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Next Meeting:	14 February 2018, 10 for 10.30 a.m.
Venue:	Uniting Church Hall, Page St, Moruya
Host:	Quaama-Cobargo, Candello

**Do you have any items of interest you would like to share with your fellow Guild members?
Would you like to receive our Newsletter via email? Please email to sccq.editor@gmail.com.**

President's Message

Welcome to another year of sewing and creating beautiful things. And let's not forget the friendships that are forged through our mutual interests and talents.

And speaking of talents, we will again be displaying our vast and creative abilities at our bi-annual exhibition. Much discussion ensued at the last meeting about a venue for the next exhibition as the Bay Soldiers club was not available on favourable weekends, so the hunt is on. If you have any ideas, please contact me or your representative for a chat. Stay tuned for more news.

Also, this year, from Friday 18 May to Sunday 20 May, we will be holding a retreat in Merimbula. The plan is for us all to make our way there on Friday where we will check in to Wandarrah Lodge. Although this is Hostel type accommodation, it is very clean and welcoming. We plan to book out the whole place so there will be plenty of showers and beds for everyone. There are also several common areas, ideal for sitting and stitching, as well as a large kitchen and outdoor seating for relaxed lunches and chatting.

A free workshop will be offered on Saturday on Quilt and Applique as you go. Although this is free, you will still need to register your interest for this to get a requirements list. Numbers are limited by space so make sure you get your name down. There will be time on Sunday for last minute stitches and morning tea before we all set off back home after lunch.

The whole weekend will cost \$200 and this will include all meals and morning/afternoon teas, except Saturday dinner which will be at your own cost at the local club bistro. I think you will agree that it is excellent value and with all us quilters aboard, how can it not be lots of fun? We are taking bookings at the February meeting on Wednesday 14th and for several weeks after. If you can't make it to the meeting and would like to come along, please contact Margaret Herzog on (02) 4471 2849 or by email uweherzog@bigpond.com to arrange payment and other details. There will be a registration form on the website very shortly which you can print out and send in with your money so you get all the information you need and so do we.

So hopefully I will see you all at one or both of these events, and in the meantime, Happy New Year, and happy stitching.

News from the Groups

Batemans Bay Patchworkers and Quilters

The last two months has seen a very full attendance at our regular meetings and UFO days.

Plans are well underway for our two major events early in 2018, the first being our annual luncheon in March, at which Pamela Brockwell will be our guest speaker. The second event is a retreat in May with our maximum of sixteen participants already booked in.

Our group has been busy making quilts for charity and some of these will be on display at the luncheon. One of the quilts donated to Batemans Bay CWA for a raffle raised \$1400.00 which covered the purchase of an AED machine which has been installed in their hall where they meet.

We are investigating the possibility of participating in a quilting retreat in October 2018 on Norfolk Island.

Our final event for this year will be our Christmas luncheon this coming Friday, 15th December.

On behalf of our members, I would like to wish everyone a very happy Christmas and we look forward to meeting with you again next year.

Margaret Foster
President

Dalmeny Quilters

Dalmeny Quilters had their last workshop at the end of November. There was a flurry of activity as Carol Ogden and Daiva helped participants make little Christmas nick knacks. It topped off a very successful year of workshops for us. 2017 also saw the group hold its bi-annual exhibition with very favourable comments from all who attended. In particular the UFO exhibits were very popular as were our "mystery quilts". The display of these quilts all together showed just how diverse and different the results can be from one pattern.

Our last event for the year was our Christmas party which again was held at the golf club. Anonymous gifts were exchanged and rather than games this year, Carol and Michelle, our Christmas party planners extraordinaire, gave us two little projects to complete at our seats. It was all great fun and the beach theme was enjoyed by everyone.

We are all looking forward to a break now and we will resume our group stitching days at the end of January.

Night Owls

Red poppies have been blooming at Night Owls as we have knitted, sewn and crocheted poppies for the Australian War Memorial's display to commemorate the centenary of the end of WW1.

Several of us have been busy working on Christmas gifts, especially for grandchildren. Quilts, cushions, dresses and decorations have been made. Robyn Sammons has been the most adventurous making a large 3D football cushion with every detail included.

There was an impressive display of challenge items at our recent Christmas party. Members had to include a given piece of fabric into their work and were free to choose the item to make and techniques to use. Seventeen items were on display and Vere's magnificent cushion was the viewers' choice.

Out of the Blocks

For the last few months some of us have been experimenting with paper fabric manipulation with some interesting results. Sheila has made some great journal covers and purses have been created too. Basically, paper is glued to fabric with other textual items like ribbon or string added, then comes painting and stitching and more embellishments. The feel of the end product is a bit like leather. It is fun to play around and create something new.

Some of us went up to the Airing of the Quilts in Braidwood where this year there was a good show of quilts inside the hall and hanging in the street and shops. There were lots of people there too. I was keen to support the revival of their famous quilt weekend so put in a few entries and was thanked with a viewer's choice award!

We are having a Christmas get together next week at Joan's which should be fun too.

Finally, Happy Christmas to everyone!
Cheers Penny.

Tuesday Twitterers

Morning all.

Once more Twits have been busy doing not a lot. Various members have been on numerous trips and others of us have stayed home doing other odds and ends but not a lot of us seem to have done much quilting. Apart from Sammy that is. She decided a couple of weeks ago that she would make quilts for two of her granddaughters – one for Christmas/birthday (on Christmas Day) and one for early January. Knowing Sammy, she will get them done.

Syd had a pattern for origami stars and a few of us caught the bug. Once you start, it's hard to stop – a bit like Wendy William's circle flowers. 5 climbed the mountains to Braidwood and thoroughly enjoyed the hanging and associated activities.

Last week we had a most enjoyable Christmas lunch at the Pavilion in Mollymook, despite the pouring rain, but not a lot else has happened - except preparing for Christmas onslaught!

Before I finish Twits would like to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and a happy (and productive) New Year.
Happy stitching everyone.

SCCQ HOSTESS ROSTER

If you are unable to do your roster on the appointed date, please arrange a swap.

Year	Date	Group
2018	Wednesday 14 th February	Quaama-Cobargo Candelo
	Wednesday 11 th April	Tarraganda
	Wednesday 13 th June	Merimbula Cygnet
	Wednesday 8 th August (AGM)	Kiama
	Wednesday 10 th October	Night Owls
	Wednesday 12 th December	Red Berry Quilters
2019	Wednesday 13 th February	Dalmeny Yass Quilters
	Wednesday 10 th April	Out of the Blocks Gerringong
	Wednesday 12 th June	Nowra
	Wednesday 14 th August (AGM)	Monaro Stitches Bega Valley Tuesday Twits
	Wednesday 9 th October	Bungendore Braidwood
	Wednesday 11 th December	Batemans Bay
2020	Wednesday 12 th February	Quaama-Cobargo Candelo

October SCCQ Meeting Minutes – see attached

Club and other Quilting Events.

Is your club holding an event and you would like other groups to attend? If so, please contact the SCCQ Publicity Officer to have the event publicised in the SCCQ Newsletter and in the events section of the SCCQ Web page.

For more details of the enclosed events, please go to the SCCQ Web page.

<http://www.southcoastcountryquilters.com/events-calendar.html>

Note: not all commercial craft and quilt shows are listed in the enclosed table.

2018

Month	Day(s)	Event	Where
Feb	1	Quilt Appraisal Training	Batemans Bay
Feb	14	SCCQ Meeting	Uniting Church Moruya
Mar	8-11	Rosehill Stitches & Craft	Rosehill NSW
	TBA	Batemans Bay Annual Luncheon	
April	5-8	Australasian Quilting Convention	Carlton, Vic
	11	SCCQ Meeting	Uniting Church Moruya
May	18-20	SCCQ Retreat	Merrimbula, NSW
June	13	SCCQ Meeting	Uniting Church Moruya
	20-24	Craft & Quilt Fair	Darling Harbour, NSW
July	26-29	Craft & Quilt Fair	South Wharf, Vic
August	9-12	Craft & Quilt Fair	Mitchell, ACT
	15	SCCQ Meeting	Uniting Church Moruya
September	TBA	SCCQ Quilt Show	TBA
October	10	SCCQ Meeting	Uniting Church Moruya
November		Melbourne Stitches & Craft	Carlton, Victoria
December	10	SCCQ Meeting	Uniting Church Moruya



Trading Table

Contributions of fabrics, patterns, sewing notions etc. are always welcome.

All you wonderful cooks out there, how about a pot or two of chutney or jam, or even a batch of scones, biscuits or cakes.

The gardeners could furnish the table with pots of seedlings or produce. Any items would be most welcome.

10% of the selling price goes to SCCQ – balance to seller. Items to be priced and marked with seller's name.

*Want to know more? Contact: **Margaret Herzog. Phone: 44712849***



Quilt Appraisal

To have a quilt appraised, fill in a quilt appraisal application form found on the SCCQ web site: <http://www.southcoastcountryquilters.com/forms.html> and have four photographs of the quilt: Two of the whole quilt, two of a section and a close up to show detail.

Please send the form to the Appraisal Coordinator:

Debbie Adam, Appraisal Coordinator

C/- SCCQ, PO Box 828, Batemans Bay NSW 2536 (at least one week before the meeting)
or telephone: 44722418

Valuations cost \$15.00 per member

Do you need to contact the SCCQ? There are several ways you can do that:

- Contact a Committee member using the phone numbers at the top of this Newsletter.
- Email the Editor of this Newsletter (scccq.editor@gmail.com).
- If you need to post items, send to the SCCQ Secretary, PO Box 828 Batemans Bay, NSW 2536
- Visit the SCCQ web site (www.southcoastquilters.com)

December SCCQ Show and Share





