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2025 HAWKES BAY/GISBORNE REGIONAL MEMO – 20 December 2025

Hello Everyone

Regional Weekend:

There will be a Regional Weekend in April 2026 – Saturday 18th April will be a day trip to Wairoa. There will be two vans that can be used to pick people up. To go in the vans will be a cost of \$15 to help contribute to fuel. If you wish to take a car load, it will be up to you to determine the cost per passenger. On Sunday 19th April, there will be a mini workshop – an ORT Tin run by Kerry Seeley at Knightsbridge Masonic Village, 17 Balmoral Street, Taradale.

PLEASE RSVP for whether you are attending one or two days to myself by the end of February 2026 - anzeghbregion@gmail.com or 021 435 418.



Regional Visit To Wairoa – Everything Easter

Where: St Andrew's Presbyterian Church Hall
 98 Queen Street, Wairoa



When: Saturday 21st March 2026

Time: Day starts at 10.00am
 Day Finishes at 3pm

What To Bring: Your current stitching project

Guest Speaker: Pat Davis

Guest Person: Donna Hardie (one day only)

There will be a small cost involved for this trip. There are two vans being driven which will cost \$15 per passenger.
 Wairoa Guild is putting on morning tea and lunch.
 Contact Tracey for more information.



Regional Weekend Mini Workshop With Kerry Seeley – ORT Tin

Where: Community Hall, Knightsbridge Masonic Village, 17 Balmoral St, Taradale



When: Sunday 19th April 2026

Time: Day starts at 9.30am with Morning Tea
 Day Finishes at 2.00pm

What To Bring: Your own-coloured threads, a small tin (a condensed milk tin works well), a piece of canvas or fabric, a button, needles, scissors, lamp if you need one.

This can be made with any count fabric and any threads that go together.

There will be a small cost involved for this workshop for photocopying - \$5.00.

This can be paid on the day to Tracey.

Morning Tea will be provided as well as Tea and Coffee. Please bring your own lunch.

Please RSVP to Tracey by end of February 2026.

Conference 2026:

Keep getting your registrations in for Conference 2026. Planning is well underway.

Gisborne Embroiderers Guild Group:

At their last meeting for 2025 three long service awards were presented.

Founder Member – Diane Robertson (middle)

Treasurer for 16 Years and still counting – Patricia Housden (right)

Immediate Past President for 10 Years – Raewin Kelly (left)

Congratulations ladies – you are a credit and provide inspiration to your guild.



Annual General Meetings:

Congratulations to all members who have stepped forward to be part of your guilds committee. You are all a vital part of your guild to manage operations effectively and ensure the long-term success. Thank you for giving your time, energy and expertise to your committees. Your hard work, dedication and commitment are essential to keep our regions guilds operational.

Colour Exhibition:

The Colour Blue Exhibition is now available to see on the ANZEG Website. Please have a look and vote by clicking on the heart for your favourite(s).

<https://www.embroiderynz.co.nz/gallery?pgid=mhrethip-f96f6197-8ff6-42d3-99c7-e0813ba174a2>

The next Colour Challenge is Green. The size is 200mm x 200mm. While Guilds are taking a break for the festive period, it would be an ideal time to get planning and designing for 2026. This exhibition will be held at Left Bank Art Gallery, Greymouth. See page 6 of Threads for more information.

Thank You:

As this is my last newsletter for the year – I want to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thank you for your support during 2025. I love being in this role and getting ideas from each and every one of you. Stay safe over the festive period and get lots of stitching done.

Finished Work:



Final Thought:

To make it stand, you wet it. To make it wet, you suck it. To make it stiff, you lick it. To get it in, you push it! Damn! Threading a needle at any age is no joke!

What's On 2026:

February 28 th	Stitch Summer
April 18 th	Regional Visit to Wairoa Guild including Visit from Donna Hardie
April 19 th	Regional Mini Workshop
March 27 th – 29 th	The Embroiderers' Great Escape
July 4 th – 9 th	ANZEG Conference in Palmerston North

What's On 2027:

May 29 th – 30 th	Stitch Away Hawkes Bay at Napier Boys High School
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Happy Stitching
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