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November 2025 Memo #12

Doesn't our October Threads Magazine look fabulous – love the front cover ladies – great choice!



I'm not expecting anyone to have time to read this month's memo, as I'm assuming you'll all be buzzing with excitement, contemplating what class/classes you want to do at Palmerston North.

The committee is progressing with the organisation. Due to limited availability of Palmerston North Boys' High School, the Association Weekend will be held as a single-day event on Sunday, with fewer guest speakers. The popular 'Open Forum' will continue, providing Guild Members an opportunity to share their views with the Executive and, as in the past, creates creative discussion for the Executive to use going forward.

This conference has secured accommodation at Massey University Hall of Residence, Walter Dyer Hall, at a great rate of \$100.00 per person per night. Booking of these rooms can be done via the website when you register.



More information releases will be coming your way from the committee very soon.

Conference Raffle:

As you will see in our October Threads, the Taranaki/Wanganui/Manawatu Region have put together a beautiful quilt they are raffling to help with Conference 2026 funds. Selling of these tickets by ALL Guilds is not compulsory but if anyone would like to help them out or would like to purchase some for themselves please contact Felicity Willis – conferenceraffle@gmail.com or go online and follow the directions.

National Exhibition - Important dates to note: Also on ANZEG Website

Form A: Closing date 1st May 2026

Form B: Form and work to be with Exhibition Co-ordinator 18-23rd May 2026



22 September - 12 October 2025

Inverlochy Art School had a great response
With record numbers through the door
Great work Jo.

18 October – November 2025

Aigantighe Art Gallery
49 Wai-iti Road, Timaru
Open: Tue – Fri 10am – 4pm
Sat – Sun 12noon – 4pm

This month, I had the opportunity to spend three days with Jo Dixey in Timaru. Upon viewing the Blue Challenge displayed at the Art Gallery, I was highly impressed by its presentation. If you are near Timaru make the effort to check it out, you won't be disappointed.

*Congratulations to **EVERYONE** it looks **AMAZING!***



ANZEG Extensions National Exhibition

Landscapes of Desire

3 October – 16 November 2025
FORRESTER GALLERY, 9 THAMES STREET, OAMARU
Free Entry
Any questions, please email embextensions@gmail.com

While Jo was here, a carload went to Oamaru to view this exhibition. Congratulations, Jahn, what a lovely space for the Exhibition, it looks great! I am always intrigued by mixed media work; entrants are very clever in how they use it to create their pieces. Again, well done everyone.

President's Travel

Since my last memo, I have visited two regions, Nelson and Waikato Bay of Plenty.

Firstly, I went to Nelson for What A Weekend. Hosted by Rosemary Riddell, it was nice to be able to relax, mingle, and chat with attendees and also partake in a lovely Punto Antico class with tutor Trish Hughes. Your merchants had an intriguing variety of products, which was exciting to see, and the friendliness of everyone was humbling. To be able to quietly relax in the sedate environment was what the doctor ordered. Thank you for welcoming me with open arms.

A week later, I attended Stitch Tui at St Peter's College in Cambridge. WOW, what a fabulous weekend I had – go, go, go. An amazing venue to say the least, and a completely different retreat to Nelson. I believe being able to stay on campus was a huge bonus and kept everyone united. WBoP, you are very lucky to have this space; make the most of it. While in Cambridge, I was able to formally welcome the Region's new Regional Representative, Racheal Stringer, on board. Thank you for joining our ranks, and your youth I know, will help us oldies see things through younger eyes. It is timely to say a big thank you to Jan Jackson for your time as WBoP Regional Representative. Your work was faultless and all you did was valued, and although we are sad to see you go, we realise life and family come first, always.

2026 – 2028 Executive Positions

I would like to give a timely reminder to everyone, my tenure as President of ANZEG is coming to an end at the Threads of Connection Conference 2026, . As well as myself, two other Executive members are not seeking re-election.

Education Co-ordinator – Jo Dixey

Northern North Island Regional Representative – Joanne Saunderson

I realise we still have 8 months to Conference 2026, but I just wanted to put feelers out, if anyone was considering coming forward, and assisting with the running of our Association. I personally have loved every bit of my duties, not saying it's been easy all the time, but the challenge has been worth it. Also, the people I have met and the lifelong friends made have been life changing for me.

So, if you are considering it, please contact any one of us for a chat.

Enjoy your day, everyone, 7am on the 12th November is coming fast!

A handwritten signature in blue ink that appears to read "Linda".