## **MINUTES OF GENERAL MEETING 6th July 2016**

Held Uniting Church Hall, Valonia St, Surrey Hills Banner: "Come to Quilt-in"

Present: 83 Members, 13 Apologies, 1 New Member

Minutes of previous meeting: Moved: Kaye Hardman, Seconded: Jeanette Widdows Treasurer's Report: On noticeboard and website. Any questions can be directed to Kate Correspondence: Correspondence on noticeboard. Take a look at other guild newsletters. Card sent to Mary Hitchens who is ill. (Shirley Lodington is receiving exhibition entries – date extended to Membership: Annual subscription was due at the end of April. Non-financials have been removed from database to past member list. There are 233 members. Badges were ordered but have not been received. (New member Toni Shields joined later in the day)

Editor: Jacqy has been having computer problems and currently can't update website. Thankyou Jacqy for taking over the website as well as being editor. Jacqy is looking for a member who has access to Windows Publisher to act as an emergency back-up / support.

Library: Library Stocktake continues.

Rosters: Colette Findlay requires volunteers for Quilt-in afternoon tea service, thankyou to all other Quilt-In : This coming Saturday 9 th July. Set-up 5pm Friday 8 th . Shops Needles and Pins, Peta McKinley, Patchwork Teahouse. Janet O'Dell is Guest Speaker. Theme: Christmas in July – decorate tables and yourself for Christmas. Show n'Tell of Christmas items. Elaine will cook fresh scones at the hall for morning tea. Please bring a plate for lunch / afternoon tea.

Quilt Exhibition: Shirley is taking over organisation from Mary Hitchens. Entry forms date extended to 1 st August. Entry forms can be posted to Shirley Lodington, 2A Gordon Street, Mont Albert or bring to next meeting. Quilts for exhibition will only be accepted if in a correctly labelled bag. AQA logo Quilt bags in 4 colours are available from today for \$6 each with proceeds towards running the exhibition. More bags will be available at the Quilt-in, meetings and the exhibition. Suzanne Simpson is receiving the raffle tickets. Help will be needed and rosters will be handed out next Symposium 2017: Letters have been sent out to possible tutors. Shirley and Chris Serong spoke to some last week at the Sydney Quilt Show.

AQIPP: Advertising is on the front table. Brother Inc. have printed more flyers. Last year's group quilt was donated to the City of Whitehorse who presented it to their Sister City Matsudo Japan. All 14 AQA members who made it were invited to the formal presentation dinner at the City of Whitehorse. There are articles in VicQuilters and in the August issue of Down Under Quilting. Art Quilts Next month will be at Jo's home from 10am – 2pm. New project from a photo – 16 squares have been cut so each member interprets their square to eventually make a quilt. Details are in the newsletter See Anne Cocks

Vic Quilters Showcase: Volunteers are now not required for hand sewing at Showcase at Jeff's Shed July 28 – 31 st but white glove helpers are needed.

Gift Quilts: Quilts were displayed. Thankyou to makers. Remember there is batting and backing available for quilts you make for the program.

INGV exhibition at Ian Potter Gallery Fed Square, Australian quilts: 1800 – 1950 starts July 22 nd. There is a Symposium with overseas and Australian guest speakers and many other activities throughout the exhibition, listed on the NGV website. The Rajah and the original of AQA's Elizabeth quilt are included.

Olga: Dream Stitchers have moved to bigger premises at St Aidan's Box Hill South with the help of army recruits and their 3 trucks. Thankyou to all who have donated fabric etc to
Prue: fabric for the Gift Quilt program has been received from a widower from his late wife's

stash. A letter of thanks will be sent.

2 Anna Amory spoke of her daughter working on a voluntary program sponsored by her

employer NAB and found she was helping pack AQA labelled gift quilts for foster care

families. Thanks for letting us know Anna.

Guest Speaker: Lucy Worsley has a stall in the foyer.

Raffles: 1. Marion Filby 2. Pat Bullard, Door Prizes: Balibar Dhillon and Cindy Steer

Meeting Closed: 11.36am