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Morning All

Thank you to the Queenstown Guild for hosting Garston Day this year. There was a great turnout, great food, excellent speaker and fantastic to hear Diane Martin speak of her journey with Embroidery and see a small percentage of her work. Amazing and inspiring day.

North Otago Friendship Day is the 23rd May at the Eveline Church Hall, Thames Highway, Oamaru. The day starts at 10am with morning tea. Take your own lunch, \$5 entry, raffles, display of work, Guest speaker. It's always a lovely day and I'm looking forward to seeing lots of you there.

Conference is not too far away. Do pop onto the website if you are undecided about attending. There are a few places left in some of the classes and you will kick yourself if you miss out by delaying. Registrations close on the 31<sup>st</sup> May.

Guild displays for Conference. How is yours going? Two things to remember. It can be up to one metre square and must have **loops** Velcro on the back. The boards provided have the **fluffy**. Don't make it too heavy or the Velcro might not support the display! Sorry I got it wrong in my last memo which is why I have put the correct info in Bold

Please let the organisers know if you are taking a display. Here's the link -

<https://www.embroiderynz.co.nz/conference26-merchants>

The Conference raffle looks amazing. Have a look at the photos in the middle of your current Threads magazine. Please consider supporting them by buying a ticket or two. Perhaps give some \$\$ to someone going to Conference to purchase your ticket(s) for you? I have a few books of tickets to sell so get in touch if you'd like a book or two. Thank you to the Fiordland Guild who have bought 4 books.

Capitation - a note from our Treasurer

Capitation for 2026/27 is due for payment to ANZEG no later than 20 July 2026. The amount payable is \$25 per member, and includes each capitated member's subscription to Threads magazine for October 2026 and April 2027.

The capitation process needs to be completed online through the website - [www.embroiderynz.co.nz](http://www.embroiderynz.co.nz) The link for Capitation is at the bottom of the homepage (look for the yellow triangle on the left hand side of the bottom menu). Each Guild needs to complete the online form and submit

this. Once you have completed that step, payment instructions will pop up.

A reminder that payment should be made to the following bank account - please put your Guild name and Capitation as the reference information:

Association of New Zealand Embroiderers' Guild Inc.

02-0412-0013510-000

(you may need to drop the last zero, depending on your bank's requirements)

If you have a capitation payee set up in your bank account, please check that the last three digits match the information above. The 'old' capitation account is no longer being used, so you may need to update your banking information.

NB if you need additional copies of Threads after you have paid Capitation, you can purchase these through the website.

ANZEG have asked that any guilds that have items they would like raised at the BGM Conference Open Forum Questions to please email your questions to [anzegsecretary@gmail.com](mailto:anzegsecretary@gmail.com)

Hopefully you have all been working on your Conference Exhibition pieces. The relevant forms are now up on the website. Please have form A submitted by May 1<sup>st</sup> 2026

The next Colour Challenge is Green and the size is 200mmx200mm. Time to get planning and designing for 2026! It will be Exhibited at Left Bank Art Gallery, Greymouth. See page 6 of Threads for more info.

Wanaka Guild is celebrating 40 years with a Ruby Lunch at Edgewater resort on the 7<sup>th</sup> May. If you'd like to come along please get in touch with me and I'll add you to the number going. I'm sure there are other Guilds with milestone moments coming up so please let me know the details.

And sort your travel plans for the Wanaka Guilds Hello Spring Friendship Day on the 29<sup>th</sup> August. Again more info to follow.

Here's what I've been inspired by lately –







Until next month - Allow yourself 8-12 hours to stitch in the morning to mentally prepare for the day ahead.

### **Dates to Remember**

**2026**

7 May Ruby Lunch Wanaka Guild

23 May North Otago Friendship Day Oamaru

4-9 July ANZEG Conference Palmerston North

18-19 July Post Conference class Christchurch

29 August Wanaka Friendship Day Luggate

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