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February 2026 Newsletter



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Geelong Patchwork & Quilters Guild Inc Quilt In

Saturday 23 May 2026

10:00am - 4:00pm

Geelong West Town Hall

153 Pakington St, Geelong West
(Entry and parking available at rear)

Admission: \$15

For group bookings or cancellations:
Please email Judy Bubb: wheatsheaf_quilting@hotmail.com

Guest Speaker:

Tania Tanti

In support of:



Challenge Theme:

"With All My Heart"

Create a block 12½ inches unfinished using the colours blue & purple.
Blocks will be collected, displayed at Quilt In and made into a charity quilt.

An exciting variety of raffle prizes

**Please bring your lunch, a mug,
your stitching & show and tell**

Tea & coffee provided

Cafes within walking distance

Guess the number of 6.5 inch squares

Traders in attendance

Geelong Patchwork & Quilters Guild Inc was established in 1985 after a group of 63 women attended a meeting to consider the establishment of a patchwork and quilters guild and was incorporated the same year.

The objectives of our group are to:

Promote the art and craft of patchwork and quilting

Bring together and encourage the establishment of quilt groups

Encourage and maintain high standards of work and design in both contemporary and traditional areas.

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TREASURER'S NOTICE

Each month the Treasurer's Report is available to view at the Guild Meeting.

It includes the current bank balance and income and expenditure for the previous month.

Please let me know if you have any queries

Pam Billing Treasurer

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are held on the **THIRD** Saturday of each month at the Newcomb Hall, 82-84 Wilsons Road, Newcomb.

Doors open from 10 .30am to 3.30pm.
Library is open from 11:00am.to 12 midday.
Official Meeting starts at 12:45pm.

Entry is \$6.00. Please bring your lunch and mug.
Refreshments for morning tea are available from 10.45am. The current COVID expectations are outlined on the biscuit bench, please follow these as best you can.

For insurance purposes all members and guests are required to sign in on the Guild attendance sheet.

EFTPOS is now available.

FORTHCOMING MEETING DATES

February 21 Bronwyn Walkley

March 21 Di Ellis

April 18 Lynne Stone

May 23 (Quilt In) Tania Tanti

June 20 Mary Hitchens

July 18 Biggest Morning Tea

August 15 Melinda Keily

September 19 Carolyn Murfitt

October 17 Skill Sharing

November 21 Lorraine Rogers

Upcoming Workshop...

Veronique Diligent Embroidery for Book

14th March 2026

Cost: \$80 **To be paid by February 22nd**

Venue: Newcomb Hall



NEW MEMBERS AFTERNOON TEA

Saturday 6th June, 2026, 2-4pm

at Judy Bubb's House

1-2 Oakwood Ridge,

St Albans Park 3219

RSVP - Judy Bubb if attending

e-mail: wheatsheaf_quilting@hotmail.com

New members and existing members are welcome to attend.

Bring show and tell and some stitching to do on the day.



December Birthdays

January Birthdays



To all of you celebrating a birthday in February :

Julia Chadwick, Christine Fox, Margaret Page, Dawn Holroyd and Anna Schroeter.

Your birthstone is Amethyst



Your Birth flower is the Violet



PRESIDENTS REPORT



Happy New Year to you all!

I know we are already well into 2026, but this is my first 'report' of this year, so I am wishing you all a safe, healthy and happy 2026. I hope you all enjoyed your Christmas with family and friends.

Looking forward to what's coming in 2026 – our first 'event' is the workshop with Veronique Diligent on 14 March. I remind all of you who have booked for this workshop that final payments, if not already made, are due at the February meeting, unless you can do a direct deposit into the Guild's account. The participants in the workshop have all been emailed the requirements lists from Veronique along with a little extra instruction.

For the February meeting, I am looking forward to seeing what you have been doing with the Rainbow Stash Project – the rusty brown /Hot pink, Festive theme for January, and the Lemon Yellow and Kelly /Lime green, Flora theme for February... I'm not happy with my brown and pink one so will be aiming to get a different one made before the meeting, but I quite like my Yellow and Green one. The March theme will be "On the Slant" and the colours are: Burnt Orange and Indigo. I will ask someone to draw out the theme and colours for April at the February Meeting.



Being already late February by the time this newsletter is sent out, you will have put Christmas well behind you, but I would like to mention what a happy day we had at the Christmas meeting. I was so impressed by the lengths you went to with your table decorations and with dressing appropriately for the celebrations – loved the hats and headwear and all the red and green! Thankyou all for getting into the spirit, for participating in the quizzes and activities, and for so many of



you to once again take up the Christmas 'challenge'. There will be plenty of photos in this newsletter to remind you of the day's fun and frivolity.

We are having a FABRIC SWAP at the February meeting. Bring along any fabrics you decide you most likely will not use in a project and maybe find someone else's unwanted piece that will do nicely in your stash or a current project. We will set up a table in the Library room for the fabric swap. If popular we may make this a more regular event.

Looking ahead, Quilt In is now only 3 months away from the February meeting. I hope you are looking to finish a quilt that you will feature in the Show and Tell sections. Please remember, this year, Quilt In will be on the 4th Saturday of May, not the 3rd (due to unavailability of the Town Hall on the 3rd). We will be putting out rosters again and hoping you will all be good enough to donate an hour of your time on the day to help us run the day – reception, raffles, refreshments, Show and Tell and so on.

This year, the charity we are supporting is Wombat's Wish. Wombat's Wish is a grassroots not-for-profit organisation based in Clifton Springs, Victoria. They are community-focused, with programs and services that are therapeutic and evidence-based. Their mission is to support children and young people after the death of their parent/carer, with their outreach encompassing the entire state of Victoria (this is taken from their website. wombatswish.org.au). Our challenge for Quilt In will be described in detail in this newsletter. It is based on the colours of their logo – purple and blue and the theme 'With All my Heart'. We will be raffling a quilt made from some of last year's challenge blocks, with a second quilt made from half of those blocks being given to last year's charity, Bluebird Foundation, for them to raise more funds with it.

With the recent devastating fires and floods, there will, no doubt, be calls for quiltmakers to supply quilts for those who have lost their homes and their possessions. There is a group on Facebook called Oz Comfort Quilts, who will be handling donations. I will try to find more details on any groups/organisations who are looking for donated quilts and give them to you at the February meeting – for those of you who feel they want to help those people who have lost everything.

I look forward to seeing you all very soon...

In the meantime, if you have any questions, don't be afraid to email me (pres@geelongpatch.org.au) or call 0418418190

Enjoy your stitching....

Anne Clutterbuck

Fabric Swap

At the February Meeting

Bring a piece - swap for another piece.

Do you have fabric you know you are never going to use?

- . Left over from a project
- . A colour mistake
- . Not doing i-spy quilts any more, etc.

Why not bring them along and swap for something you will use?

Please fold or roll fabrics and label the amount clearly, to give others an idea of sizing.

Eg. 1 metre WOF (width of fabric) OR fat quarter (approx is ok)

This is viewed as a fun, voluntary way to swap fabrics. No judgements will be made. Feel free to bring and swap a few pieces, but please not a trailer load and not something precious you would rather sell. Keep that for another day.



Christmas 2025

A great day was had by all at our Christmas celebration in December.

Special thanks to Heather Anderson for making our carols sound so much better!

February Guest Speaker

Bronwyn Walkley

Bronwyn is a past president of the Patchworkers and Quilters Guild of Victoria and was very involved in their caring and sharing program.

She took on the role of President of VicQuilters in 2025 and is very interested in helping member groups make the most of their membership and to assist them to promote mutual quilting goals through networking, fellowship and great quilting opportunities.



*Passing on the baton
Nov '25*

For Sale:

Selling for **\$350**

Complete kit of **Tradewinds 2024 Block of the Month** - all fabric, applique iron on pack, 6 x Quilters Companion Magazines with pattern/instructions. Bought for \$600
Proceeds of the sale to go towards batting for charity quilts.

Message Jo 0412103339 if interested



Heights Sewing Centre since 1935

Currently at 176 Pakington Street, Geelong West, 3218

Phone; 5229 3558

WE ARE ON THE MOVE AFTER 90 YEARS !!

After 90 wonderful years in our beloved Pakington Street Store, we are moving into Milton Street, Bell Park where our service division, retail store and classroom will all be under the one roof. We are hoping to make this change at the end of March 2026.

For FEBRUARY we have a sale on fabrics - different types each week!
Plains + texture. Linens. Widebacks. Spots and stripes. Batiks. Cottons.

- Keep an eye on our socials for updates! -

Service and repairs still at 5 Candover Street, Geelong West 3218

Phone: 5229 5567

Christmas Challenge





Sue Robertson



Stacey Skinner



Bronwyn Drehlich



Suze Del Papa

Christmas Challenge Winners



Winner of the Christmas Raffle

Jill Falconer

Road Trip To Ballan

And another road trip for my friends and me. This time to Ballan to check out Chrissie's new shop.

Her new space is spacious and bright and the atmosphere bubbly and friendly, just like Chrissie. We wandered around for about an hour and all made a few purchases of things we needed and things because we wanted.



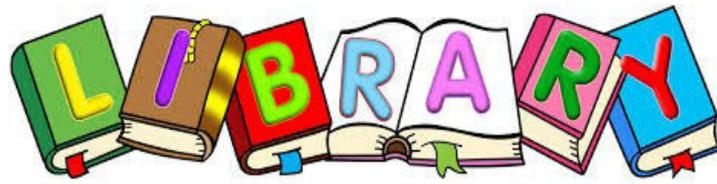
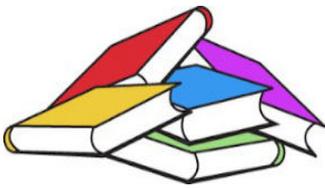
Our next stop was to be Millrose Cottage but we forgot they are closed over January. So Zest Cafe across the road beckoned us and we enjoyed coffee and an early lunch. Then down to the Op shop to look for more treasures. Most found something to buy: from tins and a stationary box to sewing storage projects, as well as water colour pencils to colour in a drawing for a future quilt. There was a quick visit to the newsagent. Country newsagents are the best and I purchased the latest edition of In Her Studio magazine. It features spaces and stories of creative



women. (oops! sounds like I'm writing the library report!)

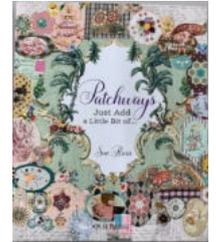
Then off to the local park for show and tell. Don't you love a road trip and show and tell combination. Sue brought along her 2025 Circle Challenge in its new leather cover and we all admired her work and the cover.

Judy Bubb



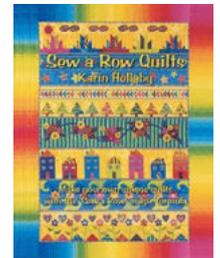
Thank you to the volunteers who helped Pauline and I do the library stock take at our January Sit and Sew meeting. We are still updating our lists and if there are any missing books or magazines there will be a list in the March newsletter. If there are any, we would appreciate if you could check in your bookshelves, by the armchair etc.

We have 3 new books. We purchased Patchways by Sue Ross. This book was published by Quiltmania so we knew it was going to be an excellent book and it is! The book is a mix of styles and colours that you will enjoy and feel inspired enough to use as a starting point for your own quilts. Even if you don't, it's a beautiful book to browse.



The second book that we purchased is Calico & Stitch by Sue Stichbury. This book continues her Little Ladies stories. The booklet, of 10 patterns, continues the tale of Sue's Little Ladies as they go about their daily lives. Vintage fabric and embroidery features in her designs.

Sew a Row Quilts by Karin Hellaby has been donated. It will help you to make your own unique quilts with the "Sew a Row" magic formula. If you had a group of friends this book would be excellent for a group challenge.



Is it time to declutter your collection of craft books? The Guild is looking for craft books to sell at our May Quilt In. Funds raised will go to purchase new books and magazines for our library. Contact Judy Bubb to arrange drop off or bring them to the Quilt In on Saturday, 23rd May. Thank you.

Happy Reading and Sewing

Judy and Pauline

We don't have many library rules but we feel we must introduce a new rule. Books and magazines are not to be removed from the Library Room. If they leave the room they must be borrowed. Thank you for your understanding of us introducing this new rule.

Happy Reading and Sewing

Judy and Pauline

Our Quilt of Hexagons



Have you noticed the Hexagon quilt on the front round table as you walk into the hall? Have you made a hexagon with your name and commencement year and had it stitched to this unique historical quilt?

If you haven't, please see me for instructions and a piece of cream hexagon. I have gone through the membership list and there are a few who haven't made a hexagon. I know who you are and will be seeking you out.

Judy Bubb

Membership Secretary

Show and Tell



Christmas Reflections
Annette Packett



Christmas Stocking
Magda Moore

Christmas Wall Hanging
Chris Fox



Star Bright



Christmas Stocking
Stacey Skinner



Christmas Wall Hangings
Janine Parry



Christmas Gnomes Julie Alsop



Table Runner
Julie Alsop



Christmas
Lyn Weeks



Table Runner
Margaret Tembo

Christmas Wreath
Magda Moore



The Flocks By Night
Anne Clutterbuck

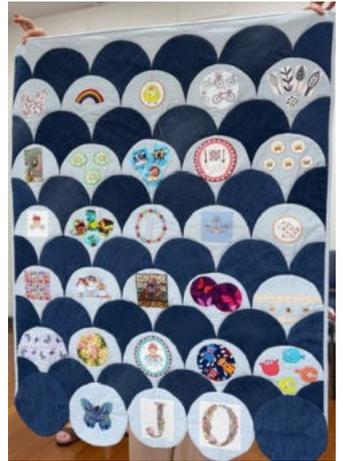


Show and Tell



Great Grand Daughter's Coat
Barbara Dawson

Thimbles
Sue May



Clam Shells
Jo Wembridge



Cool Cat PJ Bags
Sue May



Geelong Show Cushion 2025
Margaret Tembo



Diamond Exchange
Kelly Smith



Apple Pin Cushion
Sue McBride



Regent Street Stitchers' Denim Challenge



Miaow
Bronwyn Drehlich
Vive Les Vacances!



Charity Quilt
Judith Oke



Janine Parry



Year badges

Congratulations to all the ladies receiving badges to denote their years of membership of the Guild.



40 Years

Magda Moore, Suze Del Papa, Janet Couchman, Judith Oke and Glenys Russell



30 Years

Judy Bubb

35 Years

Jean Ramm, Bernice Rose and Meg Pyburne



20 Years

Julie Alsop and Patricia Norton



15 Years

Yetty Barrett, Bronwyn Drehlich, Heather Grant and Anne Thompson



10 Years

Sue Palmer and Kaye Woodhams

Our December New Members Afternoon Tea

On Saturday 6th December 2025 I held an afternoon tea in my studio. I hold two afternoon teas a year: 1st Saturday in June and 1st Saturday in December. These events are held so new members can meet other Guild members in a more intimate environment.

In December we had 14 attend, which included new members Kelly Smith, Heather Anderson, Zaza Bozanic, Heather Brown and Jo Wembridge. There was lots of chatting, some sewing and of course show and tell. If you haven't been to an afternoon tea please join us at the next one on Saturday 6th June.



Quilt In News

Quilt In will be upon us before we know it so just a couple of house keeping tasks to keep us on track:

Rosters will be being circulated at the February Meeting. Please remember that many hands make light work for all of us and put your name on the various rosters.

Six and a half inch squares: We are once again looking for donations of six and a half inch squares for our "Guess the Number of Squares" competition. All donations gratefully accepted. Please see Carole Bosna or Bronwyn Drehlich

Challenge: Create a 12 1/2 block to be used in a quilt with the theme "With All My Heart" and using blue and purple as your main colours, remembering that our chosen charity this year is Wombat's Wish.



Great gift ideas
from your photo,
logo or drawing



Stubby Holders



Mousepads Keyrings



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Adventure to Wangaratta and Cobram Exhibitions

This story is about if you think you should be adventurous and you have a destination; also you are well enough, then step out of your normal routine and go! In Common Thread and Victorian Quilters Magazine there are always places to go to see other Quilting Groups' Exhibitions and Quilt In's, so I organised with best friend Robyn to travel on Melbourne Cup Weekend for a 5 day holiday to take in Wangaratta's "Strictly Quilts 2025" and Cobram and District Inc "Quilts on the Murray 14th Exhibition". What a feast of wonderful stitching, fun and hospitality, meeting new friends with similar interests.

Leaving Geelong on Friday, there were added places on the agenda, such as a great lunch and Op Shop visit in Lancefield on the way up. We were staying at the Big4 Wangaratta in a cabin and slept well over night to step out to Oxley (13km's) on Saturday to the Annual Bush Market. 160 stalls were selling a wide variety of produce and crafty items. An old Geelong friend had moved to Oxley, so we renewed our friendship at the market, as she is a potter and had a stall. In the afternoon Wangaratta Art Gallery did not disappoint as it had an interesting indigenous story on display, and on that weekend was the Wangaratta Jazz and Blues Festival; what a feast for a holiday weekend!



Margaret with Cobram President, Marg & Secretary, Ann

On Sunday we drove to Cobram for their exhibition at the Yarroweyah Hall (10kms on Benalla road) but a great location for the event. The impressive display of Quilts was in one hall and refreshments, together with traders from Echuca and Kyabram in the second hall: great country hospitality with plenty of chatting and lovely food. I broke my pledge and bought one or two purchases, costs well within my budget.

After a picnic lunch we drove back via a short Silo Art Trail which was of silos in 5 towns and a mural in a Uniting Church.

On Monday we went to Wangaratta Quilters "Strictly Quilts" in the Uniting Church foyer and hall. The featured Textile Artist was Donna Hughes, a local from Stanley in Victoria's northeast. She has an impressive story, a crafty person since childhood, then a career in the Clothing Industry. Her award winning traditional and contemporary quilts were part of the Wangaratta display. In early 2022, she opened her studio in Beechworth at May Day Hills Art Society.

The main feature in the foyer of the Church at Wangaratta were works of Donna's collection started in October 2022 to prepare proof of concept for an application for an Australian Antarctica Arts' Fellowship. The project of 34 quilted artworks inspired by the history and story of Antarctica was unveiled at the opening of the "Strictly Quilts" exhibition. This display was impressive and from 20th to 24th August, Donna will exhibit at the Biennial Antarctica Festival in Hobart sponsored by the Mawson Foundation.



Donna Hughes with Antarctic Collection

After viewing all the work on display in both the foyer and the hall, my friend and I agreed it was a great weekend of inspiration, with plenty of ideas to take into our own projects as the art and craft adventure continues. We drove home on Tuesday with side detours to Euroa to a lovely Pre-read Bookshop and to Seymour for lunch. A Great Adventure we agreed!

Margaret Tembo

Rainbow Stash Project

A new challenge was announced at the November meeting. It will run for 6 months with the option of being extended if popular. The challenge is each month to make an 8" finished block consisting of 3 layers (top, batting and backing) Each month a two colour combination and a word prompt for the theme will be given. The challenge was inspired by a similar one at AQC Melbourne this year.

Block 1 - Colours: **Royal Purple & Aqua** Theme: **Circles**



Royal Purple and Aqua blocks displayed at the December Meeting.
What a great start to our wall of colour!



Block 2 - Colours: **Fuchsia (hot pink) & Rusty Brown** Theme: **Festive** Due at the February Meeting

Block 3 - Colours: **Lemon Yellow & Lime or Kelly Green** Theme: **Flora** Due at the February Meeting

Block 4—Colours: Burnt Orange & Indigo Theme: **On The Slant** Due at the March Meeting



Very Snuggly Quilt Making Day

Geelong Patchwork & Quilters Guild members enjoyed contributing to Very Snuggly Quilts at the January meeting. Quilt tops were quilted, binding was cut and ironed and fabric cut up and quilts taken away to be completed. Thank you to all who donated their time.

If you like quilting and would like to quilt some tops VSQ have kits available i.e. top/batting/backing, ready to be quilted. Contact:

vsq@victorianquilters.org



Things we do for Others

kogo

For this month...We need:

Adults and Children's Garments

Indigenous blankets in red, yellow and

black or Torres Islander colours -: green,

blue, black and white

We would also love some more knitted toys

Please note: Adult blankets (approx. 1.6m x 1.2m)

Cot blankets (1m x 1.2m, SIDS guidelines)

To help our process (and protect our volunteers): Do not wrap items individually Do not include staples in your packaging.

Check out our website at <https://www.kogo.org.au>



The Sexual Assault & Family Violence Centre

We are still making and collecting quilts of **any** size for this centre. Each refuge occupant receives one quilt they get to keep beyond their stay, so I look to deliver a good quantity at least twice a year. Your commitment to making quilts for less fortunate people is very much appreciated by these women as they try to get their lives back together. The SAFVC thanks you for your generosity.

For more information about the centre go to

<https://www.safvcentre.org.au>

A heartfelt thank you



Our Village, formerly known as Geelong Mums, can help get them to a family or child in need. We ask for all donations to be clean, in excellent condition, and within Australian safety standards.

Our goal is that anyone who receives an item or package from Our Village feels like they have received a gift prepared with care and thoughtfulness.

Acceptable items include clothing for babies and children, sizes birth 00000 to size 16 teens

— no hoods on any clothing up to size 1.

- ☑ Pyjamas and sleepwear.
- ☑ Gro-bags and sleeping bags for babies
- ☑ Underwear and socks in new or near-new condition.
- ☑ Hand knitted or crocheted clothing, beanies, booties and scarves.

We are always in need of toiletries for babies, children and adults, toiletry bags as well as many other things necessary for babies and children. Please check out our website at

<https://www.ourvillage.org.au>

Donations can be brought to the meetings.

Wendy Evans is the contact person

Very Snuggly Quilts

Quilts for the
Royal Children's Hospital
What size to Make?



Please note the **smallest ones** we are making for the moment are **30" x 30"** There is wriggle room but these are a guide:

- Baby: 30" square, 30" x 36"
- Toddler: 36" square, 36" x 42"
- Most popular: 40" square, 40" x 48"
- Biggest: 50" square, 50" x 60"

We are in need of quilts for boys at the moment. These should be the biggest size to accommodate teenagers.

For more information please go to

<https://www.vsq@victorianquilters.org>

Calendar of Events

Please Note: While all care is taken to be correct, this list is compiled from various sources. You should verify the details of events.

QUILTS AT THE ROUND TABLE

Australian Quilt and Textile Collection

Entry \$25 per person
The Pyramid, Millrose Quilting & Gallery,
92 Inglis Street, Ballan
For Bookings phone:
Ruth 0439 395 300



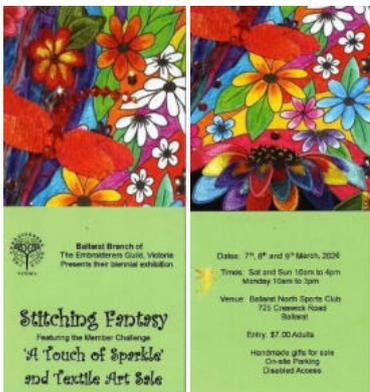
Quilt on Tour



Oz members Exhibition

Louis Joel Arts & Community Gallery
4th - 29th May 10am - 4pm
5 Sargood Street, Altona

For further information on other venues see the website at <https://www.ozquiltnetwork.org.au>



Stitching Fantasy
Ballarat Branch,
Embroiderers' Guild, Vic
Ballarat North Sports Club
725 Creswick Road Ballarat
7th - 8th March, 10am - 4pm
9th March, 10am - 3pm
Entry \$7

Cobram & District Quilters Inc and Vic Quilters Summer Gathering
Yarroweyah Hall
4426 Murray Valley Hwy,
Yarroweyah
Saturday 21st March 10am - 4pm



Australasian Quilt Convention



Australia's Premier Quilting Event
April 9 to 12, 2026
Royal Exhibition Building
Carlton Gardens, Melbourne

9th - 12th April
10am - 4pm
Royal Exhibition Building
Melbourne

Don't Miss Out!

Classes for 2026 are now open and have limited spots remaining.

Don't miss your chance to learn from expert quilters, discover new techniques, and get inspired. Spots are strictly limited, so secure your place today and be part of Australia's premier quilting event!

The classes listed below have limited spots remaining, book now before they're gone!

Secure Your Spot Here!

Quilt & Craft Show
Crib Point Community House
7 Park Road, Crib Point
March 28th 10am - 4pm
Admission \$5



Waverly Patchworkers Quilt Show
2nd - 3rd May

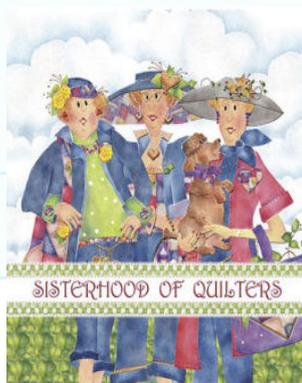
One Step Further 2026
Old Auction House Gallery

52 - 56 Mollison Street,
Kyneton, Vic
28th May—22nd June
Entries open 1st April



FRIENDSHIP GROUPS

<p>Bellarine Quilters</p> <p>Contact: Christine Fox Mobile: 0481060909</p> <p>Email: cmfox1351@outlook.com</p> <p>Meets: Mondays 10.00 am-3.00pm.</p> <p>Venue: Drysdale Community Hub 25 Eversley Street, Drysdale</p> <p>Everyone welcome</p>	<p>Wyndham Patchwork</p> <p>Contact President: Julie Melbourne 0419 306 949</p> <p>Vice President/Newsletter: Laura Warren 0455 435 280</p> <p>Secretary: Natalie Dunn 0423 770 741</p> <p>Meets: 2nd Sat (Mtg); 4th Sat (Sit & sew)</p> <p>Venue: Community Centre & Library, Manor Lakes Community Learning Centre 86 Manor Lakes Bvd Wyndham Vale</p> <p>Email: wyndhampatchwork-ersinc@hotmail.com</p>
<p>Seachange Quilters</p> <p>Contact: Helen Carruthers 0434 070 211</p> <p>Meets: Every Tuesday & Wednesday and some Saturdays</p> <p>Venue: Senior Citizens 5A Clifford Parade, Barwon Heads.</p>	<p>Regent Street Stitchers</p> <p>Contact: Judy Bubb 0425 810 203</p> <p>Or Dallas Windmill 0409 430 678</p> <p>Meets: 2nd Saturday 10-2pm, \$5.00</p> <p>Venue: South Barwon Community Centre, 33 Mount Pleasant Road, Belmont.</p> <p>All welcome.</p>
<p>The Applique Guild of Australia Geelong Chapter</p> <p>Contact: Dawn Holroyd Ph: 0419 324 745</p> <p>Meets 1st Saturday of the Month 10.00am—3pm</p> <p>Venue: South Barwon Community Centre 33 Mt Pleasant Road Belmont</p>	<p>Purple Pixies</p> <p>Contact: : Leslie Clarke 5281 3254</p> <p>Meets: 2nd Monday Time: 10am-3:30pm</p> <p>Venue: Geelong West Oval</p>



SHOPS

Present your current Geelong Guild membership card at these shops for your discount. Please mention your membership prior to finalising your purchases



Gails Patchwork Emporium
131 Yarrowee St Sebastopol
(over \$20 cash only)



Heights Sewing Centre (10%)
176 Pakington Street
West Geelong



MACHINE QUILTER

Wheatsheaf Quilting

(also quilt sales)

1-2 Oakwood Ridge
St Albans Park 3219.
Mob: 0425 810 203



Name Badges

Please remember to wear your name badge at meetings, it helps people know who you are, especially those who are new to the Guild.

You need to wear it to be able to claim your lucky door prize.

If you need to replace your badge please let Judy Bubb know and she will organise this at a cost of \$20

DEADLINE & ADVERTISING RATES

Material for inclusion in the next edition of Common Thread must reach the editor no later than:

Monday, 2nd March, 2026

Please send all articles to The Editor by email:
news@geelongpatch.org.au

The newsletter is printed 11 months of the year from February to December.

Advertising rates are:

\$10.00 per 1/8 page	\$15.00 per 1/4 page
\$20.00 per 1/3 page	\$30.00 per 1/2 page
\$60.00 per full page	

Machine quilters listing \$5.00 per month.

Members buy, swap or sell advertisement:

\$5.00 without photo

\$8.00 with photo (attached to email)

Advertisements must be print-ready and emailed preferably as word doc, publisher (pub) file or pdf. Photos to be attached NOT embedded in an email.

Next Issue :

Have you got something you would like to submit to Common Thread? Feel free to email news@geelongpatch.org.au by

Monday, 2nd March, 2026

All articles will be considered for submission but are published at the discretion of either the Editor and/or President.

Material submitted for publication in Common Thread should not infringe copyright of any kind. If you are not the original author or artist, please include source information for written material or pictures so that every attempt can be made to seek permission for its legal use.

Committee Correspondence :

Please direct all correspondence regarding your Guild for the Committee's attention to:

PO Box 753, Geelong 3220

email: info@geelongpatch.org.au

or alternatively hand the letter to the Secretary at a Guild meeting.

Social Media

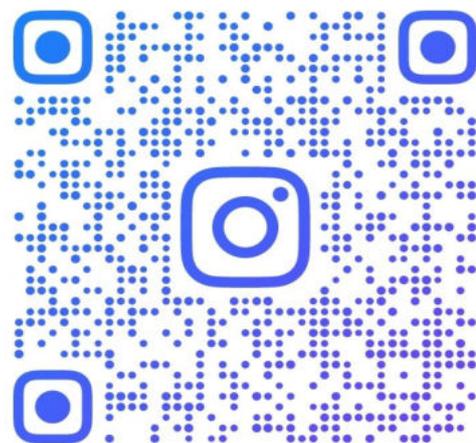
The Guild has two Facebook pages:

Both these pages are a great way to stay in touch with each other between meetings.

Geelong Patchwork and Quilters Guild Inc. for public viewing

Geelong Patchwork and Quilters Guild Forum: for members only

Instagram Page: there is an Instagram account for public viewing called geelongpatch. The QR code opposite is for the page .



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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM 2026

The Membership Secretary requires a hard copy for her records.

Annual Fees fall due on 1 March 2026

Payment for membership will be accepted at meetings, via direct debit or a cheque can be forwarded to:

Geelong Patchwork and Quilters' Guild Inc
PO Box 753, Geelong 3221

I wish to renew my membership and I agree to be bound by the rules of the Guild

Name:

Address:

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Postcode.....

Phone: (BH) (AH)

Mobile:

Email:

I prefer to read the monthly newsletter: (circle choice)

In colour on the Guild website **OR** a black & white printed copy (for a cost of \$10 per year) collected at monthly meetings

Month & Year of Birth:.....(for insurance purposes)

Signature:

Please circle the amount and method of payment, and then return your form to the Membership Secretary

Adult fee: \$35.00 Junior fee: \$20.00
cash /eftpos/cheque /direct debit:

Account Name: Geelong Patchwork and Quilters Guild Inc.
Bank: Bendigo Bank **BSB:** 633-000
Account Number: 161085014

Please use your name as reference

Reminder

Annual Membership fees are due on March 1. These may be paid directly to the Membership Secretary or by Direct Deposit into the account shown on the form. Below is a Membership form for your convenience. Please fill in and return to Judy Bubb.