

Quilt show raises \$19k for cancer research



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The 28th annual Gerringong Quilt Show was held over the weekend, raising more than \$19,000 for the Children's Medical Research Institute.

Hosted by the Children's Medical Research Institute (CMRI) Gerringong committee, the show is famous for its varied and beautiful quilts and wall hangings, with about 90 pieces of work on exhibition this year.

"It went very well and we were very happy with the takings," CMRI Gerringong secretary Lorraine Peade said.

"I think people always enjoy the exhibition, we had close to 90 quilts and wall hangings on display.

"The quilters from the Illawarra and further south all rallied and made a contribution, the display was colourful and such a variety in the work."

More than 45 homemade Christmas cakes and 40 plus puddings again proved popular with visitors.

“We have a group of women who meet every Monday – we call them the ‘The Monday Girls’ – they make beautiful craft work and also organise for Christmas cakes to be made by other members as well as their group – they’re a big hit,” Mrs Peade said.

“The Christmas puddings are huge sellers – we sold them all by the end of trade on Friday.

“People know and they keep coming back for the cakes.”

The Gerringong group has raised more than \$2 million for the CMRI over nearly three decades of volunteering.