



April - June 2010 Newsletter

Hello everyone,

Is it me or are the months just flying by? All of a sudden we are on to our second newsletter of the year already! We have had a great start to 2010. **Deborah Louie's** first quilting class was a great success. **Karen Cunningham** started with a beautiful new quilt to challenge her girls. All our workshop places are filling up fast. We are hoping to start **Lynne Alchin's** classes very soon. We are also pleased to have two new teachers to add to our list. **Judy Edenborough** who teaches **Sue Spargo** quilts, bags and wall hangings. She would love to start teaching with us as soon as possible. Come in and see her bags and wall hangings that she has made. **Catherine Butterworth**, whom some of you know already, will be doing a couple of workshops for us in April. Her stunning Log Cabin quilt is hanging in our shop. Her first workshop will be four blocks of the Log Cabin using Marti Michell rulers. Please see next page for details. It should be a fun filled couple of months!

Carol Helson

New fabrics in store!

There are so many wonderful fabrics arriving especially through March and April. Since our last newsletter, XLN have delivered some amazing fabrics by **Kaffe Fasset**, **Amy Butler**, **Heather Bailey** and **Tanya Whelan**. We have more reproductions from Windham Fabrics plus the **Civil War** range from Moda. The **French General** range also from Moda has been extremely popular and **Rural Jardin** has just arrived in to compliment it perfectly. **Whimsy** and **Verna** from Moda too are delightful, pretty soft brights. In addition to all of these charming ranges we have new spots and dots from **Max Miller** including an enchanting range of children's fabrics. Hopefully something for everyone !

Kaffe Fasset - XLN



Rural Jardin - Moda



Nicey Jane - XLN



Rural Jardin - Moda



Dolce - XLN



Rural Jardin - Moda



You can see larger images of the above samples at our web-site by clicking the link below:

http://www.killaravillagequilts.com.au/Content_Common/pg-New-Arrivals.seo

Upcoming events for 2010

NEW! one day workshop with Catherine Butterworth

Date: Wednesday, 21 April

Time: 10am-2pm

Cost: TBA

In this workshop, learn a great method for cutting and sewing that makes these blocks fast and better yet, square! Catherine will use Marti Mitchell's special rulers to give you this accuracy. In the workshop you will make four blocks which can be used as a wall hanging or can be added to more blocks to make into a large quilt. Catherine will guide you through fabric selection for your fat quarters as well as exploring the many alternative design layouts available.

If you'd like to be placed on the list please contact us at the shop or by e-mail

A \$50 non-refundable deposit will be required when booking Catherine's workshop

NEW! Judy Edenborough one day workshops

Dates: Monday 3rd May, Monday 31st May or Wednesday 7th July (choose one)

Time: 10am-2pm

Cost: \$80 plus cost of Sue Spargo's book

Judy is a lively fun lady who lives in Canberra. She is very passionate about Sue Spargo and her designs. Sue allows Judy to teach her designs using her books. The bags and wall hanging are made using hand-dyed wools which Judy dyes herself (you can see her bags and wall hanging in our shop).

If you'd like to be placed on the list please contact us at the shop or by e-mail

A \$50 non-refundable deposit will be required when booking Judy's workshop

NEW! Hand Appliqué one day workshop with Carol Helson

Date: Wednesday, 2nd June

Time: 10am-2pm

Cost: \$80

Back by popular request! Did you ever want to make a hand appliquéd quilt but didn't know where to start? This small quilt using a traditional Japanese block will give you a step by step introduction to needle turn appliqué. The block I have chosen has large pieces for an easier start to a new skill.

If you'd like to be placed on the list please contact us at the shop or by e-mail.

A \$30 non-refundable deposit will be required when booking Carol's workshop.

NEW! Sue Spargo two day workshop

Dates: Thursday 5th and Friday 6th August

Time: TBA

Cost: TBA

I have photos of the wall hanging that Sue will teach in the two day workshop. I'm sure if you admire her work you will love this. You won't be disappointed! If you are not familiar with her work check out her website at www.suespargo.com. Sue has been inspired by the places she has lived, Africa being one of them. She likes to work in wools in a naive, folk art style. In Sydney she will be **exclusive to our shop** so gather a few friends and come and join in the fun! We will post further information as soon as we get it.

If you'd like to book please contact us at the shop or by e-mail ASAP. Booking is essential as numbers are limited.

A \$50 non-refundable deposit will be required when booking Sue's workshops.

NEW! How to make your own skirts with Annette Ferguson

Date: TBA

Time: 10am-3pm

Cost: TBA (will include book, interfacing and skirt fabric)

A fun filled day on how to make summer skirts to fit you and suit your style.

Annette will show you how to make a simple wrap around. She will also show others that you can make at home in a day! With individual fabrics everyone will admire your handiwork.

If you'd like to be placed on the list please contact us at the shop or by e-mail.

A \$30 non-refundable deposit will be required when booking Annette's workshop.

Sit and Sew

Due to popular demand, our "Sit and Sew" sessions now have two groups. Group 1 meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month and Group 2 meets every 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month. These sessions are a good chance to catch up on projects, get to meet fellow quilters and exchange exciting ideas in a relaxed and friendly environment. Please note, they are **not** a teaching session. Don't feel you have to sign up for a season of these sessions though, just book if you'd

like to attend that particular month. We have a **maximum** of 10 quilters at these sessions so it will be on a “**first come, first served**” basis!

Dates/ time: 10.00am – 2.00pm

Group 1: Thurs. 1st and 15th April, 6th and 20th May and 17th June (we need to change dates for 3rd of June to either a Wednesday or a Friday)

Group 2: Thurs. 8th and 22nd April, 13th and 27th May, 10th and 24th June

Cost: \$10. Includes morning tea with cake and a lunch-time cuppa !

GUEST TUTORS- LOOK OUT FOR NEW QUILTS AND TEACHERS

There are several **exciting new quilts** that our guest tutors will be teaching for 2010 alongside designs that have been on offer throughout the past year. **Photos of the new quilts are available to browse in store.** Some are on our wall display and others are in folders. Please ask our staff for more information and sign up early to avoid disappointment.

Karen Cunningham

Karen's theme for 2010 will be **circles and hexagons!** She has three new quilts in addition to some of the quilts presented in 2009. One quilt is inspired by a 1700's quilt using $\frac{3}{4}$ inch hexagons. A second quilt is based on a 1800's quilt using circles. It has appliqué and piecing. Karen also has a little crib quilt to tempt us. Along with the new ones Karen will continue with some of her quilts from 2009. One which has been very popular is her beautiful sampler. **Summer Sampler** which was inspired by one of the quilts in the V & A collection known as “**Sundial coverlet**” (dated 1797). Karen's blocks have been selected to represent key milestones in her and her family's lives Karen will continue to teach any quilts presented in her portfolio.

Dates: Once a month: Group 1 is the 2nd Monday: Group 2 is the 3rd Monday

Times: 10.00am – 3.00pm:

Cost: 5 x 5hr lessons - \$350 for the semester

Deborah Louie

Machine Quilting with Deborah Louie: Machine quilting is a valuable addition to your repertoire of techniques. This is a two day workshop with the first day covering all the basics, including marking, basting and waddings, ditch and straight line stitching and free motion quilting such as stippling, hearts and flowers. The second explores stippling, swirls, flowers, textures, many patterns, continuous curves, non-marking quilting and much more. This is a “not-to-be missed” workshop, and all done on a domestic sewing machine!

Dates for this 2 day workshop.

Stage One: Thursday, 18th February 2010 10.00am - 4.00pm

Stage Two: Thursday, 18th March 2010 10.00am - 4.00pm

Cost: \$160 for the 2 days Bookings essential as numbers are limited.

If you'd like to be placed on the list please contact us at the shop or by e-mail.

Cost: A \$50 non-refundable deposit will be required when booking any of Deborah's two day workshops.

NEW! Beginners Machine Appliqué One day workshop with Deborah Louie

This one day workshop is a technique class which will introduce you to machine appliqué. You will make samples of blanket stitch, double blanket stitch, satin stitch, open zigzag stitch, free motion appliqué and invisible machine appliqué. For those of you who haven't explored your machine and its capabilities this might be the class for you.

Date: Friday, 30th July

Time: 10.00am - 4.00pm

Cost: \$80 for the day

Bookings are essential as numbers are limited.

If you'd like to be placed on the list please contact us at the shop or by e-mail.

A \$30 non-refundable deposit will be required when booking any of Deborah's workshops.

NEW! Stencil Class with Deborah Louie

This class is designed to give you confidence and the skills to free motion quilt on the line and take a pattern and free form it to make your own unique design.

Date: Thursday, 3rd June

Time: 10.00am - 4.00pm

Cost: \$80 for the day

Bookings are essential as numbers are limited.

If you'd like to be placed on the list please contact us at the shop or by e-mail.

A \$30 non-refundable deposit will be required when booking any of Deborah's workshops.

NEW! Lynne Alchin

Lynne will be teaching this year which we are very excited about. Her beautiful quilts are a combination of appliqué and piecing. We have some quilts and photos of others for you to look at in store. Too many to explain in detail.

Date: 3rd Saturday each month

Time: 10.00am - 2.00pm

Cost: 5 x 4 hour lessons \$320 for the semester

A \$50 non-refundable deposit will be required when booking any of Lynne's classes

Please note classes held by guest tutors are held on the dates specified and we ask for a firm commitment to those dates. There can be no refunds or transfers (however if you are unable to attend a class and you can give us sufficient notice, we are happy to fit you into another group within that semester). A \$50 non-refundable deposit is required for our specialist tutors and some workshops, and \$30 for our one day workshops.

CAROL'S CLASSES

Beginners & Your Choice: Classes held on Wednesdays, Fridays and Saturdays can be purchased as a package and used as you consider you need them i.e. weekly, fortnightly etc. We continue to hold classes through all school holidays. If you book a block of lessons, they are valid for up to one year from the date of purchase. We ask that you consider a booking as definite. While we are happy to transfer these class times when given sufficient notice, failure to attend will incur the normal class fee.

<u>Class Times</u>		<u>Package Prices</u>		
10.00am – 12.00 noon			1 x 2hr lessons	\$40
12.30pm – 2.30pm			2 x 2hr lessons	\$75
			3 x 2hr lessons	\$105
			4 x 2hr lessons	\$125
			8 x 2hr lessons	\$195
			10 x 2hr lessons	\$230

Sampler For Beginners. The sampler is the ideal way to learn the basics of patchwork. Block by block you will practice the techniques needed to make a quilt and become a patchworker, including hand piecing of geometric blocks, traditional appliqué techniques, curved patchwork, drafting and adding trams, combining your blocks into a whole quilt and hand quilting.

10 x 2hr lessons: \$230

Carol's new patterns and other quilts

If you don't want to do a sampler I will be happy to teach any of my quilts which can be seen in store. All quilts provide an introduction to the basic techniques of patchwork and quilting. I also have a number of other quilts at the shop which I am happy to teach that are suitable both for beginners and intermediate.

Your Choice. If you are a quilter with projects underway or a specific new quilt you would like to start, we can give all the guidance and advice you need. We can help you with quilt designs, hand or machine piecing techniques, different approaches to appliqué – again both by hand or machine, with setting of blocks, adding borders, basting and quilting.
