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### GROUPS NEWS

Email Newsletter by Rosanne Fuller, Groups Liaison Leader, January 2025

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A group quilt made by Pt Elliot and Threads Quilters on display at the Port Elliott Exhibition.



#### **Groups News**

Greetings, I am writing this newsletter not only as Groups Liaison now but also President of SA Quilters as of the May AGM and look forward to supporting the whole quilting community over the next couple of years. Congratulations to the following groups who are recipients of SA Quilters 2025 grants: *Country Grants:* 

- Burra Quilters: for an educational Bus Tour
- Cleve Country Quilters, Cummins Stitchers and Pt Lincoln Textile, Quilting & Fibre Groups: to subsidise Helen Godden workshops
- Mt Remarkable Quilters: to assist with funding a 3 ½ day retreat
- Naracoorte Mill Quilters: to subsidise Elizabeth Chadick workshop at retreat
- Woodpatch Quilters: to hold an exhibition

#### City Grants:

- After Dark Quilters: to charter a bus to visit country shops
- Coromandel Quilters: to hold an exhibition

The following groups received grants to purchase materials for charity quilt making:

• Vintage Quilters, Aldinga Quilters, Goolwa Patchers, Sew Together, Threads Quilt Group

This is the last year the City and Country Grants will cover requests for community quilt resources such as wadding and backing as the Leadership Team identified that reference to community quilt making is not in the SA Quilters Constitution as one of our Aims.

The making of community quilts is a valued activity by many groups, and their communities, but as requests for financial support for these activities has increased significantly in recent times, the Finance Team made the decision to implement a separate annual grant process, with a specified budget. More details of this grant are on the website: www.saquilters.org.au/scholarships-grants

In other news, two Renmark Quilting groups combined to host a lovely International Quilters Day in March to 200 guests and Peterborough Quilters had a successful exhibition over Easter. Northern Yorke Peninsula, Burra Quilters and Coromandel Quilters all have exhibitions early in May. Flyers for these were in the March Groups News. Loxton is hosting a Rural Get Together 26<sup>th</sup> July and Woodpatch Quilters have an exhibition on 20<sup>th</sup> -21<sup>st</sup> September, flyers on Page 2. Thank you to Inman Valley Quilters, Threads Quilting Group and Whyalla Quilters Guild for their articles in the April I-Patch.



#### **FESTIVAL OF QUILTS & DARE TO DIFFER**

Festival of Quilts and Dare to Differ are both open for entries and are looking for a lot more submissions. We love to see your work and the work or your friends. Please encourage each other to enter as these exhibitions are for everyone. If you are a country member or affiliate member and can't make the delivery or collection times of FOQ, please make alternative arrangements by contacting Ann Ewer on 0414 364 100. More details about both of these exhibitions are on SA Quilters' website.

#### **COUNTRY FORUM**

Did you know that if your group number starts with a 'G' you are a SA Quilters Country group and invited to join us at the Country Forum on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> October 2025. A registration form is Page 3 of this newsletter. I suggest groups register early to make sure you get a seat as we have a limit of about 170 attendees. Please note only dietary requirements noted on the registration form will be catered for.

#### PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

I plan to share a President's Challenge at the Monthly Guild Meetings which groups might like to do. The first challenge is in the May I-Patch and a post to share your creations is on the SA Quilters Facebook page.

I look forward to seeing you, your quilts and projects over the next few months at FoQ, D2D, on the Facebook post and at Country Forum.

Happy quilting everyone, Rosanne

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# Country Forum Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> October 2025

## **REGISTRATION FORM**



Group Name .......Contact person ...........

÷	We will have the following me	the will have the following members attending Country Forum 2	2025:		
		<b>Special Dietary Requests</b>	Show and Tell	Facebook Contact address, if the attendee wants to	
	Member's Name	(On the day requests can't be catered for, so please make	(Limit 3 quilts/group)	be a part of a Private Facebook group post event. Notes and activities from the event will be posted in this group.	
		sure all are mentioned)			

Please make a payment of \$40 per person via online banking: send registration form and copy of bank transfer by post or email to events.saquilters@gmail.com. Post: PO Box 566, Kensington Park. SA 5068 Bank SA 105-051 BSB

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Registration and payment must be received by 31st August 2025.