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A Focus on Quilting



QUILTERS' GUILD OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA INC. MONTHLY GUILD MEETINGS

Thursday December 2nd @ Burnside Community Centre

Doors open at 7.15pm for a 8.00pm start

EVERYBODY WELCOME!

Welcome address: Guild President, Heather Ford

Guest Speaker: Rachelle Denny - Backpacks 4 Kids

Shop: Quilters Quarters - [Quilters Quarters](#)

Christmas Celebrations: Fancy Dress Prize

Fat quarter Raffle: Christmas

Show and Tell: Christmas quilts

Library: Available for borrows and returns

Kitchen: Not available due to COVID safe restriction

EVERYBODY WELCOME!

It is a requirement that you wear a mask unless you have an authorized medical exemption.

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South Australia Inc



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GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

GUIDANCE STATEMENT FROM THE QUILTERS' GUILD OF SA INC.

Hello Everyone!

The Guild has received an enquiry from a group regarding what steps should be taken as our borders open, to ensure the safety of members while attending group meetings, sit and sew days and the like.

The Quilters' Guild of SA Inc. strongly recommends that all quilt groups encourage their members to get fully vaccinated for COVID-19 as recommended by the Australian Government Department of Health. All groups are required to follow all relevant Federal Health Orders and those of the SA Government. Groups should consider health advice with regards to all activities and general group business that is not specifically addressed by a health order. Risk assessment should form part of that decision making process.

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GREETINGS FROM THE PRESIDENT

The Guild feels that as a matter of principle and in the interests of our members, that it must support the Government's recommendations, and believes that groups should follow the standards set by the Australian Government Health Department in this process.

In an effort to stay on top of Government regulations groups should consider appointing a member of their management team to take the free online Covid-Marshall training, which takes less than an hour. That person will then be in a position to promulgate the guidelines and make recommendations to the group leadership.

As I write we have just held a very successful Country Forum when around 140 representatives from our country groups journeyed to the city for a day of information and friendship here in the city. The theme was "Unmasking the Future" where we explored what modern technology can do for our quilting in the future. Thank you to all the groups who joined us and to the 25 volunteers who made the day a success. Special thanks goes to Jane Polden and Cindy Massey for organising the day and to Peg Argent for leading the team of catering staff.

After the kerfuffle of the last few months our amended Constitution has been approved by Business and Consumer Services. It can now be read and downloaded from the website.

<https://www.saquilts.org.au/constitution.htm>

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible at our December meeting when we will have some Christmas fun for you to enjoy and will be collecting gifts for Backpacks for Kids.

Until next month, happy quilting.

Cheers

Heather

Heather Ford, President
Quilters' Guild of South Australia Inc
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BACKPACKS 4 SA KIDS — DECEMBER MEETING

Two years ago Kickstart for Kids was the chosen charity at our December meeting and amazingly we filled 14 large blue IKEA bags with clothing and supplies for disadvantaged children.

This year, Backpacks 4 SA Kids is our chosen charity—an organisation that provides resources that contribute to the care, safety and wellbeing of children and young people during periods of dislocation from home and routine care.

We invite Guild members to support us this year in the challenge of filling **MORE** than 14 large blue IKEA bags with toys!

- \$30 maximum per gift—unwrapped
- Must be brand new toys
- Newborn to 18 year olds
- No weapon or food orientated items

**No books or clothing as the children receive these items in their backpacks already.
We are also happy to collect and pass on cash donations.**

SEWING FOR BACKPACKS 4 SA KIDS

Backpacks for SA Kids has an ongoing need for various hand-made items and members are invited to sew them at their leisure. The items can be brought to Guild meetings, we will have a bag on the front of the stage to put them in, and we will ensure they are delivered to Backpacks. Please make sure the fabric used is of good quality and suitable children's prints. Venetian blind cord (2mm thick) from Bunnings makes a great draw string and is about 15c/m. The items and finished sizes are listed below.

QUILTS

30" x 38" cotton batting only please

TOILETRY BAGS

Finished size 10" x 14" with a draw string, add extra to the top for the draw string casing. Does not need to be lined with fabric or be water proof

SANTA SACKS

Christmas fabric please, draw string top, add extra to the top for the draw string casing, finished sizes listed

Small – 16" high x 13" wide

Medium – 19" high x 16" wide

Large – 20" high x 20" wide

Extra Large – 24" high x 20" wide

If you have any questions please contact

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The I-Patch team welcome news and information from our members and member groups. Please forward unformatted (yes, this is important!) text and photos to ipatch.saquilters@gmail.com



QUILTERS' GUILD OF SOUTH AUSTRALIA'S JUDGING PANEL

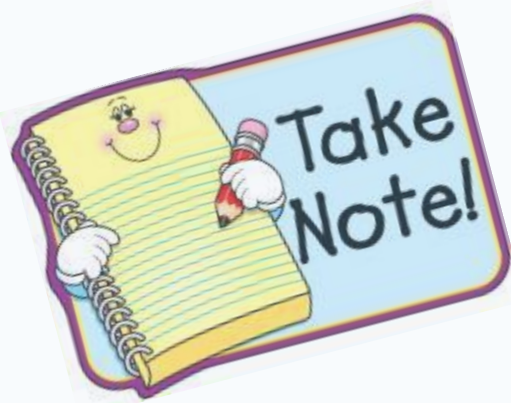
QGSA's Judging Panel offer a free service to judge and / or provide advice for exhibitions for both metropolitan and country quilt groups which are financial members of our Guild.

One of our Aims of the Guild is to "seek to encourage and maintain a high standard of design and technique in both traditional and contemporary quilt making." By choosing to have a Judged show, this encourages those entering their quilts into the exhibition, to put their very best effort into the making of their quilt, which results in a better finished product. This is a win in itself.

By inviting us to judge group shows, this allows Judging Panel members to keep in touch with judging skills, and provides a valuable learning opportunity for the "Judges in Training" to participate in real judging events. So if you are involved in planning group exhibitions, please consider making it a judged event and ask for Judges from our Guild Judging Panel, who are trained to look at every aspect of the quilt and not to judge based on personal preferences etc.

For more information or if you are interested in joining the Judging Panel, please contact

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Judging panel coordinator
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If ever you need to contact a member of one of the Guild's management teams or someone on the Executive Committee....

Kathy has prepared a quick video to explain how you can find out **who** might be able to help you resolve an issue and how you can quickly find out **how** to contact them.

View the video [HERE](#).



DIARY DATE ALERT!



Dare to Differ

Contemporary Quilt Exhibition

Quilters' Guild of South Australia Inc. invites all quilt/textile artists resident in Australia to participate in this selected exhibition

September 2nd -25th 2022

at

Gallery M

Submissions should be original, innovative, predominantly fibre, comprising at least two layers stitched together

Online applications open May 1st – June 16th, 2022

For Conditions of Entry details

<https://www.saquilters.org.au/dare-to-differ.htm>

Or contact the Convenor:

Suzanne Gummow

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Dare to Differ Exhibition 2022 – Conditions of Entry

This is a selected exhibition of contemporary quilts to be held at Gallery M, Marion, South Australia 2nd – 22nd September 2022.

It asks entrants to 'Dare to Differ' in their approach to their work – perhaps in theme, style, technique, materials, or even colour. It gives artists a chance to challenge themselves to unleash their creativity.

1. Entry is open to all quilters resident in Australia
2. Online entries are open from May 1st until 16th of June 2022 via the QGSA website.
3. All work must be innovative and original – not a copy or a variation of another artist's work, not traditional and not from a class or a workshop, and must meet the criteria of 'daring to differ'.
4. The work must possess the basic structural characteristics of a quilt and must be predominantly fibre comprised of at least 2 layers stitched together. It must not be framed or stretched on stretcher bars.
5. Size – no more than 2.5 metres in either direction (L x H), with a maximum depth of 10cm from the wall
6. All entries must have been completed in the 2 years prior to the exhibition. Entries may have been previously exhibited.
7. A non-refundable entry fee of \$35 for up to two entries is required.
8. Selections will be made from **high resolution JPEG digital images** via online entry. Entrants must submit **2 images** for each work, one showing the overall piece and one detail photograph. All photos should be labelled with the quilt title and entrant's name:
<Artist's Surname Name Initial-QuiltName-Full/Detail>
eg. **<GummowS-flowers-Full.jpg>**
9. An Artist's statement of up to 30 words is required by the selectors and for the catalogue for each entry. This should be written in the third person and indicate the inspiration behind the art, rather than describe the techniques.
10. The selectors' decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into. Acceptance of an entry does not automatically guarantee display.
11. Selected entries must be received by the Convenor between Monday 1st and Monday 15th August 2022
12. Delivery and return instructions will be advised on acceptance of the entry. Selected artists will be responsible for postage and insurance to and from Dare to Differ.
13. Quilts may be for sale. The Gallery will retain a 33% (includes GST) commission on each work sold during the exhibition.
14. The Quilters' Guild of SA Inc reserves the right to photograph the quilts for Guild archives and other appropriate purposes.

Please address any queries to Suzanne Gummow
Email: suzannegummow@bigpond.com



MODERN MIX SA QUILTERS' SCHEDULE

Month	Topic	Challenge or Activity
October 17th	Own project sewing Group Quilt Project Launch	Bring along your own current project to work on this month plus any show and tell Group Blocks project Each participant to produce a block/blocks for a group quilt for FOQ Blocks 3", 6" or 9" Pattern idea and fabric provided. All participants will receive a ticket to go into the draw to be the proud owner of the finished quilt. Blocks due back Jan 2022.
November 21st	Own project sewing Group Quilt Project Launch	Bring along your own current project to work on this month plus any show and tell Group project continued from last month
December	No gathering	
January 16th	Happy New Year 2022! Shared Lunch Show and Tell	2022! Return of the Group Quilt Blocks Sit n Sew your own projects 2022 discussion on plans for the year ahead Shared lunch – COVID permitting
February 20th	Positive/ Negative	Reverse /Swap /Change Technique discussion and demo Requirement's list will be posted closer to gathering date.
March 20th	Own project sewing	Bring along your own current project to work on this month plus any show and tell

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

We'd like to extend a warm welcome to the newest member of the Quilters' Guild of South Australia.

Yvonne Merenda

Rhonda Stephens

Aileen Wright

We look forward to sharing some quilty times with you!



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COUNTRY FORUM 2021



REPORT



After what had been a pretty ordinary week it was great to be able to attend the Quilters Guild of SA Country Forum that was held at the Adelaide West Uniting Church celebrating the theme "Unmasking the future"

From the moment I arrived at 9am along with at least 16 other members of our group I was welcomed with smiling faces and some friendly banter. All attendees received a durable cotton duck calico coloured bag brandishing the Guild Logo with goodies and the days program along with a beautifully made quilted pouch/ bag.

After collecting our goodie bag and name badge we were thirsty for a hot cuppa and were not disappointed with the beautiful morning tea that was presented in cute little boxes - so many choices in this little box it was hard to know what to eat first - compliments to the kitchen staff for this fab morning tea! Naturally after morning tea there was a bit of time to check out the shops in attendance; Widebacks with Brenda, Tracey and Rachelle and Melanns Sewing Centre with the enthusiastic Christina - whom I believe is the future of sewing in SA. It is such a delight to see such a young person so passionate about sewing!

Retail therapy is always so good for the soul and the mind, if only I could sew and create as quickly as I can shop. Oh well, I am always happy to sit and look at my purchases for a while before using them.

At 10am we were asked to take our seats ready for the first part of the presentations, we were welcomed by Cindy and Jane who were the organisers of this event. The Forum was then officially opened by Guild President Heather Ford followed by a roving microphone and introductions from the various groups in attendance. The excitement continued with the first of the lucky draws. Several members of our group were lucky to receive a prize in this draw, little

did we know that all attendees were going to be collecting a lucky prize sometime throughout the day. Following this excitement, the IT talk began. This was a great introduction to many about the use of social media platforms and other technologies that bring us together despite the physical distance between us during Covid times. The guest speaker for the day was Suzanne Gummow, I particularly loved the YouTube video that Suzanne shared of the Dolce and Gabbana Runway fashion show that was full of patchwork inspired clothing. <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=rVjAtPiW3MQ>

Show and tell was a plethora of beautiful quilts, some large, some small but all beautiful, there are some extremely talented people with whom we share our passion. This is often great inspiration for a new project or the encouragement to complete a project that you may have started but lost your way to finish. It was time to eat again, lunch was an assortment of sandwiches and wraps which were delicious, along with bottomless tea or coffee. During this break there were demonstrations from various guild members, more shopping opportunities along with the chance to chat with people you know or would like to know.

The second part of the day was a chance to ask questions and get answers, more show and tell and another round of lucky draws. Every player won a prize! My heartfelt thanks to this amazing group of people who managed to host Country Forum. I know that it takes many hours and a great deal of team work to make it happen.

Of course, I could not finish this piece without mentioning the perfect end to the afternoon, scones with jam and cream and another cuppa! Just the sustenance needed to make the journey home. Thank you once again...

Sonia Holton



Thank you Jane and Cindy for hosting an informative and interesting Country Forum. It was a wonderful opportunity to do some retail therapy and to catch up with friends.



COUNTRY FORUM SHOW AND TELL



Saturday
30th October



A huge thank you to our two shops in attendance — Widebacks with Brenda and Tracey, along with Christina from Melann's.



Michael and Christine hosted QGSA's Library sale.....

Peggy and Gaylene worked tirelessly in the kitchen, ably supported by a wonderful band of helpers. Another huge vote of thanks goes to Café Finniss for their superb catering!



An enthusiastic audience of around 160 lining up to check out the shops and demonstrations

MC Cindy Massey kept us entertained and on task throughout the day.

COUNTRY FORUM SHOW AND TELL



Saturday
30th October



A mini exhibition of modern quilts framed a backdrop to the stage.



The dining room offered a great opportunity to catch up with friends.



Thank you Café Finniss for the wonderful catering!



Congratulations to Rhonda Stephens, winner of our raffle quilt. Pieced by Heather Ford and quilted by Chris O'Brien.



And... a huge thank you to a hugely supportive partner who made coming to CF possible...and we loved watching your bonsai get a trim.

Guild Meeting Notes

by Bron Atkinson



The meeting began with attendees looking around for those who had participated in the Inchies, etc., challenge. 40 people had on a variety of small quilts made into brooches, earrings, necklaces and embellishments for hair and clothing in many methods related to quilting. The challenge was won by Carol P and Viewers' Choice was by Jennifer G. What a wonderful way to engage with each other as we admired the efforts people had made.



Jennifer's brooch was a clever representation of the life cycle of a butterfly

Heather welcomed 108 people to the meeting with some visitors. Thanks were given to Jane and Cindy for managing the successful Country Forum held the weekend before and enjoyed by 140 participants. Peg led the catering volunteers and there were demonstrations in the dining area. In all, there were 22 volunteers involved in making sure the day ran smoothly. The two shops in attendance were Melann's and Widebacks and they were well patronised.

NOTICES

The amended Constitution has been approved by the appropriate authority and is now on the Guild's website.

A reminder that Backpacks 4 SA Kids is to be the recipient of gifts for children. Please bring gifts to the December meeting.

Backpacks 4 SA Kids need some Santa sacks. See this web page for the instructions:

[SA Quilters Guild - Quilting for Community Groups](#)

There are now some strong Guild bags for sale at the merchandise table.

WORKSHOPS

Monique asked us to send suggestions for workshops to the team. workshops.saquilters@gmail.com

A Blooming Delightful workshop with Rachelle Denny, that is scheduled for the last weekend in January 2022, still has some spaces.

SOUTHERN COMFORTERS

Southern Comforters

Mary had 2 quilts ready to be quilted. She also informed us that Lynette W had donated 45 quilts to be distributed where needed. 12 have gone to Flinders Kids. What an amazing gift to help others, Lynette. Thank you.

SHOP



The shop on the night was Riverlea Cottage Quilts, with Lyn, Chris, Lynda and Jacky all helping us with our purchases.

Riverlea was opened 32 years ago last July – well done, Lyn.

Lyn specializes in Japanese fabrics and she had some sashiko books with her, as well as some sashiko Christmas panels. There were layer cakes and cake mix recipes, as well as panels for bags. A range of Jason Yenter fabrics and patterns along with Advent and 2022 calendars can be found in her shop.

GUEST SPEAKER

Our guest speaker was Suzanne Gummow, well known to many of us as a talented teacher, artist and quilter. Suzanne has also been involved in Dare to Differ, a contemporary quilt exhibition for Australian quilters.



Guild Meeting Notes

by Bron Atkinson

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Thursday
4th November



Suzanne's parents operated a flower business and this has influenced her work in many ways. She also loves to travel and many of her works reflect the places she has visited. There were so many quilts displayed (ably held up by the quilt wranglers, Emilie and Cindy) that I lost count. Suzanne took us from her first quilt up to some of her latest works. Log cabin blocks are used in many of her quilts, but the main feature that is evident is her love of colour.



RAFFLES

The raffle tickets were drawn by Lyn and there were 7 parcels in each. The fat quarter raffle's theme was Japanese fabrics, and the general raffle was also drawn. Thank you, Lyn, for donating raffle prizes.

SHOW AND TELL

There were 34 items on display with many showing the Japanese theme. Among those who had show and tell were Candy, Emilie, Christa, Jenny, Sonia, Jill, Dorothy, Sue, Glenys, Jan, Lynda, Jacky and Adriana. The president's encouragement award was given to Jan from Kingston



Lynda's nature inspired



Jan's quilt top in the Japanese theme



Emilie's flowers and cranes

HEATHER'S TIPS AND TOOLS: Marking Pens

Heather divides her marking pens into two categories – those which are dry and sit on the fabric surface, and those which are a chemical and soak into fabric.

It is a very good idea to test any pen on a scrap of the fabric being used in your quilt top. This will help to know if it is clear enough to see, how easy it is to use and how easy it is to remove (and how to do that too.)

Heather's favourites are a ceramic marker (Sewline), a regular mechanical lead pencil, a chalk marker (Clover) and a chemical pen (Frixion).

She does not own blue wash out or purple fade out pens but they may suit your purpose.

Guild Meeting Notes

by Bron Atkinson

Thursday
4th November



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Executive Committee Member, Monique Reed, challenged Guild members to have a try making Inchies, Twinchies or Thrinchie and to wear them to the November Guild meeting. The response was wonderful! Here are a sample of the creative works on display.



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WORKSHOPS

Rachelle Denny— Blooming Delightful

In this workshop Rachelle will teach you to make her fabulous "Blooming Delightful" quilt, which was Runner up Best of Show at Festival of Quilts 2021. This is a happy colourful quilt with options for making a pieced background. It features a giant version of a Dresden plate using Rachelle's Ten Degree Wedge ruler. The center is filled with beautiful blooms using Rachelle's favorite turned edge applique technique. The quilt is made in quarters for ease of assembly. Choose your colour run of thirty six different fabrics or make it with a collection of scraps from your stash.

When: Friday 28th and Saturday 29th of January 2022, 9.30 - 4pm

Where: Vermont Uniting Church Hall, 576 Cross Road, South Plympton

Cost: \$ 160 (\$80 per day) Guild members/\$180(\$90 per day) affiliate members

Workshop Code: RD22



- ♦ All Workshop information and application form on the Guild website at [Workshops](#)
- ♦ For more details please email workshops.saquilters@gmail.com
- ♦ Full requirements lists will be emailed out closer to the workshop date.

FOR SALE.....



I have a Grace for Bernina frame that I know longer have a use for. It is in good order and has been dismantled and is in our trailer so could be transported to Adelaide from the mid north. Bargain priced to sell.

Lyn Brown

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OUR ROVING REPORTERS DROP IN ON JAN GOULTER



Like most girls of my era, I did dressmaking at high school. After leaving school I worked as a ledger machinist on a machine that took up an enormous amount of space in the office and today this work could probably all be done on a mobile phone.

Over the years I dabbled with a variety of crafty things. I made clothes for my children along with a lot of my own clothes until I returned to part-time work at the Modbury Hospital in 1978. Sewing then went by the wayside with the demands of work, children and ageing parents taking over my time.

Somewhere in the late 1980's I saw an advertisement for quilting lessons at the local Johnson's Fabrics store. I enrolled and like many others, on their introduction to quilting, I was hooked. Shortly afterwards I changed jobs and commenced full time work at the Women and Children's Hospital. I was able to continue my Johnson's Fabric lessons in the evenings at their city store. I still have my first quilt from the Johnson's Fabrics classes in my collection. It is much travelled having toured many parts of Australia in the caravan we once owned.

I later went to evening sewing classes at Melann's Fabrics which was then owned by the original "Ann".

In 1999 I joined Tea Tree Gully Quilters where I was a member until 2018. During the very enjoyable years spent at Tea Tree Gully, I served terms as Treasurer and as Coordinator of the group. I was also Convenor for the group's Quilting Exhibitions in 2009 and 2012. I enjoyed my time at Tea Tree Gully – it was an active group with retreats to attend along with small friendship groups travelling to interstate quilting shows. I have very fond memories of my days as a member of Tea Tree Gully Quilters.

I attended occasional Quilters Guild meetings as a visitor following my retirement in the late 1990's but did not become a Guild member until February 2003. After joining the Guild I became Coordinator of the 'Little Quilts of Love' program following the retirement of the founder - the late Jean Pearce OAM. This was a role I held from 2008 until 2016.



Jan found a vintage tablecloth in an op shop and quilted it to death!

CLICK [HERE](#) TO VIEW VIDEO OF KATHY AND CHRIS'S VISIT TO JAN'S SEWING ROOM.

OUR ROVING REPORTERS DROP IN ON JAN GOULTER

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In 2011 I was invited to join the Festival of Quilts Committee. Being involved with this committee has been a great experience – a group of talented, inspirational women. The weeks leading up to the event each year are hectic to say the least – by Sunday night we all go home totally shattered. However, by the time we debrief a week or so later, we are all ready to go it again for another year.

Please take the time to enter your quilt - not every quilt is perfect and not every quilt can win a prize but lots of beautiful quilts make a fabulous exhibition. I am still a member of the Festival of Quilts Committee as well as the Assistant Treasurer of the Guild.

At the Festival of Quilts in 2015 I was lucky enough to be awarded “Judges Commendation” from interstate judge Jenny Bowker for my quilt “Bush Magic”. This award was made extra special to me because I am a great fan of Jenny’s work. In the 2020 Festival, I was thrilled to achieve second place in the “Small Pieced” Section with my quilt “Forty Shades of Green”.

In May 2019 I was honoured to be awarded Life Membership to the QGSA. When I look at the list of Life Members I wonder how is it that I appear on the list with so many icons of the quilting world.



Bush Magic

Jax



An early round robin quilt.

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NEWS FROM THE CLARE QUILTERS

We are so pleased that our long awaited Exhibition eventually took place early in October. The protracted planning came together without any Covid-19 hiccups and we are pleased to report that the exhibition was very successful.

We were delighted to have a visit from SA Quilting Guild "royalty"; Heather Ford, Chris O'Brien and Peggy Argent and we hope they enjoyed their day. It was good to also see quilters from other groups; we appreciate their efforts in coming to Clare and hope they took away something useful from their visit.

Cynthia's Ark provided a very well stocked shop which attracted our members whenever they had a spare minute and many purchases were made.

We are grateful to our local Rotary Club for the use of their display frames and for the hands on help given by husbands, partners, sons etc to set up and dismantle them; we couldn't have done it without them.

Winner of the first prize raffled quilt was Judy Nobes from Parkes, NSW who had purchased her ticket while visiting Clare prior to the exhibition. President Ann packaged it into a very large Express Post bag and it has found its way safely to its very excited new owner.

Proceeds from the exhibition and raffle have made a good contribution to our bank balance which will help us with future planning and activities.

We are now enjoying a slower pace and starting to think about Christmas.

Our best wishes to all our quilting friends for a happy Christmas and restful summer break.

Chris Cootes

Clare Quilters



Ann M made this quilt which was designed by Chris O'Brien



Janet and Rosemary at the trading table.



A young viewer selected Julie's quilt "Over the Hill" as her favourite

CHRISSY QUILTS MORNING TEA

Members of QGSA, including President Heather, were recently invited by Yvonne Brennan to a morning tea at the Salisbury Stitchers. Along with other supporters of Chrissy Quilts, Yvonne offers an annual thank you morning tea to acknowledge that support.

Chrissy Quilts was founded by Yvonne in memory of her sister Christine Joy De Brenni after her long battle with cancer. Christine faced her battle with strength, courage, determination and dignity. She was always positive, loved life and was larger than life.

Christine wanted to bring her colour and flair to the oncology ward and always wanted to look her best even when she was having treatment.

Yvonne once made Christine a colourful lap quilt which she often brought with her when she was having treatment. With that memory in mind Yvonne decided to start making quilts for other patients at the Lyell McEwin Hospital.

To continue this work the Christine Joy De Brenni Foundation relies on the support of quilting groups, sponsors and the generosity of individuals to help with money and services. She is able to provide around 10 quilts a month, but would love to be able to donate even more quilts as she is unable to provide the necessary number of quilts.

If you would like to make a lap sized quilt that is bright and cheerful, please consider supporting Chrissy Quilts. Chris O'Brien is happy to accept these quilt on her Flinders Kids table at Guild meetings and forward them to Yvonne.

Thank you Salisbury Stitchers for the work that you do to support Yvonne, and thank you too to Yvonne for her wonderful community service.



The celebration cake..



This beautiful quilt was raffled on the day.

BEDFORD INDUSTRIES WORKSHOP WITH THE TEA TREE GULLY QUILTERS



On Saturday 9th October 2021 we had our annual Bedford Industries Workshop. We are lucky we have managed to have this for three years in a row, despite Covid. We had 20 girls all eager to spend the day sewing, learning and chatting. What fun!



Faye, Kay, Margie and Roma introduced their beautiful kits with a huge range of patterns and many different combinations of fabrics. How to choose? They also had examples of completed quilts, which, of course, is inspiring. Eventually we all settled on at least one to start. The idea is that the money raised goes to Bedford Industries. The teachers wandered around helping everyone, coming up with new ways of doing things and generally creating the most wonderful positive experience. I know the first time I did these workshops I learned a lot and I still always pick up a few tips. We had several girls who have not done these workshops before, so I hope you will keep coming back.

The girls also had panels and fabric for sale and there were regular prizes given out. I got a beautiful quilt kit, a very generous gift. It is a lot of fun seeing people getting sewing bits and pieces.

Our group bought 28 kits which is \$1400 worth as well as \$190 for the extras, a very worthwhile effort. A very enjoyable day had by all! And now to finish off our quilts!

Sandra McAllan

Secretary Tea Tree Gully Quilters



ARDROSSAN SIT N SEW'S COOBOWIE RETREAT: OCTOBER 2021

Fifteen lovely ladies enjoyed a 4 day retreat at Coobowie Old School House. Some of us hired cabins, another bought her caravan and the rest of us bunked in the School House on the lower bunks.

After lunch together at the Pub in Port Vincent we travelled to Coobowie to set up for our 4 days having decided we would not see daylight until Monday morning. Self catering was the way to go and there was a mountain of food to plough through, we gave it our best shot but failed, having made a mental note to cut down on the food. Each evening after a heavy day of sewing, of course we needed refreshments so that was the order of the day.

During the retreat there was so much laughter and fun that at times we had tears rolling down our cheeks. Even so we did produce a lot of sewing. Some of the projects that were started and completed are shown below.

A great time was had, lots of food, wine and fun and we cannot wait until next retreat at Coobowie in March 2022.



Rebecca's Quilt



Rhonda's Bag



Rowena's Quilt



Liz's Project Bag



Brenda's Quilt



Lyn's Quilt



Wendy's Placemats

THE MOTLEY QUILTERS' RETREAT: OCTOBER 2021

Recently 29 keen quilters met at Camp Willochra at the foot of beautiful Mt Remarkable near Melrose, for a wonderful weekend of sewing and fun. We came from Cummins, Cleve, Pt Pirie, Ardrossan, Victor Harbor, Waikerie, Mt Gambier and Adelaide, and we are MOTLEY QUILTERS. Our Show and Tell on Sunday took 2 1/2 hours, and we were all impressed and amazed at the range of skills shared, from intricate hand piecing and quilting, to plain old Jelly Roll Races and 9-patches ... all beautiful!

My friend in Cleve was never able to get to weekends that I organised at Mannum, so when we retired to Adelaide 6 years ago I realised Camp Willochra would be an ideal spot for us to meet, roughly half way. I invited other quilters I'd met as we'd moved around the State with my husband's work, and now we've gathered more friends along the way, and become the Motley Quilters.

From Friday afternoon to Monday morning we sew our own projects, and are very well fed and cared for by a cheerful bunch of husbands who are happy to provide a "kitchen-free" weekend for us. We usually have a shop visit, or else we do a What Was I Thinking?! stall, often contributing funds to Days for Girls or Hutt St Centre. Many of the girls visit Charlene's at Jamestown and/or the fabric shop in Clare en route, so we do our bit for the local economies, too!

Accommodation is in rooms with en-suites, for up to 4 on comfortable bottom bunks. BYO bedding, sewing gear, and Happy Hour drinks are essentials, but all else is provided, for a current cost of \$230. We meet twice a year, in March and October, and our recent weekend demonstrated our maximum capacity - we may end up with a Waiting List! Next year we'll be there 18-21 March, and 28-31 October, and March is already half full! If you'd like more information please email or text me.

karenkit@internode.on.net or 0427 0429 97.

Karen Kitto for Motley Quilters

SEEKING SOME FEEDBACK....

It has been suggested that we run a Mystery Quilt programme in I-Patch next year.

What do you think?

What time of year do you think this might work best?

Please let us know your thoughts.....

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