



Quilt Encounter 2020



Kerryn Brand and her Quilt Encounter committee did not let the Corona Virus obstacles stop them from holding the successful 2020 Quilt Encounter event. Their attention to detail, taking into account the health and well-being of tutors and participants, is to be commended. They adopted "The Show must go on" approach and it worked.



Committee left to right:
Margaret Sampson
Leanne Wagner
Heather Bolt
Julie Sutton
Anne Rackham
Kerryn Brand (Convenor)
Joyce Chapman
Ros Holmes
Gena Martin



Sandy Jones was the lucky winner of the major prize - the B325 Bernina Sewing Machine kindly donated by :



Quilt Encounter was held at the Stamford Grand Hotel at Glenelg from Sunday 4th October to Friday 9th October 2020. The Quilting Room and Widebacks Australia were the two major sponsor shops which set up for the entire event, and we thank them for their support. Otto & Penny's Sewing Centre Bernina (always very supportive of Quilt Encounter), joined us at the Stamford Grand Hotel as well. In total, 141 participants attended including tutors, shops and committee.

SA Quilters would like to acknowledge the sponsorship that the following people so generously gave in support of Quilt Encounter. Without them we would not have been able to have provided goody bags, table prizes and the major raffle this year. So if you patronise these businesses, purchase any of their products or meet with them socially PLEASE take the time to express your appreciation of their support.

Bernina Australia Pty Ltd	Jacky Eyre	Pretty Country Things
Otto and Penny's Sewing Centre	Jane's Patchwork	Quality Always Pty Ltd (Mini Jumbuk)
Horn Australia	Just Patchwork	Quilt Encounter Committee
The Quilting Room SA	Kathy Horton	Quiltaholics
Widebacks Fabrics SA	Kornacraft	Quilters Quarters
Valley Quilts - Sally McKenzie	Linda Haigh	Quilting in the Vines
Adelaide Sewing Centre	Lloyd Curzon Textiles Pty Ltd	Rachael Daisy
Bankhouse Quilts - Beachport	Love Lee Fabric	Rachelle Denny
Cathie Hodge	Melann's Sewing Centre	Riverlea Cottage
Chris Jurd	Mildura quilting group	Roz McDonald
Chris O'Brien	M&S Textiles	Strathalbyn Sewing and Quilting
Constantine Quilts	Mallee Country Connection	The Fabric Store
Cornerstone Creations	Nays Place	The Patchy Affair
Country Fabrics and Things	Old Culburra Store	The Sanctuary Retreat
Elite Long Arm Quilting	Pam Holland	Wendy Williams
Fabric Boutique	Patchwork by Sea	Whyte House Gallery
Ferrier Fashions	Penny Lane Patchwork	
	Pine Grove Quilting	

We also thank the tutors who shared their expertise in the classes which were held throughout Quilt Encounter. On Monday and Tuesday there were 96 students with 7 tutors; Wednesday 94 students with 8 tutors and Thursday and Friday 94 students with 6 tutors. By any measure, an amazing achievement in these uncertain times. We acknowledge the valuable contribution to the success of the event made by our tutors:

- Pam Holland, Chris Jurd, Rachael Daisy, Wendy Williams, Linda Haig, Heather Ford, Rachelle Denny, Chris O'Brien, Kerryn Brand, Jacky Eyre, Kathy Horton, Roz McDonald.

Congratulations to the following major prize draw winners at Quilt Encounter:

- Jennifer Hawes, Marie Barnes, Joyleen Miller, Barb McIlvaine, Debbie Hayes, Helga Spratz, Jane Haley, Marg Horan, Julie Plush, Glenyce McGauchie, Karen Salman, Apples Kemp, Helen Wells, Kath Lock, Kay Calder, Vivienne Duncan and Coralie Ford.



The 2020 Quilt Encounter Lessa Siegele Scholarships have been awarded. Congratulations to the three recipients from Lobethal (SA), Parndana (SA) and Cobargo (NSW).