SA Q

Groups News, December 2025

Please distribute to all Group members

Greetings,

A lot has come up in the last week, so this is yet another end of year Newsletter.

Rural Roundup Grant: The Leadership Team has decided the Group that hosts Rural Roundup will be given at least \$1000 and up to \$2000 to run the event. More details about what this will look like will come out in the New Year. Inman Valley Quilters will be the first Group to receive the increased grant when they host Rural Roundup in 2026. I hope the date is in your diary, 24th October 2026, in Victor Harbor.

Planning for 2026 and Insurance

How is your planning for 2026 going? I hope it is going well so that you can get off to a great start to the New Year, but we also need some of that information for Insurance purposes. This year our Insurance Broker has asked for a lot more detail from the Affiliated Groups, which we don't have. In the next week you will receive an email with an updated group membership form.

The following is from Marg Hurrell, SA Quilters Insurance Liaison Officer re: Insurance

To ensure that SA Quilters insurance cover is adequate, we need to provide the insurer with as much detail as possible. Therefore, if your group is holding a retreat, please enter the details of the retreat location on the Group Membership Application Form which is submitted at the beginning of each calendar year. Also required at the retreat is a sign-in sheet of those attending, with names clearly identified, and the dates of the retreat. Sign-in-sheets should always be completed for any sewing day or event.

When submitting fees for new members who haven't been included in the membership form at the beginning of each year, the name of your group, plus the name of the new member, must be clearly identified. To do this, please use the Group Membership Application Form and the Group Member Name Sheet. It may seem tedious, but if we want our insurance to cover us, we need to be meticulous about what we provide to the insurer.

All forms can be found on the SA Quilters web site at https://www.saquilters.org.au/ including Group Membership Application Form and Group Member Names Sheet. For upcoming exhibitions, you will also find on the web site, the Application for Insurance for Group Exhibitions, and Group Exhibitors Record. The Group Exhibitors Record is to be completed and held by you in the event it is required for a potential claim.

Please email me at insurance.saquilters@gmail.com if you have any queries or need help with the forms.

Marg Hurrell
Insurance Liaison Officer

SA Quilters Calendar

SA Quilters would also like to know when your public events are so we can include them on the SAQ calendar that is being launched in the New Year. The calendar will have all of the SAQ activities listed, but we would also like to include Affiliated Group's exhibitions and events. The calendar document will be linked on the website and the next two months of the calendar will be in each I-Patch. Please send through the details of your Groups exhibitions and events so they can be included in the Calendar.

Group Quilt Raffles at Members meetings

If you Group would like to bring a quilt raffle to fundraise for charity in 2026, please contact Denise Johnstone to arrange a meeting. Denisejjohnstone@gmail.com. We have lots of spaces available in the 2026 calendar.

New Community Quilts Team

SA Quilters has formed a new Team that will receive and deliver quilts to palliative care centres in and around Adelaide. The Team is starting small until they establish themselves and the collection and management of quilts. The Team's leader is Carolyn Daniels. (Thank you, Carolyn for accepting this important role.)

The Team's requirements are that only well-made quilts, worthy of being gifted and that reflect the reputation of SA Quilters in terms of the standard of quilt making, will be accepted.

Check list for all quilt donations:

- Bright, cheery colours
- No larger than single bed size, no smaller than 40" x 48"
- No buttons
- Not too warm, to avoid overheating.
- Seams need to be secure.
- Aim for all over quilting that results in a soft quilt.
- Ditch stitched quilting should be avoided.
- Binding needs to be well put on neat corners and no pleats.
- Ensure that there are no pins in binding or body of quilt.

If you aren't confident in completing the binding it is suggested you use a walking foot and watch the Margaret and Chris YouTube. Margaret and Chris Binding Aug2023.

Happy quilting everyone.

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