



## Presidents Report.

Happy New Year everyone, I do hope you all had a relaxing time over the Christmas break. I must admit my few weeks holiday have been very relaxing and I have even managed to fit in a little quilting.

I also hope that all your dreams for 2018 come true. I'm not one who makes New Year resolutions - I find them way too hard to keep, but I am going to make an effort to have my own War on Waste, try to whittle down my fabric stash and spend more time in my garden.

We have now reached the point where time is going to fly in the run up to our exhibition in May. Please give some thought to exhibiting one or more of your quilts. I know there are some lovely quilts out there; we have seen them at Show & Tell and in the making at our gatherings. Also, don't forget about our challenge and lucky block draw.

Our machine quilting workshop with Anita Ellis is fully booked and timed just nicely. Those of you who are lucky enough to be taking part in this workshop should find it very valuable to help finish off some of your work for the exhibition. If you have missed out, consider putting your name on the waiting list.

The Exhibition hand book will be mailed out in February along with some raffle tickets to sell. We will also be looking for members to sell some tickets at selected street venues and to help with tasks at the Exhibition; any time you can give will be greatly appreciated.

I look forward to catching up with you all in February,

Liz



## Welcome to another exciting year with Riviera Quilters.

As you read through this edition of our newsletter I hope you are inspired to join in many of the activities the committee have planned for the coming year.

I have included a summary list of the upcoming events and activities to help you track the deadlines so you don't miss a thing.

Remember if you would like to contribute to future newsletters please email me or see me at a Gathering.

- Jen

## WELCOME TO RIVIERA QUILTERS .

Riviera Quilters was formed by a group of patchworkers in East Gippsland in 1989. The initial membership was 30. Almost 30 years later members still enjoy many happy hours together as they share or pass on 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 1 pm and is generally 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 workshops 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 2017/2018

February 3rd 2018	<b>Monthly Gathering</b> Guest speaker Deb Shill - Artist 11am-3pm Rooms 2&3 The Hub.27 Dalmahoy St,Bairnsdale
February 17th 2018	<b>Sit and Sew</b> 10am -3pm Rooms 2&3 The Hub 27 Dalmahoy St Bairnsdale
February 24th / 25th 2018	<b>2 day Quilting Workshop</b> 9:30am - 4:30pm Rooms 2&3 The Hub 27 Dalmahoy St Bairnsdale
March 3rd 2018	<b>Monthly Gathering</b> <b>Bring a Friend Day.</b> Guest speaker Tristesse De Visser - Quilter 11am-3pm Rooms 2&3 The Hub.27 Dalmahoy St,Bairnsdale
March 17th / 18th 2018	<b>All Weekend Sit and Sew</b> 10am - whenever Rooms 2&3 The Hub 27 Dalmahoy St Bairnsdale
April 7th 2018	<b>Monthly Gathering</b> 11am-3pm Rooms 2&3 The Hub 27 Dalmahoy St Bairnsdale
April 20th - 22nd 2018	<b>UFO by the Lakes.</b> <b>Glenara Motel</b> Lakes Entrance

## **\*\* LUCKY DOOR PRIZES \*\***

Please consider joining us for our Monthly Gatherings held on the first Saturday of the month. Sign in at the reception desk to be eligible for our Lucky Door prize.

Please remember to wear your Name Badge.

*Thank you to Heather Caddy for her generosity in providing the prizes.*



Riviera Quilters Inc

14th biennial

# Quilt Exhibition

**Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th May, 2018**

**10am - 3.30pm**

**Nova Hall, Bairnsdale West Primary School  
Cooma Street, Bairnsdale.**

**Daily Admission \$5.00**

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**Gala Opening - Friday, 18th May at 7.00pm**

**Guest speaker - Jan Preston**

**Opening Night Tickets \$20.00**

**(includes light refreshments & weekend entry)**

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## Featuring

**\* Quilters Challenge - 'Black to White with a dash.....'**

**\* Lily Lane Patchwork Shop**

**\* Members Trading Boutique**

**\* Workshops over the weekend by Quilter maker / Artist Jan Preston**

**Light Lunches & refreshments available**

**For more information, please contact Liz Traynor  
liz.rivieraquilters@gmail.com or phone 0427769341**

**Bairnsdale Neighbourhood House  
will benefit from this exhibition.**



# HOSTESS ROSTER

**PLEASE CONSIDER VOLUNTEERING FOR THE HOSTESS ROSTER FOR OUR  
GATHERINGS ON THE FIRST SATURDAY OF THE MONTH.**

***MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK.***

<b>DATE</b>	<b>MORNING</b>	<b>AFTERNOON</b>
<b>February 3rd</b>	<b>ValQuirk Coralie Foxton</b>	<b>Maaike van Donk Heather Caddy</b>
<b>March 3rd</b>	<b>Ros Pearce Kay Seears</b>	<b>Jen Lawrence</b>
<b>April 7th</b>	<b>Merle McRae Robyn Ashley</b>	<b>Volunteers please</b>
May 5th	<b>Volunteers please</b>	<b>Volunteers please</b>
June 2nd	<b>Volunteers please</b>	<b>Volunteers please</b>
July 7th	<b>Volunteers please</b>	<b>Volunteers please</b>
August 4th	<b>Volunteers please</b>	<b>Volunteers please</b>
September 1st	<b>Volunteers please</b>	<b>Volunteers please</b>
October 6th	<b>Volunteers please</b>	<b>Volunteers please</b>
November 3rd	<b>Volunteers please</b>	<b>Volunteers please</b>
December 1st	<b>Glenda Ingram Julie Neander</b>	<b>Committee</b>

**Thank you to all Members who volunteer for Hostess Duty.**

**Please be aware if your name appears on the Roster then it is your  
responsibility to find a replacement if you are unable to attend.**

# You have to be In It to Win It 2018 Biennial Exhibition QUILT CHALLENGE

Continuing on the theme of the Lucky Draw Block  
.... from **BLACK** to **WHITE** with a dash of ....

The **design** of the quilt is to reflect and interpret the theme.

Use your favourite patchwork techniques.

The **size / proportions** of the quilt be based on the Ratio of 1:3  
(for example 3 inches wide and 9 inches long, to a maximum of 15 inches wide to 45 inches long) in **Portrait orientation**, with a rod pocket / sleeve along the narrow edge that is the top of the quilt.



By definition your Quilt will consist of three layers held together with stitching.

(The rod pocket / sleeve is completed in accordance with RQ guidelines. )

A **label** is sewn onto the back of the quilt, with your name, date and the word 'challenge'.

**Prize** money of \$100 will be awarded to the winning quilt based on your interpretation of the theme, excellence in design and craftsmanship.

# ***Are you having trouble starting on your piece for the 2018 Exhibition Quilt Challenge?***

I recently asked Margaret Crocker for some ideas on how to get started with the Quilt Challenge. Margaret, a member of RQ, is a talented Fabric textile artist and has had her work accepted and displayed in many Exhibitions.

With her permission I include her ideas here for you to consider -

Having a theme assists me with an inspiration, and a design for my quilt. Are there any rules to consider; for example 3 layers, size, hanging sleeve that need to be followed. The design of the piece must reflect and interpret the theme.

## **INSPIRATION**

I enjoy looking through as many as possible of -

Class Samples – techniques recently learnt that I wish to develop .

Favourite artist works - Follow them on line through Blogs or other Social media avenues.

Books and magazines – I currently have a stack, for ready reference, or borrow from libraries.

Pinterest – can also be a time waster, but often provides an inspiration.

## **DESIGNING**

Commence drawing, sketching, doodling; the more the better – I draw the quilt to scale, if possible.

Collect possible fabric and threads from my stash and audition – “Less is More”.

## **CONSTRUCTING**

Reviewing and establishing techniques / methods that I will use -

Straight lines or free form cutting

Spray adhesive ( my new favourite for small projects, no pins )

Hand or machine piecing or both

Quilting designs - hand / machine, plus will I embroider or add embellishments

## **MAKING**

I enjoy the process of doing / making, then reviewing and allowing the quilt to evolve into my personal style.

Deciding when to stop and finish the quilt, I often find this very difficult again often Less is More.

This process may take me a few days – if I suffer a block in the process then I work on another project and then return usually with fresh eyes.

***Be aware of the inner critic – don't allow the critic to stop your creativity***

*Thank you to Marg Crocker for this contribution -Jen.*

## Weekend Sit and Sew

A 2 day Sit and Sew is being arranged for the weekend of March 17th/18th 2018.

This coincides with our usual Sit and Sew day but we will have access to our room at the Hub for the whole weekend.

In order to keep costs down please bring along your own lunch and consider bringing some morning tea to share.

As usual our tea and coffee facilities will be available.

There will be NO charge for this weekend.

Many members will be on hand to help with any questions you may have and Liz will be offering some tips on binding and sewing on a sleeve commencing at 1:30pm on the Saturday.

Complete the Registration form if you would like to attend.

## Members Trading Boutique.

Do you enjoy making and selling your handcrafts?

Riviera Quilters will be hosting a Trading Boutique for members at this years Exhibition.

It is not too late to put together some items for the stall.

Contact Heather Caddy for further details.



## Have you enrolled for the Jelly Roll swap? The Jelly Roll Mystery Quilt

Over the first 7 months of the RQ year you will be collecting 42 x 2 1/2" strips of fabric. Hopefully you will have suitable fabrics in your stash.

The equivalent of a Jelly Roll is 42 strips.

The plan is to have a Mystery Quilt making weekend in September where those who are interested will then use their parcel of fabrics to construct a Quilt.

It is anticipated that you will provide a background fabric and perhaps some extra 2 1/2" strips depending on how big you would like your quilt.

Riviera Quilters will provide a pattern and tutor for the Mystery Quilt Weekend.

Sounds like fun doesn't it?

Please complete the registration form if you would like to Participate.

*It is not necessary to join in on the Mystery Quilt weekend if you would just like to swap fabric or swap fabric to be part of the Mystery Quilt weekend.*



# THE JELLY ROLL MYSTERY QUILT

**We all love fabric and many of us enjoy a good mystery.**

**If you would like to join in then complete the form below.**

You will receive a list of the Jelly Roll strips you will need to contribute.  
There will be 42 in total.

How you go about sourcing / purchasing these will be up to you -  
It will average out at 6 strips per month.

They may come from your own stash. They must be 100% cotton and of good patchwork quality.

You may purchase fabric as required. 15cm will be enough for 2 strips /30cm 4 strips and so on. Depending on your list you may be able to use the same fabric for different Members.

The Jelly Roll strips will need to be handed in at the Gathering on September 1st 2018 They will then be sorted, parcelled up and presented to participating members at our Mystery Quilt workshop on September 15th 2018.

If you participate then you will receive a beautiful bundle of forty two Jelly Roll strips in return.

**This form needs to be handed back to Judy White (our librarian) by Sat 3rd February 2018. Our first meeting for 2018.**

You may participate in the fabric swap without attending the Mystery Quilt weekend.



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**I would love to participate in the Jelly Roll Mystery Quilt**

NAME.....

ADDRESS.....

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EMAIL..... PHONE.....

## **MY CHOICE FOR FABRIC STRIPS**

COLOUR.....(e.g. blue, green, pastel, bright)

STYLE..... ( e.g. batiks, reproduction,  
novelty, Christmas, solids)

SIGNED.....

# *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.

*We have some new books and magazines which are ready to borrow.*

- Quiltmania 121
- Quilters Companion 88. The accompanying DVD is Remaking a Vintage Quilt with Linda Collins.
- Quilters Companion Great Australian Quilts No. 8. The accompanying DVD is Creating an Outback Vista using Stencils with Sue Dennis.

*Judy is always on the look out for wonderful new books to add to the library. Please feel free to suggest a title ...sometimes there a books out there a little pricy for individuals to own but are a wonderful asset to a library for many to share.*

[judywhite985@gmail.com](mailto:judywhite985@gmail.com)

Judy White

*Thank you to Librarian Judy White for the Library report*



## Bring a Friend Day.

In response to our declining number of members it has been suggested that our March 3rd Gathering will be  
Bring a Friend Day.

Please consider asking someone to join you for the day. Maybe a past member that has expressed an interest in "getting back into it", a neighbour who sews or even someone from your sewing group.

All members who bring along a guest will go into a surprise gift draw.

Happy Big O  
Birthday to  
Tristesse de Visser  
for October

&  
Mary Morris for  
December.

Hope you both had a  
lovely day.

If you know of someone having a  
Big O birthday please let me  
know - Jen.

RIVIERA QUILTERS INC.  
QUILT EXHIBITION.  
18th - 20th May 2018

Gala Opening night with renowned  
quilt maker / textile Artist Jan  
Preston.

Tickets will be priced at \$20 which  
includes light refreshments on the  
night and weekend entry to the  
exhibition.

Jan will be conducting workshops  
over the weekend and Registration  
forms with details of the classes will  
be available soon

Lily Lane Patchwork shop will be in  
attendance for the weekend and we  
look forward to seeing what  
Jennifer has on offer.





# Road Trip

On a recent trip to Adelaide with my DD, we took a detour via Torquay so I could have a look at the new home of Jen Kinwell's Amitie Textiles.

To be honest we drove straight past it, but after turning around we noticed the warehouse style premises set back off the road. The warehouse style makes sense when you realise that mail orders make up a large part of their business. The shop was a hive of activity for a Wednesday morning. A light large airy space with a coffee shop and plenty of tables for workshops.



Many of Jen's designs were hanging high around the walls.



Amitie Textiles  
87 Beach Road, Torquay Victoria 3228  
Tuesday to Sunday 10 - 4  
Ph 4241 2109

Follow their blog or Instagram  
[@amietextiles](#)  
You may be interested in joining a Facebook group -  
Jen Kingwell Designs Group.  
Almost 7800 members from all over the world that enjoy making Jens patterns.

Permission was gained for the use of these photos -Jen.



# RQ Christmas Gathering

*About forty members gathered for Riviera Quilters' Christmas meeting on the first Saturday of December. As usual it was a very happy day with lots of exchanges of gifts, chatter and the promised end of year fat quarters collected for months prior. Those who took part in the fat quarter swap (not a body part!) were presented with a years supply of monthly fat quarters in their favoured colours. We look forward to the creations sewn using these fabrics.*

*Generous donations to the Community Christmas Appeal were made as well as money for those who find Christmas a bit of a struggle sometimes. We always hope our donations will make a difference to some others less fortunate than we are. Donations from the committee and others provided an assortment of gifts for 3 raffle prizes with this money added to the donations.*

*Secret Pals were revealed after a year of giving and receiving anonymous gifts, much to the delight of everyone. For those who brought a Kris Kringle present, the left/right game was played where we received a gift from a person unknown. We soon found out who it was though. It is lovely to see the thought that goes into these gifts. This year the game seemed a bit tricky for some! But we all managed to pass on the gift and everyone received something lovely in the end.*

*Once again the decorated table courtesy of Heather Caddy and her talented husband Graeme, was laden with delicious food to share. There is always plenty to eat, and the homemade punch quenched our thirst. It was a lovely day with treasured friends, good cheer and a thought for those good members who are no longer with us.*

*Thank you to Ula Sheather for this contribution and leading the Left/ Right game on the day.*

## Guest Speakers

Our guest speaker for February is Debra Schill from Nicholson. According to her web site, Deb has served a 40 year apprenticeship of art-making, has participated in several exhibitions in Melbourne and rural NSW and is well represented across Australia and Europe in private collections and commissions. Oil paintings, portraits using graphite and charcoal, murals and sculptures are all part of her repertoire.

In March, as part of our Bring a Friend day, Tristesse De Visser, RQ member will tell us about her quilting journey. As part of her talk she will explain her preferred technique of foundation piecing. Many of us have had the pleasure of admiring the complex quilts Tristesse has made using foundation piecing so a little incite into the process will be very interesting.

*Thank you to Cheryl Thomas for organising our guest speakers. -Jen*



Table decorations made by Graeme Caddy added to the Christmas theme.

# RQ Christmas Gathering



Kris Kringle gifts  
being opened



\$170 was donated to the East Gippsland Community Christmas Appeal. This included donations as well as the monies raised from the raffles.





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.

The committee would also like to  
thank Maaike van Donk who has  
been responsible for mailing out the  
newsletter. Maaike is retiring from  
this job in 2018 so many thanks for  
your hard work.

**2 day QUILTING WORKSHOP.**  
Our 2 DAY QUILTING WORKSHOP with  
Anita Ellis of Westalee Rulers is fully  
booked with 20 participants. There are 2  
additional people on a waiting list.  
Don't forget that Anita and her husband  
will have their Shop with them and  
anyone who would like to pop in and  
have a look is most welcome.  
Hubby will be manning the shop while  
class is in session.

*Congratulations to Margaret Fraser for  
suggesting and coordinating this  
Workshop.*

### Financial statement January 2018

Trading Account	\$1005.80
Retreat Account	\$5750.41
Term Deposit	\$5715.70

Did you know that the Minutes from all  
Riviera Quilters committee meetings are  
available for your review?

Just ask a Committee member.

### **SUPPLY OF BATTING**

Member Diana Whitfield has offered  
to supply batting to members. She  
has available Matilda's Own 60% wool  
/ 40% polyester on a scrim.  
Prewashed, pre shrunk, fully machine  
washable 2.4M wide @ \$15 p/m  
Members would need to pay at time  
of ordering.

**Don't forget your Show and Tell  
for the March 3rd Gathering  
Bring a Friend Day.**  
If you have something you have  
just finished or are working on for  
the Exhibition bring it along so we  
can show off our talent to our  
Visitors.

### **Have you changed your Email address?**

If you have changed your email address recently it is important that you pass on the details to

Liz Trainer at - [liz.rivieraquilters@gmail.com](mailto:liz.rivieraquilters@gmail.com)

This will ensure you will always receive your newsletter and other communications.

## In the Sewing Room

This month I have been speaking with Lorraine Knight and I asked her about what she has been working on and her hopes for 2018.

"I have cut out a pattern for a quilt using the Fat Quarters from the first RQ swap 3 years ago. They are reproduction fabrics and I hope to have it ready for the Exhibition. I am also continuing on my foundation pieced quilt Bali Fever. I have used completely different colours to the pattern shown below. An epic task but getting closer to a finished top.

My sewing room, pictured below with my niece Kathryn, continues to evolve with quilt tops finished and culling of fabric. Lots of cutting up of fabric to strips for later use or selling on destash. All my books are now in a single bookshelf so nice to look at and find inspiration. I have even created space for friends to sew in the room!

I have a long arm APQS Ultimate 1 quilting machine that I have had for some time waiting for a room large enough. In the end I still had to have it shortened from 14ft to 11ft. My goal for 2018 is to conquer this machine. It will be a big challenge as I need to get over the anxiety and nerves of using the machine. This is what has held me back before but I'm feeling better within myself.



*Thank you to Lorraine for sharing. I think a lot of us are very envious of your sewing space and I can relate to the need to conquer the quilting machine!*  
- Jen

## IMPORTANT NOTICE

Have you paid your Membership for the 2017 / 2018 Financial year?  
**NO – then sadly this is your last Newsletter!**



## The Lucky Draw Block Challenge

### A NEW INNOVATION FOR THE 2018 EXHIBITION.

..... from **BLACK** to **WHITE** with a dash of .....

Create 12 1/2 inch square blocks using your favourite techniques.

Hand piecing, machine piecing, applique, EPP may all be used to create a block that once sewn into a quilt will measure 12" square.

Your blocks may be a traditional pattern or modern, the choice is yours.

The Lucky Draw Blocks will be grouped together and displayed in sets of 12 at our 2018 Exhibition and as the name suggests there will then be a Draw with a winner for each set. Participants may opt in or out of the lucky Draw. Participation is the aim.

At Gatherings there will be a table with samples of the Lucky Draw Blocks and fabric to share and we are happy to accept the blocks as they are made. Just make sure that you attach your name. The more Lucky Draw Blocks the merrier, and it would be wonderful if each member made one block.

Thank you to Tristesse De Visser and Marg Crocker  
(Challenge Coordinators for the 2018 Exhibition)

*School Participation.*  
*To date Nagle College,*  
*754 Primary and*  
*Gippsland Grammer after*  
*school program have*  
*expressed an interest in*  
*participating.*

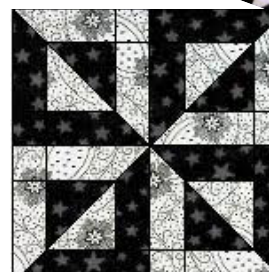
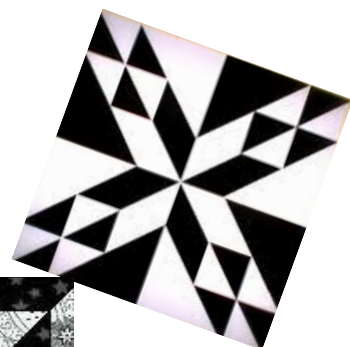
**2018 UFO weekends.**  
**APRIL 20th - 22nd 2018**  
**&**  
**OCTOBER 26th - 28th 2018**  
**Glenara Motel**  
**Lakes Entrance**

Apparently our little secret is not  
such a secret!

We have been pipped at the post  
by a group of Stratford Quilters  
for our usual weekend in March  
and our weekend in October was  
also booked out.



*Where are*  
*you going to*  
*add your*  
*Dash?*



## ODE TO A MAMMOGRAM

For years 'n years they told me  
Be careful of your breasts.  
Don't ever squeeze or bruise them  
and give them monthly tests. '  
So I heeded all their warnings  
And protected them by law .  
I guarded them very carefully  
And always wore a bra.

After 30 years of careful care  
the doctor found a lump.  
He ordered up a mammogram  
to look inside that clump.  
'Stand up very close" she said,  
as she got my tit in line.  
'And tell me when it hurts, she said.  
'Ah Yeah! There, that's just fine"

She stepped upon a pedal.  
I could not believe my eyes!  
A plastic plate was pressing down.  
My boob was in a vice!  
My skin was stretched and stretched  
From way up by my chin,  
And my poor tit was being squashed  
to Swedish pancake thin.

Excruciating pain I felt  
Within its vice like grip  
A prisoner in the vicious thing  
my poor defenceless tit.  
"Take a deep breath" she said to me.  
Who does she think she's kidding?  
My chest is mashed in her machine  
I can't breathe and woozy I am getting.

"There, that was good" I heard her say  
as the room was slowly swaying,  
'Now let's get the other one.  
'Lord, have mercy, I was praying.  
It squeezed me from up and down,  
It squeezed me from both sides,  
I ' Il bet she's never had this done  
to her tender Little hide.

If I had no problem when I came in,  
I surely have one now.  
If there had been a cyst in there,  
It would have popped ker-pow'.  
This machine was surely made by man,  
Of this I have no doubt.  
I'd Like to get his balls in there.  
For months he'd go without.

Thank you to Maaïke van Donk for this contribution.

Please consider  
contributing a plate of  
Morning Tea for the  
March 3rd Gathering.

**Bring a Friend Day.**

## THE SECRET PAL PROGRAM.

Due to overwhelming support at the  
Christmas Gathering, The Secret Pal  
program will continue on in 2018.

Lois Davies has offered to coordinate this  
years activities and has 12 expressions of  
interest to date.



Hand in the Enrolment Form to the Hostess  
desk or directly to Lois at February's meeting  
if you would like to participate.

*Thank you to Sandra Abell and Cheryl  
Thomas for their involvement in the  
coordination of the program over the past  
years.*

**Do you have quilt tops that you  
would like finished for the 2018  
Exhibition?**

**Why not have them professionally  
quilted?**

**The following list of members offer a  
Machine Quilting service.**

**Hilary Arnold - Fairfield's Creative**

*Quilting* is an award winning quilter.

Pickup and delivery arranged

Phone: 51555576 after 5pm

Hilary-0407634944 Barry-0427 634944

Email: [fairfiel@bigpond.net.au](mailto:fairfiel@bigpond.net.au)

**Glenda Ingram. Forgetmenot quilting.**

7 Lindsay Court, Wy Yung.

Phone: 0409647291

Email: [glenrae@bigpond.net.au](mailto:glenrae@bigpond.net.au)

**Jennifer McMillan - Lily Lane Patchwork**

26 Princes Highway, Rosedale.

Phone: 51992777

Email: [Jennifer@lilylane.com.au](mailto:Jennifer@lilylane.com.au)

9:30am - 4pm weekdays (closed Tuesday).

Weekends: 10am - 3pm.

**Sonia Melville - CRAFT BASKET**

110a Nicholson Street, Orbost.

(behind Whyndham Real Estate)

Phone: 51541151

Email [soniamelville\\_craftbasket@hotmail.com](mailto:soniamelville_craftbasket@hotmail.com)

**Open:** 9:30am - 3pm Tue - Fri.

9.30am - 12md Saturday.

(A/H by arrangement)

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## ABOUT THE SECRET PAL PROGRAM

Riviera Quilters will be running a Secret Pal program for all interested members in 2018. This year it will be coordinated by Lois Davies. 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 popping a little gift in the Secret Pal basket at a Saturday gathering, posting a surprise to her if you cannot attend meetings, or even a card in the mail perhaps with a Quilt pattern or recipe. Birthdays are always a special time to let someone know you are thinking of them -the possibilities are endless!

Remember, participation is voluntary and does not need to be costly. Handmade and homemade items are lovely to give and receive as are secret messages or other thoughtful deeds.

**It is important that you do not let your nominated Secret Pal feel like they have been forgotten.**

Aim to do something once a month.....remember each month does not have to be a grand gesture just something to let them know you are thinking off them.

If you are interested in participating fill out the form in the Newsletter and bring it along to our February gathering.

Hand it in at the Hostess desk addressed to Lois Davies.

In order to get the Program started it is necessary for Lois to have all names by the February 3rd 2018 Gathering.

Your Secret Pal will be revealed at the Christmas party in December 2018. It is up to you if you wish to reveal yourself. Simply sign your Christmas card or gift.

The moment of revolution is  
always full of laughter and fun.

Items for your Secret Pal can be  
mailed to  
Secret Pal Program  
Riviera Quilters Inc  
PO Box 276  
BAIRNSDALE Vic 3875.

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# UFO by the Lakes 20th - 22nd April 2018

Once again all roads lead to lovely Lakes Entrance for a few days of uninterrupted sewing with some like minded friends. It is a great opportunity to finish of your piece for our upcoming Exhibition! Otherwise why not start something new, continue on your favourite piece or bring along a UFO that has been causing you some problems and brainstorm it out with others!

The VENUE is the Glenara RSL Motel on the Esplanade at Lakes Entrance and you will need to book your own room. Find a friend to share with or go it alone. The choice is yours.

The Recreation room by the pool is a lovely bright airy room with plenty of tables for our sewing. You will have access to the room from 4pm on Friday.



**Numbers will be limited to 24, including Day Visitors, to ensure there is enough room to spread out.**

Please join in for Complimentary Happy Hour on the Friday and Saturday evening before we head off for dinner.

## MEALS

### Breakfast.

Toasters are available at reception if you wish to bring your own breakfast supplies. Otherwise enjoy one of the many local cafes, visit the dining room or arrange for room service.

### 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.

**Your place is not secure until the Registration Form has been returned to The Secretary with payment.**

**PLEASE NOTE - YOU WILL NEED TO BOOK YOUR OWN ROOM for Friday 20th April and Saturday 21st April 2018**

**To BOOK YOUR ROOM - please phone Glenara Motel 51551555**

(Cost of room is approximately \$85 per night.)

**Below is a handy table for you to keep track of the programs and activities being offered by RQ so far for 2018.**

<b>ACTIVITY</b>	<b>REMEMBER</b>	<b>MUST DO</b>	<b>NOTES</b>
Paid your 2017 / 2018 membership	Subscriptions are due September 1st each year	Pay now to avoid a rejoining fee.	
Volunteer to be a Hostess at one of our Saturday gatherings	The roster is included in this newsletter. When can you help?	Let Heather Caddy know your preferred day. ph 0419 108 413	
Volunteer to sell raffle tickets or help out at our May Exhibition	Rosters will be available soon.	Let Liz Trainor know when you can help. ph 0427 769 341	
Jelly Roll swap	Fill out the registration form	Think about joining in on the Mystery Quilt day to make use of your new Jelly Roll.	
Secret Pal Program	Fill out the Registration form from this Newsletter	How will you spoil your Secret Pal?	
Quilting workshop with Anita Ellis.	Classes are full.	Add your name to the waiting list if you are interested in future workshops with Anita.	
Make your 12" Black and White with a Dash block for the Challenge	You can check out the other blocks already submitted at a Saturday gathering.	When block is completed it may be handed in at the hostess desk at a gathering.	
Decide on your design for the Quilt Challenge . \$100 in prize money on offer	Read up on Marg Crockers hints in this newsletter to gain inspiration	Find your creative self.	
March Bring a Friend day. Go into the draw to win a surprise gift	Start thinking about who you could invite	Don't forget your friend, Show and Tell and a plate of morning tea to share.	
March Sit and Sew Weekend.	Fill out the Registration form from this Newsletter	Do you need help with a UFO? Bring it along and share some ideas	
April UFO by the Lakes. Numbers are limited to 24.	Fill out the Registration form from this Newsletter	A perfect opportunity to finish a piece for the Exhibition.	
Riviera Quilters Inc Biennial Exhibition. 19th & 20th May	Now is the time to think about what you might exhibit	Plan what is required to finish your piece including the label and hanging sleeve.	

**All Weekend Sit and Sew  
10am - whenever  
Rooms 2&3 The Hub  
27 Dalmahoy St Bairnsdale  
17th - 18th March 2018**

**Please indicate your interest and submit to -**

**The secretary, Riviera Quilters Inc., PO Box 276, Bairnsdale. 3875.  
by the March 3rd Gathering.**

**REGISTRATION FORM**

**NAME:** .....

**ADDRESS** .....

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**PHONE:** .....

**Email:** .....

**I am interested in attending**

**Saturday**

☐

**Sunday**

☐

**Saturday 1:30 pm**

**Binding & Sleeve**

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**Mini workshop with Liz Trainor.**

**There is NO charge for this weekend.**

**Just bring along your sewing and your lunch and perhaps some  
morning tea to share.**

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The secretary, Riviera Quilters Inc., PO Box 276, Bairnsdale. 3875**

## REGISTRATION FORM

**NAME:** .....

**ADDRESS** .....

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**PHONE:** .....

**Email:** .....

I enclose \$15 per day - Total \$30 to secure my place at the UFO weekend in Lakes Entrance. (this charge is to cover the morning tea & lunch)

**\*\*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. ☐

Accommodation not required. ☐

Signed : .....



# RIVIERA QUILTERS Inc.

## MEMBERSHIP FORM

NAME

ADDRESS

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 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 forward 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. Please circle your response:

Yes / No

I give permission for my photo and name to appear in the newsletter, newspaper articles, website & facebook. Please circle your response:

Yes / No

# Riviera Quilters Secret Pal 2018

.....(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; .....

.....  
.....

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

✂.....

## Riviera Quilters Secret Pal 2018 to be given to your Secret Pal

..... (PRINT NAME)

Would like to tell you a bit about myself -

My birthday is ;..... (Date) ..... (Month) ..... (Year – optional)

My favourite colour is.....

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

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Date

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