



Dear Members

Question of the week - Is there going to be a Quilt Showcase in 2021?

I am pleased to be able to answer yes, however, we are not sure if this will be a physical or a virtual quilt show. We are waiting on advice from Expertise Events as to whether there will be a Craft & Quilt Fair in Melbourne in 2021. If the Quilt Fair is held, then Quilt Showcase will be part of this as usual. If Expertise Events makes the difficult decision that the Fair cannot be held, Victorian Quilters Inc. will hold a virtual quilt display.

Entries for Quilt Showcase are now open and close on 15 September. We are planning to judge the quilts in mid October and you will be advised, in late September, via email, of where and when you may drop off your quilts. If the Quilt & Craft Fair is being held, we will retain your quilts for display, however, if the Fair is not being held, your quilt will be returned shortly after judging.

We are looking forward to seeing many of your wonderful quilts on display. Remember that you need to log in on the website to access the [Entry Form](#).

Since late March 2021 we have had approximately 60 new members join Victorian Quilters Inc.. Many of these are members who own and operate small businesses are listed on the [Patchwork Track](#) on the website.

There have been over 4,000 views of the map showing the location of Member Groups, Machine quilters, teachers and businesses owned and operated by our members since the end of June. This is an average of 100 visits per day. We are hoping that in time, the Victorian Quilters Inc. website will become an important resource for information regarding patchwork and quilting throughout Victoria.

I have also received a number of enquiries asking if members are interested in making quilts on commission. At present, I am referring these people to local patchwork and quilting retailers. Would you be interested in making quilts on commission? We can create a list of members who would like to be advised of the opportunity to do such work. If you wish to be included on this list would you please [email me](#) I am not sure if the people making the enquiry are aware of the time that is needed to create a quilt and that will be something to be determined between both parties.

I do hope you are all keeping well are surviving this latest lockdown. I am sure we are all looking forward to catching up with family and friends when the restrictions are lifted.



If you have received this email as a Member Group representative, would you please forward this to all your members for information. Thank you to all the Member Groups for renewing your membership and paying the insurance on line, this has made the process much easier for Victorian Quilters Inc..

A number of planned events have been changed due to the current COVID restrictions, please check the website for [details](#)

Take care, make a few minutes each day to do something that brings you joy. I have completed piecing A Wild Ride by [Jen Kingwell](#) and have now decided that it needs to be hand quilted - another new skill to learn. I will need a lesson for that after we are allowed more than five kilometres from home.

Kind Regards

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