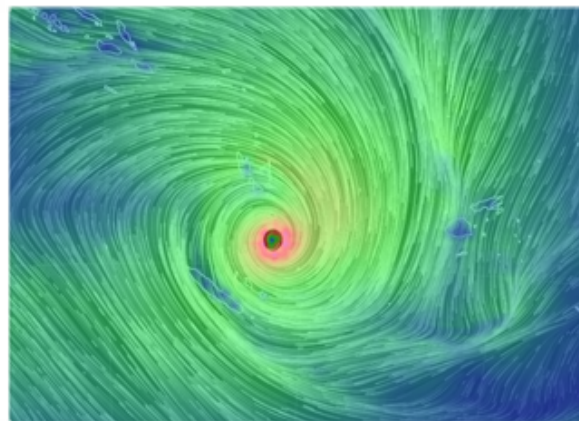


# Quilts for Vanuatu

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Greetings to all those ladies who are searching through their cupboards to find a quilt or two for the Vanuatu appeal or have the machine whirring making one.

It is staggering, (& heart warming) to see how 1 or 2 quilts from individuals quickly turn into a dozen from a club and at one of the 20 collection depots they become 30-50 or more. Imagine how many there will be by the time they all arrive here !

So the one quilt that you might say 'I've only got one, is it worth the effort of handing it in.' Well I assure you it is.

I hear the Bernina Club women in Tauranga are having a sewing bee one day this week to get a batch of quilts made, in addition to the bundle they've already sent.

I have had an email from a group in the small town of Foxton telling me 18 quilts are on their way.

A huge box of 22 beautiful quilts arrived today from Rangitikei Country Quilts and another box from Dannevirke Cottage Quilters.

A Quilter from Auckland contacted me and has arranged for a box of dresses for the 'dress for a girl around the world' charity to be included.

A quilter from Christchurch has told me of how much the handmade quilts meant to them when they arrived there after the earthquake. So the Christchurch women are gathering quilts too.

Our beautiful bright quilts are so needed by these families who have been left with nothing. I have read a report that there are estimated to be 166,000 people affected across 22 islands. we can bring them a little sunshine.

There are a number of delivery options available to us to get the quilts to Vanuatu. Some will go in a container being prepared by Kiwanis who have a long history of distributing aid, having previously sent 24 containers over the past 10 years to the Vila Kiwanis Club in Vanuatu.

**DEPOTS.** (Deliver your quilts by 10th April.)

AUCKLAND: NUTEX Wholesalers, 25-29 Gordon Rd, Morningside,

WEST AUCKLAND: All things Patchwork, 5-19 Factory Rd, Waimauku

BLLENHEIM: The Sewing Store, 29 High St, Blenheim

CHRISTCHURCH: Bernina Sewing Centre, 466d Papanui Rd.

DUNEDIN: Bernina Sewing Centre, 185 Hillside Rd, South Dunedin.

HAMILTON: Bernina Sewing Centre, 91 Alexandra St.

INVERCARGILL: Bernina Sewing Centre, 47 Tay St.

NAPIER: Bernina Sewing Centre, 239c Emerson St.

NELSON: Bernina Sewing Centre, 52 Bridge St

NEW PLYMOUTH: Bernina Sewing Centre, 24 Devon St East.

NEW PLYMOUTH: Still Quilting & Knitting, 228 Devon St. East.

PALMERSTON NORTH: Village Books & Crafts, 318 College St.

ROTORUA: Cottage Flair, 1127 Fenton St.

TAURANGA: Bernina Sewing Centre, 387 Cameron Rd.

TE AWAMUTU: Stitchin Stuff 91, Market St.

TIMARU: .Timaru Sewing Centre, 173 Stafford St.

WELLINGTON: Minerva Books, 237 Cuba St.

WHAKATANE: Jaynes Wool and Fabrics, 16 Peace St.

WHANGAREI: Country Dawn quilting & Patchwork, 38 Rayburn House Lane.

Or direct to me: Caroline Mason, 48 Everad Ave, RD.2, Matamata

This greeting card is being attached to every Quilt. It reads:

“We stand strong with you Vanuatu”

“Many New Zealand Women came together to sew gifts for the families of Vanuatu”

“When Cyclone Pam destroyed homes in 2015



