



Patch'n Times

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From the Committee

YOUR CLUB TO RE-OPEN IN JANUARY!!

The State Government announced last Sunday that after 28 days with no new daily cases of pandemic recorded, the people of Melbourne Metropolitan area, Yarra Glen and our own Mornington Peninsula were now able to travel to/from rural areas and most interstate borders. Restrictions have eased to allow businesses, restaurants, hotels and retail to open and many to assume 'Covid normal' behaviour for the Summer. Mask wearing only in high density areas like Shopping Centres, supermarkets or where safe distancing of 1.5 metres apart is not possible. Outbreaks can/will occur from incoming travellers. Please keep up to date with current advice via [Department of Health](https://www.health.vic.gov.au/) and other governing bodies.

See our amazing Website which will also inform you regarding Club and Shire news.

Mornington Peninsula Patchworkers website > www.morningtonpatch.com.au

Friendship groups can resume as numbers to your home can be 30. Remember your safe-distancing and record attendances in your MPPI Book for insurance purposes.



Marilyn Solomons

Christmas Party – 14th December 2020 from 11am

Steeple's Mornington have accepted our booking for four tables from 11:00am, in a corner of the Main Bistro area. Cost is still \$30 for a 2-Course Menu, with choice for either course. Complimentary glass of wine or soft drink from your Committee. Lots of raffle prizes and a large hamper.



MPPI Committee Meeting was held on Monday 7th December – we met physically for first time since March.

Sub-Committee – Covid Safe Return

Second Report submitted to MPPI Committee, for input and discussion of updates from Sunday 6.12.20.

A Friendship Group list has been compiled and this Report, as finalised, will be sent to the contact person of each group, who will share the information. If your Friendship Group has not been in contact with Marilyn Solomons, please forward names of your members. Hard copies of the Report will be available to those without an email. Check with your friends for any recent emails prior to an event, for the latest information. Also our website.

MPPI Club Day – Re-Opens, Tuesday 12th January 2021

St Mark's Uniting Church re-opens the main Friendship Room and Hall adjacent to the kitchen, to allow for appropriate spacing of tables for Members: Also: Tuesday 9th February and Tuesday 9th March;

Everyone must pre-book or cancel – see next page for details of how to book. [AGM on 9th February 2021]

MTAG Group, plus Visitors

[Not Saturday Stitches till capacity assessed]

MTAG will meet at Mt Martha House, Front room on 16th January 2021, from 10:30am to 3:00pm. See next page for details of how to book.

[Currawong has flooring works, so no weekend bookings yet]

Saturday 20th February, same venue and times. Must book or cancel with Annie Bew. \$5 entry. Set capacity. The Studio, 91 Wilsons Rd Hall Re-Development

Halls Co-Ordinator recently advised works delayed with Stage 4 restrictions on worker numbers. Flooring being refurbished at The Studio. Hope for hall to be ready for hire in mid-March.

Comfort Quilts

Jenny Blencowe – More batting received. Comfort Quilt labels have arrived, thanks Meredith!

Marilyn H Solomons,
Secretary, MPPI Committee

CLUB EVENT BOOKINGS

To ensure safe distancing, table groups and to meet venue capacity levels, all Members must pre-book their attendance. The contact person for each friendship group should use email so the Committee has a record of who will be attending and the date of the booking if numbers exceed capacity.

MPPI CLUB DAY – 10:00am – 3:00pm Entry \$5

Book using Club Email: morningtonpatch@gmail.com or solomons4@bigpond.com

Subject: MPPI Club Booking – Date: ... please specify 16 January, 9 February or 9 March

Body of email should include Your name, contact no., Friendship Group and/or your friends who are attending. If you are not able to email, please call Marilyn on 0401 907 017.

Please cancel if you are unwell or unable to attend, to allow others to meet safe capacity of hall.

MTAG: 10:30am – 3:00pm Entry \$5

Book using Annie Bew's Email: anniebee145@gmail.com

Subject: MTAG Booking – Date: ... please specify date you are attending

Body of email should include Your name, contact no. and/or your friends who are attending.

[Mobile Text: 0427 594 316 – if email not available]

Note: Mt Martha House - Arrive early for nearby parking

Please cancel if you are unwell or unable to attend to allow others to meet safe capacity of hall.

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SHOW and TELL

Many thanks to all the contributors who have sent photos and stories about their time in lockdown. The ladies in MPPi really enjoy reading about your amazing projects so please send some details of what your friendship group has been doing. We would love to hear from you. Send your contributions to judybarr@iearn.org.au

Ann West of Quilting Queens has made some Quilts of Valour over past couple of months. Looks great. Well done, Ann.



Quilting Queen Leonie finished this table runner.



Sue Baker made this Korean inspired doggy quilt for her chiropractor.



Complete the following phrases

1. As good as
2. As safe as
3. As black as
4. As quick as
5. As happy as
6. As pretty as
7. As bold as
8. As quiet as
9. As sober as
10. As right as
11. As blind as
12. As pleased as

1. gold 2. houses 3. pitch 4. lightning 5. Larry 6. a picture 7. brass
8. a mouse 9. a judge 10. rain 11. a bat 12. Punch

Stephanie Knudsen
Made this for a challenge called
Our Environment
Called *Save the Bees*, I
used a recycled take-away
coffee cup wrapper
Stitched into it on
linen and embroidered
bees. I added paper
hand dyed and machine
stitched leaves



Did you know?

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Marie Howells, our Teddy
Co-Ordinator, reports that
she learnt from an MPPi
speaker, this product
"Horse Tails", was the best
product to wash her quilts
in. Family Quilts used by
children and they came up
well.



WAYSS

We are very grateful to our MPPi members who still collected
for this worthy local charity this year. Margaret Howlett, on be-
half of WAYSS, passed on her thanks to you all, and the amaz-
ing effort of one lady who made masks & raised \$200 which
will help with their Christmas plans.

NEVER BE AFRAID TO
TRY SOMETHING NEW.
REMEMBER, AMATEURS
BUILT THE ARK;
PROFESSIONALS BUILT
THE TITANIC.



KOGO Christmas Angel Project

KOGO have been running the KOGO Christmas Angel Project
for many years. Previously, a wrapping day was held on a
Sunday in late November. This was not possible this year be-
cause of Covid restrictions.

In the past, the money that from the Lincraft gold coin dona-
tion has enabled KOGO to buy gifts for vulnerable youth. This
year they will use this money to purchase Anystore gift vouch-
ers for the following worthy organisations:

- Kids Under Cover
- Mirabel
- Hester Hornbrook
- Backtrack
- St Kilda Gatehouse
- Igniting Change

Our MPPi contact person for KOGO is Glen Godber. Glen
usually collects our knitted items on Club days but while
this is not possible at the moment, she will deliver them
to KOGO if you drop them off at her house. Please contact
Glen by phone on 0419333408 to arrange a suitable time.



Did you see this photo and story in the
Mornington News? Two 103-year-old friends
catching up via Zoom during the pandemic.
Ah, the wonders of technology!
Such an inspiring story.

David Morris MP
Member for Mornington
We thank you for printing
the MPPi Newsletter



Quilts of Valour Australia

Bev Young has been a member of MPPI for 9 years and during that time she has made many quilts for charity. Most recently she has been travelling from Romsey to Mornington for our Club days to deliver the quilts she has made for QOVA, to Wyn Roper. Many thanks, Bev!

The quilts are presented to Australian Defence Force Personnel/Veterans wounded or suffering the effects of war and the immediate families of fallen DFP. Further details can be found at www.quiltsvalour.com.au



MTAG News Mornington Textile Art Group

The MTAG ladies met at Mt Martha this last week, for a Christmas lunch and gee it was good to see some MTAG members!

Monthly Zoom meetings and online workshops have kept us in touch and provided the chance to not miss out on trying new textile ideas.

A second Christmas celebration will be when we meet at the Steeples for the MPPI luncheon. Ideas are flowing in as to what we might do in 2021 and the list grows.

2021 Schedule.....so far

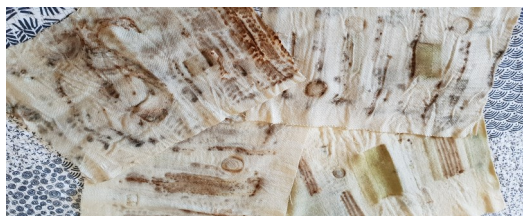
***note:** new temporary venue - Mt Martha Community Hall

January	Own project, a massive show and tell and brainstorming	Mt Martha
February	Gelli plate printing - Take 2	Mt Martha
March	Marbling	Currawong, Mornington
April	Weaving - A menagerie of ways	Currawong, Mornington

Red Hill Show will not be held this coming New Year, so it will be 2022 that we next have a display and help them celebrate the show's 100th anniversary.

Merry Christmas to all Mornington Textile Art and MPPI members.

Pictures: Annie is now officially addicted to Eco Dyeing. Some of the experimental results using plants, bark and metals.



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Meet Your MPPi Committee



Marilyn Solomons Secretary

Born in Hastings, Victoria as a twin with a blonde – a top bloke! To Dad, a Plumber's Assistant at Cerberus Naval Base and Mum, a former, fine tailoress at George's Department Store on Collins St. Her only daughter shared little interest in craft or sewing during childhood. More fun to be an "Indian" to three older "Cowboy" brothers. A Commerce career in the city in banking, finance, stockbroking and HR followed. Coincidentally, I started work at our club's bank – Westpac Mornington six months after decimal currency arrived!

Loved travel from a teenager: four months through New Zealand islands; nine months working holiday right around Australia, both in early 70's. Many camping holidays with Gordon, boys and small poodles with extended family. One job took us to five resorts across Australia for yearly conferences and tacked on holiday. So fortunate to finally get to Europe in 2018 for train trip through Switzerland, France to London and back to Amsterdam for a river cruise to Budapest – superb! Makes us very grateful in today's environment.

Sewing achievements : taking up my brother's jean hems for \$1 per leg whilst at school!

Joined MPPi in 2011 with Marg Brown and Quilting Queens group of eight. Still working locally in small business, so tackled small projects of wall hangings, bags and charity quilts for the first few years. Mum was impressed, especially with her bags, and quilt which included 'American Topsy Stars' (38-piece block, hand-pieced) only four, with other less complicated stars in favourite red fabrics.

Loved all the inspiration from club days, events, retreats and bus trips. Met lots of members through roles on Committee over the years. Miss all the interaction with club friends and viewing their amazing work. Looking forward to our resumption when safe to do so.



Lesley Edwards Treasurer

I'm Lesley Edwards and I am your new Treasurer.

I originally came to Melbourne for 2 years, way back in 1988 when my husband was transferred from Sydney. It was a heartbreaking decision for me as I left an elderly mother and had just started my dream job at St. George Hospital in Sydney. I started nursing here at Dandenong Hospital and then Box Hill Hospital. While there, I undertook further study at La Trobe University.

I have 3 daughters who like me cried all the way to Melbourne, but now consider it home. I also have 9 grandchildren and am lucky to have 3 of them very close by.

I have been sewing from my days in Primary school when all little girls learnt the basic skills of sewing. In my teenage years I made most of my own clothes and continue to do so now.

We settled in Glen Waverley and are now living in Mt. Eliza, which my husband and I both love. I belong to another sewing group, where I dabble in dressmaking, soft furnishings and anything else to do with a needle and thread. I was very lucky to be introduced to MPPi by another member and have formed some wonderful friendships since joining.

I belong to two Book Clubs and love reading. I also belong to a friendship group called Ionians that was formed just after WW2 to help women who had to relocate when their husbands returned from the war. Like many groups

it has an aging membership and we will turn 50 years old in 2021. I also still belong to The Glen Waverley Newcomers group with my husband and have served as President and Treasurer in both these organisations. (Obviously, we are no longer Newcomers).

I am looking forward to getting to know more of you during my time as Treasurer and also sharing some laughs and wonderful quilting times together.



Sim Secker

My name is Simonetta (Sim) Secker, and I have been a keen quilter now for nearly 15 years. I had never been a sewer as my mother was a dressmaker, but I have always been interested in art and design. Quilting has answered all my needs in this area, and I've loved it from the moment I started when I hand made a set of pillows for our motor home. I knit, and have attempted crochet, but must admit I'm not very good. Thanks to being a member of MMPi, last year I had my first attempt at making something I could wear - a dress! Now I'm eager to learn more. Going to MMPi has been a constant source of inspiration for me, and also where I have made some wonderful friends.



Ann Johnson

I began my patchwork journey 37 years ago. My first quilt was a hand stitched sampler quilt. While a member of Waverley Patchworkers, I took part in many classes and retreats.

I thoroughly enjoyed being involved with the MTAG sessions broadening my skills. When not doing patchwork I enjoy making wine, bonsai, golf and lap swimming.



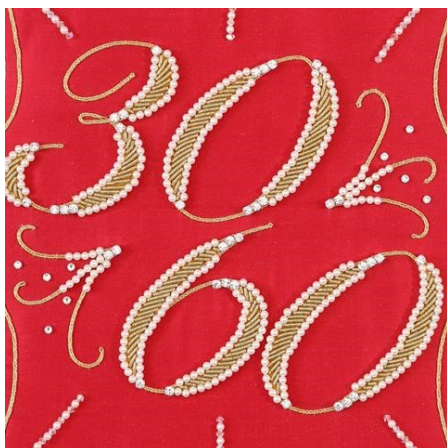
Stephanie Marguerite Knudsen

I moved to Mornington from Perth WA in November 2018 and sought out the local quilters, an immediate group of like-minded people to get me settled into my new home town.

I have moved 24 times as my husband's work takes us near and far and over the last 30 years I have been active in many quilters' groups in Aust and Overseas.

I enjoy all types of quilt styles, traditional to modern and lately have been making textile art pieces which I exhibit and sell. For most of these pieces I will dye, print and manipulate my fabrics so being a member of MTAG has been a bonus.

I have been involved in the teaching and judging of patchwork and I have been on many committees, so was delighted to be asked to join the committee of MMPi. I look forward to many years here.



TJC REOPENS FROM 1 DECEMBER 2020

We are thrilled to announce that The Johnston Collection will be open for house tours from 1 December 2020, with a brand new exhibition

JUBILATION: Diamonds & Pearls | Christmas/Summer at The Johnston Collection

For this exhibition TJC has collaborated with The Embroiderers Guild, Victoria. 2020 marks both the 60th anniversary of The Embroiderers Guild, Victoria and the 30th anniversary of the public opening of Fairhall exhibition-house.

JUBILATION | Diamonds & Pearls features works by members from among the eleven Branches and one Country Group of The Embroiderers Guild, Victoria. These will be seen along with works from the Guild's collection of textiles from Australia and abroad collected over some 60 years and an array of new works made especially for TJC's annual 'inspired by' show.

For those who are not able to attend in person, there is a virtual lecture program available. Check TJC 360 for more details. You can also follow along on Facebook, Instagram and Twitter.