MINUTES OF AQA GENERAL MEETING 3rd October 2016

Held Uniting Church Hall, Valonia St, Surrey Hills

Banner: "Sadie's Day" Present: 86 Members, 15 Apologies

There was a Birthday celebration to recognise Sadie Steven's 90th Birthday. Happy Birthday was sung to Sadie, a card given and Sadie cut the cake. Photos were taken. Sadie spoke to those gathered and left us with this quote:

<u>"Resist the Ageism, Don't let them pin that on you!"</u> This was received with much applause

Thank you to Elaine for arranging two large cakes which were cut and shared at lunchtime

Minutes of previous meeting: Moved: Kaye Hardman, Seconded: Judy Robinson-Whitty

Treasurer's Report: The financial reports are delayed as the books are still with the auditor.

Correspondence: Correspondence on noticeboard. Please take a look at other group newsletters.

Membership: There are 243 financial members. The new members' afternoon tea was cancelled and will be rescheduled in the new year.

Library: New books have been catalogued and will be available when they are covered. Thankyou for donations

Gift Quilts: Email received from JanMac thanking all for contributing to a great Gift Quilt Day

Art Quilts: 2nd Monday of the month, this time at Marina Holland's home working with paint donated by Tracey.

Lovers of Liberty: Remaining blocks \$5 available today. Due back at the November meeting, see Cindy Steer.

AGM: Nomination forms are in the newsletter for November AGM

AQA Quilt Collection: Quilts and statements displayed at the exhibition have been photographed by Mal Kidson. All details from the valuation certificates have been entered in the AQA Database. All quilts have been packed into AQA quilt bags and 2 Waggas in boxes. We are looking for a home where these can be stored. They are covered by insurance. Please let a committee member know if you can help. The Kidsons will deliver them to you.

General Business:

- Beryl Baker has a family scissor collection to show members today
- Annemieke Mein exhibition will be on at Brighton Town Hall, see Meryl McEwen
- Pam Hammer and Mary Vassos told the story of the Elizabeth Quilt, and the AQA connection, on display at the NGV Making the Australian Quilt exhibition. Valda and Prue showed their reproduction Elizabeth quilts
- Twenty Gift Quilts for the PeterMac and toiletries and bags etc for Impact will be presented at the AGM.

Guest Speakers: Pat and Allan Weeks, artist and photographer, with botanical art, birds and animals of Central Australia There is a table in the foyer with items for sale.

Meeting Closed: 11.29am

Raffle: 1. Judy Robinson Whitty 2. Margaret Coulthard 3. Olga Walters

Door Prizes: 1. Kerry Eustace 2. Liz Willing

<u>REMINDER</u>: Monday 7th November is the AGM, please note it is still the week AFTER the Melbourne Cup and is our usual 1st Monday of the month.