

Zara Zannettino's Monarch Menagerie art quilt
on display at the September meeting



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The world is feeling the recent loss of Dolly Parton. Inspired by my dad, I developed a love of country music, and have been a fan of Dolly Parton since I was a little girl. What I have found interesting over the past week is the outpouring of love from people of all walks of life, not just country music fans. Dolly was an icon.

Dolly had assets that were constantly discussed and joked about ad nauseum in the 80's and 90's, but it is pleasing to see that during her recent passing most have focused on her kindness. The outpouring of love, from all around the world, for her acts of kindness, has been immense. She began the imagination library program that sends free books to children across the world each month until the child is five. To date, the program has gifted over 332 million free books to children worldwide. She supported numerous medical research programs including donating \$1 million towards the Covid-19 vaccine when the world was facing dark times. She mentored upcoming musicians across genres. I was particularly moved by a note she wrote to rapper Eminem, describing how much she admired his music. Dolly spread kindness with every word and every act.

Dolly's principles mirror that of many of the SA Quilters members. We are constantly involved in quilting activities to raise money for various charities. Experienced members are willing to share their techniques and helpful tips to grow the skills of upcoming members. It is common for members to pour time and love into making charity quilts that are given to strangers, to bring comfort in times of need and let those people feel seen. I am proud to lead a group of people that are so generous and kind.

The world is getting behind "Dolly Day" on Friday 25 September (a play on the American date 9/25, as a nod to her popular song "9 to 5"). I encourage you to keep the memory of Dolly Parton, her music and her kindness, alive and do some quilty kindness on this day.

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Roslyn Holmes and Sue Wege

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 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.

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 at 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.

Welcome New Members

Claire Bourn

Judy White

SA Quilters Meeting Details

SA QUILTERS - MONTHLY MEETING

Thursday, 1 October

Doors open at 7.15pm for an 8.00pm start

Burnside Community Centre

Guest Speaker:	Tina Gillespie
Shop:	Nay's Place – website here
Fat Quarter Raffle:	Yellow and anything else
Show and Tell:	Yellow and anything else
Library:	Open for borrows and returns

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SA Quilters relies on the passion and generosity of volunteers to keep our community strong and vibrant.

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Dear Members of SA Quilters,

On behalf of the Laurel Hospice and Palliative Care Service, I would like to extend our sincere gratitude for the generous donation of quilts recently delivered by Carolyn Daniels on behalf of SA Quilters.

The beautiful quilts you have lovingly created and donated will provide warmth, comfort, and reassurance to many of our patients and their families during what can be a very difficult time. Your generosity, kindness, and dedication are truly appreciated, and the care that has gone into each quilt is evident.

Handmade gifts such as these bring a special sense of comfort and compassion that is difficult to express in words. They are a meaningful reminder to our patients and families that their community is thinking of them and supporting them.

Please convey our heartfelt thanks to all members of SA Quilters who contributed their time, talent, and effort to this wonderful donation. We are incredibly grateful for your ongoing support of our service and the difference you make in the lives of those we care for.

Thank you.

Kind regards,

Natalie Stewart
Palliative Care | DivRAP

Thank you

Care Quilts

The 'Care Quilts' team was set up in December 2025, with its aim being collection and delivery of completed adult charity quilts to metropolitan Palliative care units in Adelaide. Initially, we thought a good target in the first year was delivery of 100 quilts. By September this year, this target was met and the number of delivered quilts is now above 100! Thank you to all who have supported this worthwhile team and donated quilts.

A shout out goes to Margie Mott in Loxton. She has been incredibly generous over a number of years in her donations of completed charity quilts. This August, she donated 104 quilts which she had made singlehandedly! These were distributed across all SA Quilters community quilts teams.

We continue to need quilts for metropolitan palliative care units, and especially quilts suitable for men (blues, greens, stripes, checks, geometric prints etc). Please refer to the Care Quilts requirements on the back of the Care Quilts flyer which is available at guild meetings. We have a preference for quilting using straight lines or free-motion, using a standard stitch, not zig zag or embroidery stitches.

Thank you again for your very worthwhile donations of completed quilts.



For more details on Care Quilts, visit <https://www.saquilters.org.au/community-quilts/>

SA Quilters News and Information

SA Quilters 2026 SEW ALONG ROAD TRIP ROUND ROBIN

At the May SAQ meeting, Heather Ford launched 2026 Sew Along – **Road Trip Round Robin**. Sample quilts were displayed on stage, made by Chris O'Brien, Sue Knuckey, Peggy Argent and Heather Ford. Guidelines will be posted monthly on the [website](#) and in the SAQ sew along Facebook page [HERE](#). Heather encouraged members to be creative and have fun. The four sample quilts demonstrated the diversity of interpretation of each month's clue.

MONTH FIVE – September 2026 – ROUND FIVE

Add another border, up to 6". Use squares, rectangles, nine patch, circles, applique – you choose, be creative – up to 6" wide



Quilt by Sue Knuckey



Quilt by Heather Ford



Quilt by Chris O'Brien



Quilt by Peg Argent

What could volunteering look like for you?

If you were to volunteer some of your time with SA Quilters, what would that look like? Perhaps you could help with an event, share a skill, lend a hand behind the scenes, or contribute to a project that interests you. Maybe you have experience from your working life that could be useful, or perhaps you simply have a little time and would enjoy being part of the team.

Volunteering doesn't have to mean a big commitment. Every contribution, big or small, helps keep SA Quilters thriving. We'd love to hear what interests you, what you enjoy doing, and how you might like to get involved.

Interested in finding out more?

Email secretary.saquilters@gmail.com and let us know a little about yourself, your interests and the type of volunteering you might enjoy.





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SA Quilters

TIME: 10.00am to 2.00pm



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SA Quilters Meeting Notes

Thursday
3 SEPTEMBER 2026

84 members attended the September meeting with our guest speaker **Zara Zannettino**, a South Australian art quilter whose work celebrates the beauty and complexity of the natural world. Inspired by her background in microbiology research, nature walks and macro-photography, Zara creates intricate textile collages.

Zara talked about her start in traditional quilting when she found she didn't like the restrictions of getting points right and preferred the freedom to use her creativity to produce very unique art quilts. These quilts use a range of techniques such as dye discharge, over-dyeing, silk-screening, monoprinting, free-style thread sketching, layered quilting and hand stitching. Zara had on display a number of her art quilts, and

showed others through her slide presentation. Many have won awards or prizes. Through her display of quilts, you could clearly see her love of nature, and especially birds. Zara has been on the Board of Directors of SAQA since 2023 and now has a voice in her chosen field. Zara noted that on 24 October there will be an Iris display at Goodwood Community Centre, Rosa Street, Goodwood.



Team Reports

Saturday Starz The next sit and sew is on 26 September from 9am to 9pm. Affiliated group members can pay \$10 instead of \$20 on this day.

Quilt Encounter Bev McBride promoted the Trunk Show on 18 September. Tickets cost \$35 but if you gather 4 friends, it will only cost \$30 each. Raffle tickets are also on sale. [See page 11 for more details.](#)

Workshops There are only 2 more workshops for the year that have vacancies, namely Colour Scheming by Sharon Nicholls-Thomson on 19 September and Laura Jacket by Jenny Spencer on Friday 6 November. Work has commenced on next year's program so if you have any suggestions for workshops, please let Ros Wyatt know.



Kate, Teresa and Pauline at the Care Quilts table



December meeting

The Meetings Team are preparing for our Christmas meeting that is only 3 months away! We would like you to come wearing your Christmas hats. You could buy one or get sewing and wear your hat to the Christmas meeting!



Also, at our Christmas meeting we will be inviting Sam Narroway from our 2026 elected charity, Second Chances. Second Chances are asking people to donate toiletries. The toiletries can be held in a toiletry bag, a small tote bag, or just donated as is. The toiletry bag is a lovely addition that you may wish to make yourself or purchase, but the key donation is the toiletries. Toiletries include toothbrush, toothpaste, deodorant, shampoo, conditioner, body wash and feminine hygiene products. Please add some of these items to your shopping list over the next couple of months, feel free to make a small toiletry bag or tote bag to house your gifts, and then we'll collect these items at the December meeting in 3 months time or at any November sit and sew.

SA Quilters Meeting Show and Tell



Burra Quilters Group



Wendy Hunt



Nola Pearce



Bronnie Young

Art Quilts Show and Tell

The Burra Quilters Group shared their quilt called Your Daphne Lines.

Wendy Hunt showed her art quilt of bee and flowers.

Nola Pearce used lino print, inkstense and other techniques to produce a small Queen Esther quilt.

Bronnie Young showed a heart quilt made by Raelene.

Congratulations to Bronnie Young who received the Encouragement award on the night.

Our sincere thanks to Kerry DeGaris of the Rural Stitch Co., which was the September feature shop at the SA Quilters meeting. The Rural Stitch Co. is open on weekends and stocks cross stitch patterns, fabric and threads. Kerry also has a wide range of Moda fabric, Kim Diehl patterns and fabric, small projects and much more. For more information, visit: theruralstitchco.com.au



Pop up Exhibition

Kay Hamill at the Hughes Gallery, Fullarton Road.
7-18 September
Monday to Friday only.



Quilt Encounter - Trunk Show



Trunk Show



Sharon Nicholls-Thomson

This year's Trunk Show presenter is Sharon Nicholls Thomson, one of Australia's leading Modern Quilters who has been designing and teaching patchwork for more than 18 years and is recognised amongst the Modern Quilting Community around the globe.



Friday 18th Sept @ 7:30pm
Stamford Grand Hotel
Moseley Square Glenelg

\$35 per Head or
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Amazing Supper Provided

Pre-booking is essential - tickets can be purchased at the event
or via email at quiltencounter@gmail.com

Featured Quilter - Annie Shuttleworth

I've been sewing and creating as long as I can remember. It's in my genetic makeup.

Maternal grandmother – a milliner. Paternal grandmother – a tailoress. Mother - knitter extraordinaire.

I remember at 7 I had a mini weaving loom. Tomboy stitch on a wooden cotton reel. Derwent colour pencils set of 120 in a tin – they were sharpened, and sorted into colours but were too special to use. And a mini (metal) sewing machine I operated by hand.



As a child I spent a lot of time recuperating from surgery to my legs. Born with a condition called club feet - I wasn't meant to walk. But experimental surgeries during ages 5 to 13 and I've defied the odds.

So being confined, I loved to create, especially clothes for my Barbies on my sewing machine. My grandmother taught me techniques of garment construction. My mum preferred to knit, so I was patient as each item grew into shape. By early teens I was sewing clothes for myself, board shorts for my 2 brothers. I didn't like to follow pattern instructions.

I have 2 daughters (a fashion designer and a graphic designer) and a very creative husband Glen.

I continued to sew clothes for the family when we moved to Cowell, Port Lincoln and Mount Gambier for Glen's teaching/leadership roles. In Mt Gambier the girls were into calisthenics so I became wardrobe manager for a club of 120 girls. Lots of lycra and sequins.

While in the country there were opportunities to go to classes for all kinds of things including floral art, leadlight, hat making, porcelain dolls, teddy bears, cross stitch, long stitch, tailoring and the list goes on. A great way to make new friends and learn something new. Moving every few years meant some of the unfinished objects didn't make it to the next house!

A few years ago, I started a list of the arts and crafts I've tried and it's about 30. Some were much more successful than others. At age 43 I took up external part-time study for a management degree (while working full-time) and graduated in 2006. Not a lot of sewing happened in those years.

Coming back to Adelaide 25 years ago and finishing my studies, I reconnected with sewing through friends and joined SAQ. I love the generosity, talent and friendship that comes with that membership. In 2023 I joined the Festival of Quilts committee, becoming entries manager in 2025.

I'm not a prolific quiltermaker, with most of my projects going straight to a new home - whether family, friends or charity. And my actual quilting skills are still in development. The great workshops offered by SA Quilters help a lot!

To watch Cindy and Jane's visit to Annie's Sewing Room, please click on the button or visit:

<https://youtu.be/nNyRfE6hugI>



To see many other amazing Sewing Room visits featuring inspirational Quilters and their ideas, you can search  YouTube for "SA Quilters Cindy and Jane Visit" (You don't need a subscription!)

News from NYPQ

The Kadina Bowling Club was buzzing on Saturday, 25 July, as members of the Northern Yorke Peninsula Quilters (NYPQ) gathered to celebrate their 40th anniversary.

Special guests included Deputy Mayor of the Copper Coast Council Neil Sawley, former Mayor Paul Thomas AM, SA Quilters President Ally Baum, and Membership Secretary Di Bessell. Members enjoyed a wonderful meal prepared by Grazing Yorkes, reminisced over past events, and browsed photo albums showcasing four decades of quilting history. Other guests included past members of the group and several original members of the group, including past Secretary Yvonne Correll.

President Maxine Koch welcomed members and guests before inviting speakers to reflect on the group's journey. Ellen Baker, founding member, spoke on the beginnings and the many achievements of the group. Neil Sawley spoke about the Quilters' long-standing relationship with the Copper Coast Council, from whom the group leases its clubrooms.

Paul Thomas shared the story of how the Wallaroo Mines Institute became the Quilters' home, and Ally Baum outlined the role of SA Quilters, with whom the group is proudly affiliated. She also presented Life Memberships to Fran Halls, Liz Kemp, Carol Sims, Helen Smart, and Astrid Zanker — a well-deserved honour for their contributions.



A celebratory birthday quilt in ruby and cream was unveiled to enthusiastic applause. Each block was pieced earlier in the year by members of the group. Lynne Routley and Fran Halls arranged and sewed the blocks together and created the flying geese border, before the quilt was professionally quilted by Jo Culbertson of Jo's Quilting Services. NYP Quilters extend their thanks to SA Quilters, the Kadina Bowling Club, Emily Barber from Grazing Yorkes, and Copy King for their assistance. Special appreciation goes to the Executive Committee, who spent months organising the event — including crafting around forty-five handmade fabric flowers to decorate the tables.

With celebrations complete, members now enjoy a brief period of quilting calm before the Copper Coast Show, where they will again convene the Quilting Section. The group looks forward to seeing this year's entries.

For more information, contact the Secretary on 0429 354 231 or visit the NYP Quilters Facebook page.

The group meets Wednesdays and Thursdays at the Wallaroo Mines Institute Hall, Stirling Terrace, Kadina.

- Janet Shane
Publicity Officer
NYPQ Inc



Port Elliot Patchworkers - Event

TEXTILE ART DAY

Tuesday, 22 September 2026

10am to 4pm

Port Elliot Institute, The Strand, Port Elliot

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FEATURING AT THE 2026 IRIS SHOW QUILTS FROM THE GARDEN

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The exhibition will include iris-inspired quilts not previously exhibited in Australia. Ann Head will give a presentation at 1:45pm highlighting the inspiration and techniques behind some of the quilts on display.

Artists featured: Julie Haddrick, Zara Zannettino, Julia Arden, Raelene Draheim and Ann Head.



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Requests from members of the public

Candle wick Quilt

Sandra has decided that she is never going to finish her candle wick quilt that she purchased from Craft Alive a number of years ago. She has all the materials including cottons, batting and backing. She diligently made one square many, many years ago and then life got in the way. Rather than throwing it out or donating it to an op shop, Sandra is hoping that one of our members may like to take it off her hands for free. It could be a project split across members of a group, or made into numerous cushions, or you could stick to the original pattern and make a quilt.

If anyone is interested in doing a candle wick quilt, please reach out to **Sandra** on **0421 661 647**



Example of a Candle wick quilt

A candle wick quilt is a traditional textured bed covering featuring colonial or French knots made from thick, soft cotton thread on a neutral or unbleached fabric background

Memory Quilt

Karen's dad passed away recently and she was wondering if anyone would like to make her a memory quilt out of his ties. Karen is flexible about the design and is happy to negotiate appropriate compensation for your effort and pay a deposit. Although the ties are in great condition, Karen is happy to get them dry cleaned before handover. If you, or your sewing group are interested in making a memory quilt from ties, please reach out to **Karen Roan** on **0409 207 063**.



Memory Quilt

Michael's wife has recently passed away and he is looking for someone to make a memory quilt out of her shirts. She was a teacher and has a number of shirts that she wore regularly. Michael is flexible with the design and is happy to negotiate appropriate compensation for your effort. If you or your sewing group are interested in making a memory quilt from shirts, please reach out to **Michael** on **0403 582 095**.



If you are interested in creating any of the above quilts, please get in contact directly.

Ruler Work Rules with Chris O'Brien

Student Report

I was one of the many participants attending the ruler workshop on Saturday 5 September conducted by Chris O'Brien. It was a very enjoyable day but a lot more challenging than I had anticipated. For some reason I had in my mind ruler work would be easy! Just hold the ruler and stitch. There is a lot more to it than that. Chris made it very interesting and put everyone at ease. She gave us lots of ideas and inspiration on how we can improve what we're doing. Chris also gave some of the advanced students some extra challenges. Chris was particularly pleased when some of the participants produced something a bit different and asked us all to take a look to gain even more inspiration.



Chris covered a lot of ground including what sorts of threads, or colours to use and showed a wide variety of so many rulers. Chris was very helpful in providing a sandwich block per participant to practise on instead of using our constructed patchwork block which we were asked to prepare prior to the workshop. As part of the requirements, Chris provided details to construct a small sandwiched patchwork block with different shapes and colours. Also, a tip for future courses, just in case you don't read all the requirements, stitch the constructed block in the ditch prior to the workshop to save time so that once you're at the workshop you can just get on with the ruler work.

Chris's motto was 'practise with purpose' so after today's workshop she set us a challenge of practising on another orphan block and making it into a bag or just practise on another sandwich block and practise some different types of ruler skills in each block. Thank you so much Chris – you managed to assist all the participants at different skill levels and provided so much inspiration.

And, of course, a workshop wouldn't be a success without the lovely angels. We had lots of cups of tea and coffee and a scrumptious morning and afternoon tea. It was a great spread.

Thank you very much angels.

- Diane Lewitzke
Workshop participant



For more information on workshops, visit:
<https://www.saquilters.org.au/workshops/>

Upcoming Workshop

SA THE LAURA JACKET with Jenny Spencer

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

WHEN: Friday, 6th November 2026
TIME: 9.30am to 4.00pm

COST: \$105 - SA Quilters members per day
\$125 - Affiliate Group members per day
\$145 - non-SA Quilters members per day



Jenny Spencer

SA QUILTERS WORKSHOP CODE: JS-26

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Handmade quilted jackets blend craftsmanship, sustainable materials, and timeless style into a statement piece unique to you.

Quilted jackets are the ultimate versatile layer, offering a lightweight mix of warmth, comfort, and structure for all types of weather.

Quilted jackets are back in fashion so join Jenny and make yours. **Re-purpose that unwanted quilt, that quilt top sitting in your stash or quilt some fabric especially for your jacket.**

At least a single bed size equivalent quilt is required. This workshop will fill quickly, so register to join us for a fun day.



We will be using the "Laura Jacket" by Melly and Me, (a multi size pattern).

Patterns are available from Jennv at Quilts by the Lakeside at Mt Gambier. Phone 0400 388 037

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

SA Quilters Calendar

SEPTEMBER

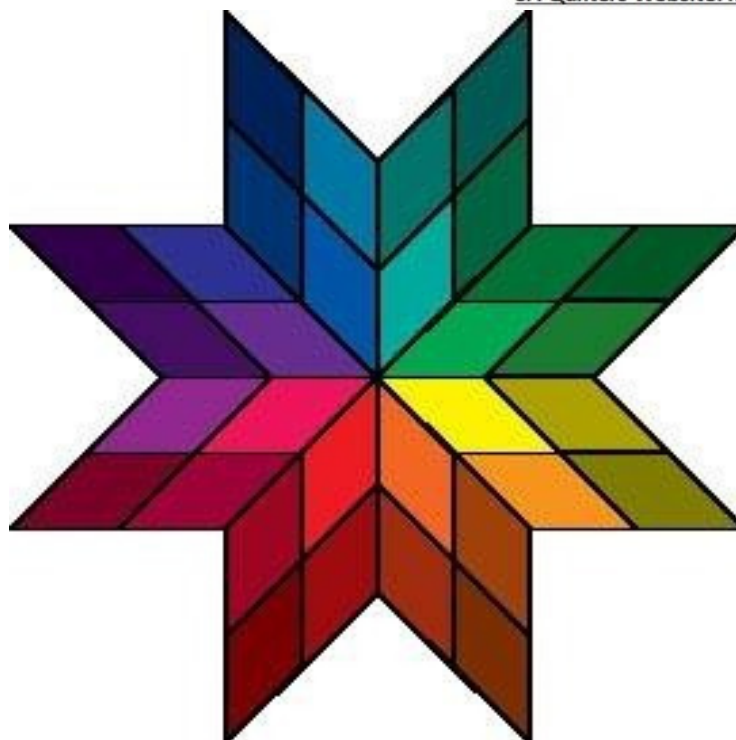
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	1	2 Unplugged Stitchers QE Team Meeting	3 SA Quilters Meeting	4 Judging Team Meeting	5 Workshop - Ruler Work Sewing in Public Spaces	6
7	8	9 Sew It's Wednesday	10	11	12	13 Modern Mix Quilt Encounte
14 Northern Sit & Sew Quilt Encounter	15 Quilt Encounter	16 Quilt Encounter	17 Meetings Team Meeting Quilt Encounter	18 Quilt Encounter QE Trunk Show	19 Sewing in Public Spaces	20
21	22 Port Elliot Patchworkers Textile Art Day	23 Sew It's Wednesday	24 Leadership Team Meeting	25	26 Saturday Starz (9.00am to 9.00pm)	27
28 Northern Sit & Sew	29	30				

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OCTOBER

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
			1 SA Quilters Meeting	2 Judging Team Meeting	3 Sewing in Public Spaces Clare Exhibition Broughton Garage Sale	4
5 Northern Sit & Sew	6	7 Unplugged Stitchers QE Team Meeting	8	9	10 Workshop - Ruler Work	11 Modern Mix
12	13	14 Sew It's Wednesday	15	16	17 Sewing in Public Spaces Workshop - Dynamic Dresdens	18
19 Northern Sit & Sew	20	21	22 Meetings Team Meeting	23	24 Saturday Starz (9.00am - 9.00pm) Rural Roundup (Inman Quilters)	25
26	27	28 Sew It's Wednesday	29 Leadership Team Meeting	30	31 Market Day	

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NOVEMBER						
Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
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2 Northern Sit & Sew	3	4 Unplugged Stitchers QE Team Meeting	5 SA Quilters Meeting	6 Judging Team Meeting Workshop - The Laura Jacket	7	8 Modern Mix
9 Finance Team Meeting	10	11 Sew It's Wednesday	12	13	14 Sewing in Public Spaces	15
16 Northern Sit & Sew	17	18	19 Meetings Team Meeting	20	21 Workshop - Ruler Work Rules!	22
23	24	25 Sew It's Wednesday	26 Leadership Team Meeting	27	28 Sewing in Public Spaces Saturday Starz	29
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