………………………………….

Some of my favourite pastimes & activities are; ..………………………………………………………...

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I especially like to work on (please circle your particular interests)

Applique	Crazy patchwork	Reproduction quilts
Red work/embroidery	Foundation Piecing	Bags
Art Quilt	Hand-piecing	Sewing Accessories
Miniature Quilts	Modern quilts	Other

Signed____Date____________
Mailing address____
____P/C__________

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Mailing address____

____P/C__________

UFO by the Lakes
18th & 19th March 2017

Our weekend in October was such a success we have booked again for March 2017.

Numbers for this weekend will be limited to 24

Your place is not secure until the form below has been returned to The Secretary and deposit paid.

THE VENUE is the Glenara RSL Motel on the Esplanade at Lakes Entrance.

We have the use of the Recreation room by the pool for our sewing.

ACCOMMODATION - will be in the Motel rooms at the Glenara

MEALS

Breakfast - Several Options

Toasters are available at reception if you wish to bring your own breakfast supplies
Room service or visit the dining room.

Morning tea & lunch

will be provided at $15 per person per day payable when you make your booking

Dinner (suggestions)

There are lots of choices for dining in Lakes Entrance, however we will book a table at the RSL each evening

PLEASE NOTE - YOU WILL NEED TO BOOK YOUR OWN ROOM.
To BOOK YOUR ROOM - please phone 51551555

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BOOKING FORM

NAME: . . . .

ADDRESS: . . . . **PC**. . . . . . .

PHONE: . . . . **Email:** . . . .

I enclose $30 to secure my place at the UFO weekend in Lakes Entrance.
**Non members please add $10.00

☐ Cash

☐ Cheque

☐ Eftpos

EFT PAYMENTS -
WESTPAC BAIRNSDALE - BSB: 033-203 A/C 367-444 (Retreat Account)
Please include your name and "UFO" as reference
Forward Application Form to ;The Secretary, Riviera Quilters, PO Box 276, Bairnsdale 3875

☐ I have booked my accommodation.

Signed : . . . .

WANTED

Overlockers to use for Days for Girls

If you have an overlocker you wish to sell or donate
Please contact Ula Sheather
0409568649
uksheather@bigpond.com

SUPPLY OF BATTING

Diana Whitfield (Joan Waite's daughter) has offered to supply batting to members "direct".
She will supply
Matilda's Own 60% wool 40% polyester on a scrim, pre-washed, pre-shrunk, fully machine washable, 2.4m wide @ $15 per meter.
Members would need to pay at time of ordering,
Email: diana.j.w@bigpond.com
Mobile: 0412 562 414

Do you have quilt tops galore?
Why not have them professionally quilted?
The following list of members own
Long Arm Quilting Machines -

Hilary Arnold ***Fairfields Creative Quilting***
is an award winning quilter
Pickup and delivery arranged
Phone: 51555576 after 5pm
Mobile: Hilary-0407634944 Barry-0427 634944
Email: *fairfiel@bigpond.net.au*

Glenda Ingram. ***Forgetmenot quilting***.
7 Lindsay Court, Wy Yung.
Phone: 51524 973
Email: *glenrae@bigpond.net.au*

Gayle Kyle
Riviera Patchwork
Main Street, Bairnsdale.
Drop into the shop anytime

Lily Lane Patchwork Shop
26 Princes Highway, Rosedale.
Phone: 51992777
Opening hours:
9:30am - 4pm weekdays (closed Tuesday).
Weekends:10am-3pm.
Email: *Jennifer@lilylane.com.au*

Sonia Melville
CRAFT BASKET
110a Nicholson Street, Orbost.
(behind Elders Real Estate)
Phone: 51541151
Open: Tues-Friday 9.30-3.00 Sat 9.30-12.00
(A/H by arrangement)

Vicki Spencer ***Woolshed Quilting***
533 Balfours Road, Granite Rock.
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Email: *vicki@woolshedquilting.com*

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MEMBERSHIP FORM

Annual subscriptions are due by September 1st

Re-joining fee of $10 applies after 30th December

NAME ……

ADDRESS……..

……P/CODE……

Telephone……Mobile……

EMAIL……

Is this a change of address? YES NO

New Membership joining fee (includes cost of badge)	$10	
Expired Membership Renewal fee	$10	
Membership Annual Fee	$30	
	TOTAL	

PAYMENT DETAILS

METHOD

I enclose ☐**cash** ☐**cheque** ☐**money order**

OR

I am paying by ☐**Electronic Funds Transfer**

EFT PAYMENTS - WESTPAC BAIRNSDALE
BSB - 033-203; ACC # -139-329
Please include your name & indicate that the payment is for membership
If your bank does not allow a name as reference, please use the last 4 digits of your phone number and notify the Membership Secretary.

With all methods of payment you must still post this form to -
The Secretary, Riviera Quilters Inc., PO Box 276, Bairnsdale, 3875

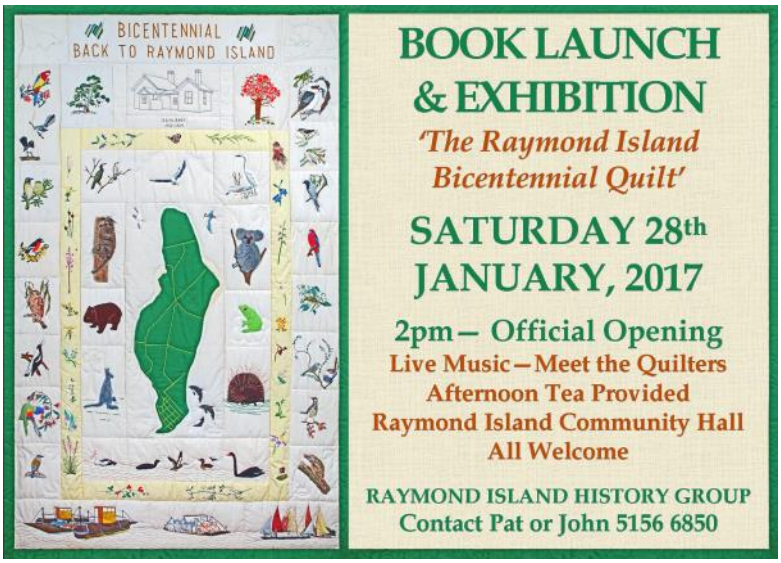
I give permission for my personal details to be included in a membership directory to be distributed to all members and to be used in publicity items (names, photos) e.g. newspaper articles & website.

Please circle your response: Yes / No

SIGNED……DATE……

Invitation

Hi everyone
As a member of both Riviera Quilters and the Raymond Island History Group it has been a double delight to help research and document the 'Raymond Island Bicentennial Quilt'.
It's also been a real joy interviewing quilters and their families and writing up the 'quilt stories' that were happening some 30 years age. Gwenda Kaigg was the driving force behind this project and along with others, including Beatty Blennerhassett and Colleen Robinson, they spent an amazing amount of time, energy, and enthusiasm getting the quilt project up and running. These women also stand tall in the founding history of Riviera Quilters.
The Bicentennial Quilt was begun in 1987 and completed 1988. It now hangs proudly behind glass in the Raymond Island Hall.
The grant our history group received from the Public Record Office for this project requires that we publish a book on the history of the quilt and the quilters themselves. Our book gives an account of each piece of embroidery and its maker. The stories of the quilters, collected from far and wide, show how life was lived on the island all those years ago. They are social history at its best.
The book will be available for sale at the exhibition. All proceeds from the sale of the book will be used to assure the conservation of the quilt into the future.
Below is an invitation to all members to come along and reconnect with the roots of the Riviera Quilters journey.
We look forward to your company.
Pat Wilson
Raymond Island History Group



Riviera Quilters would like to thank
TIM BULL MP
and the helpful staff at his Bairnsdale office,
for their continued generous support in the
free printing of our newsletter.
Many thanks to all involved.

A warm welcome to new members

Joan Robinson
Bonnie Giorgi
Patricia Arnold

And welcome back to

Jacqueline Lalor

COMING IN 2017

18th & 19th March
U F O weekend in Lakes Entrance

April 20th - 23rd
AQC Melbourne

April 29th & 30th
Jan Preston - renowned textile artist/quilter
Details will be in February Newsletter

17th & 18th June
Gail Pan - author of Patchwork Loves Embroidery

July 27th - 30th
Victorian Quilt Show Case
Riviera Quilters are the group profile exhibit.

BOOK KEEPING

FORMS/PAYMENTS

When making Electronic Funds Transfers please make sure to send the appropriate forms to:
The Secretary, Riviera Quilters,
P.O. Box 276; Bairnsdale. Vic. 3875

YES - THIS APPLIES TO YOU TOO !

There are still quite a few of us who are ignoring this simple request.

When making payments to both the main account and the retreat account please make sure they are separate.
ie; 2 separate cheques <u>or</u>
for EFT payments:
Retreat acc. BSB 033-203 367-444 (for Retreats & Workshops),
Main acc. BSB 033-203 139-329 (for subscription payments.)

It is not too hard and absolutely necessary to keep the records straight.

HAVE YOU CHANGED YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS?

If you have changed your email address in the last 12 months, please notify Liz Traynor at - liz.rivieraquilters@gmail.com

<u>Treasurers Report:</u>
Not to hand at the time of writing this newsletter

NOTE TO MEMBERS

Minutes from Riviera Quilters Inc. committee meetings are available for your review at monthly gatherings upon request.

The DEADLINE for news and contributions is
15th January, March, May,
July, September and November.
All contributions are welcome.