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### **January 2026 Memo #14**

Happy New Year everyone and what a busy year it's going to be.

I have had a lovely Christmas break with whanau in Omarama. Like most of the country a lot of the time we were graced with wind, which for boating isn't ideal but hey you just got to make the most of what you dealt and get on with it. Having the grandies around lent for a busy, noisy time which I wouldn't give up for the world.

#### ***Support where needed:***

To all the members who in the recent days/weeks who have been affected by the terrible natural disasters that are happening around New Zealand, our hearts and thoughts go out to you all. If anyone can help others who are in need, please do so and if you need help in any form, don't hesitate to reach out to us. Our doors and phone lines are open.

#### ***Threads of Connection 2026***

With 2026 popping into our date means we are in the business end of the organisation of our Biennial ANZEG Conference. From here on in you will be receiving regular updates of what's happening and what to expect in Palmerston North in July.

If you haven't registered yet and you are planning on coming, please do so NOW! At the end of this month, we will be making the hard decision as to which workshops, with low numbers will or won't go ahead and if you are considering for one of these workshops then I'd hate it to be cut, and you miss out.

Hey – don't forget to start working on your Guild Displays or entries into the National Exhibition. Wouldn't it be a fabulous display of Guild work if everyone put in a piece?

#### **BGM Notification – Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> July 2026 Palmerston North Boys' High School**

All Guild's will be receiving BGM information in the next week or two. Please read and deal with this as soon as possible please.

## ANZEG Executive

Executive's first meeting is February 18<sup>th</sup>, where we will be running over the format of Conference meetings and discussing issues that have arisen that will affect some of the events at Conference. If any Guilds have a query that needs attention, drop me an email before that date so it can be distributed to Executive prior to this date.

## Your Guilds

From reading the many Guild newsletters I receive, it inspires me to read the hard work that your committee's are going to, to present fun filled schedules for 2026. Many have workshops or tasks planned every month that will keep you busy, with no time to get bored. Make sure you partake in these workshops that they have worked hard to compile.

*Thank you to all Committee members.*

## Event Reminders:

### Stitch Summer – Event Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February 2026

Stitch anywhere you like, on a park bench, in a café, with a friend or a Group or book a carpark on the main street and set yourself up there (I believe one of our crazy group might be doing something like this). We just want to introduce as many people as possible to our craft – on person at a time.



### Conference 2026 Quilt Raffle is STUNNING!



While in Whanganui I was lucky enough to view the quilt in the flesh.

Although not compulsory for any guilds to sell these on behalf of Threads of Connection Conference 2026 but if you can help and would like some books, please contact Felicity on [conferenceraffle@gmail.com](mailto:conferenceraffle@gmail.com) and she will be happy to assist. Tickets are d\$2.00 each and there are 2 prizes to be won.

### Request from ANZEG Secretary (Janna):

If you need to update your Guild Officer details or have events you want loaded into the ANZEG Calendar please use the following links, it makes it so much easier for all concerned and it definitely gets to the right people for the tasks to be completed much quicker.

**Guild Officer Updates:** <https://www.embroiderynz.co.nz/update-guild-details>

**Calendar Entries:** <https://www.embroiderynz.co.nz/calendar>

*Until next month, keep those needles threaded and fingers working, but most of all keep smiling, laugh and have fun with those you love.*

Nga Mihi Nui

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Ronna'.