

Friday November 14, 2014

Busy time for CMRI Gerringong

Nov. 13, 2014, 10:55 a.m.



Val Donovan of Robertson with the beautiful quilt she won in the CMRI Gerringong raffle at the recent Quilt Show.

IT has been a busy few weeks for the Children's Medical Research Institute (CMRI) Gerringong Committee, with their annual Quilt Show and Melbourne Cup luncheon attracting good numbers.

CMRI Gerringong secretary Lorraine Peade said with the support of Gerringong Lions Club, the Quilt Show raised close to \$18,000.

“We would like to thank everyone who supported our Quilt Show by entering quilts for display, coming to see the show, buying raffle tickets, having morning, afternoon tea or lunch and buying from our cake and craft stalls,” Mrs Peade said.

“It was another beautiful display and feedback has been very positive.

“Our members work very hard to ensure that there is variety, quality and creativity on display as well as for sale from the trade tables and our own stalls.

“The Christmas cakes, puddings and slices were all made by members and as popular as ever, while the beautiful French General Quilt, donated by Elizabeth Dubbelde from Berry Patchwork, was won by Val Donovan of Robertson who was delighted with her prize.”

The Melbourne Cup luncheon was held at Gerroa Boat Fisherman's Club and was enjoyed by around 100 people.

“There were lots of lovely hats, well dressed men and women and lots of winners in the room,” Mrs Peade said.

Prizes for the raffle were donated by Robyne of Oak Home Gerringong, Treasury Wines, Robert Oatley Wines and Gerroa Boat Fisherman's Club.

“The event lived up to expectations, with lots of laughter, fun and fellowship along with the fundraising and supporting the researchers at CMRI is our mission,” Mrs Peade said.

"It is deeply saddening to see kids in hospitals fighting illnesses they cannot comprehend," Professor Patrick Tam Head of Embryology Research Unit, CMRI said.

“Our research at CMRI is dedicated to gaining a better understanding of developmental problems and childhood diseases so that hopefully one day no child will have to endure unnecessary pain and suffering.”