



Minutes of Meeting of The Leadership Team
held at 7:00 pm on Thursday 27th April 2025,
at The Robin Hood Hotel, Portrush Road, Norwood SA

Chris welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1. **PRESENT:** Peg Argent, Michael Barton, Ann Ewer, Heather Ford, Rosanne Fuller, Jan Goulter, Shez Hobbs, Margaret Hurrell, Denise Johnston, Cindy Massey, Gaylene Morgan, Chris O'Brien, Kathleen Rossini
In Attendance: Bev McBride
2. **APOLOGIES:** Jackie Harris, Keith Holland, Wendy Hunt, Sue Knuckey, Jill Radcliffe, Julie Symons, Ros Wyatt
3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**
Minutes of meeting were approved subject to changing the following:
5.1.5 – This item was approved by the Leadership Team
5.1.6 – Change Kat Cook to Nat Cook

Moved: Kathy Rossini **Seconded:** Heather Ford
4. **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**
 - 4.1 *Silent Auction of Antique Quilts:* the auction closes this week – we have two bids and they have agreed to pay \$50 for each quilt. Chris contacted the person who donated them, who was not concerned what is done with the quilts.
 - 4.2 *Sandwich Toaster:* this has been purchased and will be added to the Assets Register.
 - 4.3 *Victorian Group Affiliation Proposal:* Chris worked with Margaret to prepare the statement sent to the broker. No response has been received to date.
5. **GUILD BUSINESS – LEADERSHIP TEAM**
 - 5.1 **President (Chris)**
 - 5.1.1 *President's Challenge Quilts:* a reminder that these are due next week at AGM.
 - 5.1.2 *Car Quilt:* A Group has asked to borrow the car quilt. Heather has advised that it cannot be used in wet weather, because it is very large and difficult to get dry. It was agreed that a document be signed that states it is the borrowing group's responsibility to ensure it stays dry and is returned in good condition. Rosanne to prepare. **Rosanne**
 - 5.1.3 *AGM:* a running sheet has been prepared. Chris confirmed that everyone continuing has renominated. Chris highlighted that we are getting more and more requests for batting and backing and this is not our core business. We are removing these items from the grants document. There is a small fund that is dedicated to these requests, with a maximum of 2 city and 4 country groups allocated each year a maximum of \$250 each. This will be announced at the AGM. **Chris/Ann**

5.1.4 *Statement of appreciation*): Chris thanked all the members of the Leadership Team, especially those who are part of teams. We should be proud of what we do and Chris said it was a privilege to work with everyone. She particularly thanked Rosanne who has taken on the role as Vice President brilliantly and wished her well for her Presidency. Everyone thanked Chris for taking on the role of President for another year.

5.2 Finance (Keith/Jan)

5.2.1 *Treasurer's Report*: Chris commended Keith on his dedication to SAQ. This is his 19th year. He has been a treasure and is very responsive with reimbursements to ensure **no-one** is out of pocket for long.

Jan reported that Keith will transfer \$1,000 to the Incentive account to cover a BAS payment of \$1,437 in May.

5.2.2 *Finance Sub-Committee Meeting*:

- Grants totalling \$6,950 have been awarded.
- Ann to ensure that we receive follow up reports and an article for I-Patch from each recipient.
- Note that Leadership Team members who attend an event, such as Rural Roundup, will **only** have their entry fee paid if they have an official role at that event.
- It was decided to postpone the Burnside Council Grant application to allow time to research the frames required.
- Vintage Quilters is in the country, yet has a city code. Kathy advised that this has been changed.

5.2.3 *Government (Country Forum) Grant Update*: nothing to report at this stage.

5.3 Secretariat (Gaylene)

Badges – retiring members are asked to return their badges and to swap badges if their role changes.

5.4 Membership (Kathy)

Individuals:

519 financial

82 unfinancial – 27 advised not renewing.

Groups:

84 financial groups, 3 unfinancial

5.5 Meetings Team (Wendy)

5.5.1 Carolyn Thurtell has decided not to come to Guild Meetings at this stage. We therefore need a new team. Jan Huckel and Ruth Richards will do it in the future, but they are not available next week. Nola to be asked to fill in next week. Heather to purchase the milk and bring/manage the supplies box. **Chris/Heather**

5.5.2 Dianne to lead the team during Wendy's absence. Julie Symons, Jill Christian and Gaylene to assist with set up. Loose Threaders to wear blue flowers. Rosanne has contacted potential Loose Threaders to be rotated. This to be managed by Meetings Team Leaders.

5.6 Meetings General (*Raffle* – Shez / *Welcome Desk*– Wendy / *Guest Speaker* -)

Shez is working on putting the welcome packs together. Dianne and Jenny have been fantastic.

5.7 Groups Liaison (Rosanne)

5.7.1 If anyone goes to group exhibitions, to ensure they take photos and send to Kathy. **All**

5.7.2 The Groups Liaison newsletter is now available to the public on the **SAQ** web site.

5.8 **Workshops (Ros)** – We had a display at AMQF, which was successful selling workshop tickets, 12 memberships and charity raffle tickets. We learnt that samples advertising workshops are essential. A woman from Kapunda won the complimentary workshop.

5.9 **Shops Liaison (Peggy)** – August: Cynthia’s Ark has accepted. Cynthia will sponsor Viewers’ Choice for Festival of Quilts. The shops are generally happy with their sales. Only one shop has been disappointed and it was felt this was due to the type/lack of product supplied.

5.10 **Insurance (Margaret)** – nothing to report

5.11 **Events**

5.11.1 **International Quilters Day 21st March 2026:** this is going ahead.

5.11.2 **AMQF:** a review document is being sent to Craft Alive. **Ann**

5.12 **SAQ Policy Review 2024 (Julie)** – Kathy and Heather to manage this.

5.13 **Library (Michael)**

5.13.1 Borrowing Statistics Report: - this has been incorporated into the Annual Report. Four books are being reviewed and an article written for I-Patch. **Michael**

5.13.2 Two new computers have been purchased for the Library. These to be loaded with the Library program. The old computers to be erased and disposed. **Kathy**

5.14 **Merchandise (Shez):** Blue quilt bags – Heather has had trouble contacting the supplier. Kathy recommended she send a message through Facebook. **Heather**

5.15 **Assets Register (Gaylene)** – new computers and sandwich toaster details to be added. Ann to send list of FoQ items held in storage. **Ann/Gaylene**

6 **COMMUNICATIONS (Kathy)**

6.1 **Communications Team** – all good.

6.2 **Website / Facebook / Instagram / You Tube:**

6.2.1 Dare to Differ entries to be loaded at the end of April. 2025

6.2.2 Sew Along web page has been created and will go up after the AGM.

6.3 **Mail In**

7 **GUILD BUSINESS – GENERAL**

7.1 **Frame Hire (Angela)**

7.2 **Judging Panel (Jill Christian):** The panel is are going to Port Elliot to do a training exercise on **26 April**. Heather to ask Jill Christian about Julie Haddrick’s membership not being current. **Heather**

7.3 **Appraisal Panel (Heather)** nothing to report

~~7.4 **Website Management (Kathy)**~~

7.5 **I-Patch (Kathy)** – Kathy editor until July issue, then Ally in August.

7.6 **Patrons** – Her Excellency and Mr Bunton are not attending Festival of Quilts Awards Ceremony, but will select their award.

7.7 **Royal Adelaide Show Contract (Heather)** – all in hand. Entries are now open. SA Quilters is partnered with Smallacombe and our complimentary membership is written under each entry.

7.8 **Bernina Contract**

7.9 Scholarships and Grants (Heather)

- 7.9.1 Scholarships and Grants have been assessed and awarded to all who applied. Full details in the Finance Sub-Committee minutes. These will be announced at the AGM and recipients will be emailed the next day advising funds allocated, requesting bank details and reminding them they have to do a report (this excludes the Wadding funding recipients). Ann

8 GUILD PROJECTS:

- 8.1 **Dare to Differ** (Sue Knuckey) 19th September – 19th October, Gallery M, Marion. Sue is working with Adam regarding entry process. It was agreed to keep the catalogue going, it is an expectation by participants, promotes the sponsors and is good advertising for SA Quilters. Kathy requested that a pdf file be obtained to put on the web site at the commencement of the event. Sue

Rosanne advised that in the magazine “Vic Quilter” that Dare to Differ is not advertised. Kathy to follow up for future issues.

Heather to follow up Glyn Singleton re sponsorship of a machine. Heather

- 8.2 **Festival of Quilts** (Ann Ewer): 26 entries received to date, vs 35 this time last year.

8.2.1 Power cord covers seem to be missing from storage – Bev to check when unpacking at QE.

- 8.3 **Quilt Encounter** (Bev) -

8.3.1 *Applications*: There were 50 applications from new people. 350 brochures have been received and 250 are being posted next week.

8.3.2 *Lessa Siegele Scholarship* – currently setting parameters of how to select and considering matters such as: whether it can be applied for more than once, or one can self-nominate.

8.3.3 *Logo*: Bev to send this year’s logo to Kathy when available. Also to send a brochure. Bev

8.3.4 *Packaging Day*: The day with the Tiger Team, preparing gift packs, was very much appreciated. Heather recommended, and it was agreed, that there be an annual Prize Packing day, to be held in May, to package Tiger Team items for use by different teams. Items could also be packaged for Rural Roundup. This to be added to the list of events on the agenda document. Ann

Kathy recommended that the QE brochure be put on the web site after the event. Bev

- 8.4 **Country Forum** (Rosanne)

- 8.5 **Modern Mix** (Jill Radcliffe) – Interleaving and Convergence day held last month was very successful. Free sew next meeting; Annual Gee Bend day the following month. Cindy to provide dates beyond July for the web site. Cindy

- 8.6 **Sit and Sew**

8.6.1 Sew it’s Wednesday (Cindy): this year there have been 7 new SAQ members. 32 in attendance last week.

8.6.2 Unplugged Stitchers (Jackie):

8.6.3 Saturday Stars (Therese):

- 8.7 **Quilts of Love** (After Dark Quilters – Jill Clausen): Jill is asking for 32” Quilts of Love for isolettes and 26” quilts for crib quilts - Kathy to put on web site.

- 8.8 **SA Quilters: Comfort Quilts** (in recess)

- 8.9 **Flinders Kids** (Chris O’Brien)

8.10 Tiger Team (Heather Ford): Heather reported only one delivery this month. Phone call today for another pickup.

9 NATIONAL EVENTS

9.1 Quilt Australia (Chris): Meeting scheduled 8th May at 6:30pm (ACST).

10 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

10.1 Next Meeting:

August meeting – Robion Hood not available – Goodwood Hotel to be booked.

Ann

MEETING CLOSED: 8:30pm

NEXT MEETING: Thursday 29th May 2025 at The Robin Hood Hotel [5.30 pm Dinner – 6.30 pm Meeting]

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Date