

SA Quilters congratulates Pip Porter who won both Best in Show and first place in the Minimal/Negative Space Category in the Modern Quilt Show Australia 2026, held in Sydney in March. Pip's quilt is called "Hot Flush".



IMPORTANT REMINDER

- * If you wish to have a quilt **appraised** before entering it in **Festival of Quilts** in July then there is only one appraisal day left in June.

Please contact Heather appraisals.saquilters@gmail.com for information and an application form.



Greetings,

March has truly been a month bursting with celebrations, creativity, and community spirit!

What a wonderful time we had marking International Quilters Day on the 14th of March. More than 200 enthusiastic quilters gathered to reconnect, share stories, and indulge in all things fabric and friendship. The room was buzzing with laughter and

chatter as friends old and new caught up over cups of tea. We were spoiled with plenty to enjoy — from fabulous shopping opportunities and inspiring demonstrations to a stunning quilt display that showed off our members' incredible talent. The raffles were a hit (as always!), and the Devonshire teas were the perfect treat to top off a delightful day.

A huge round of applause goes to the Golden Harvest Quilters, who hosted a beautiful exhibition in Minlaton as part of their hometown's 150th Birthday celebrations. The event had such a festive atmosphere — it seemed as though the entire town, along with visitors who came for the big celebration, turned out to admire their exquisite quilts. It was a true showcase of community pride and craftsmanship.

Another special congratulations to our very own Pip Porter, SA Quilters and Modern Mix member, who was awarded Best of Show at the Modern Quilt Show Australia 2026 in Sydney for her quilt "Hot Flush." What an incredible achievement! Pip's win is a reflection not only of her artistry but also of her generosity in sharing her knowledge and passion with others. Her efforts to build skills, inspire creativity, and promote Modern Quilting are deeply appreciated by us all.

In Leadership News, Market Day has been postponed to 31st October due to the current fuel situation. While it's disappointing to delay an event we all love, it just gives us more time to prepare. Think of it as an opportunity to dig a little deeper into your cupboards and sewing rooms — bring along your unwanted stash or come ready to find new treasures when October rolls around. It'll be well worth the wait!

Finally, this will be my last President's Report, as I will not be renominating for President at our upcoming AGM. I want to express my heartfelt thanks for the kindness, encouragement, and friendship I've received from so many of you over the past year. It's been an absolute privilege to serve as your President and to witness the vibrancy, generosity, and creativity that make SA Quilters such a special community. I wish the incoming leadership team every success — and I look forward to seeing many of you at future meetings and events (most likely with needle and thread in hand!).

Warm regards,

Rosanne

Rosanne Fuller - President, SA Quilters

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April President's Challenge

President's Challenge for March is to make something that reflects YOU in every aspect of the project.

- Guild Meetings
- Quilt Shows
- Workshops
- Special Events
- Feature Articles
- Member information
- Latest News

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A Focus on Quilting

I-Patch is the monthly Newsletter of SA Quilters

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SA Quilters meet on the first Thursday of each month (except January) at 7.15pm for 8.00pm start at Burnside Community Centre, Burnside Town Hall, Portrush Road, Tusmore.

The aims of SA Quilters are to:

- To promote the art of patchwork and quilting.
- To provide a forum for quilters in South Australia.
- To encourage the formation and maintenance of quilters' groups within South Australia.
- To seek, encourage and maintain a high standard of design and technique in both traditional and contemporary quilt making.
- To foster and maintain an interest in the history of patchwork and quilting.
- To hold, organise and take part in exhibitions and workshops whether in South Australia or elsewhere.
- To provide information, knowledge and skills with regard to quilt making in South Australia or elsewhere.
- To do such other acts and things as are in the opinion of the organisation ancillary or conducive to the achievement of any one or more of the above objects.

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Quilters' Guild of South Australia Inc.

Annual General Meeting

Notice is hereby given that
The Annual General Meeting
of
Quilters' Guild of South Australia Incorporated [SA Quilters]
will be held on

Thursday 7th May 2026 at 8.00pm

at the Burnside Community Centre
corner Portrush and Greenhill Roads, Tusmore

*Nominations for election to
the Executive Committee (Leadership Team)
are encouraged and welcomed.*



Quilters' Guild of South Australia Inc.



**AGENDA for the 2026 Annual General Meeting
to be held on Thursday 7th May, 2026, at 8.00 pm
at the Burnside Community Centre, Portrush Road, Tasmore**

Present:

- 2 Apologies:**
- 3 President's Welcome:**
- 4 Minutes of Previous Annual General Meeting held 1st May 2025:**
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2026 Festival of Quilts

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2026 Quilter in Residence

Bronwen Sayers

Bronwen is a highly awarded quilt maker who started her quilting journey at Ascot Sewing Centre in 1996 when a friend invited her to come and see what they were doing. She loved what they were doing and thought "I can do that". She attended a few workshops, made new friends, joined the Quilter's Guild, attended Quilt Encounter at Roseworthy and her quilting career was well and truly begun.



Since that time Bronwen has tried every quilting technique there is, including pieced, applique, trapunto and is now digitising embroidery and quilting patterns on her computer to stitch out on her embroidery machine. Bronwen plans her quilts meticulously drawing up the design and putting in the measurements and her attention to detail is evident in the finished product. Her favourite type of quilt that she returns to over and over again is applique.



Come and see Bronwen at the show. She will have a display of her quilts, she will be stitching some iron lace work on a quilt, but most of all she hopes to inspire people to come away and think "I can do that". I want to give it a go!

A quick note from Bronwen on digitising embroidery and quilting patterns is that it is not as easy as printing a sheet of paper on the printer. Every stitch of the design needs to be placed accurately and then the designs need to be aligned with each other in the correct place so they are not askew on the quilt. It is a very time consuming and exacting exercise, but very rewarding.



A cushion Bronwen designed and digitised





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After 18th of **April** the quilt can be viewed
at

Riverlea Cottage Quilts

330 Unley Rd.

*Tickets can also be purchased at the following
ticket sale location:*

- Market day, Saturday 2nd May,
10am -2pm
Adelaide West Uniting Church,
312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive,
Brooklyn Park

**We need your help: Please obtain
raffle books and sell tickets!**

**Could you take a book and sell
some tickets at your sewing
group?**

Books may be obtained from Margaret
Hurrell, telephone 0419 860 757

or from the Festival of Quilts table at any
SA Quilters' Members meeting.

Annual Raffle

1st Prize

"Omicron Begone"

by Chris O'Brien

2nd Prize

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Proceeds from the Quilt will go to Second Chances which is a non-profit volunteer organisation supporting people in prison, their children and families with a range of custom designed programs to create brighter better futures.





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Opening Premiere of



“Plus ONE”



Studio Art Quilt Associates (SAQA)

Oceania-Sturt Pea Pod Exhibition

At the Awards Presentation Night

6:30pm Thursday 9th July 2026

in the Jubilee Pavilion, Adelaide Showgrounds

The SAQA-Oceania-Sturt Pea Pod is a group of South Australian-connected textile artists that formed in 2024 and are united by their love of creating wall-hung art quilts and developing a professional practise. All 21 artists are also members of the international Studio Art Quilt Associates (SAQA) organisation. This group encompasses students, emerging and professional art quilters, with many having extensive international and national recognition.

Participating Artists:

Julia Arden, Christine Beardsley, Julie Blake, Gina Burgess, Bronwyn Cant, Raelene Draheim, Stephanie Eland, Suzanne Gummow, Julie Haddrick, Marett Hancox, Ann Head, Ros McDougall, Sue Morley, Nola Pearce, Julie-Anne Rogers, Lisa Scarfe, Wendy Stanton, Linda Steele, Catherine Summers, Mary Williams and Zara Zannettino.



**Entries are
OPEN!**



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Early Bird Draw

Enter early! We have our final early bird draw at the May members meeting for entries received at that time—so enter early to win a fabulous prize.

Changes to the Handbook—What's New in 2026

- A comprehensive **Index** for the Handbook to help you find all you need to know!
- **Quilt category change:** Each year there is a new **Challenge** or theme category: 2026 is “Enchanted Forest”. Size limit increased to **150cm**.
- **Quilt Card Information update:** The **quilt title** is now limited to 30 characters – including spaces. (Please see Page 4 for full details).
- **Junior entries update:** Junior entries must have a single hanging sleeve in 2026. The entrant's mentor may add the sleeve for the junior.

Entry Fees

Members of SA Quilters: \$15 per entry

Affiliated group members: \$20 per entry.

Maximum of 5 entries per entrant

Handy Hints

Click [here](#) for the “Online Entry Guide”, to prepare all the information you will need to enter online.

- **Quilt Card Information:** This personal statement, limited to 600 characters, is printed onto the card attached to each quilt. (Please see Page 3 of the handbook for specific details regarding the information you will need to include in your statement).
- The Junior entrants' mentor will be emailed the instructions for completing their Quilt Card.

[Enter Here](#)

[Open Hand book](#)





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Country Quilters—How can we help with your entries

We are keen for our country friends to enter the Festival of Quilts because your work is beautiful, should be seen and is inspirational to others. Therefore, **country entrants are not bound by the delivery requirements** stated in the Entries Handbook.

Please encourage entries from your group and send all the quilts together.

- We will accept entries in person any time after entries close. Sometimes we have people visiting the country who may be able to collect from your group. Perhaps your local quilt shop will be able to assist, as a collection point or perhaps they visit Adelaide for supplies. We are happy to help in any way we can.
- Similarly, if quilts cannot be picked up between 5:30 and 6pm on Sunday evening, alternative arrangements can be made.
- Phone Ann Ewer, 0414 364 100 to arrange a delivery/pickup location and day to suit you.

Challenge Category

The challenge category theme is “Enchanted Forest”. Think fairies at the bottom of the garden or think outside the square!

The size is to be no larger than 150 X 150cm (a change in size from last year).

The quilt may be any technique **but** must have 3 layers.

Other Categories

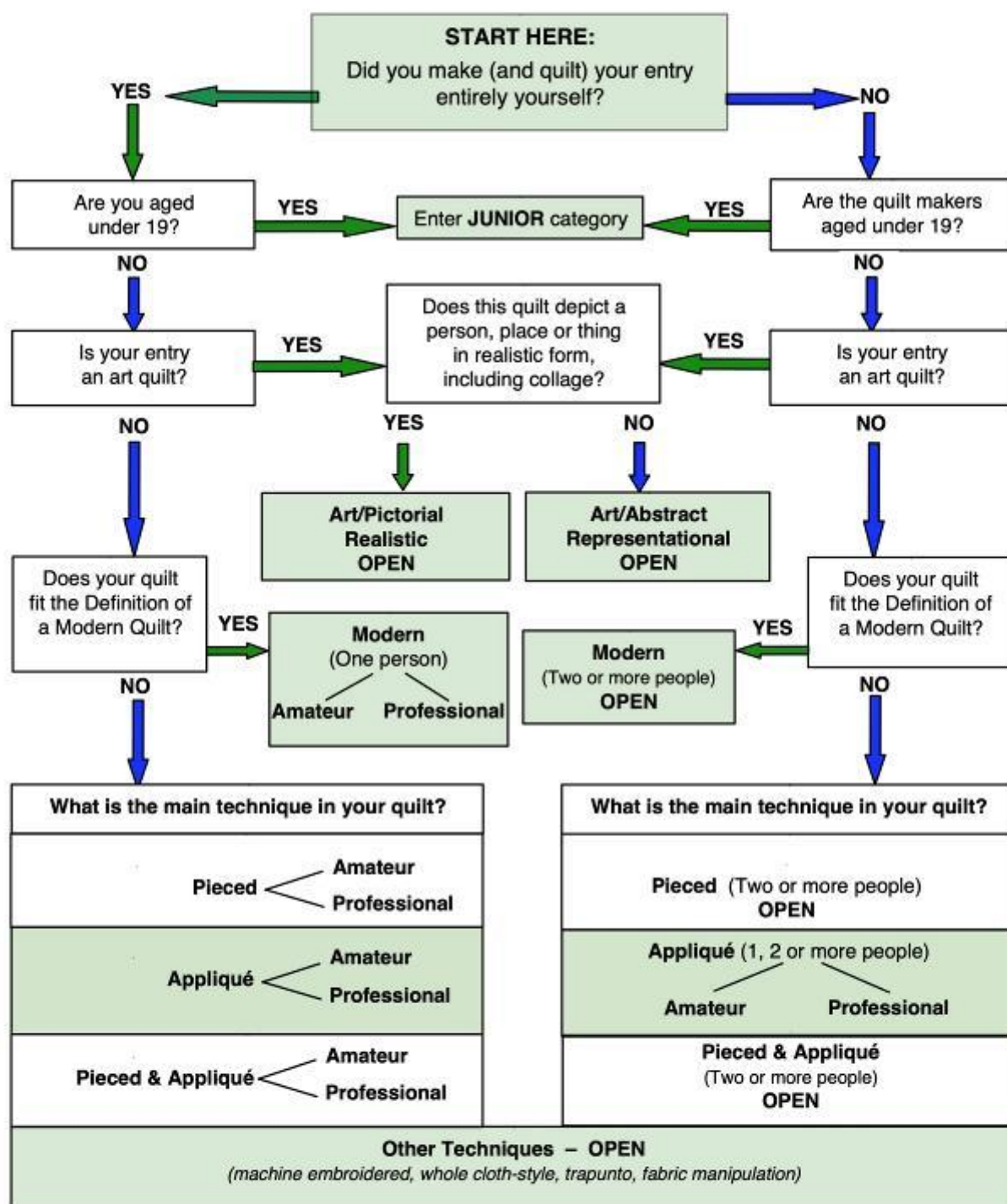
- Pieced & Applique quilts must have a significant amount of piecing and applique to go into this category. Sashing is not considered as piecing.
- If a professional quilts the quilt, then it must be entered into a 2 person category.
- A Flow chart is on the next page which will help you decide which category is the right one for your quilt.

Encourage your friends to enter those quilts that you love, because others will love them too and they should be seen!



This flow chart will help you choose the category to enter.
(For definitions: please refer to the Handbook.)

If a professional quilts your quilt, the entry goes into the Professional category, even if you are an Amateur





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Early Bird Draw for April

Thankyou to all those entrants who put their entries in early were in the draw for a prize.

The prize was won by:

Wendy Whellum

Congratulations Wendy. There is only one more prize draw for entries received prior to the next SAQ meeting—so get your entries in NOW!

Don't forget you still have a chance to win the May draw if you enter your quilt now!

Key Dates

Entries open	Friday, 6 March 2026
Early Bird Draws at SA Quilters meetings	Thursdays, 2 April and 7 May 2026
Entries Close	Friday, 29th May, 2026
Quilt delivery at the Showgrounds	Tuesday, 7 July 2026 between 10 am and 12 pm
Quilts being posted to be received by:	Friday, 26 June 2026
Awards Presentation and Launch of “Plus One” Exhibition by Studio Art Quilt Associates (SAQA) at Adelaide Showgrounds.	Thursday 9th July, 6.30 pm
Quilt collection	Sunday, 12 July 2026, between 5.30 pm and 6.00 pm



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SA Quilters News and Information

May Meeting Details

SA QUILTERS - MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, 7 May

Doors open at 7.15pm for an 8.00pm start

Welcome address: President, Rosanne Fuller
Special Event: Annual General Meeting
Shop: The Quilting Room – web site [here](#)
Fat Quarter Raffle: Autumn Tones
Show and Tell: Wool Applique
Library: Open for borrows and returns
Kitchen open for tea and coffee

QUILT ENCOUNTER 2026

Want to receive a copy of the program for Quilt encounter?

Information about the program and the application form is only available via the hard copy full colour brochure produced each year. Interested participants pay a fee to cover the brochure printing and postage costs (currently \$12) to have a brochure sent to them. The brochure is posted out in early May.

To generate a reply-paid envelope in order for the brochure to be sent to you, please email **Quilt Encounter** quiltencounter@gmail.com with your details. Payment for the envelope can be made via a direct deposit, details of which will be included in the email reply to you.

You may also purchase an envelope at any SA Quilters meeting.

Welcome New Members

Samantha Menner
Ann Magnusson
Jennifer Nunan

Stephen Hardy
Lesley Ellison

Marie Thomas
Sharon Walker

Kerri Duckworth
Marjorie Asmussen

Members Meetings Suggestions

Our hardworking Meetings Team is already planning next year's Member Meeting program and would love your ideas for speakers. Please drop in your thoughts via email to Wendy Hunt, our Meetings Team Leader, jezmeg@bigpond.com. Think creatively! Interstate presenters, textile artists, or anyone whose work might inspire our creativity—all suggestions are welcome. Some presenters might even be prepared to do workshops for SA Quilters, affiliated groups, or local shops if they come for a meeting.

SA Quilters Meeting Notes

Thursday
2 Apr 2026

Vice President, Ally Baum, welcomed 84 members and 3 visitors to the SA Quilters March 2026 meeting. The guest speaker this month was Jill Christian, from the judging team, in an "On the Couch" format with President Rosanne Fuller. The session was very informative, and a few people were overheard after the meeting saying that they now feel encouraged to now enter a quilt in Festival of Quilts. Remember it is an exhibition not a contest!



Our sincere thanks to Dawn Hay from Kitty Rose Cottage which was the April feature shop at the SA Quilters meeting. Kitty Rose Cottage started selling kits during Covid and has developed into a thriving business with a focus on Tilda fabric and a monthly little box of creativity. Find out more about Kitty Rose on the web site [here](#).



Dawn from Kitty Rose Cottage

TEAM REPORTS:

Leadership Team News—Rosanne reminded members there are still some vacancies on the Leadership Team and looking for nominations before 22 April.

International Quilter's Day—IQD was another great success. Demonstrators were presented with thank you gifts.

Market Day—Has been postponed due to the fuel crisis so it will now be held on Saturday 31 October 2026.

Festival of Quilts—Ann Ewer encouraged early entry for Festival of Quilts and not to wait until end of May. Wendy Whellum won the early bird prize. There will be another early bird prize at next month's meeting. Ann also encouraged entries for the Tactile\Fiddle mat project.

Workshops—A number of workshops have been advertised and many are full. Jill Radcliffe will now be giving a workshop on 7 November.

Flinders Kids—Chris O'Brien stated 113 quilts were provided recently. Leonie from Love Lee Fabrics has donated fabric and panels. Chris is looking for anyone who wants to make one of the panels into a quilt.



SHOW AND TELL (nothing is to scale here)

Sue Zilm – Nature's Paintbrush by
Rachelle Denny. Helen Dobby used her embroidery machine. Wendy completed a lovely UFO. Ann was provided with the fabric and pattern, but then changed the pattern more to her liking. Gaylene completed a small picture quilt. Heather completed the Beginner's Sampler Quilt started at a workshop by Sue Knuckey.



Special thanks to all our IQD demonstrators



Jill Radcliff made a quilted coat and Elena Motta proudly showed the bag she recently made for mum Lara

Inman Quilters Report

Distribution of Exhibition Raffle Proceeds

Well, there's a little bit to catch up on here at Inman Quilters. Last October we held our Quilt Exhibition and raised an impressive \$2,000 from our raffle, drawn on 19/10/2025. We held a special meeting on 17th February, 2026, where the proceeds were presented to selected local charities and organisations. The distributions were as follows:

\$500 to Lutheran Loaves and Fishers, accepted by Merelyn Young

\$500 to SCY (5 Churches of Yankalilla), accepted by Fiona Shanahan

\$500 to The Whalers Emporium, accepted by Mary McGuiness

\$250 to Yankalilla Area School, accepted by Wendy Lindsay

\$250 to Myponga Area School, accepted by Gina Hunt (Could not Attend)



Merelyn Young, Fiona Shanahan, Beth Wilson (Inman Quilters President), Mary McGuiness and Wendy Lindsay with their donation certificates and the raffle's first prize quilt in the background.



Show & Tell - Sara Candy's wedding quilt for her daughter

Show & Tell

One of our crafty member's, Sara, made a quilt for her daughter's wedding from Japanese fabrics. It was wonderful to see the finished product at one of our show-and-tells. This beautiful quilt pattern is called 'Twinkle' by the wonderful Rachelle Denny Designs. A lovely quilt Sara, we do hope your daughter loves it and it can be a family keep sake for years to come.

Rural Round Up Prep

As you may know, we hold our meetings every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month and when there happens to be a 5th Tuesday, we hold a 'Gifting Quilt' day which we dedicate to making or finishing off our gifting quilts. The 5th Tuesday of May saw a large turn out, as we converted the Hall into a Bag Making Factory (Pictured). The buzzing of machines, the heat of irons and the chatter of eager ladies busy constructing reusable shopping bags for our up coming Rural Round Up in October. Our over-arching theme for the rural round up is 'Sustainability'. With this

in mind our wonderful Rural Round Up committee came up with the wonderful idea to sew our gift bags as a reusable shopping bag that can conveniently fold away into your handbag. We are very excited to see our bags in your hands in October. When the lunch bell rang, we were gratefully delighted by the efforts of four of our members who made us four different flavoured soups with bread rolls for lunch. Thank you to the other members who also provided some delicious baked goods to share with our cuppa's. What a team effort by all!



Inman Quilters Report (Cont.)

RURAL ROUND UP INFO

Inman Quilters are hosting the 2026 Rural Round-Up on Saturday 24th October at the Encounter Lutheran Church in Hayborough (Victor Harbor). Registrations open on the 1st June 2026. The day will be filled with guest speakers, presentations, 5 pop up shops, Morning & Afternoon Tea and Lunch provided, A door prize raffle and an optional Quilting Challenge. Doors will open at 9am and the day runs until 4pm. You can purchase your tickets via the SA Quilters website. If you require any further information please write to inman.rr2026@gmail.com

Until next month, stay crafty!

Cheers

Bree-Anna Leibhardt

Inman Quilters Publicity Officer



Our First Completed Bag of the day



Two hot ladies ironing as we sewed



2 wonderful ladies cutting all the bag pieces



Marking the curves for the pocket and closure



10-12 ladies busy sewing

Quilters in Germany

Continuing from our amazing trip to the USA visiting Missouri Star Quilt Company and Houston (if you missed the last video go back to the March I- Patch where Cindy ticks things off her bucket list)

Cindy and I farewelled the 24 quilters with whom we shared so many experiences in the USA, and we travelled to visit my daughter in Germany.

Did I tell you that my daughter Sally married Cindy's exchange student Tim from Germany?

We went from balmy 30+ degree days to chilly 1 degree weather. Packing was an issue especially when we had to make room for our quilting purchases in the USA. We had time to relax, visit local sites in Germany and the Netherlands and go and visit the local patchwork shop Quilt Works (www.quiltworks.de) a few villages away in Ritterhude, Northern Germany.

What a quaint place to visit. The shop was in the front room of Svenja's home, a 1770's thatched cottage. We were welcomed yet again with open arms, and what I learnt about our journey is that quilters are all the same - friendly and welcoming and we all have a quirky passion for fabric. Big thanks to Svenja for allowing us to visit unannounced.



Checkout the video link <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hksdkXsnBg>

By Jane Polden

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Gallery Quilters

Recently Gallery Quilters donated 23 quilts to the Royal Adelaide Hospital Intensive Care Unit's End of Life Program. The quilts are placed on the person's bed to make the room look more homelike and less clinical as the family farewells their loved one. After their loved one passes the family are gifted the quilt as a memento. Chantelle (Clinical Nurse RAH) reports that the families treasure these quilts.

Gallery Quilter meet weekly at Port Noarlunga during the school term. In addition to making quilts for family and friends they also make quilts for charities including Flinders Kids, Mary Potter Hospice and the RAHs ICU End of Life Program.

Chantelle, Clinical Nurse RAH (centre) with members of Gallery Quilters.



SAVE THE DATE

HIGHLIGHTS

- Lunch, Morning & Afternoon Tea Provided
- **REGISTRATIONS OPEN**
JUNE 1ST 2026
- Guest Speakers
- 5 Pop Up Shops
- Quilting Challenge (Optional)
- Door Prize Raffle



Rural Round Up

Saturday
October 24th
2026

INMAN QUILTERS

RURAL ROUND UP

@

Victor Harbor
Lutheran Church
21A Adelaide Road, McCracken



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FABRIC, MACHINES

SUPPLIES

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HANDMADE TREASURES

**DUE TO THE FUEL CRISIS
MARKET DAY HAS BEEN POSTPONED
UNTIL SATURDAY, 31 OCTOBER 2026**

**WHERE: Adelaide West Uniting Church
312 Sir Donald Bradman Drive
BROOKLYN PARK**

WHEN: Saturday, 2nd May 2026

TIME: 10.00am to 2.00pm

SA
Quilters



**\$5 ENTRY INCLUDES A DELICIOUS
DEVONSHIRE TEA**



TELL YOUR FRIENDS

Golden Harvest Quilters

Over 2 years ago a committee started planning this event held 27-29 March 2026.

Michelle Hawthorne, then president of Golden Harvest Quilters (GHQ), suggested that we should delay our biannual display from November 2025 until this weekend. What a great decision that was.

2024

First thing we needed was a raffle quilt so, our group activity for the year was a "Girls Day Out" block challenge. At least 4 'girls' were supplied from Tilda's 'Me and My Friend' range was supplied, 'Any activity, in any era' resulted in 20 blocks being completed. Pam Wilton winning this challenge with "Lets Meet at Ye Olde" (Ye Olde is a local café).

2025

The Uniting Church Hall was chosen for our venue, centrally located in the Main Street and where we hold our monthly meetings.

Next thing was to get that raffle quilt together. The blocks would come out, get laid out each month, then get stacked away again. In November finally, we got the quilt top together in a day. All blocks were used. One as the label, 16 in the quilt and 3 in quilt bags.

2026

The big event. Minlaton 150 Celebrations. The Main Street looked fabulous with over 200 special pots with maroon and white flowers, Minlaton Colours.

Friday's activities included Back to School, Cemetery Tours and a Gala Evening in the Town Hall.

Saturday morning the Main Street was a buzz, and 15 trees were planted in Fourth Street. Saturday afternoon the celebrations moved to the oval for live music, stalls, vintage car and machinery display, and historic displays from local clubs. Fireworks finished the night off. Sunday, the final day, a combined Ecumenical Service at the Uniting Church. The final activity was a gathering out at Minlagawi Gum Flat Reserve. (The town was originally referred to as "Gum Flat" because it is the only area on Southern Yorke Peninsula where red gums grow naturally. In 1876 the name was changed to Minlaton because authorities felt there were too many Gum Flats in SA). Back to our quilt display.

The Golden Harvest Quilters display was open Friday all day and Saturday until 1.00 pm. Over 200 people visited our display, many who would not usually visit quilt shows. We had some special visitors including SA Quilters Patrons, Her Excellency the Honourable Frances Adamson, Governor of South Australia and Ron Buntin, Rosanne Fuller, President SA Quilters and Golden Harvest Life Member Judy Butcher. A big thankyou to Margaret Hurrell for returning the SA Quilters "Red and White" quilts for us. They were a great addition to our display.

Our viewers' choice was tied. "Feathered Friends" by Flo Jarvis and "Farmyard Quillo" by Pam Wilton. They both won a \$100 voucher from "The Patchy Affair", our guest shop at our display. Our raffle was won by Glenda Donovan from Wallaroo. Glenda is a member of Northern Yorke Peninsula Quilters.

Thank you to all that supported our quilt display and the Minlaton 150 Celebrations.



Farmyard Quillo made by Pam Wilton



Feathered Friends made by Flo Jarvis

Golden Harvest Quilters

Golden Harvest held their very successful Quilt exhibition on the weekend in their hometown of Minlaton which was timed to help celebrate Minlaton's 150th Birthday. I attended on the Saturday and the venue was a buzz of excitement with many locals and former locals admiring the work and catching up. It was lovely to be a part of the event.

Rosanne Fuller, President SA Quilters.

Rosanne Fuller, President of SAQ, Her excellency Frances Adamson, Governor of South Australia, and SAQ member Zara Zannettino, who was born in Minlaton and went back for the 150th birthday



Julie Nixon brought her pop-up shop, A Patchy Affair, to tempt us all



Margo and Gail welcomed visitors to the Golden Harvest Quilters Exhibition



Thank you Fiona and Marlene for your hospitality in making everyone feel very welcome



Judy, Roeli, Gail and Chris. it was lovely having old members come back for the Golden Harvest exhibition to meet new members

Sharing the Joy of Stitching

An Exhibition of Embroidery and Textiles

**By
South Coast Embroiderers**

**Goolwa Anglican
Church Hall**

**Crocker St, Goolwa
(off Cadell Street)**

Saturday and Sunday

18th & 19th April 2026

from 10am to 4pm

Entry \$5 (cash only)

The Embroiderers' Guild of SA Inc - South Coast Branch

The Embroiderers' Guild of South Australian Inc. Special Purpose Fund is a tax deductible fund listed on the register of Cultural Organisations under Subdivision 30-B of the Income Tax Assessment Act 1997

International Quilters Day

International Quilters Day 2026 was celebrated on the 14th of March with a wonderful gathering that truly captured the spirit of the quilting community. The day provided a special opportunity for members and friends to come together, share their passion and celebrate all things quilting in a warm and welcoming atmosphere.



Throughout the day, a variety of demonstrations were held, providing insight into different quilting techniques and offering something for quilters of all skill levels. These sessions were both informative and inspiring, sparking new ideas and encouraging members to try something new in their own quilting projects.

A highlight of the event was the popular Shoebox raffle, which once again demonstrated the generosity of our members. Eighteen beautifully prepared boxes filled with quilting treasures were eagerly admired, and the raffle successfully raised valuable funds for our chosen charity. Thank you to everyone who contributed and supported this meaningful cause.

PennyLane Patchwork was invited to set up a shop, much to the delight of attendees. It certainly helped “feed the fabric addiction,” with many members enjoying the opportunity to browse and purchase new fabrics and supplies.

Overall, International Quilters Day was a great success—celebrating not only the craft of quilting but also the strong sense of community that makes SA Quilters so special.

Thanks to the hard-working IQD Team for putting together a memorable and fun day to celebrate quilting.



Our Demonstrators



Chris



Marg



Gaylene and Monique



Carmel



Jill



Cindy

Modern Quilt Show Australia

On the weekend of March 13th to 15th 2026, I travelled to Sydney for the Modern Quilt Show Australia being held at the iconic Petersham Town Hall. It was run by the Sydney Modern Quilt Guild in conjunction with the Wollongong Modern Quilt Guild.

Oh my eyes!

It was a fantastic display of the most amazing modern quilts that Australia hasn't seen the likes of since 2019, when the last Modern Quilt show was staged. Over 115 quilts from all over Australia, the standards were set high right from the start.

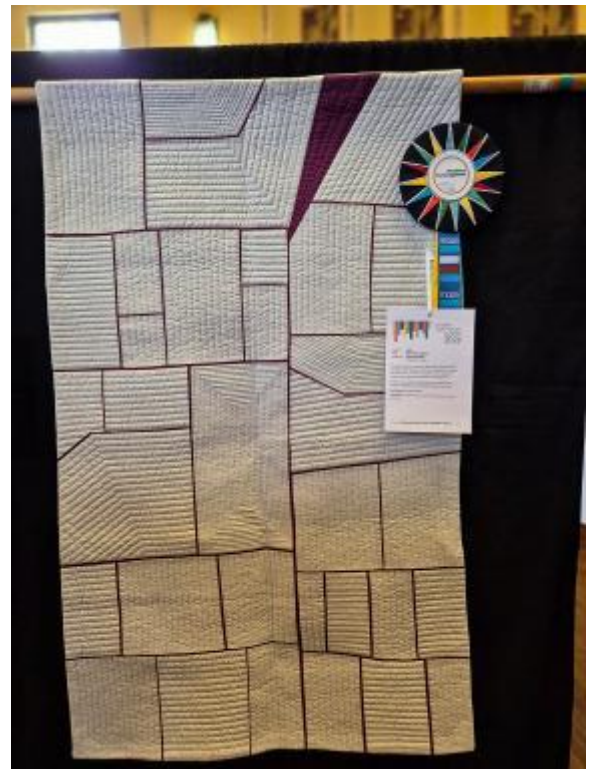
Of course, some people aim for the top and achieve greatness as well. Our very own Pip Porter is one of those. She not only won a 1st in the Minimalist/ Negative Space category for her quilt "Hot Flush" but carried off Best In Show as well! We're very proud of her as not only an ambassador of the Guild but as an inaugural member of Modern Mix. Congratulations Pip on a well deserved win!

Another of our Modern Mix members is Carmel Tonkin. Although she hales from Queensland, whenever she is in Adelaide she always pops in to Modern Mix and a Guild sit n sew or two. Carmel's quilt "View From Above" won an Amateur Encouragement award. Congratulations to Carmel!

By Jill Radcliff



Pip Porter's Best in Show "Hot Flush"



Carmel Tonkin's Entry "View from Above"

Northern Sit and Sew

On February 9, 19 keen quilters met at the Broadview Freemason 's Hall for the newly formed Sit and Sew.

Once the hall was decided, Denise set about purchasing a storage cupboard, electrical cords and other supplies.

Unsure if anyone would turn up, it was great to see quilters arriving and quickly getting down to the business of quilting.

The new Northern Sit and Sew Group meets from 10.00am – 3.00pm on the second and fourth Monday including Public Holidays. On Monday March Long Weekend, we had 21 quilters.

When SA Quilters start a new Sit and Sew, they allow 12 months for the group to become established to see if the group is viable. Early indications are that it will be a success, for quilters to have a group closer to home.

If you are new to quilting or have had years of experience, everyone is welcome. It is a friendly and safe space where there is always someone to offer tips and ideas to help fellow quilters. SA Quilters members pay just \$10 to enjoy 5 hours of sewing including Tea & Coffee. B.Y.O. Lunch and a small plate of morning tea.

Northern Sit and Sew, Broadview Freemason Hall, 565/567 Regency Road Broadview 5083

For information about all the Sit and Sews head to the [SA Quilters Website](#).

By Sarah Addis and Denise Johnston



April President's Challenge

**MAKE SOMETHING
THAT REFLECTS YOU IN
EVERY ASPECT OF THE
PROJECT**

The Project could be anything e.g.:

- Name Tag
- A Block
- Quilting
- A Bag

Think about everything:

- Fabric colours
- Fabric designs
- Stitching choices and colours
- Project design

Port Elliot Patchworkers Morning Tea

The Port Elliot Patchworkers members extend an invitation to you all. We're trying something new this year - just to be different - with the guest speaker/entertainment. Hope you can come and support us in our annual quest to raise funds for our local Fleurieu Cancer Support Foundation who have already helped so many of us.

Port Elliot Patchworkers

Biggest Morning Tea

Tuesday, 28 April 2026 from 10.00am
Port Elliot Institute, The Strand, Port Elliot

Morning Tea, Raffle, Prizes
Quilt display

Shop in attendance: Love Lee Fabric

Guest:
Local South Coast Musician and Storyteller
Garry Searle
(formerly of the River Rats)

Proceeds from the day will be donated to the
Fleurieu Cancer Support Foundation



Admission: \$10 per head
which includes
one free raffle ticket
and morning tea

Cash preferred please

**RSVP to Secretary by
Monday, 20 April on**
0411 574 485 or
rosemarievasiljuk@gmail.com

News From Our Quilting Community

GELTWOOD FABRIC FORUM

Discover. Create. Connect.

Event Details:

- Date: 4th May 2026
- Time: 9:30 am - 3:00 pm
- Venue: Civic and Arts Centre, Millicent
- Entrance Fee: \$20.00



Join us!

Immerse yourself in a day dedicated to the art and craft of quilting. Whether you are an experienced quilter or simply curious about the world of fabric, the **Geltwood Fabric Forum** welcomes creators, enthusiasts and newcomers alike.

- Guest speakers
- Networking and fellow makers
- Showcase quilts
- Community vibes and creative fun



Tickets and Information

Secure your place for only \$20.00. For bookings and enquiring, please contact Julie Wesolowski on 0428 189 965.



Upcoming Workshop

SA Slow Stitching with Sue Knuckey

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

WHEN: Saturday, 18th April 2026

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: SK26



Sue Knuckey

Start a slow stitching project using your favourite colours, fabrics, threads and saved bits and pieces.

Projects you can choose are:

- A lap size quilt throw, sewing/needlework roll, needles book or as small as a pin cushion.
- Learn basic slow stitches, embroidery and appliqué techniques to embellish your work and attach doilies, trims, buttons and Suffolk puffs.



Bring your stash of fabrics, threads and embellishments to explore what you can create.



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

Upcoming Workshop

SA WHO SAYS YOU CANT! with Bronwyn Cant

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

WHEN: Saturday, 9 May 2026

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: BC-26

Ever wondered how Bronwyn works her magic, then come and learn how. This will be a techniques, stretch your imagination, be inspired, experiment, have permission to play, make collage type of workshop.

You definitely don't need to be an artist, just be willing to have a go and play. Maximum size 50cm x 50cm. You will choose a theme/idea or not (keep it simple, nature, people, think - abstract/representational).

Then on a background, pieced or whole cloth, Bronwyn will help you use your chosen fabric, be daring and different in your choice of fabric, to bring your theme/idea to life.



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

Upcoming Workshop

SA Create Charming Slow Stitch Brooches with Pam Holland

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

WHEN: Saturday, 4th July 2026

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: PH26



Pam Holland

These charming creations are not only delightful gifts but also a wonderful way to express your creativity. Gather a selection of fabrics and bits and bobs that speak to you, layer, then use simple embroidery stitches to secure the layers together.



These can be worn on jackets, bags, or hats, adding a touch of handmade elegance to any outfit.



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

Upcoming Workshop

SA Have fun with Sashiko and Boro! with Jacky Eyre

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

WHEN: Saturday, 8th August 2026

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: JE26



Jacky Eyre

Do you have a favourite garment which just needs a spruce up, or has a tear or mark which needs covering?

Something from the op shop you want to revamp, for yourself or the kids.

Join Jacky and learn to stitch Sashiko and or boro to do just this.

Bring some fabrics for decoration and some threads plus a garment or three.

Specialist threads or embroidery threads, they will all work.



Now, this looks like it will be fun!!

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

Upcoming Workshop

SA RULER WORK RULES! with Chris O'Brien

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

WHEN: Saturday, 10th October 2026

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: COB26-3



Chris O'Brien

Due to popular demand, this workshop is offered for a second time in 2026.

Quilting with rulers is a form of guided free-motion quilting, allowing for decorative, repeatable, and geometric patterns without extensive marking. Join Chris as she shares her amazing skills in the art of quilting with rulers.

"In this workshop I will guide you through the ruler work quilting of traditional pieced blocks, enabling you to develop skills applicable to any quilt top.

If you've done this workshop with me before, please come along and have some fun stitching out a mystery ruler worked wholecloth!" Chris.



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

Upcoming Workshop

SA MODERN IMPROV CIRCLES with Jill Radcliffe

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

WHEN: Saturday, 7 November 2026
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: JR26



Jill Radcliffe



DO YOU LOVE IMPROV QUILTING? HAVE YOU TRIED CURVED PIECING?

Why not combine both techniques. Join Jill in this fabulous workshop and she will inspire you and take you into the exciting world of modern Improv Quilting.

Challenge yourself to learn creative new ideas and techniques. It's easier than you think.

This workshop will be popular, so be quick to reserve your place!

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SA Quilters Calendar

APRIL

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
		1 Unplugged Stitchers QE Team Meeting	2 SA Quilters Meetings	3 Good Friday	4 Easter Sewing in Public Spaces	5
6 Easter Monday	7	8 Sew It's Wednesday	9	10 Appraisal Team Meeting	11 Workshop - Free Motion Quilting	12 Modern Mix
13 Northern Sit & Sew	14	15	16 Meetings Team Meeting Finance Meeting	17	18 Workshop - Slow Stitching Sewing in Public Spaces	19
20	21	22 Sew It's Wednesday	23	24	25 ANZAC Day Saturday Starz	26
27 Northern Sit & Sew	28 Port Elliot Patchworkers Biggest Morning Tea	29	30 Leadership Team Meeting			

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School Holidays

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SA Quilters Calendar

MAY						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
				1	2 Sewing in Public Spaces FOQ Team Meeting	3
4 Geltwood Fabric Forum	5	6 Unplugged Stitchers QE Team Meeting	7 SA Quilters Meetings	8 Judging Team Meeting	9 Workshop - Short Story Quilt	10 Modern Mix
11 Northern Sit & Sew	12	13 Sew It's Wednesday	14	15	16 Sewing in Public Spaces	17
18	19	20	21 Meetings Team Meeting	22	23 Saturday Starz	24
25 Northern Sit & Sew	26	27 Sew It's Wednesday	28 Leadership Team Meeting	29 Appraisal & Judging Team Retreat	30 Sewing in Public Spaces Appraisal & Judging Team Retreat FOQ Team Meeting	31 Appraisal & Judging Team Retreat

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SA Quilters Calendar

JUNE						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
1 Appraisal & Judging Team Retreat	2	3 Unplugged Stitchers QE Team Meeting	4 SA Quilters Meetings	5 Appraisal Team Meeting	6	7
8 King's Birthday Northern Sit & Sew	9	10 Sew It's Wednesday	11	12	13 Sewing in Public Spaces	14 Modern Mix
15	16	17	18 Meetings Team Meeting	19	20 Wild Bloom Basket Workshop	21
22 Northern Sit & Sew	23	24 Sew It's Wednesday	25 Leadership Team Meeting	26	27 Saturday Starz Sewing in Public Spaces FOQ Team Meeting	28
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