



## Featured Quilt - Modern Mix SA June Meeting - Raffle Quilt

See Modern Mix SA web page at - [SAQ Modern Mix](#)



**FEATURED QUILTER  
BRON ATKINSON**



See Bron's story inside

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Hello Everyone,

Firstly, thank you to those of you who encouraged me to nominate for the role again. SA Quilters has been an important part of my life for almost 40 years as I hope it has been or will be for all of you too. It's going to be a 'keep the seat warm' presidency as the great news is that we have a succession plan in place for next year.

In the coming months my main objective will be to continue to promote ongoing reviews of SAQs policies, procedures and activities to ensure that firstly we focus on providing you all, as members, with the best possible quilting opportunities, but also to hand over to your next President a well-documented and strongly functioning Guild.

Most importantly though, I'd like to take this opportunity to say a heartfelt thank you to our retiring President, Heather Ford. If I had to come up with just one word to describe Heather it would be dynamo. She has been a bundle of energy – fossicking out aspects of SAQs that hadn't been addressed for some considerable time, questioning the whys and wherefores of 'established practices' and redeveloping out of date documentation. Additionally, and so importantly, she has fostered a dynamic, enthusiastic Leadership Team from which no one resigned, and others joined, this year.

Heather, thank you for your hard work and dedication over the past three years.

Stay safe and happy quilting

*Chris*

Chris O'Brien - President, SA Quilters

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**Thursday, 6<sup>th</sup> June 2024. Doors open 7:15pm for 8:00pm start**

**in the main Burnside Community Centre Hall**

**Welcome address:** President Chris O'Brien

**Guest Speaker:** Heather Ford – 40 UFOS

**Shop:** Cynthia's Ark **Web Site:** [Cynthia's Ark](http://Cynthia's Ark)

**Raffle Quilt:** Modern Mix SA (to be drawn at the meeting)

**Fat Quarter Raffle:** Happy

**Show and Tell:** Happy Quilts

**Library:** Available for borrows and returns

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



If members didn't receive a **40-Year Commemorative Birthday Badge**, please see Peggy at the Welcome Desk or at Sit and Sew or Workshops.

- Guild Meetings
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Download the May instructions for the Sew Along quilting blocks on the SA Quilters web site here -

<https://www.saquilters.org.au/sew-along/>

Follow participants progress on the 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday Sew Along Facebook page at:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/882729666919816>

where you can also download the instructions in the Facebook Files section.

Retiring President, Heather Ford, welcomed members, visitors and guests to the 39th Annual General Meeting of the Quilters' Guild of South Australia (SA Quilters).

Heather thanked her Leadership Team and SA Quilters members for the support given to her in her role over the past three years and she had the pleasure of presenting Service Awards to members who have displayed outstanding service to SA Quilters. (See Service Award criteria on next page).



### Nola Pearce presented the *Nola Pearce Service Award* to Roslyn Holmes

- Roslyn joined QGSA 1993 so has been a member for 31 years. She served on the Executive Committee from 1996 to 1999 (the maximum 3 years allowed back then) and held the position of Librarian for those 3 years
- Served on Festival of Quilts from 2008 to 2014 (inclusive) = 7 years
- Joined Quilt Encounter in 2014 and is still a member now in 2024 = 10 years.
- So that is a total of 20 years of service. Roslyn has always been that quiet achiever in the background getting things done. Congratulations Ros and thank you for your many years of service.
- The second Nola Pearce Service Award will be announced when the recipient is available.

### Heather Ford presented the Five Year Service award to the following recipients:



### Left to right:

- **Jane Polden**  
Leadership Team, Quilt Encounter Team
- **Cindy Massey**  
Leadership Team (covering many roles), Appraisal Panel, Quilt Encounter Team
- **Wendy Hunt**  
Festival of Quilts Team, Appraisal Panel
- **Sonia Holton**  
Festival of Quilts Team, Quilt Encounter Team

### Jane Polden conducted the election for the 2024 Executive Committee:

#### Left to right:

Rosanne Fuller, Heather Ford  
Ann Ewer, Margaret Hurrell,  
Michael Barton, Shez Hobbs  
Julie Symons, Gaylene Morgan  
Wendy Hunt, Denise Johnston  
June Yam, Cindy Massey  
Keith Holland, Jan Goulter  
Kathleen Rossini, Chris O'Brien

#### Absent:

Peggy Argent, Jackie Harris,  
Ros Wyatt



In 2023 the SA Quilters Leadership Team agreed it was time to restructure the service awards available to members of SA Quilters. A team was put together and following investigation and discussion a proposal was tabled at the May 2023 Leadership Team Meeting and after much discussion, the changes were adopted unanimously. As has been the practice in the past all awards are to be chosen at the discretion of the current President in consultation with key personnel. SA Quilters has an extensive data base record of member's service.

In the past there were two levels of service and it was decided there will now be three levels and the first of those is:

- [Service Awards](#) will recognise those who have given active service to SA Quilters in some form or other for a period of 5, 10, 15, 20 etc years. This service could be continuous or cumulative. Recognition will be a certificate and appropriate badge presented at an Annual General Meeting.

It was decided that another level of recognition of service would be added to the existing two; this new service award will be known as [The Nola Pearce Service Award](#)

Nola Pearce has been a member of Quilters' Guild of South Australia/SA Quilters since 1986 and was President twice, in 1993/1994 and again in 2010/2011.

She has also served in the following capacities:

- Exhibition committee member 1990 – 1994 she was convenor in 1994
- Australian Council of Quilters delegate 1993, 1994 and 2011
- Insurance officer 1996 – 2006 – 10 years
- Judging Panel 1996 – 2021 – 25 years
- Appraisal Panel member from 1992 when it began, and is still a member of the Team, 32 years later
- Teachers Forum Leader 2010 - 2013
- Nola was awarded Life Membership in 1994 and epitomises the spirit of service.

The recipient of the [The Nola Pearce Service Award](#) will also have shown this spirit of service to SA Quilters and will receive a certificate and badge presented at an Annual General Meeting.

To be considered for the Nola Pearce Service Award a member must have:

1. Had continuous membership of SA Quilters for a minimum of 10 years
2. Given service to SA Quilters for a minimum of 10 years
3. Represented SA Quilters in a positive and supportive light at all times

And attain any two of the following three criteria:

- a. Made a major contribution to the further improvement of SA Quilters
- b. Served as a member of one or more SA Quilters teams
- c. Actively participated in the undertakings of SA Quilters

The third level of service will be [Life Membership](#)

Life members will be awarded a badge and certificate at an Annual General Meeting, will pay no membership fees or monthly meeting attendance fees henceforth and will be acknowledged on the Life Members page on the website. Life Members are entitled to vote.

To be considered for Life Membership of SA Quilters a member shall have:

1. Had continuous membership of SA Quilters for at least 20 years
2. Served in a Team Leadership position on various teams for a minimum of 10 years OR
3. Served as President for two years plus active membership of various teams for a minimum of eight years, not necessarily in a leadership role.



# SA Quilters Meeting Notes

Thursday  
2 May 2024

Newly elected, 2024 President, Chris O'Brien welcomed members, visitors and guests to the May 2024 meeting.

Chris thanked retiring President, Heather Ford, for her service to SA Quilters over the past three years and presented Heather with a gift of thanks on behalf of the members.

Chris introduced the new 2024 Leadership team.



The shop at the meeting was Kadina Craft and Sewing Centre, owned by Genevieve Bache. Thanks for bringing your shop and thanks for providing prizes to the lucky raffle winners. You can find all the shop details on the web site [here](#).



Genevieve

## Sub Committee Reports

- **Festival of Quilts.** Ann reminded us that entries close on 31 May. There are plans for special exhibitions by Burra Quilters, the SA Quilters Appraisal Panel, Embroiderer's Guild, Rachel Dettman and Modern Mix SA. Ann encouraged everyone to come to the Festival to meet Quilter in Residence, Jill Radcliffe. Early bird prize winners were Nina Regan, Sarah Addis and Tina Gillespie.
- **Quilt Encounter.** Bev gave an update on Quilt Encounter plans including the list of fantastic tutors. Brochures are due to be posted to participants in the next few days. Ricky Pont from the Log Cabin Angels has been awarded the 2024 Lessa Siegele Scholarship. The Trunk Show will be "Chatting on the Couch" with Jen Kingwell and Sue Spargo. Proceeds from the Quilt Encounter raffle will be donated to the Royal Flying Doctors at Port Augusta.
- **Appraisal Panel.** Heather Ford announced the last date for quilt appraisals before the Festival of Quilts will be Friday, 7th June and encouraged entrants to have their quilts appraised. Contact [appraisals.saquilters@gmail.com](mailto:appraisals.saquilters@gmail.com)
- **Flinders Kids.** Chris thanked everyone for the amazing response to her call for quilts. She will be making a delivery to Flinders Hospital next week.

## SHOW AND TELL - Nothing is to scale here



Bronwyn



Cindy



Pam



Nola



The President's 2023 Challenge quilts

Margaret, Ann, Heather, Denise, Cindy, Julie, Jan, Gaylene, Kathy, Chris



Jo

# MY SEWING/QUILTING JOURNEY

by Bron Atkinson



I have always liked textiles. The texture has always fascinated me, and I have to admit to touching any that catch my fancy in shops.

My sewing journey began on my mother's treadle sewing machine, situated in the corner of the farm kitchen and near the table, which meant cutting out garments was easy. Dad installed an electric light for better viewing of what I was sewing.

I had learnt more skills when I was at boarding school in Hamilton, Victoria, which really developed my love of sewing. On my 18<sup>th</sup> birthday I was given a Singer electric sewing machine, which had about 200 different stitches built in, but I think I might have tried 20 if I was lucky. Many dresses were made on this machine, as we used to go to the monthly dances at Padthaway.

My first foray into patchwork was when I was expecting my first baby, and it was an exercise in cutting out diamond shapes, pressing in the edges and then zig-zagging them together to make a top. The wadding was an army surplus blanket, and the backing was probably a sheet.

I continued to sew clothing for the family and graduated to a Bernina machine. Going back to work put a dampener on time for sewing, but when we moved to a country school, I was introduced to patchwork and quilting. What an exciting experience! Can you believe I actually did some hand piecing? That's too slow for me now, so machine piecing is my technique of choice.

When we moved back to the city, I joined the Quilters' Guild, and since then have made many friends and expanded the stash too. Over the years I have made lots of quilts for the extended family and have trouble finding cupboards big enough to store the ones I have kept. There is a pile of UFOs waiting to be quilted, but some are too big for me to handle. Then there is the stash! You could say I have a quilting house, not a quilting room!

In the last couple of years, I have been making tops for Flinders Kids, and am lucky to have a friend who quilts them beautifully. Thank you, Chris. Here are some images, all taken before quilting.



Click [here](#) to join Cindy and Jane on their video visit to Bron's sewing room

Welcome to our new SA Quilters members - Marion Bennett, Pamela Ryan, Taryn Shotton



# SA QUILTERS MARKET DAY - WHAT A HOOT!

Many thanks to the organisers, SA Quilters volunteers, stall-holders and supporters for a very successful event.

What a terrific day we had last Saturday for Market Day 2024. See a few random photos below.

The sun was shining there were plenty of sellers and many buyers came out to shop for bargains.

The kitchen team provided a lovely Devonshire tea which was served throughout the day. It was a happy atmosphere. Friends caught up and many people stayed for most of the day.

See you all again in 2026.







*Ruby Red*

Celebrating SA Quilters' 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## Festival of Quilts 2024

5-7 July 2024 | Adelaide Showground  
In association with CraftAlive

**Entries close 31st May**

### Key things to remember when entering a quilt!

- Entries submitted online at [SAQ Festival of Quilts](#)
- When trying to ascertain the value of the quilt, estimate the value of the materials and threads used and multiply that amount by five.
- If possible please do not use a "Hotmail" address.
- A hanging sleeve of at least 3¼" (8cm) finished is required for **ALL** entries into Festival of Quilts.
- Quilts must come in a bag, with zip closure and handles, that comfortably accommodates the quilt. Click [here](#) for a large quilt bag pattern.
- Fold the quilt with the right side outwards, so that the sharpest crease is on the back. To minimize creasing, fold quilts with the first and second folds horizontally, and then subsequent folds vertically. In this way, the weight of the quilt should assist the most obvious creases to fall out. Securely attached quilt labels are necessary for identification of quilts during the Festival of Quilts. A label with the minimum of the quilt maker's name and the quilt's title is required to be located in the bottom left-hand corner of the quilt back (as seen when looking at the back of the quilt).
- Once you have labelled your quilt, the label must be temporarily covered with your entry number. During judging, all identifying labels need to be covered to ensure anonymity and judges' impartiality.
- For further information please refer to the information in the Festival of Quilts Handbook - click [here](#).



### Troubleshooting

Can't "submit" an entry?

#### Ensure:

- a) that the photograph of your quilt does not exceed 5 megabytes.
- b) that you have checked the box that the information provided is true.

## CraftAlive Tickets Now on Sale!

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*Ruby Red*

Celebrating SA Quilters' 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

## Festival of Quilts 2024

5-7 July 2024 | Adelaide Showground  
In association with CraftAlive

**Tickets \$2 each**

**Buy at SAQ Members' meetings, or see this stunning quilt on display during the month of May at:**

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**54 Victoria Street,**

**Victor Harbor**

**Ph 8554 6353**

**Opening hours**

- 9.00am to 5.00pm Monday to Friday
- 9.00am to 3.00pm Saturday

Part proceeds go to



## Festival of Quilts Raffle



Books of raffle tickets to sell may be obtained from Margaret Hurrell, telephone 0419 860 757 or from the Festival of Quilts table at any SA Quilters' members meeting.

## "40" Project

All project pieces to be lodged at the SA Quilters Members' Meeting, Festival of Quilts desk on Thursday, 6th June.



## IMPORTANT DATES

<b>Entries Close</b>	Friday, 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2024	
<b>Posted Quilts</b>	To be received by Friday 21st, June	
<b>"The 40 Project" Delivery</b>	Last delivery at June Members' meeting on Thursday, 1 <sup>st</sup> June 2024	
<b>Quilt Drop off</b>	Tuesday 2nd, July at Showgrounds ( <b>Preferred</b> )	<b>10am—2pm</b>
	Wednesday, 26 <sup>th</sup> , June 2024 at Vermont Uniting Church	10am—12pm
<b>Awards Presentation</b>	Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup> July at SAQ meeting	8pm
<b>Quilt Pickup:</b>	Sunday, 7 <sup>th</sup> July, at Adelaide Showgrounds ( <b>Preferred</b> )	<b>5:30pm—6:30pm</b>
	Wednesday 10 <sup>th</sup> July, at Vermont Uniting Church	10am—12pm



# Craft Alive

## 2024 DATES

### SYDNEY\*

15 – 17 FEBRUARY, NSW

### BRISBANE\*\*

18 – 21 APRIL, QLD

### PERTH\*\*

1 – 4 AUGUST, WA

### SHEPPARTON

23 – 25 FEBRUARY, VIC

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9 – 11 MAY, NSW

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16 – 18 AUGUST, QLD

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8 - 10 MARCH, QLD

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23 – 26 MAY, ACT

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15 - 17 MARCH, NSW

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# AND SOCIAL MEDIA

SA Quilters has established an interactive social media and web presence on the Internet designed to keep members informed, challenged and connected.

## FACEBOOK

Facebook posts record information such as SA Quilters meetings, major events like Market Day, Festival of Quilts, Quilt Encounter and Dare to Differ. Notice of events enable members to plan ahead and photos and comments after the events give the opportunity for those who cannot attend to share. Various posts also keep members informed about activities of SA Quilters affiliated groups and other interesting quilting related information around the country and around the world.

Special Individual Facebook pages are established for events such as the 40th Birthday Sew Along, Blocks of the Month and Sit and Sews. These pages are open to members and anyone who wishes to participate. It is a perfect platform to keep everyone engaged and sharing the love of quilting.

## INSTAGRAM

Instagram is a photo and video sharing social networking service. It allows users to upload media that can be edited with some fun filters. Instagram provides another avenue for SA Quilters to connect with members, post current events and explore our community through information sharing.

## YOUTUBE

SA Quilters has a very active video program which allows viewers to be part of an intimate visit with members in their homes and particularly a peek into their sewing rooms. In addition to sewing room visits, videos are uploaded regularly to the SA Quilters YouTube Channel to memorialise major events, workshops and quilting tips and hints. More recently, interviews with those significant people who were influential in starting the Quilters' Guild of South Australia have been recorded to ensure that the history of SA Quilters is not lost.

## SA QUILTERS WEB SITE

The SA Quilters web site holds all the data necessary for members to easily access information about all activities which are operated under the umbrella of the organisation. This includes dates and details on meetings, exhibitions, major events, workshops and sit and sews. It also includes all information in relation to Leadership Team members and activities and services. SA Quilters constitution, policies and forms are also located for download on the web site.

## I-PATCH

I-Patch is a monthly newsletter which is sent to over 900 recipients on or about the 15th of each month. These recipients include SA Quilters Members, Affiliated Groups, National and State Guilds and members of Affiliated Groups who opt in to receive I-Patch. The publication strives to keep members updated on SA Quilters news and current and upcoming events. It is also a way to share member's stories through the Featured Quilter section each month.

All previous and current editions of I-Patch are located on a secure members page on the web site with a link sent each month to enable recipients to download direct to their computer, laptop, tablet or phone.

CLICK ON THE LOGOS BELOW TO  
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MEDIA SITES AND WEB SITE





# Quilt Encounter 2024

Sunday 15<sup>th</sup>  
to Friday 20<sup>th</sup>  
September



Stamford  
Grand Hotel  
2 Jetty Road  
Glenelg SA

## Featuring This Year's Tutors:

- |   |  |   |
|---|--|---|
| • <b>Rachelle Denny</b><br>Glenelg North SA | • <b>Jemima Flendt</b><br>Rivervale WA | • <b>Christine Lethlean</b><br>Clunes VIC |
| • <b>Kathy Doughty</b><br>Drummoyne NSW     | • <b>Jan Hales</b><br>Victor Harbor SA | • <b>Sue Spargo</b><br>Ohio USA           |
| • <b>Jacky Eyre</b><br>Happy Valley SA      | • <b>Jen Kingwell</b><br>Torquay VIC   | • <b>Lynne Wilson</b><br>Bowral NSW       |

# QUILT ENCOUNTER 2024

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Quilt Encounter 2024 is well on the way with another great line-up of wonderful tutors, covering many different techniques in our creative patchwork and quilting world.

This year we have Sue Spargo from Ohio, USA here for the first time – the “Queen” of wool embroidery with so many techniques and textures, colours and designs to share.

Our Australian and interstate contingent have lots of great workshops on offer too: Kathy Doughty (NSW) with Organic Applique and Diamond Magic, Jemima Flendt (WA) with Graffiti Quilt, Conquer the Curve and Confetti cushion designs, Jen Kingwell (VIC) Caution! Curves Ahead, Applique Adventure and Shadow Moon – all hand stitching workshops. Christine Lethlean (VIC) with 2 amazing textile art classes and Lynne Wilson – By Annie Bag expert and also teaching Strip Teaser – Zero Waste projects.

Local South Aussie gals are Rachelle Denny – machine quilting guru but also presenting another fabulous and fun Mystery workshop. Jacky Eyre – hand stitching with her own unique Japanese style in a Modern Boro class. Jan Hales with a great bag design – this one with “stuffed” Jelly Roll strips – very useful and lots of fun to create.

The Sponsor shops for this year are **Nay’s Place from Waikerie** and **The Quilting Room from Modbury Heights** – Naomi and Helen are both really looking forward to their week at the Grand Hotel and supporting you with all your Quilt Encounter workshop needs.

**Christina from Melanns** is again supporting our event by providing loan Bernina machines to make life easier for all of our interstate ladies.

**Bernina Australia** is a major sponsor – for the 32<sup>nd</sup> year showing their amazing support for Australian Quilters.

For the first time **Olfa and Rockset Industries** are joining us as a major sponsor – Olfa products, known for their high quality and Japanese precision are favourite tools and equipment that we all use and love.

**All of these major sponsors will contribute enormously to the success of Quilt Encounter 2024 and we are very grateful for their valuable support.**

Our Friday Evening event to finish up the week this year is a **“Chat on the Couch with Jen Kingwell and Sue Spargo”**. These 2 internationally known quilting “icons” are great friends – this will be a relaxed and fun evening as they share some more of their stories! Cost is \$45.00 for the evening, including supper and tea/coffee – bookings are essential.

Details are in the Quilt Encounter brochure and further information on how to obtain tickets will be advised here in later I-Patch issues, as we get closer to the event.

Each year we choose a “theme” with co-ordinating colours to add a bit of extra fun – this year a Zebra, black and white of course and we’ve added a touch of red to the mix to acknowledge the SA Quilters 40<sup>th</sup> Birthday year. The front cover of the brochure says it all!!

The QE Committee team have again made a beautiful raffle quilt featuring these colours. Tickets will be available at the July, August and September SA Quilters Meetings and also at a couple of SA Patchwork shops too.

This year the country organisation that we have chosen to support for our raffle quilt and fundraising is the Flying Doctors Community Projects (SA and NT) supporting the people on the ground who are always “on call” to assist the Flying Doctors in country and remote areas as needed.

Living in at the Stamford Grand Hotel in Glenelg, with its beach ambience, Jetty Rd for shops and food plus the fabulous conference area for our classrooms is a most enjoyable part of Quilt Encounter. This is our 5<sup>th</sup> year at the “Grand Hotel” and with the venue, accommodation and staff, it is the perfect mix for this renowned annual retreat.

The first round of registrations will close on the 21<sup>st</sup> June – so still plenty of time to organise a brochure and join us for the 32<sup>nd</sup> Quilt Encounter – great workshop opportunities and comradery, with like-minded quilters so you’ll be guaranteed a wonderful time.

We look forward to seeing lots of you at the Stamford Grand Hotel in September.

**The Quilt Encounter Team**



# STASH BUSTING CHALLENGE

with Chris O'Brien

## ARE YOU UP FOR A STASH BUSTING CHALLENGE?

I strongly suspect that each and every one reading I-Patch has a fabric stash, and if you are like me there are times when reality hits that it will well and truly outlive me! So I'm going to regularly challenge SAQ members to join me in using some of our favourite fabrics to make a small project.

This month's challenge is to select a YouTube tutorial, or a pattern in your stash, to make a bag. What kind of bag? Anything goes.

- I'm choosing to make this cross body bag: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oP2ZljtUlcs&t=18s>
- This is another bag pattern that I've previously made:
- The Retreat Bag: <https://emmalinebags.com/products/the-retreat-bag-pdf> (a free pattern)

Suggested YouTube Channels with lots of bag tutorials:

- <https://www.youtube.com/@pkhandmade/videos>
- <https://www.youtube.com/@sewingtimes>

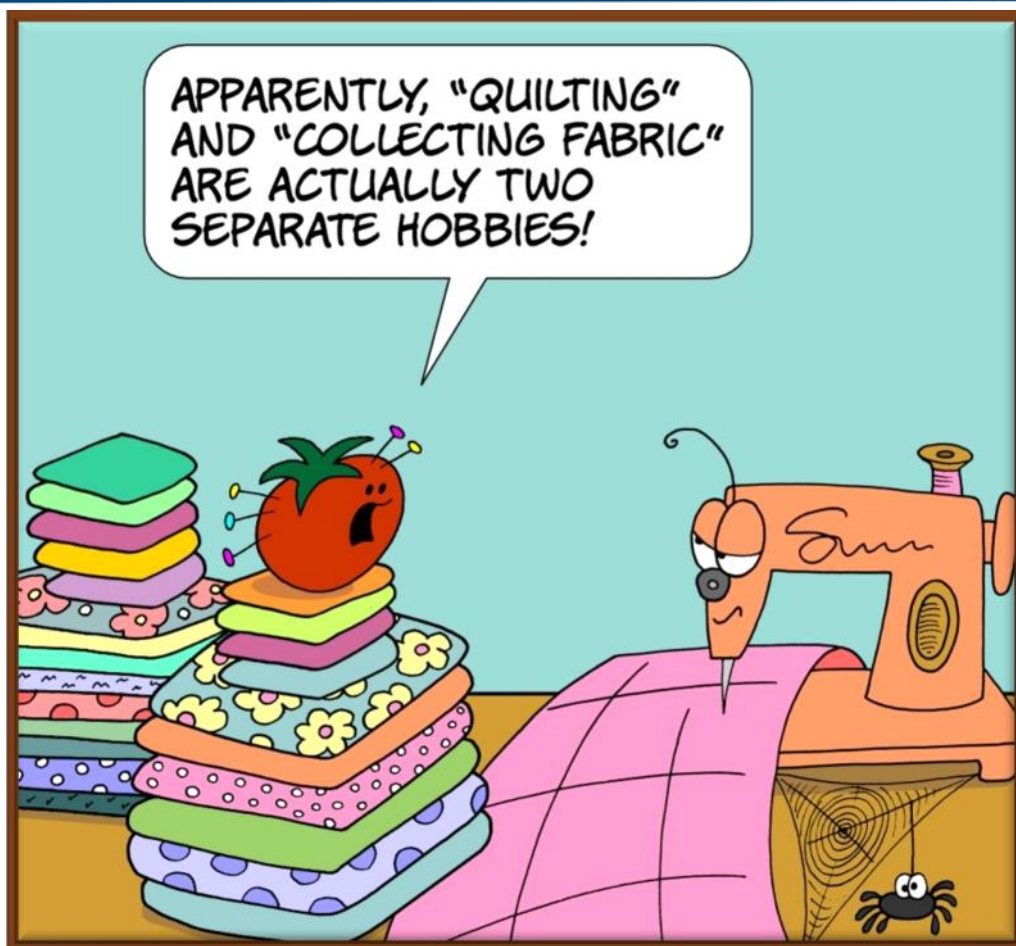
Suggested search words on YouTube:

- Zippered pouch
- Project bag
- Zippered boxy pouch
- Diagonal zipper pouch
- Tote bag



Hope I've tempted you!

Chris



# INMAN QUILTERS

It has been a busy month for the ladies at Inman Quilters. At the first meeting after Easter, we were visited by Unetta Shugg, a member of "Sew Whats", who gave us a demonstration on her method of Quilt as You Go, using sashing at the front and on the back. Unetta had several sample pieces for the ladies to "have a go." The mini workshop was organized by IQ member Glenys White, and we thank her for doing so.

At the end of April, several members travelled up to Adelaide and visited the David Roche Foundation in Melbourne Street to view the amazing Annette Gero Collection of Quilts made from military fabrics.

For those who have not had the joy of seeing this Exhibition, these historical quilts are made using brightly coloured military fabrics from 18<sup>th</sup> and 19<sup>th</sup> Century uniforms and were created by men. Some of the quilts were created during their military service and others were sewn after the tailors or soldiers returned to their homes.

Through their fabrics, even though the maker's name may have been lost to time, they reveal service in the Napoleonic wars, Crimean war, and the British India conflict. When you take into consideration their circumstances and the fact that the quilts were hand-made, one was in awe of the creative talent on display.

The visit to the David Roche Foundation was topped off by a tour of his home, which is filled with beautiful antiques and collectables from around the world. David Roche passed away in 2013 and bequeathed his property to the people of South Australia. How lucky are we!!

On Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> May the Inman Valley Memorial Hall welcomed visitors to the launch of the Heritage Fleurieu Coast Festival which is part of the South Australian History Festival being held throughout our state during the month of May.

As part of the community, the Inman Quilters put together a display of antique quilts. Whilst most of the quilts themselves are not "antique", the designs certainly are. IQ member Robyn Clayton displayed her variation on the Rajah Quilt (circa 1840).

IQ member Carolyn Ewers put together a lovely display of quilts together with some historical information, such as the hand-sewn/hand-pieced quilt done by her great-great-grandmother Lucy Owen, circa early 1900's – that could certainly be classified as "antique". Whilst Lucy lived her whole life in White Pine, Tennessee, her quilt has made its way to the Inman Valley through her great-great-grand-daughter Carolyn.

At our latest meeting, IQ member Carole Hewett gave a mini-workshop on hand-quilting. Again, Carole had previously prepared some sample pieces and it was good to see that the majority of IQ members had a go! Again, thanks to Glenys White for organizing and to Carole, for giving of her time and expertise.

In between all these happenings, we have been busy with our Gifting Quilt Programme. This month we have gifted 16 quilts to Whalers Peninsula Community Association. This organization is "local people helping local people". WPCA is a not-for-profit, non-government funded, charitable organization based in Goolwa, working primarily with homeless persons. They "catch the people and families who fall through the gaps." And what an amazing service they provide.

At this time of the year, quite a few members of our group have travelled up to Mannum for the annual Mannum Quilt Retreat. And a well deserved few days break of patchwork, chatting and sharing of friendship is in store for all.

In the meantime, if you are ever down the southern Fleurieu and travelling between Victor Harbor and Yankalilla, make a stop at Inman Valley. We meet on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month in the Inman Valley Memorial Hall, from 10.30 to 2.00pm approx. call in and have a cuppa, you will be most welcome.

**Margaret Houston**  
Publicity Officer  
Inman Quilters



Left to Right:  
Mary McGuinness and  
Leslie from Whalers  
Chrissy Nyveld and  
Robyn Gregson from  
Inman Quilters



Carolyn Ewers Display



Gifting quilts  
for Whalers



Robyn Clayton Rajah Quilt



# APPRAISAL

The last appraisal day before Festival of Quilts will be Friday June 7, so if you wish to have a quilt appraised before FoQ please contact Heather Ford [appraisals.saquilters@gmail.com](mailto:appraisals.saquilters@gmail.com) for information and the application form.

Last day for return of paperwork is Monday May 27.

Heather Ford  
Appraisal Panel Team Leader



Cynthia's Ark

SA Quilters Meeting Specials



At the SA Quilters Meeting on 6 June 2024

- **Fabric Bundles** \$20
- **Pre-cut** 30cm width of fabric \$6.00 each or 10 for \$50.  
Normally \$8 each
- **Pre-cut** 50cm width of fabric \$10 each
- **Widebacks Precut** Starting from \$20 a metre

Need a fabric for a project let me know before hand and we can cut and bring it on the night.

Regards  
Cynthia

Email: [cynthiasark@gmail.com](mailto:cynthiasark@gmail.com)

Phone: 8527 2120

Thanks to Margaret for alerting us to this yummy Gherkin Dip recipe from *Skinnymixers*.

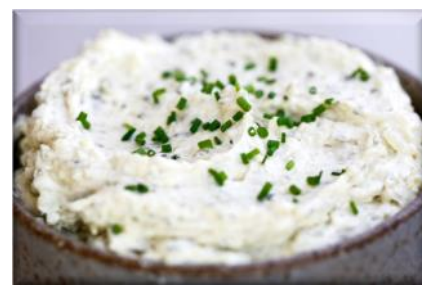
## Ingredients:

- 150 gm whole gherkin of choice from a jar (or you could use gherkin spread)
- 250 gm Philadelphia cream cheese - room temperature, cut into cubes
- 100 gm sour cream
- 10 gm Dijon mustard
- 1 teaspoon onion powder
- 1 pinch white pepper

## Method:

Mash gherkins (if whole). Add gherkins and remaining ingredients to mixer bowl and mix well together for a delicious dip.

**Note:** This will keep in the fridge for up to five days in an airtight container.



# FOR SALE

## HQ Sweet Sixteen sit-down home quilting machine

Recently serviced, includes all tools and accessories

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# WORKSHOPS REPORT

by Ros Wyatt

## Hovea Jacket Workshop with Wendy Whellum

We have just had another brilliant workshop for 2024 and this time we were fortunate enough to experience an unforgettable 2-day workshop with Wendy Whellum. What a fantastic workshop it was – Wendy Whellum is an incredible Tutor – she is so very talented. Everyone at the workshop had a brilliant time – patching their fabric together then cutting them up and recreating their fabric to make their amazing jackets.



Wendy was so inspirational, patient, and helpful – she went to great lengths to make sure everyone participating in the workshop felt included and at ease during the day and answered every question and solved any problems along the way. It was incredible to see how many different ideas everyone had when starting their projects. Wendy kept on giving out different hints and ideas which gave everyone more inspiration. The silence in the room during the day made you know that everyone in the room was concentrating on what they were doing.

A big thank you to Wendy for organising the patterns for the jackets. Wendy's preparation and attention to detail was outstanding – she provided so many valuable ideas, hints and suggestions and I am sure we will see some very beautiful finished jackets during the year. This was such a successful workshop I am sure after everyone sees these amazing jackets at SA Quilters meetings we will be asking Wendy to run this workshop again. There is no doubt about it Wendy Whellum is a fantastic Tutor and we are so fortunate to have her here in South Australia.

Thank you also to our Angels who attend to help - handing out non-stop cups of coffee and tea and some great morning and afternoon tea. Just what everyone needs to keep them motivated. Workshops wouldn't be the same without them. Thank you once again to Wendy Whellum and to everyone who attended the workshop for making it another successful Workshop.

## Up-Coming Workshops for 2024:-

- Saturday, 15th June – Chris O'Brien – Free motion quilting – fun with feathers
- Saturday, 29th June – Julie Nixon – Spinning Spokes
- Saturday, 13th July – Cindy Massey – Scrappy Stars
- Saturday, 3rd and 10th August – Bronwyn Cant – Filling in the Gaps (2 day workshop)
- Saturday, 21st September – to be advised
- Saturday, 12th October – Sue Knuckey – Baby Stars – suitable for a beginner
- Saturday, 9th and 16th November – Suzanne Gummow – Lace Flowers 2 day workshop – something a bit different and very special for everyone

See workshop posters on the following pages and details including registration form on the SA Quilters web site [here](#).

Please do not be disappointed by missing out on one of these wonderful workshops – if you haven't tried a workshop before – now is the time – please come along and learn something new – try something you have never done before – or simply come along and enjoy being with a group of likewise people doing what we all love – quilting.

**Ros Wyatt**  
**Workshops Convenor**

# SA FUN WITH FEATHERS with Chris O'Brien

**WHERE:** Vermont Uniting Church Hall  
576 Cross Road, South Plympton

**WHEN:** Saturday, 15th June 2024

**TIME:** 9.30am to 4.00pm

**COST:** \$ 85 - SA Quilters members per day  
\$105 - Affiliate Group members per day  
\$125 - non-SA Quilters members per day

**SA QUILTERS WORKSHOP CODE: COB24**



Chris O'Brien

Being able to quilt stunning feather designs is the Holy Grail of free motion quilting.



In this workshop you will have an opportunity to explore a range of quilted feather techniques. Previous experience with free motion quilting is essential as this is not a workshop for beginner quilters.



Every quilter develops their own preferred style of quilting out feathers. This workshop will help to fast track the development of your favourite style through stitching out single blocks, sashings/borders and a great feathered background fill or edge to edge design as well as learning how to add your own personalised feather features.



Go to the Workshops page on the SA Quilters web site For details on how to register including application form. Click on [Workshops](#).



# SA Spinning Spokes with Julie Nixon

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**WHERE:** Vermont Uniting Church Hall  
576 Cross Road, South Plympton  
**WHEN:** Saturday, 29th June 2024  
**TIME:** 9.30am to 4.00pm  
**COST:** \$ 85 - SA Quilters members per day  
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\$125 - non-SA Quilters members per day



Julie Nixon

**SA QUILTERS WORKSHOP CODE: JN24**

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This is basically two blocks and with different fabric placements it has the illusion of being more.

In the class workshop I will show how to assemble just two blocks and the rest of the blocks can be assembled at home.

A spectacular design with lots of possibilities - all up to your imagination.

Julie's shop is The Patchy Affair. You will find it at <https://thepatchyaffair.com.au/>



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# SA Q Dancing with the Stars with Cindy Massey

**WHERE:** Vermont Uniting Church Hall  
576 Cross Road, South Plympton  
**WHEN:** Saturday, 13th July 2024  
**TIME:** 9.30am to 4.00pm  
**COST:** \$ 85 - SA Quilters members per day  
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\$125 - non-SA Quilters members per day

**SA QUILTERS WORKSHOP CODE: CM24**



Cindy Massey



Spend a fun-filled day with Cindy as she takes you through the process to make one of her "famous" *Wonky Stars* projects.

Raid your scrap baskets and join her for a day of fun, freedom and creativity as you delve into the world of wonky scrappy stars.

Nothing smaller than an inch square.



★ Cindy will guide you throughout the day to create a table runner that is uniquely you. ★



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# SA Filling in the Gaps More ArTQuilT Stories with Bronwyn Cant

**WHERE:** Vermont Uniting Church Hall  
576 Cross Road, South Plympton

**WHEN:** Saturday, 3rd August 2024 and  
Saturday, 10th August 2024

**TIME:** 9.30am to 4.00pm

**COST:** \$ 85 - SA Quilters members per day  
\$105 - Affiliate Group members per day  
\$125 - non-SA Quilters members per day



Bronwyn Cant

**SA QUILTERS WORKSHOP CODE: BC24**

We will cover some of the techniques you can use to illustrate the story. The concept of filling in the gaps relates to how I fill up all the space on the quilt.

I also want to do things like exploring surprising fabrics, recycled fabrics, challenge fabrics, non-quilting fabric. So I will have a think about how we can do that.



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# SA **BABY STAR QUILT** with Sue Knuckey

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**WHERE:** Vermont Uniting Church Hall  
576 Cross Road, South Plympton

**WHEN:** Saturday, 12th October 2024

**TIME:** 9.30am to 4.00pm

**COST:** \$ 85 - SA Quilters members per day  
\$105 - Affiliate Group members per day  
\$125 - non-SA Quilters members per day

**SA QUILTERS WORKSHOP CODE: SK24**

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Sue Knuckey



The gift of a quilt to family or friends upon the arrival of a new baby is a beautiful gift made with love.

This class will teach you how to make the *Baby Star Quilt*. It looks complex but Sue will show you tips and tricks to easily achieve a fabulous result.

The class is suitable for beginners, intermediate or experienced quilters.



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# LACE FLOWERS

## with Suzanne Gummow

**WHERE:** Vermont Uniting Church Hall  
576 Cross Road, South Plympton

**WHEN:** Saturday, 9th November 2024 and  
Saturday, 16th November 2024

**TIME:** 9.30am to 4.00pm

**COST:** \$ 85 - SA Quilters members per day  
\$105 - Affiliate Group members per day  
\$125 - non-SA Quilters members per day

**SA QUILTERS WORKSHOP CODE: SG24**



Suzanne Gummow



Have you ever wanted to create your very own original lace fabric flowers? If so this workshop is for you! You will create flowers with different lace techniques. This is a creative approach that will enhance your art quilts or collages.

Each person will end up with a variety of small individual flowers; some for quilts, collages or clothing, others for brooches etc.

Hand and machine stitching will be involved.

Suitable for all levels.

So come along and have fun.



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# SHARED STITCHES QUILTING GROUP OF MANNUM

*We welcome you to join us at our 2024 Exhibition*

## Creative Quilting by the River

**WHERE :** Mannum Leisure Centre  
Next to the Council Offices at  
51 Adelaide Road.

**WHEN:** Saturday 5th October and  
Sunday 6th October from  
10 am until 4 pm each day

**WHY:** We are raising funds for vital  
equipment for Mannum C F S

**ENTRY:** \$ 5.00



*What else do we have lined up for you ?*

- ♦ A Raffle    1st Prize a Queen Size Quilt Valued at \$800  
                  2nd Prize a Grocery Hamper to the value of \$200  
                  Raffle will be drawn at approx. 3pm Sunday  
                  All winners notified that day  
                  Tickets \$ 2.00 each
- ♦ A Trading Table
- ♦ Light Refreshments Available
- ♦ A Display of over 50 of our own Quilts
- ♦ Plus a Display of Quilts to be donated to Charity
- ♦ A Quilting Shop in Attendance - Y P Quilting from Moonta
- ♦ A Display of over 30 Antique or Older Sewing Machines.
- ♦ Wheelchair access available



*Looking forward to seeing you in our beautiful town of Mannum*

..... Cash preferred but Eftpos will be available .....



MARK THE DATE....



## "Spring into Spring"

You are invited to view a display of new work by members of the Port Augusta Quilters Guild.

**WHEN:** Friday 11<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> October

**FROM:** 10am to 4pm daily

**WHERE:** Stirling North Progress  
Association Hall  
Quorn Rd, Stirling North

**ENTRY:** \$5.00 per person  
Children under 10 free

Catering provided by Pt Augusta Golf Club

Meeting place	Group	Name	Phone
Aberfoyle Park	Aberfoyle Hub Quilters	Karen Salman	8381 3668
Aldgate	Piccadily Quilters	Roma Bennetts	0438 225 290
Aldinga	Aldinga Quilters	Patricia Bolton	0400 094 799
Ardrossan	Ardrossan Sit and Sew	Wendy Hicks	0448 853 742
Athelstone	Campbelltown Quilters	Vicky Packer	0413 858 346
Arno Bay	Arno Bay Quilters	Lorraine Butcher	0418 817 580
Barmera	Barmera Lake Bonney Quilters	Julie Plush	0438 837 307
Blackwood	Stitchers in the Hills	Rose Howard	8270 1575
Bordertown	Gum Tree Quilters	Beth Ortlepp	0408 849 545
Brighton	Marion Quilters Circle	Barb Percival	0408 842 087
Broken Hill	Silver City Quilters	Jo Kells	0419 839 935
Booborowie	Burra Quilters	Daphne Lines	0428 814 755
Camden Park	Camden Quilters	Robyn Worrall	0417 848 730
Christie Downs	Onkaparinga Quilters	Jill Cook	8382 0047
Clare	Clare Quilters	Maria Barnes	0484 372 105
Cleve	Cleve Country Quilters	Heather Payne	0427 817 042
Coromandel Valley	Coromandel Valley Quilters	Lara Motta	0438 764 444
Cummins	Cummins Stitchers	Sandy Jones	8676 2208
Enfield	Enfield Quilters	Margaret Maguire	0438 722 250
Gawler	Gawler Quilting Circle	Sonia Holton	0431 785 785
Gawler	Shared Inspirations	Diane Borgo	0416 061 380
Gawler South	Zion Quilters	Annette Bissai	8522 0124
Glenelg	Glenelg Quilters	Debbie Anderson	0427 740 526
Golden Grove	Journey Quilters	Sue Bailey	0402 900 048
Golden Grove	Tea Tree Gully Quilters	Sandra McAllen	0488 051 360
Goolwa	Goolwa Patchers	Lorraine Jones	0417 874 527



Hilton	Orange Tree Quilters	Christa Mano	0403 855 111
Inman Valley	Inman Quilters	Glenda Trigg	0407 713 659
Jamestown	Jamestown Quilters	Sharon Hagger	0429 641 027
Kadina	Northern Yorke Peninsula Quilters	Helen Smart	0497 788 941
Kapunda	Kapunda Quilters	Chris Betterman	0419 810 500
Kilburn	Chicago Quilters of Kilburn	Judy Wiggins	0437 211 267
Laura	Sew Together	Jan Crawford	0419 812 810
Loxton	Loxton Quilters	Marilyn Tonkin	8584 5055
Magill	Magill Quilters	Claire Blunt	0434 074 062
Malvern	Stitching Matters	Erica Bartlett	0417 936 433
Mannum	Shared Stitches of Mannum	Ruth Symonds	0427 881 991
Marion	Marion Quilters Circle	Barb Percival	0408 842 087
McLaren Vale	McLaren Vale Patchworkers	Jo Reardon	0418 402 979
McLaren Vale	Vintage Quilters	Linda Haigh	0407 832 995
Melrose	Motley Quilters	Karen Kitto	0427 042 997
Melrose	Mount Remarkable Quilters	Gweneth McCallum	8666 2062
Minlaton	Golden Harvest Quilters	Fiona Bilney	0427 782 459
Millicent	Rendelsham Threads & Thimbles	Laurene Hann	0429 528 242
Modbury Heights	Sewcial Sit 'n' Stitch	Helen Campbell	0411 417 087
Modbury West	Golden Gully Quilters	Leonie Herring	0409 513 675
Mount Gambier	Pine Tree Quilters	Lyn Sparks	0448 153 852
Murray Bridge	Bridge Patches and Quilters	Glenys Davis	0402 565 281
Murray Bridge	Woods Point Quilters	Sue Job	0410 968 437
Naracoorte	Naracoorte Mill Quilters	Louise O'Shaughnessy	0428 621 330
Peterborough	Peterborough Patchworkers	Judith Evans	0408 220 248
Plympton	Saintly Stitchers	Anna Kelly	0402 368 851
Plympton	Quilting on the Square	Rachelle Denny	0405 041 311
Pooraka	Montague Farm Quilters	Ruth Ward	0437 522 711

Port Augusta	Port Augusta Quilters Guild	Jenny Cox	0420 372 383
Port Broughton	Broughton Rainbow Quilters	Sandra Atkins	0418 890 282
Port Elliot	Port Elliot Patchworkers	Katherine Middleton	0408 535 302
Port Lincoln	Port Lincoln Quilters Guild Inc	Chris Eime	0428 830 256
Port Pirie	Pirie Quilters	Naomi Bennier	0407 712 640
Riverton	Riverton Quilters	Bronwyn Palmer	8847 2750
Renmark	Renmark Evening Star Quilters	Kylie Duncan	419 815 688
Renmark	Renmark Patchwork Quilters	Glenda Edwards	0402 453 510
Reynella	Reynella Craft Group	Rosalyn Bolton	0403 796 573
Salisbury	Salisbury Stitchers	Rosie Carr	0405 933 883
Seaford	Gallery Quilters	Pat Barkway	0419 857 248
Semaphore Park	Bower Cottages Quilters	Heather Ridley	0450 537 852
Semaphore Park	Warm Hart Quilters	Carolyn Andrews	0412 473 244
South Plympton	After Dark Quilters	Heather Ford	0438 272 408
Stockport	Stockport Kindred Quilters	Judith Gregory	0429 686 054
Strathalbyn	Strathalbyn Stitchers	Diane Lunt	0433 755 870
Tailem Bend	Masonic Quilters & Craft Group	Julie Gordon	0422 213 712
Tanunda	Vine Patch Quilters	Kathleen Clarke	0409 117 262
Tumby Bay	Tumby Bay Quilting Group	Jane Charlton	0429 880 042
Victor Harbor	Fleurieu Quilters	Kathy Putland	0457 893 946
Victor Harbor	Sew What's	Margaret Borlase	0409 328 720
Waikerie	Waikerie Piecemakers	Beryl Hutchinson	0406 591 221
West Lakes	Nifty Nine Patchers	Sandy Jones	0422 146 016
Whyalla	Quilters Guild of Whyalla	Chris Perrott	0458 660 981
Williamstown	Williamstown Patchers	Lexley Reinke	0411 315 166
Woodside	Woodpatch Quilters	Annette Pethick	0455 995 385
Wynn Vale	Jubilee Quilters	Sue Schaefer	0418 857 233
Wynn Vale	Wynn Vale Quilters	Robyn Hales	0416 265 389