

2023 WORKSHOPS, CLASSES & GROUPS

This handout starts out describing the one-off workshops and events that we have planned so far in 2023 and goes on to describe the tutors who will run regular groups and monthly classes throughout the year and lastly, there are some sit & sew opportunities.

Images of projects and more detail can be found at our class calendar online. Use the Class Calendar link under the Classes tab. To stay informed of class updates and additions throughout the year **please sign up to our email list in store or via our website** AND follow us on Instagram or Facebook @berryquiltandco.

ONE OFF WORKSHOPS & EVENTS

MICHELLE MARVIG - Outdoor Quilt Display, Classes and Book Signings

Fri 17th Feb One Day Workshop Whirling Dervish or Sunset Blue Foundation Pieced Cushions \$110 pp
Sat 18th & Sun 19th Feb 2023 Two Day Workshop, Head and Tails Quilt \$220 pp

We can't wait to have Michelle here for one of our unique outdoor quilt displays under our verandah in Berry. On the same weekend Michelle will join us for workshops and book signings on the Friday and Saturday at 12.30 and we will have a special pop up shop featuring Michelle's Patterns and Templates. More details and booking on our website.

LYNN HEWITT - Confetti Landscapes Workshop

Sat 18th & Sun 19th March - Two Day Workshop \$220 pp

We have been trying to organise Lynn to come and teach Noriko Endo's Impressionist Quilt technique 'Confetti Landscapes' for such a long time! 2023 is the year!! Choose a photograph and recreate it in fabric in this distinctly impressionist style. Lynn has travelled Japan extensively, led tours for many years and has permission to share the technique which she originally learned from Noriko and has continued to explore.

LORENA URIARTE – Kawandi Quilting Workshop

Sat 22nd April – 10am - 3pm Cost \$110 pp

We're so excited to announce that we are having Lorena here in April for her much anticipated Kawandi Workshop. Kawandi is a slow stitching technique similar to Japanese boro, begun from the center in, leaving no raw edges. Your resulting kawandi fabric is perfect for bags pouches table runners and more! Anyone can come to this class even those who have never made a stitch before. Lorena has the Sunday also pencilled in for us just in case we get an over flow! If you'd like two days of slow stitching instead of one let us know!! Fee Includes starter kit. No need to bring anything!

DANNI REYNOLDS of EPPIFLEX fame

Sat 24th June - Eppiflex Demos and Fun

Cost of demo includes a kit and tuition, just add fabric, scissors, needle and thread.

Three hour demo & tuition Grab lunch and if you like come back and keep stitching. We are still locking down the format, subject and cost of this one but if you're keen to find out more about Danni's clever EPPIFLEX products then this is the day for you. Costs TBA

CHRIS JURD – Trunk show, Quilt Display & Weekend Class

Friday 28th July 2023. - Trunk Show and Quilt Display at the Uniting Church Hall across the road.
Sat 29th & Sun 30th July - Two Day Workshop Choice of Four Quilts from Chris' Quiltmania Book
Trunk Show \$25pp and Weekend Workshop \$280 pp

There was not enough room in our calendar last year to make as big a fuss about Chris Jurd's Quiltmania book as I would have liked! So instead we are doing it in 2023 with a big display and trunk show alongside a corker of a weekend workshop. A chance to see and hear about all the book quilts up close and a rare two day in a row class with Chris!! Pics of all four quilt projects that you can choose from are online.

JO DIXEY – Embroidered landscapes and Free Cut Houses

Sat 19th & Sun 20th August - Two Day Workshop Embroidered Mini Landscapes \$220
Monday 21st August - One day Workshop Free Cut Houses (Improv Patchwork Piecing) \$110

Jo is one of our most favourite Punk Embroiderers! Covid has messed with our usual routine of having her visit from NZ every 18 months or so. It is exciting to now have a date to learn more stitching! Modern stitch samplers, mini landscapes and some free cut houses for the patch workers. Always a great few days with Jo!! There is a \$30 discount if booking for all three days. It is possible to book for the Free Cut houses on the Monday and continue to stitch on your embroidery project. Online bookings open after April.

LORENA URIARTE – QUILT COATS

Sat 9th & Sun 10th September - Two Day Quilt Coat Workshop Cost TBA

Quilt Coats are the thing of the moment!!! Would you like support and a bit of hand holding to make one?? Lorena has helped create many an amazing quilt coat in the past year including a sold out class at Quilt Symposium in NZ. Now you have a chance to sacrifice a quilt or make one specially to be a coat. Info available prior to class on what to make or what types of quilts and patterns are most successful. Get in touch if you're interested and we can have a char and you can get planning!

SHEENA CHAPMAN – VINTAGE IMPROV WEEKEND!! Make the Fantales Quilt

Sat 21st & 22nd October \$180 pp

A rare chance for a two day immerse into Sheena's colourful and fun world of vintage inspired improv. Sheena's quilts are a fantastic blend of old and new, traditional and improvised. Often a contemporary take on a vintage quilt from her collection or inspired by a vintage fabric piece. We call it 'Vintage Improv'. Sheena's quilts are refreshingly colourful, fun and fast to make. Once you see them you will be dying to make them all but this weekend is all about making the wedge nased FANTALES Quilt. Other quilts available by request depending on the choice. Please get in touch.

DEBORAH LOUIE

Sat 11th & Sun 12th Nov & Mon 13th Nov - Trunk Show and Huge Display of Student Work!

Machine Magic Legend Deborah Louie launched her book in 2022 and later in 2023 we will hold a HUGE display of her students work! We ask anyone who has made a quilt with Deb Louie to lend it to us for display. Imagine a room filled with many variations of her Baltimore, trapunto work, Daisy Paths, Hearts and LollyPops, Glam Clams, Secret Gardens and all the new projects that are coming from her book Machine Magic!! Display is not restricted to Berry Quilt & Co clients, we welcome all projects! There will be a trunk show and talk by Deb on the Friday night and workshop opportunities throughout the weekend. Workshop Details and costs TBA.

MONTHLY CLASS TIMETABLE

ABOUT THE MONTHLY TUTORS: We have a big program of monthly classes with regular in-house tutors. Each class is designed around a different patchwork or quilting technique with a broad range of different styles of work on offer. The classes run from 10 – 3pm on the set day of the month listed below and most cost \$70 for your first class or to dip in and out casually where space permits. Often people want to come back each month and book in advance to become a class 'regular'. In this instance, most classes cost \$60 per month. Any that are a different price structure are noted.

Each teacher has a handful of projects that are an introduction to their techniques, and which don't require multiple classes to complete, so where space permits, they're suitable for those who would like to just attend one class to be exposed to a technique without a longer term commitment. In class everyone works at their own pace on individual projects, inspiring and encouraging each other's unique take on the project. Images and more details of each class can be found on the class calendar on our website under the Classes tab.

****NEW** First Monday bi-monthly – Carol Culey's Quilts and Cushions**

Do you love simple, fun and bold projects? Do you want to play with colour and design to make cushions and quilts? Then this bi-monthly class is for you. Carol has always loved colour, florals and bold patterns and these are reflected in her quilts and cushions. She would love to encourage you in your exploration of your unique fabric choices. In this class, you can work on any of Carol's quilt patterns or she can guide you through a simple square pieced design, for example a beautiful postage stamp quilt. This is also the class to make a stunning cushion. Carol has previously taught The Peeper Pillow and Packed With Charm cushion designs and has many other samples as she continues to play with arrangements. All of the cushions she teaches have simple envelope backs so projects come together quickly.

DATES: 6th March , 1st May, 3rd July, 4th Sept, 6th Nov

First Tuesday of each month - Machine Quilting Skills Day with Deb Louie

5 class half year commitment to secure a place. \$375 for the 5 class block.

Are you wanting to learn to use your domestic sewing machine to quilt your quilt tops to best advantage? Are you wanting to learn specialist 'sketch applique' or decorative stitch applique. Do you have a computerised sewing machine and want to learn about its stitch capabilities, memory, feet and more..? Well all of these things are possible in Deborah's Tuesday Classes!! In this class you could begin one of Deb's own design popular projects that are able to be made in sampler size or grown to be full blown quilts. OR work at your own pace on your own quilt top, while Deb helps you focus and take the fear out your own quilting while you learn to get the most from your sewing machine. Deb's classes have a different price structure. See our web listing online for details.

1st Half DATES: 7th Feb, (28th Feb *4th Tues), No March, 4th April, 2nd May, (13th June *2nd Tues)

2nd Half DATES: 4th July, No August, 5th Sept, 3rd Oct, 7th Nov, 5th Dec

First Saturday of each month - First Saturday Club with Jennifer Corkish

This class is all about hand stitching and embellishment with embroidery. It's not a machine sewing class. Jennifer comes along to each class with new quilts and projects she has designed: from her own take on the popular Japanese Boro technique to fine applique, English paper piecing, wool applique and stitch embellishment and more...! Jennifer teaches from her repertoire and often helps regulars who are beyond the basics develop and personalise projects. Dates overleaf.

DATES: 4th Feb, 4th March, 1st April, 6th May , 3rd June, 1st July, 5th August, 2nd Sept, 7th Oct, 4th Nov, 2nd Dec

First Sunday of each month - Sunday SEWciety (\$60/\$50 for 9 am– 1pm)

An easy garment making class with dressmaking enthusiast ALI BURGESS. Work at your own pace on your own project or work through a simple garment pattern with others sharing your journey. This group will suit someone who has made a garment or two and would like to rediscover and refresh their skills by sewing in a group for inspiration, back up, tables to spread out on and dedicated 'time-out' to be creative and productive. We can also cater for anyone who has not made a thing! This group is all about SIMPLE. Dedicated to the basics like shift tops or dresses, simple a-line skirts and pull-on pants. Have fun -dress breezy! Note: Shorter hours than most other monthly classes and a slightly different price.

DATES: 5th Feb, 5th March, 2nd April, 7th May, 4th June, 2nd July, 6th August, 3rd Sept, No Class Oct, 5th Nov, 3rd Dec

NEW Second Wednesday Bi-Monthly – Anything Goes with Lorena Uriarte

Lorena Uriarte has an impressive range of quilts that fill her teaching bag of tricks. In this Anything Goes series of classes you are able to work on any of her projects. Handwork, machine work, turning Kawandi into a retreat bag, preparing a quilt for a quilt coat? English paper piecing, fussy cutting, using the Opal Essence templates, starting Chuck Nohara blocks, beginning any of her modern quilts like Sakura Breeze. Lorena has taught at Berry Quilt & Co as a visiting tutor before but this is her first year as a regular on the schedule. A great chance to get really stuck into a project of Lorena's and see it through

DATES: 12th July, 13th September, 8th Nov

Second Thursday of each month – Stash CPR with Helen Draper

Machines Welcome! This Scrap Busting Support Group was designed to help you breathe new life into your tired stash. How can you do this you ask?? You could strategically add a repeat pop of colour. you could emphasize a particular element, you could combine the seemingly mismatched fabrics with a constant 'neutral' OR... find out many other useful ideas from Helen's 'paramedic bag of tricky tips. Helen has developed a handful of simple, machine pieced, specially designed #stashCPR quilt projects. You could choose from one of these to make or Helen can help you sort, stack, plan and start something new of a new design you come up with together in class which she can draw up for you in her Eq8 computer design program. A great option for beginners to learn the basics of making patchwork quilts. Learn to use all the equipment in our classroom where everything is available to borrow. Helen is also teaching her **Sampler Studio System** in this class time slot or any of Helen's other quilts offered in By Hand that you might prefer to make by machine. (See By Hand listing for more details.) A great option for beginners who will learn the basics of making patchwork!

DATES: 9th Feb, 9th March, 13th April, 11th May*, 8th June*, 13th July, 10th Aug, 14th Sept, 12th Oct, 9th Nov, 14th Dec *Classes taken by Sharon Thomson

Second Friday each month – Linen Life with Lyn Weeks (\$85/75 10am-3pm)

Concentrating on simple starter patterns that can be tweaked for fit or purpose made predominantly from the cool cottons and linens that we have on hand in our store you will build some skills and wardrobe basics. Participants in Lyn's classes will begin with the versatile and popular Tesutti Eva Dress which can be made with or without sleeves and in summer or winter weight. Once you have a fitting Eva bodice, the pattern can be tweaked many ways or go on to work on the garment of your choice. Lyn's previous private teaching engagements, pattern design training and past life as a fine fabric retailer all add to the experience she brings to class. As you progress, Lyn will be able to share her favourite construction tips and ways that patterns can be changed, tweaked or joined to make them more versatile or better for you. This class is limited to four so everyone gets great attention and lots of space costs \$85 for your first class and \$75 for consecutive bookings.

DATES: 10th Feb, 10th March, 14th April, 12th May, 9th June, 14th July, 11th August, 8th Sept, 13th Oct, 10th Nov, 8th Dec

Second Saturday of each month – Vintage Improv with Sheena Chapman

Sheena's quilts are a fantastic blend of old and new, traditional and improvised. Often a contemporary take on a vintage quilt from her collection or inspired by a vintage fabric piece. We call it 'Vintage Improv'. Sheena's quilts are refreshingly colourful, fun and fast to make. Once you see them you will be dying to make them all!!

There are improvisational techniques that Sheena characteristically employs in her quilts, you will learn these in class as you work through a quilt. Once you've mastered the starter techniques you can go on to create your own 'Vintage Improv' heirlooms at home. Of course there is no need to use vintage fabric. Start with something contemporary and fresh, the choice is yours. A feature of many of Sheena's quilts is the exciting use of large pieces, big prints, easy borders and panels that help a quilt grow quickly in size. Sheena also employs special, sometimes unorthodox, time saving techniques that will blow the mind of traditionalists and all total fabric addicts will be hooked.

DATES: 11th Feb, 11th March, (15th April* Third Sat), 13th May, 10th June, 8th July, 12th August, 9th Sept, 14th Oct, 11th Nov, 9th Dec

Third Thursday of each month - Sewing HELP with Sharon Thomson

These sessions are for any of you who need a bit of extra assistance. From the total beginner or newbie patchworker to the rusty maker who has forgotten everything. Or even the experienced dressmaker or home decor sewist who wants to have a go at patchwork but doesn't know where to begin. Anyone who'd like a relaxing day stitching their own project with a bit of back up and even some help cutting your fabric, making choices or working out your machine (Make sure you bring the instructions!)

Maybe you are halfway through the project and can't remember where you're up to. Maybe you'd like to begin to sew or quilt but don't know where to start or what equipment to use. Maybe you've never stitched anything at all.... Well we can help you out in this session.

DATES: Wed 15th Feb (Note: First class is a Wed), 16th March, 20th April, 18th May, 15th June, 20th July, 17th August, 21st Sept, No Class Oct, 16th Nov, No Class Dec.

Third Friday of each month - BY HAND with Helen Draper

Helen Draper's BY HAND focuses exclusively on patchwork and quilting done by hand. It is the perfect low stress place to build up some traditional patchwork and quilting skills. You can learn to hand quilt, to hand piece quilt blocks using templates or work step by step through a quilt design from Helen's repertoire. Participants in Helen's classes are all working on their own projects at their own pace. You are able to join Helen's class at any point in the year, subject to availability. Helen's love is hand stitching! In this class, Helen can teach you traditional or modern hand quilting techniques. By this, we mean the actual quilting stitches that hold the three layers; top, wadding and backing together. Helen can show you anything from the very traditional '10 stitches to an inch' elegant hand quilting, using a waxed thread for heirloom quilts, to the 'big stitch' colourful quilting using thicker perle threads for a more modern or rustic effect.

You may also choose to work through the basics of making patchwork blocks by hand using our **Sampler Studio System** based on our two sampler quilts, Sweet Melody and A Cat in the House. Make your own version of these quilts or go on to make and design your own heirloom. Learn at your own pace, block by block to put together a 'sampler style quilt'. Come for one lesson to learn a single block which you could make into a tote or put on the back of a denim jacket! Those with experience are just as welcome as anyone just starting out! If you prefer machine sewing Helen's quilts can be adapted for machines and she teaches these techniques in her Thursday StashCPR session. See the separate listing.

Feb 16th (Note: First Class is a Thurs), 17th March, 21st April, *19th May*, 16th June, 21st July, 18th Aug, 15th Sept, 20th Oct, 17th Nov, 15th Dec *Class run by Sharon Thomson (Helen away)

Fourth Thursday of each month - Stitch Therapy with Jennifer Corkish

A sister class to Jennifer's 1st Saturday club. Read the 1st Saturday club listing above to get the gist of what happens in this class. The Thursday class has evolved to be more stitch and small project based although Saturday Girls also make a mix of stitched work and larger quilt projects of Jennifers. We laughingly call Thursday's 'Stitch Therapy' because there's always lots of great chat. Nevertheless all of Jennifer's projects and techniques are available in each class.

DATES: 2nd Feb (because no January), 23rd Feb, 23rd March, 27th April, 25th May, 22nd June, 27th July, 24th Aug , 28th Sept, 26th Oct, 23rd Nov, No class Dec

2022 SIT & SEW SESSIONS, SOLOS & EVENING GROUPS

First Friday of each month Absolute Beginners with Sharon

\$50 pp for the two hour session 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm

If you've never made a stitch of patchwork this class is for you. A Five Lesson plan has been designed to take you through the basics of hand or machine projects. Each session will take you through the basics from the equipment and supplies required and the techniques and methods of making, through to sandwiching, quilting through the layers and binding your quilt. This group is exclusively for those progressing through the Lessons which you may do at your own pace, taking longer or shorter depending on your enthusiasm and time available. We have also designed this class so you are not locked into a timeframe. If there is a class you miss, you will just continue on when we next meet. This class is for absolute beginners or those wanting to begin and complete their first basic quilt project. Our starting projects will be limited in size so that we can successfully complete the sandwiching and quilting phase. If you already have a project underway and need assistance consider the Solo Sessions or the Help Days with Sharon.

DATES: No Class Feb, 3rd March, No Class April (Easter), 5th May , 2nd June , 7th July, No Class August, 1st Sept , 6th Oct, 3rd Nov, 1 Dec

NEW IN 2023. Solo Sessions with Sharon – \$80 pp For a two hour session

These sessions are for any of you who need a bit of extra assistance or who would like some private time to familiarise themselves with the tools, equipment and work out where to begin their patchwork journey.. Anyone who'd like a private time slot with a dedicated instructor or cutting slave for 2 hours. Suitable for troubleshooting or kickstarting basic dressmaking, By Annie Bagmaking, patchwork or quilting projects. **OR** book in with a friend and you each save \$20 . Duos are \$60pp.

Third Monday Time slots: 9-11am, 11.30-1.30pm, 2-4pm, 4.30-6.30pm

DATES: 20th Feb, 20th March, No Class April, 15th May, 19th June, 17th July, 14th August*, 18th Sept, 9th Oct*, 20th Nov, 18th Dec* (Note * Denotes Second Monday)

First Sunday Time Slots: 9-11am, 11.30-1.30pm, 2-4pm, 4.30-6.30pm

DATES: No Class Feb, 5th March, 2nd April, 7th May, 4th June, 2nd July, No Class August, 3rd Sept, No Class Oct, 5th Nov , 3rd Dec.

Second Monday of each month – Mostly Modern Monday - \$30pp 10am to 3pm

A sit & sew group exclusively for members of a Modern Quilt Guild!! We welcome all MQG members nearby or travelling through to visit and say hello or book in and join us for the day. It's all about fostering the modern quilting community in our area and all around! www.themodernquiltguild.com

DATES: 13th Feb, 13th March, 17th April*, 8th May, 5th June**, 10th July, 14th August, 11th Sept, 9th Oct, 13th Nov, 11th Dec (* Denotes Third Monday ** Denotes First Monday)

NEW Wednesday Words with Jane Smith - 6.30pm to 8.30pm

This is a book group with a difference! A hand stitching sit and sew with a book discussion. Discussion led by our very own resident librarian Jane Smith of @janesquilts on Instagram. You will get the books or prompt a month in advance and have time to read up before the meet up. Stich a lot or chat a lot about books it's up to you. This is not a tuition situation it is a book discussion group for those who want to sit and stitch at the same time. Beginning in March reading list, dates and costs TBA

Weekly Wednesday Women – \$30 pp - 10 am to 3pm Weekly

Meets most Wednesdays in school term time. No tuition, purely a group sit & sew. A day for anyone who wants an inspiring space to sit & sew with company. Any sewing welcome! Anybody welcome! Morning tea provided - Doesn't meet in school holidays or on Lorena's 'Anything Goes' Dates. Bookings in advance advisable. Here are the dates where there will be NO Wednesday meet up:

8th March, 12th April, 19th April, **10th May**, 5th July, **12th July**, **13th Sept**, 27th Sept, 4th Oct, **8th Nov**, 20th Dec. School Holiday Wednesdays are underlined and Lorena's class dates are in bold.

Wednesday TEEN Sewing – \$250 per term – 4.15 pm -6.15 pm Fortnightly

Meets each Wednesday in even weeks of school term time. There are 5 sessions a term and there are limited places. This is a great group taught by shop owner Sharon Thomson and dressmaker extraordinaire Ali Burgess. The girls can learn, general sewing, patchwork and quilting or simple dressmaking projects. Absolute beginners welcome and many skills will be learnt. Phone or email Sharon directly for more details. sharon@berryquiltandco.com.au

Thursday Evenings with Lisa – \$100 pp 7pm to 9pm Fortnightly.

Your \$100 fee covers 5 sessions each term which happen fortnightly on Thursdays. Doesn't meet in school holidays. It's a general sewing support group! Brings some hand stitching and enjoy creating with a bit of company Lisa is multi talented and depending on what you're wanting to make; it could be embroidery, very basic garments, patchwork or even sock knitting. Fills up quickly. EVEN Weeks Term One 2023 ODD Weeks Term Two, Three and Four. Places limited: please phone for availability.

WE LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU JOIN US FOR A CLASS SOON!

We encourage you to look at the longer listings for these groups online which include photos of the classes and make contact with store owner Sharon via email if there's something you'd like to learn that is not listed here and we will see what we can do for you.

Similarly, we can sometimes run classes with our regular tutors for private groups depending on notice, availability and classroom space.

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