

## Carolyn König Designs Newsletter January 2018

### NEW STORE HOURS

Tuesday – Thursday 10am to 5pm  
Friday and Saturday open by appointment  
only

### Website open 24/7

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Happy New Year - we trust that you had a lovely Christmas and you found time to do a little sewing.

Our annual Summer School has finished, leaving many ladies making my new Block of the month, "The Denver Quilt" design that was started on the first weekend. Sewers continued drawing up the pattern and stitching during the week. The next weekend we heard the humming of sewing machines as many Postage Stamp, Star Quilts or strippy square quilts were made with their leftover scraps of fabrics. Lots of talking, laughter, tea and coffee, along with scrumdiddlyumptous cakes and biscuits. You will find one of the recipes at the end of the newsletter if you would like to bake more!!

It was decided by the participants to start a Facebook Group for "The Denver Quilt" and "Aunt Green's Quilt". These are closed groups for those making the quilts to share progress and hints on their journey. Photos of progress are also encouraged. To join either of these groups, go to the Facebook page and you will find them under Groups. Send a request to join.

As I sat on my garden seat enjoying my garden in full summer bloom, I realized that I have a beautiful shop full of reproduction fabrics which is nestled in the North East region of Victoria in Wodonga. People travelling between Sydney and Melbourne visit and buy fabrics or seek my knowledge for their latest project. Visitors from overseas also find their way to my shop on their travels.

I have the perfect job or hobby - the shop is cool in the summer and warm in the winter, teaching or just having sit and sew days in a very well lit room.

No more heavy cases to be packed and sometimes lost in transit or the worry with the safety of my Quilts - I love where I live!

Some recent feedback we have heard that makes us keep wanting to do what we do!

"The West Wodonga shop is one of the best I have been to"

"Lots of reproductions, extremely friendly"

"Very peaceful location"

"Your website is the best - you can see everything"

"Real country hospitality"

And are you aware that most of our fabrics are still only \$23 per metre - come for a visit soon.

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All of our Newsletters have a link to each product featured. If you are looking for more information, price etc.. Just click on the name/heading of the product and it will take you to our website.

### **Cake anyone?**

**This was such a large sponge for one of our summerschool workshop days, that it needed two of us to hold and carry to the bench ready for Sue to cut and plate up.**



## The Denver Quilt

New block of the month beings for 2018

Join anytime.

<http://www.carolynkonigdesigns.com/home/shop/product/view/4/3897>



# Whats New and in Stock?

## **Boston Commons**

by Free Spirit

Boston Commons takes the FreeSpirit brand into the dedicated quilter's world of traditional florals and small all-over prints. This collection, inspired by an antique quilt from Donna Wilder's personal collection, is meant to offer retailers our take on traditional prints. In addition, this collection should open doors to introduce the FreeSpirit brand to more traditional shops.

This collection is an entry into discussing the beauty and luxury of the hand of our fabrics as well as the values of the FreeSpirit brand – inspiring, spirited, vivacious, imaginative, and colorful. Named after America's oldest park, Boston Commons in deep reds, emerald greens and colonial blues offers today's creative or savvy quilter the vintage allure of prints that were popular centuries ago. These charming florals and small prints are the perfect pallet for quilter's whether used as the collection in total or as the precisely-needed color and design awaiting your traditional quilt pattern.

<http://www.carolynkonigdesigns.com/home/shop/category/view/237>





## Garibaldi

by Sara Morgan for Washington Street Studio

<http://www.carolynkonigdesigns.com/home/shop/category/view/238>



## Antebellum Period Collection

by Sara Morgan for Washington Street Studio

With Georgia leading the South in textile production and the invention of the cotton gin, women moved from wearing silk clothing to more practical cotton fabrics which were manufactured here. This collection of pre-war textiles are typical of what you might find in the houses and closets in the South. Also during this time, Women's Rights became an important issue, as women argued for political privilege and equality as they took their place as important employees in the factories and workhouses

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## Tuxedo Prints

by Kathy Hall for Andover Fabrics

<http://www.carolynkonigdesigns.com/home/shop/category/view/235>



# Shepherd's Bush Printworks

Did you know that the website has many different designs to look at?

<http://www.carolynkonigdesigns.com/home/shop/category/view/73>





## Workshops for 2018

Katrina Hadjimichael is returning again - June 30th - July 1st



Hartfield

<http://www.carolynkonigdesigns.com/home/classes/product/view/61/2339>



Highbury

<http://www.carolynkonigdesigns.com/home/classes/product/view/61/2339>

## Margaret Mew is coming

You may know of Margaret, she has had her first book 'Quilts from the Colonies' published this year by *Quiltmania*



### Back- Basting Hand Appliqué class One day ~ All Skills

Back-Basting? It's just another appliqué technique; working from the wrong side of the block to start with and basting the pieces in place before turning to the front and needle-turning your pieces in place. It's gaining popularity, and while I don't use it for every appliqué work, I confess to being just a little obsessed with it of late.

It's a good skill to have in your repertoire and here's just three blocks (three different skill levels) you could work on in a day workshop. Students can take their pick.



AUGUST 4th and 5th 2018

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## 2018 Dates for you Calendar

Listed below are that current dates for the upcoming year - put them in your diary so you don't forget!!

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### February

Beginners Class - Tuesday 6th and 20th

Sundial Class - Friday 23rd

Monthly Applique group - Saturday 24th

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### March

Sewing Obsession Weekend - Saturday 3rd 10am - 10pm and Sunday 4th 10am - 4pm

Beginners Class - Tuesday 6th and 20th

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### April

Black Friday Mini School - Friday 13th to Monday 16th

Beginners Class - Tuesday 3rd and 17th

Sundial Class - Friday 27th

Monthly Applique group - Saturday 28th

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### May

Beginners Class - Tuesday 1st, 15th and 29th

Sundial Class - Friday 25th

Monthly Applique Group - Saturday 26th

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## June

Sewing Obsession Weekend - Friday 8th - Monday 11th

Beginners Class - Tuesday 12th and 26th

Sundial Class - Friday 29th

Monthly Applique Group - Saturday 23rd (a week earlier due to Katrina Hadjimichael workshop)

Katrina Hadjimichael Workshop - Saturday 30th and Sunday 1st July

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## July

Katrina Hadjimichael Workshop - Saturday 30th June and Sunday 1st July

Winter Wonderland - Friday 13th to Sunday 22nd

Beginners Class - Tuesday 10th and 24th

Sundial Class - Friday 27th

Monthly Applique Group - Saturday 28th

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## August

Margaret Mew Workshop - Saturday 4th and Sunday 5th

Beginners Class - Tuesday 7th and 21st

Sundial Class - Friday 24th

Monthly Applique Group - Saturday 25th

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## September

Sewing Obsession Weekend - Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th and Monday 1st October

Beginners Class - Tuesday 4th and 18th

Sundial Workshop - Friday 28th

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## October

### Sewing Obsession Weekend - Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th and Monday 1st October

Beginners Class - Tuesday 2nd, 16th and 30th

Sundial Class - Friday 26th

Monthly Applique Group - Saturday 27th

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## November

### Sewing Obsession Weekend - Saturday 24th and Sunday 25th

Beginners Class Tuesday 13th and 27th

## Jam Macaroons

### Ingredients

- 395g sweetened condensed milk
- 3 Cups shredded coconut
- 1/4 cup raspberry jam
- 100g dark chocolate, melted

### Step 1

- Preheat oven to 180C/160C fan-forced. Line 2 baking trays with baking paper.

### Step 2

- Place condensed milk and coconut in a bowl. Mix well to combine. Spoon level tablespoons of mixture onto prepared trays. Make a small indent into the top of each mound. Spoon 1/2 teaspoon jam into each hole. Bake for 18 minutes or until golden. Stand on trays for 20 minutes. Transfer to a wire rack lined with baking paper to cool completely.

### Step 3

- Drizzle chocolate over macaroons. Stand for 20 minutes or until set. Serve.



## Happy Stitching!

Carolyn

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