



I-Patch

A Focus on Quilting

Let's have fun and support our guest speakers and shops.
Members and visitors are very welcome to attend our meetings.
Let's fill those chairs.

SA QUILTERS MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, 1st September 2022

Doors open at 7.15pm for an 8.00pm start
Meeting to be held in the Burnside Community Hall

Welcome address: President, Heather Ford

Guest Speakers: Quilters share their early quilts to award winning quilts. Dianne Giles, Wendy Hunt, Heather Weatherall, Marg Hobby, Chris O'Brien

Community Raffle Quilt: Quilt Encounter raffle quilt

Shop: Love Lee Fabrics

Web Site: Lovelee Fabrics

Fat Quarter Raffle: Pink

Show and Tell: First quilts

Library: Available for borrowing and returns

Kitchen open for tea and coffee. Please bring a clean cup.

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Festival of Quilts 2022

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SA QUILTERS

TEST AND TAG AT SIT AND SEW

When: Wednesday, 24th August 2022. 11:00am to 3:00pm
Where: Vermont Uniting Church, 576 Cross Road, South Plympton

It is that time of the year again when we need to have our electrical items Test and Tagged.

If you are attending Quilt Encounter in September you will need to have all your electrical items tagged.

Peter will join us from 11am till 1pm and each item will cost you \$5.00 (sewing machine and cords = 1 item) payable in cash please. Bring along your sewing machine or two if you have, overlocker, iron or light box.

If you are not attending the Sit and Sew day, you are still welcome to bring your items to be tested, but be prepared to wait a little while.

Any questions give Peg a call on 0409 090 369.



Festival of Quilts 2022

'Done to Denim'

11-13 November 2022

Adelaide Convention Centre

In association with the Australian Machine Quilting Festival



Exciting news!

As announced by Convenor, Ann Ewer, at the recent Guild meeting, the Festival of Quilts is returning *this year*! We are collaborating with the Australian Machine Quilting Festival (AMQF) and holding our exhibition on the **11th, 12th and 13th of November** at the Adelaide Convention Centre on North Terrace.

Please help make this event very successful by entering the quilt(s) you have been working on over the last year.

Don't forget the Challenge! Any quilted denim item (e.g. bag, jacket, table runner, hat) that has been "Done to Denim" may be entered.

Also, a reminder that we are collecting items for the Pocket Project and the President's "Done to Denim" postcard challenge, details of which are on the web site.

Key Dates:

Wednesday 31st August: Entries received by that date will be eligible for the Early Bird prize to be drawn at the SA Quilters night meeting on Thursday 1st September. Therefore, don't delay, get your entries in to be eligible to win this great prize.

Wednesday 12th October: Entries close

Wednesday 26th October: Quilt drop off at Vermont Uniting Church Hall

Thursday 3rd November: Quilt drop off at SA Quilters Night Meeting

Click [here](#) to download the updated Handbook from the SA Quilters web site for more information, including quilt delivery and pick up details.

Send in your entries, postcards and decorated pockets to ensure we make this event special. There will be demonstrations, displays and shopping, but your quilts on show will provide a wonderful buzz.

Watch this space for further information. Any enquiries may be directed to:

Ann Ewer, telephone 0414 364 100, email [FOQ Convenor](mailto:FOQ_Convenor).

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President's report

Hello Everyone,

Our SA Quilters' meetings are always an enjoyable night and our meeting last week was no exception when Rachael Daisy joined us as guest speaker and presented a lovely show and tell of her quilts. If you missed out we have asked if she will come back and visit us some time in the future.

NEW BANNER - We are planning on having a new quilt banner which will be unveiled in 2024, for our 40th birthday celebrations. I'd like to put together a team to design and make the new banner. If you feel you would like to be part of the team please contact me; there is plenty of room on the team as no-one has volunteered yet.

COULD YOU VOLUNTEER? – I asked last month for volunteers and am pleased to announce that June Yam-Stead has joined the Executive Team as Events Team Leader. She will have in her portfolio Country Forum, 40th birthday celebrations, Trunk Shows, Biggest Morning Tea, Market Day plus any other events she can dream up. Welcome to the team, June.

HAND SEWING SIT AND SEW – The first get together for this group was held on August 3 and everyone had a great day. If you would like to join them they will meet on the first Wednesday monthly at the Vermont Church, 576 Cross Road, South Plympton from 10am to 3pm. Cost is \$10-00 for individual members and \$15-00 for affiliate members. Tea and coffee will be provided. Please bring morning tea to share and your own lunch.

CHARITY SEWING DAY - You will remember that I announced that after many, many years Mary Heard and Kay Wilson are retiring from looking after Southern Comforters, a very big vacancy to fill. I am pleased to let you know that we have three volunteers Sue Zilm, Jan Strachan and Kate Seinor who are willing to take over the role. Logistics are still being worked through but to kick off there will be a charity sewing day on Saturday September 3, 2022 at the Uniting Church Blackwood, which is at the roundabout. Entrance to the car park is from Coromandel Parade. 10am to 3pm. BYO lunch - tea, coffee and milk will be provided. Everyone is welcome, but if you can only spare a couple of hours that's ok. It is anticipated that this will be a monthly get together. We will be cutting kits, pinning quilts, and of course sewing. If inclined, bring your sewing machine and bits and pieces and join with like-minded people. Cords will be supplied.

CHRISTMAS CHARITY – When speaking with Amy from Catherine House I mentioned that I thought we may be able to supply them with 500 tote bags. Well, fabulous news 98 bags were brought to the meeting Thursday last week. Thank you everyone and keep them coming, hopefully we can reach 500 by the Christmas meeting

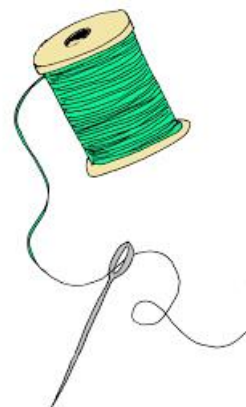
Until next time,

Stay safe and happy quilting

Heather

Heather Ford

Thank you



Thank you, Thank you, Thank you

Here is a photo of the Tote Bags for Catherine House delivered to the SA Quilters meeting last Thursday, all 98 of them. Well done everyone.

I had suggested that we may be able to supply 500 by Christmas and we are well on the way.

Keep them coming, let's see if we can get to 500.

Cheers

Heather — President — SA Quilters

Sew What's Quilting Group

Bedford Workshop hosted by Sew What's Quilting Group

Where: Church of Christ, 9/11 Seaview Road, Victor Harbor

When: Friday, 19th August 2022

Time: 9:30am to 3:00pm

Cost: \$55 (includes Bedford Kit)

Contact: Margaret Borlase on 0409 328 720



Please bring your lunch. Tea, coffee and biscuits provided.

Limited spaces, so book your place today.

“DONE TO DENIM” POSTCARD CHALLENGE

To feature in a special exhibition at the 2022 Festival of Quilts

The challenge is to make a postcard quilt made from denim.

- * Minimum size is 6" x 4" and no larger than 4" x 8½".
- * Any technique or medium
- * Can be bound, bagged, raw edge zig zagged, blanket stitch or your choice
- * Can be stiffened to post or soft to put in an envelope. One side must have an area to write a name and address and attach postage stamps. It could be card (manila folder works well or scrapbooking paper) or fabric. Please write your name on the back so they can be returned to you.



Will consist of three layers

- * A decorative front
- * A middle layer of stiffening or wadding of some sort or vilene
- * A backing of card or fabric



I quickly threw together the samples in a couple of hours, so they are not at all special. I am sure you can come up with a masterpiece.

Cheers

Heather Ford

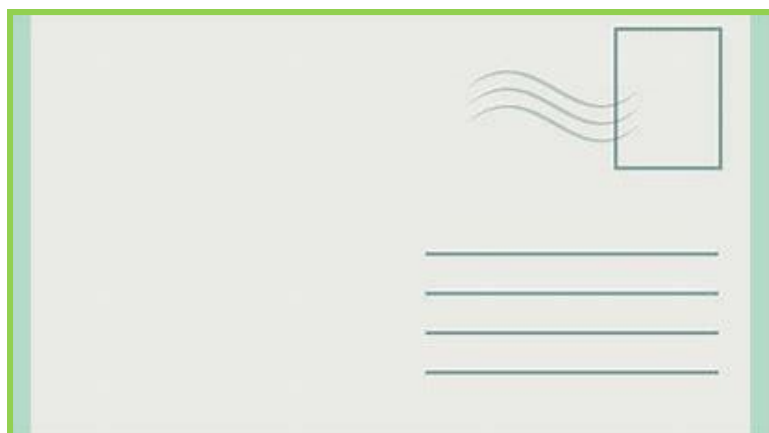
President, SA Quilters

History of the fabric postcard

with thanks to Joanne Dungleison of Queensland Quilters

Postcards started to appear around the beginning of the 20th Century and were predominantly from printed silk designs which were then hand embroidered. They rose in popularity during WW1 and WW2 and were sent to soldiers with words of encouragement. Even the soldiers made them and sent them to loved ones; these have become very collectable and valuable works of art and are of historical value.

Today's Postcard Fabric Art is so diverse that they have become quite an art form in themselves. They are very popular as themed swaps and challenges including on social media all over the world.



Quilters' Rules

THE PATTERN IS JUST A SUGGESTION

MEASURE TWICE, CUT ONCE

DON'T BLEED ON THE FABRIC

IT'S NOT AN "MISTAKE", IT'S AN "OPPORTUNITY"

WATCH YOUR BOBBIN

STRAY THREADS ARE A FASHION STATEMENT

USE THE GOOD FABRIC

DONE IS BETTER THAN PERFECT



Love Lee Fabric

Located In Mount Barker, SA, Love Lee Fabric is an online fabric store which stocks a wide variety of beautiful fabrics, predominately the Kaffe Fassett Collective, currently there are approx 500 bolts in stock of just the KFC fabrics plus Tula Pink, Anna Maria Horner, Tim Holtz, Grunge and so many other fabrics are also available.

Please check out the website loveleefabric.com.au or contact me on 0421 018 099 or loveleefabric@gmail.com

I am also on Facebook - Love Lee Fabric and instagram @love_lee_fabric.



If you would like to visit the shop at Mt Barker, please contact me to arrange a suitable time.

I am pleased to be able to bring my shop to the SA Quilters meeting in September. I will be having some super specials for attendees. Free Spirit Fat Quarters \$6.50 each or 10 for \$60.00, pick your own bundles, included will be the newest ranges. There will also be 40% off some selected fat quarter bundles from Tula Pink and Anna Maria Horner.

In my 'spare' time I also have a longarm quilting business called Leonie's Longarm Quilting, specialising in Edge to Edge Quilting.





SA Quilters is proud to support our ongoing initiative with the children's ward at Flinders Medical Centre. We recently delivered our second consignment for the year – over 60 quilts that we've been told are always very much appreciated by both children and caregivers who spend varying lengths of time in this ward.

Our preference is to supply bright, cheerful, child appropriate quilts that are 40" x 60" in size, although there is some flexibility in these measurements as there are varying ages of children in the ward. There are also times when accompanying adults are offered a larger quilt if they stay with children overnight.

We like our quilts to be labelled with SA Quilters 'Quilts of Love' labels, so please collect from the Flinders Kids desk at SA Quilters meetings or contact me to have some mailed out to you or to your group. Slipping the label beneath the binding is quick and easy, but more challenging for me once the quilt is bound!

We recently received several bags of Flinders Kids quilts from the Cleve Country Quilters that were very welcome. The group clearly have a defined process happening – a shared pool of wonderfully cheerful fabrics, some tried and true go-to patterns and possibly a day or two of dedicated stitching. The quilts were all the same size and catered for both genders plus gender neutral quilts. I'd like to shout out a huge thank you to the Cleve Country Quilters – your process is one that other groups might like to try too.

I'm often asked about what makes a good quilt design for boys. Having seen lots of great ideas I have to confess that the best ones make good use of a pre-printed panel – trucks, spaceships, motor bikes, cars, trains, bugs and other critters. They are also quick to make by just adding some pieced or plain borders to bring them up to size.

At this moment my Flinders Kids cupboard is totally bare, and I'd love to be able to put together another 60 quilts ready for the next delivery request. To that end I'm going to reinvigorate the QGSA Flinders Kids Facebook page with a monthly design idea and commit to making at least one quilt of this design each month myself.

Please drop by the [Flinders Kids](#) Facebook page to check out this month's *Falling Charms* design links and feel free to post photos of your quilt to inspire others to join in the challenge.

I've mentioned the Cleve Country Quilters, but I am only too aware that there are other groups and individuals who regularly support the Flinders Kids program. Thank you all – your contributions are very much valued and appreciated.

Chris O'Brien

CONTACT: cobrien@internode.on.net

Some design ideas



A good example of a gender neutral quilt for a child



A delightfully happy and bright scrap quilt



This quilt makes good use of a panel

FLINDERS KIDS QUILTS



Some of the 60+ quilts delivered to Flinders Kids



This quilt is simple yardage and looks great for a boy

WANTED: Large blue **IKEA** bags for quilt deliveries to Flinders Kids. If you are visiting IKEA please consider purchasing and donating a bag or two to help us out with transporting these quilts to Flinders Medical Centre. Chris will happily collect donations at SA Quilters meetings each month or you can ask any member of our Executive Committee to pass them on to her. Thank you!

SCHOLARSHIPS AND COUNTRY GRANTS ARE BACK

Having suspended Scholarships and Country Grants during Covid-19 chaos I am happy to announce that they are back. For 2022 we will accept applications until November 1 and awardees will be announced at the December meeting.

Scholarships are available for individual SA Quilters members to further the quilting knowledge and expertise of the individual by assisting with expenses for one or more of the following:

- learning or research;
- promotion of skills, e.g., publication, exhibition, lecture tour;
- participation in an overseas educational tour.

Country Grants are available to country groups and should be for activities designed to help a whole group, or the community at large, e.g.:

- the running of retreats, workshops, exhibitions etc.
- charity group expenses
- group activities such as community wall hangings, bus tours to other exhibitions etc.
- group valuation of quilts

Please go to the web site at [SA Quilters](https://saquilters.org.au) for all the application details and criteria for eligibility.

Heather Ford
President SA Quilters

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Dare to Differ

“Dare to Differ – 2022” - Contemporary Quilts

This exhibition features a juried selection of contemporary art quilts from textile artists all around Australia. The aim is to present the transformation in contemporary quilting by extending the limits of art textiles, quilt making and the courage to “dare to differ”.

“Dare to Differ” exhibitions are held biennially, and originated after a small group came together in South Australia more than 25 years ago with the aim of promoting and showcasing contemporary art quilts in this state.

The interpretation of the theme is left to the quilt maker. Contemporary quilt makers are encouraged to extend their horizons, leaning more towards contemporary Visual Arts. The exhibition is open to all quilt makers within Australia. By opening entries to interstate contemporary quilt makers, South Australian quilt makers and the general public get the opportunity to view a very high standard exhibition of contemporary art quilts.

A definition of a quilt for this exhibition is that it must be predominantly fibre, and be composed of a least two distinct layers, stitched together throughout the quilt. It must be innovative, original and of course meet the criteria of the title **“Dare to Differ”**. Entries were preselected from photos – one of the whole quilt and one detail. The selection process is done by two contemporary quilt artists with an international standing. This year the selectors were Suzanne Gummow and Zara Zannettino.

The exhibitions in the past have been exciting, diverse and of an extremely high standard and this 2022 exhibition is no exception.

SA Quilters members plan to hold a Biggest Morning Tea in 2023. The Executive Committee has approved the funds to run the event.

The plan is to hold the Biggest Morning Tea from 10am to 3pm in May 2023 and we will confirm the date and venue as soon as we have locked it in.

It will be a spiffy event with our best china and lots of fun and laughter.

In the meantime, we are hoping our members will join us in making goods for the trading tables. We can make quilts (probably small is best), bags, place mats, table runners etc which we can sell to visitors on the day. And we welcome projects from our knitters and crocheters and any other craft ideas. We will also have a garden trading table selling seedlings and plants. Again, we are encouraging our members to start raising plants to donate to this trading table.

We will also have a major raffle and a number of shoebox raffles which will include some mystery prizes.

An entry fee of \$5 per person will apply and this will include morning/afternoon tea but a bottomless cup of tea/coffee will be available all day for those who want to hang around. All money raised will be donated entirely to Cancer Research.

We have registered SA Quilters on the Biggest Morning Tea web site [here](#) where we have entered a very modest target of \$1,000, however we are hoping to exceed that amount. Anybody wishing to donate prior to the SA Quilters Biggest Morning Tea is welcome to do so on the web site.

A small sub-committee has been formed to manage the BMT 2023. If you would like to help or just need more information or have any suggestions, you can contact us by email on saquilters@gmail.com.

The BMT 2023 Team

Heather Ford

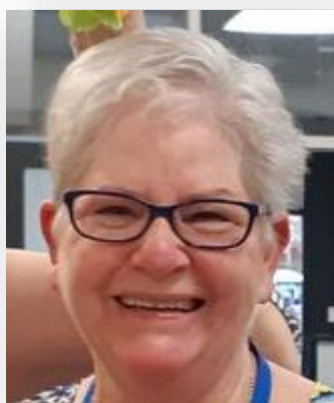
Peggy Argent

Cindy Massey

Kathleen Rossini



Heather



Cindy





My quilting journey – Chris Murphy

I had been sewing since I was young in primary school and also as my children grew up. I made their clothes and my own and still love making clothes for myself and my family.

My quilting journey started by doing a quillow class at Johnsons fabric store with my friend Mary. It was probably 35 years ago. I was hooked. I made 3 more quillows and then started making quilts. I went to classes at Riverlea Quilts on Unley Road and also at workshops at the Quilters' guild. I joined Eastern Evening Quilters and started so many quilts and finished some of them. The rest are in my UFO pile.

I went to Quilt Encounter at Roseworthy a few times and had the best fun.

I joined ICQ which was an online chat group and found a quilting pen pal in Florida. Sandy Funk is still a very good friend of over 30 years. I also found Bonnie Hunter who is an inspiration online and SCQuilters group which was a lifesaver over the years I was in the UK.

Meanwhile we got the opportunity to go to England for a 3 year stint with my husband's work. I contacted Sandy in Florida and my youngest son and I spent a great week with her and met her quilting group.

Arriving in the UK one of the first things I did was contact the British Quilt Guild and asked if there were any ladies who would catch up with me. I met and joined a quilt group in Hartfordshire. The ladies welcomed me with open arms and we enjoyed a great friendship.

After returning to Australia we settled in Brisbane for 14 years. You guessed it. I contacted the Queensland Quilt group and they put me in touch with like minded people in the Redlands where we had bought our house. I am still friends with Pat Burton. I joined a couple of quilting groups and continued with my quilting journey.

After retirement the family convinced us to come home. We are now living in Noarlunga at a retirement village. I contacted my guild and rejoined SA Quilters and found my tribe at McLaren Vale quilt group.

Click [here](#) to visit Chris in her sewing room with Cindy and Jane, our roving video reporters.



Chris also is a clever crocheter



TRUNK SHOW



WHERE: Ballroom—Stamford Grand Hotel, Glenelg

WHEN: Saturday 24th September 2022

TIME: 6.45pm for 7.30pm start

COST: \$40 per ticket - includes tea/coffee/ sweet

HOW TO PURCHASE A TICKET:

- At the monthly Guild meetings (pay at the Treasurer's table and then take your receipt to Workshops to collect tickets)
- BY DIRECT DEPOSIT: Bank: BSB 105-051
Account Number: 207 144 540
 - ♦ Account Name: Quilters' Guild of SA Inc.
 - ♦ Reference: Member number + TS21
 - ♦ Email workshops.saquilters@gmail.com to advise that you have made your payment.

"CELEBRATING THE JOURNEY OF A QUILTER"



Friends and family of Vera Lloyd are collecting over 150 quilts and articles Vera has created to exhibit at the [Hahndorf Institute on October 8th - 9th 2022](#).

Vera has been involved with quilting over the past 35 years and the display will show her amazing quilting journey from the 1980s to now. Vera is part of the Sew What's Quilting Group at Victor Harbor.

Gold Coin Donation and Trading Table proceeds will go to BCNA. (Breast Cancer Network Australia).

FOR SALE



**HQ Sweet Sixteen
Sit-Down Long Arm Quilter**
\$5,990 o.n.o.
Excellent condition

Includes DVD, bobbin winder, needles,
2 different feet, adjustable table with handy
shelves, threads, bobbins and Tru-Stitch
stitch regulator.

Please phone Pen on 8339 3790
or leave a message on 0435 265 532

Add the InSight Table for \$2,290 and still
save over \$1,200, or use as-is and save
\$3,500.

I'd rather be
sewing



COROMANDEL VALLEY QUILTERS QUILT EXHIBITION 2022

We Are Makers

10 September: 10am - 5pm; 11 September: 10am - 4pm

Coromandel Community Centre
442b Main Road, Coromandel Valley

\$5 Entry

- *Community Quilt Raffle
- *Handcrafts for Sale
- *Refreshments (Savoury and Sweet)
- *Exhibition of the SA Modern Mix Quilters
"Mix It Up" Challenge

Shop:: WIDEBACKS

Official Opening by Chris O'Brien

Supporting Coromandel Valley CFS and
Backpacks 4 SA Kids Inc.

MASONIC QUILTERS AND CRAFT GROUP

QUILT EXHIBITION

TAILEM BEND TOWN HALL

101 Railway Terrace, Tailem Bend

Friday, 21 and Saturday, 22 October 2022

Open 10:00am to 4:00pm both days

Stall convened by Jenny McConnell of Treasures to Acquire!

Devonshire Tea will be available on both days

**Gold Coin
Admission**

**Raffle tickets on sale for the Quilt to be drawn at
3:00 pm on Saturday.**

**All proceeds to be shared by Children's Projects
in Tailem Bend.**

DO YOU READ ALL THE ARTICLES IN I-PATCH?

WE WOULD REALLY LIKE YOUR FEEDBACK.

Let us know by email to saquilters@gmail.com and you can be in the running to win a **Fat Quarter Pack** generously donated by Lloyd Curzon Textiles.

BUT - you need to answer this simple question - **WHAT SIZE IS A FAT QUARTER?**

The winner will be randomly drawn from the correct answers submitted and published in the next I-Patch.

GOOD LUCK.

You can visit Lloyd Curzon Textiles web site at <https://lcurzon.com.au/>

COMMUNITY QUILTS

While we enjoy making quilts, there is always a recipient whose life is warmed by the receipt of a quilt that has been made with generosity, love and concern for others.

A recent example is a letter from a lady to SA Quilters thanking the generous quilters who made and donated a beautiful quilt to the Women's and Children's Hospital. Her young son, who has been ill for some time, was the recipient of the quilt. It made such a difference to him and his Mum while he has been receiving treatment, knowing that there are strangers out there willing to make a difference in their day.

Thank you all for what you do. Quilters are indeed special people.

Celebrating 25 years of

Glenelg Quilters

2022 Quilt Exhibition

Silver Anniversary

October 27th- 29th

Thursday & Friday 10 - 4pm

Saturday 10am - 3pm

Entry \$2

Including quilts by Rachelle Denny

Trading Table & Raffle



Proceeds to St Paul's Community Care

Morning or Afternoon tea \$5.00

St Paul's Lutheran Church, Brighton Road, Glenelg

Brighton Road, Tram Stop 15



Rural Roundup 2022

Hosted by Cleve Country Quilters

Saturday 29th October 2022

Cleve Sporting Bodies Club

Shopping and refreshments from 8:30am

Programme 10am to 4pm

Cost \$35

Morning tea, lunch, afternoon tea

(plus goodie bag and lucky number prizes)

Major Door Prize: Bernina 325 Sewing Machine

Donated by Melann's Fabrics & Sewing Centre

REGISTRATIONS

Register by 15th September

(Capped at 250)

Contact:

Lyn Illman

0448 076 646

lynillman@yahoo.com.au



A fantastic opportunity to meet with members of our Country Groups at this year's

Rural Roundup in Cleve.

The event is not just restricted to Country people, so come along and bring your City friends. Three shops, guest speakers including wool and fabric dyeing talks. Everything to satisfy anyone interested in quilting and craft.

<https://www.saquilters.org.au/rural-roundup.htm>

Guild Meeting Notes

by Bron Atkinson

Thursday
4th August



Heather and Pam

One hundred attendees and two visitors enjoyed a very fun-filled meeting. More about Rachealdaisy to come! Heather outlined the usual house-keeping information, and presented Pam Holland with a floral gift in honour of her Rajah Award, which was announced while Pam was in Morocco. Heather mentioned that June Yam has joined the executive committee as the Events Team Leader.



Heather and June

Heather also reminded us that there are plans for a new banner and help is needed to produce it. In addition, Heather and the executive team would like help to organise celebration activities for the Guild's 40th birthday in 2024. Maybe let June know if you can help.

Another welcome announcement was that Southern Comforters have some new co-ordinators to continue the community quilt-making task that has been ably managed by Mary and Kay for quite some time. Sue Zilm, Kate Seinor and Jan Strachan have volunteered to co-ordinate the quilt making and have organised a sewing day on 3rd September in the Uniting Church at Blackwood. (See the notice in this issue of I-Patch.)

There was also a reminder about Rural Roundup in Cleve in October. Details about registration are on the [Rural Roundup](#) page on the SA Quilters web site. Heather also informed us of a very generous donation of a Bernina 325 sewing machine by Christina at Melann's for a prize at the Roundup. Thank you, Christina.

Orphan blocks are still needed for the car covers and can be dropped off at meetings. Heather has counted about 150 tote bags made for Catherine House, which did not include those handed in on the night. The plan is to donate 500 bags, so more are needed. Hope you can help us to reach the goal.

Ann Ewer, Festival of Quilts Convenor, was invited to the stage to make a very exciting announcement. **Festival of Quilts 2022 is happening!** The Festival of Quilts will be held in conjunction with the Australian Machine Quilting Festival at the Adelaide Convention Centre from Friday 11th to Sunday 13th November 2022. Please get those sewing machines buzzing. Entries are due by 12th October 2022. More details can be found on the [Festival of Quilts](#) page on the SA Quilters web site.

Our guest speaker was Rachael Daisy. What an array of quilts Rachael had to show



us. Many oohs and aahs could be heard. Rachael recently moved to Victoria and has been able to see quite a lot of our state on this trip to SA. Starting in Mildura, she moved on to Renmark, Burra, Riverton, Victor Harbor and Waikerie, conducting classes at each place. Some workshop participants were able to show what they had made this time around. Some lucky people had attended workshops at Quilt Encounter, so their quilts were further along in their construction. Rachael uses a variety of fabrics and embellishments in her quilts, and there were



some made using denim, which is our FoQ theme fabric. There is a copy of Rachael's book *Whizz Bang* in our library.

See over for some images of Rachael's quilts. Check out <https://www.rachaeldaisy.com/>

Examples of some of Rachael's quilt styles



SUB-COMMITTEE REPORTS

QUILT ENCOUNTER — Kerryn told us that there are 200 people booked in to Quilt Encounter this year. This will make it interesting at lunch time as the dining area does not hold that many people! The beautiful raffle quilt was on display. The fabric for the quilt was donated by Jo from Stitch 'N' Bits in Cowell and the machine quilting was completed by Judy Simcock from Bordertown. Judy's time was donated too. Thank you ladies. This helps in raising funds for the charity being supported this year by QE, which will go to help fund Breast Care nurses on Eyre Peninsula.

There is a challenge which is open to participants only — decorate a bra.



SIT AND SEW — HAND SEWING

Jackie reported that the first hand sewing sit and sew day was attended by 14 people who had a very good time, although she did start by saying the room was very quiet with no-one speaking and heads down sewing. This was not true of course as everyone joined in the talking and I am sure some of the world's problems were solved on the day.

LIBRARY NEWS — Jackie, assistant librarian, seems to have persuaded Michael that the library should be open after the meeting for a few minutes. Please take advantage of this opportunity so it can continue. Also, have a look at some of the new acquisitions in the library.

WORKSHOP NEWS — The Workshops Convenor, Ros, is still looking for suggestions for future workshops. You can contact her at workshops.sauiltilers@gmail.com if you have any ideas.



Chris and Faye at the Flinders Kids table

FLINDERS KIDS — Chris let us know that her cupboard is bare of quilts to go to Flinders Kids, having given at least 60 quilts to the hospital. The quilts need to be colourful and bright. They are used by long-term patients and those who have to come and go for treatment over time. Chris had put together a Falling Charms quilt which is this month's suggestion.



Two examples of the Falling Charms design, each starting with a different size square. The larger square uses less background fabric.

SHOP

Melann's Fabric and Sewing Centre was our shop. Christina had brought along an array of goods for us to buy. There were some Christmas panels, a beach bag, special rulers for machine quilting and ironing mats amongst the wares. Christina also helped Heather draw the raffle prizes, to which she had donated. Thank you for your support, Christina. There were 7 raffles prizes, 5 1930s fat quarter raffle bags and Maree Caplin won the Lucky Door Prize.

SHOW AND TELL



Burra Ladies efforts from their Rachael Daisy workshop



Nina won the President's Encouragement award with her Bugs for Bruno



Margaret, Julie and Peg with their Square Stars

Jenny



Ros



Sue



Nola

HEATHER'S TIP — LEADERS AND ENDERS

Fold a piece of scrap fabric in half and use it as a leader or ender. Use it to start or end a row of sewing, and it is very handy as you can chain piece using this scrap of fabric as either a leader and ender. A couple of advantages are that you save thread because you don't have tails of thread to cut, and the double layer of fabric matches the pieces you are sewing together which helps with the tension. You could also sew together blocks for another quilt top as your leader or ender if they are already cut out. Two for the price of one!

Modern Mix SA Quilters



Modern Mix SA Quilters Schedule

2022	Topic	Challenge or Activity
21st August	Own project sewing	Bring along your own current project to work on this month. Show and Tell
18th September	Half Rectangle Triangles	Learn how to make these in both a structured and an Improv design to make a quilted cushion. More details of fabric scraps to bring along provided closer to the date. Show and tell
16th October	Positive / Negative	Reverse / Swap / Change Technique discussion and demo. Requirements list will be posted closer to gathering date. Show and tell

- **Where:** The venue is the Vermont Uniting Church Hall, 576 Cross Road, South Plympton
- **Cost:** \$10 per meeting for SA Quilters members and \$15 per meeting for affiliate and non Members
- **BYO lunch.** Tea, coffee and milk will be provided

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