

## Minutes AQA GENERAL Meeting 5<sup>th</sup> December 2016

**Minutes of previous meeting** Amendment Vic Quilters Spring Gathering at Mt Waverley not Waverley Quilters

Present 94 Apologies 5 Guests 5

**Correspondence** On notice board

Yvonne Maher emailed that she had received a \$100 Gift card from symposium mug order – committee will discuss how this should be used, one suggestion has been a pull up banner.

President: Ros welcomed members to the Christmas Meeting

Thank you for Shared Morning Tea goodies which we enjoyed, with plenty left for lunch Please help with the washing up. Thanks to Elaine Maslen for her assistance in catering

### Newsletter Corrections and additions

Error in the calendar, Date of Symposium is August 16-17

AQIPP Nov 16 – Dec 21

Art Group meets 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at homes + on Sit and Sew days

Night group 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday evenings 7.30pm

Caring and Sharing Kaye Hardman fills this new role. Please let Kaye know about any relevant issues.

Roles of the committee: Committee members were invited to join Ros at the front, and she detailed the roles each is to play

**Archives** We have not had an archivist since Dianne Routt. With the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary approaching we would like to have archival work done, there is much in our cupboard to sort out. Several members could be involved.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ros reported that Heather Goddard had been involved with CAV on how to submit our report.

**Membership:** Still 243 Presentation of Life Membership to Shirley Lodington Thanks to Shirley for her constant contribution in many different roles over the last 18 years

**Impact:** Kaye Hardman reported on the packing day held at the weekend. Many attended and an enormous quantity of donated goods was packed into individual bags for women, large bags of toys (3000 items) and bags of varied goods to go to Safe Houses for their residents to select as needed Kaye is delivering a carload to a safety house tomorrow. Kaye reminded members donations are now needed in preparation for the Mother's Day distribution

**Presentations:** Ros then thanked Kaye for years of leadership as a hard-working and caring president and presented her with a poinsettia to the accompaniment of rousing applause.

Presentation of 10 year badge to Judy Ballantyne. Judy Ballantyne has resigned after several years but has speakers in place until after April. We thank her for all her work. Judy stressed that it is a very interesting job. You are in contact with creative and skilled people. As well as organising speakers the position (which can be filled by a group) is responsible for looking after the speaker on the day.

Jacqy Wong praised Judy for the way she had kept her informed about speakers for Quilters Patch.

Nanette Griffiths has resigned from organising door and raffle prizes. Suzanne Simpson will now lead a team and we are seeking several members to help. Suzanne will welcome goods donated for prizes.

Judy and Nanette were thanked for their work and presented with pots of colour.

Jean Price was presented with a potplant in recognition of the many years during which she has collected and counted entry and raffle money at AQA events This has been much appreciated Di Cantwell has agreed take over.

**Art Quilts:** Ann Cocks reported that a successful meeting was held at Shibany Mishra's home.

**Symposium** The correct date is 19 and 20 August, work currently occurring is on booking sheet.

**AQIPP** A further 1000 fliers have been printed at Brothers' (major sponsor); expense to be distributed in Kraft Kolor with their latest mailing.

**Retreat** Cindy reported the venue has been booked at Whitehall, Queenscliff and expressions of interest have been requested re Thursday night as this extension depends on numbers. **LOL** Liberty blocks were due by today.

**Gift Quilts** Faye thanked members for the wadding donated and said scraps are also welcome. If material is needed when you are working on a gift quilt you can check what is in the storeroom. Tony Sullivan was acknowledged for his assistance with wadding for gift quilts

#### **AOB (Any other business)**

**Project 72073** Jan Mac described this project from America which aims to produce quilts to be displayed at exhibitions worldwide. They are to draw attention to the murder of disabled people in Europe during WW2. The block design consists of two red crosses on a white background. Any technique can be used. Jan has paper instructions.

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**Library** (Tracey) –Books borrowed today are for 2 months. There will be a book stock take in January meaning books will be available all next year. Tracey has a friend wishing to sell her long arm quilting machine, if interested, see Tracey.

**The Applique Guild of Australia** Fliers for AGM are in the foyer for those interested

Thank you to all for Christmas spirit today

Thank you to Olga for lunchtime music. Olga took the opportunity to thank the many members who have donated fabric and notions for use by Dream Stitchers

Meeting Closed at noon.

Guest Speaker Janette McInnes

Show and Tell

**Door Prizes** 1. Diana Cockburn 2.Suzanne Simpson 3. Faye Burville 4. Robyn Peckham 5.Pam Gladstones

Raffles 1 Jennifer Moore 2.Anne Shaw 3. Anusiah Nicholls 4.Tracey Leonard 5.Marilyn Filby

6.Wendy Gai Fry 7.Corrie Caligari 8.Cindy Steer 9.Di Cantwell 10.Ros Robinson 11.Cindy Steer 12.Elaine Maslen