

Darwin  
Patchworkers  
& Quilters  
Inc.

# Snippets

May 2014



Don't  
forget!

**Darwin Patchworkers  
& Quilters 30<sup>th</sup>  
Birthday Party  
Saturday 31st May,  
Stokes Hill Wharf  
Function Centre**

## General Meeting

The next General Meeting of Darwin Patchworkers & Quilters Inc will be held on Monday 5th May at 7.30pm at the DP&Q Clubrooms, 96A Winnellie Road, Winnellie NT.

## Supper Roster 5th May :

Doreen Dyer  
Janelle Northcott  
Maerwen Taylor  
Kathy Lague

**Supper roster duties:** Before meeting - fill and turn on urn, check and put out coffee, tea, sugar and milk supplies.

At meeting break - put food out on table, with napkins, and condiments, plates and cutlery if required.

After meeting - clear and clean table; wash and put away dishes; empty and put away urn; put away coffee, tea, etc.; wipe down benches; lock cupboards and fridge. Empty bin in kitchen and replace with a clean garbage bag.

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Newsletter of the Darwin Patchworkers & Quilters Inc

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Established 1 May 1984 and celebrating 30 years in 2014

Club Patron: Ms. Nerys Evans



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## Happy birthday to :

4th Helen Tate  
5th Meribeth Fletcher  
9th Jenny Fisher  
13th Manique Eswara-Aratchi  
21st Debbie Selter  
23rd Pat Taylor  
26th Shirley Graham  
And our club!



# Meet your committee!



Hi, I'm Jan Cashion., the President.  
I'm responsible for the running of the Organisation, Public Officer, ACQ Delegate and Mt Bundy Co-ordinator.

And I'm Robyn Salmon,  
Vice President.  
I'm responsible for backing up the President.



Hello. I'm Robyn McDonald,  
Treasurer  
I'm responsible for keeping the Club's bookkeeping up to date.



And I'm Susan Britton,  
Assistant Treasurer  
I'm responsible for helping the Treasurer in all aspects of the position.



Hi, I'm Bernadette Izod,  
Secretary.  
I'm responsible for taking Minutes at Committee Meetings and the AGM,  
collecting and distributing mail



And I'm Diane Clark,  
Membership and Assistant Secretary.  
I'm responsible for recording and keeping up to date our Memberships and filling in for our Secretary when needed.



Hi, I'm Annie Buckley,  
Purchasing Officer.  
I'm responsible for purchasing all consumables for the Clubrooms



G'day, I'm Beverley Lee,  
Librarian & Archivist.  
I'm responsible for maintaining the Library and Archiving for the Club.



Hello, I'm Alison Brown,  
Web Assistant  
I'm responsible for getting the Web Page up, running and maintained.



Hi, I'm Alison McShanag,  
Gift & Charity Quilt Co-Ordinator, Media Liaison, Fundraising, and Facebook Editor  
I'm responsible for rallying support for Gift & Charity Quilts, liaising with media for upcoming events, fundraising within the Club and maintaining our Facebook Page.

Hello, I'm Susan Webb, Valuation Committee Convenor.  
I'm responsible for organising quilt valuations on request.



Hi, I'm Kim Tait, Saturday Stitchers Convenor & Treasurer's Helper  
I'm responsible for organising Saturday Stitchers events, and helping the Treasurer with banking.



Hi, I'm Angela Wallace,  
Key Register and Locker Register Convenor.  
I'm responsible for maintaining a register of who holds keys to the Clubrooms and allocation of Lockers



Hello, I'm Helen Tate, Newsletter Editor  
I'm responsible for producing Snippets and emailing or posting them to all current Members.





# QUILT IN A NIGHTIE !



The afternoon and night was very well attended and we had a really lovely time. Dinner was excellent as usual with lots of lovely food. Annie Radomski won the lucky dip prize (\$50.00 gift voucher from Dragonfly Fabrics). A lot of lovely quilts were completed or tops made. A really great night. Thanks and cheers.

Jan Cashion





# Saturday Stitchers report

The purpose of Saturday Stitchers is to learn and share new techniques and this was definitely achieved on Easter Saturday. Barb Mellon took us through how to make chenille.



While there were only four or five members to begin the session, the numbers grew to 11 with some arriving just to share the company and continue with their own projects.

Barb took us through layering our fabrics, ruling up guidelines and the seemingly endless task of stitching all those lines across the fabric sandwich. The fun began with the cutting using both the specialised tool and scissors.



Many participants continued on the binding even though the session was to give a taste of the technique. Our completed pieces could be used for cushion covers, mats, table runners or placemats.



We were all pleased with our efforts and the thanks must go to Barb for her excellent tutoring skills. Thanks also to President Jan for sending in her chenille quilts which showed us what we can aspire to.

Janelle Northcott



# AUSTRALIA'S BIGGEST MORNING TEA & Saturday Stitchers

Bring you a day of fun, food, friends with plenty of quilting and the opportunity to raise funds for Cancer research.

**Join us : 17th May, from 9.30 until 4.00**

- ◆ Games with prizes - lots of fun
- ◆ Dutch auction - please bring a small item to auction for fundraising, and lots of coins to participate
- ◆ Soup, rolls, lasagne and dessert for lunch - \$5.00 a serve
- ◆ Help us make a quilt in a day to be raffled at our general meeting on 2 June: fabric and pattern provided. Our quilt will look like this, but with more blocks



Bring your own project if you think you will run out of things to do!

And don't forget your sewing machine and a spool of neutral thread!

For more information contact:

Diane Clark: 0438 806 126

Bernadette Izod: 0418 852 234

Kim Tait: 0418 825 294



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Tea

invite you to their opening of The Art of Tea members' exhibition with a

# Biggest Morning Tea Saturday 3 May 2014

from 10.30am at TactileArts

TactileArts is  
situated in the grounds  
of the Museum and Art Gallery NT  
19 Conacher St. Fannie Bay, Darwin

[tactilearts.org.au](http://tactilearts.org.au) (08) 8981 6616

Kate Bussey ceramics

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## **DARWIN PATCHWORKERS AND QUILTERS**

**INVITE YOU TO THEIR 30<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS**

**AT THE DARWIN WHARF PRECINCT, FUNCTION CENTRE ON STOKES HILL WHARF**

**ON SATURDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY AT 7PM**

**PRICE:\$ 60.00 FOR MEMBERS**

**\$ 70.00 FOR NON MEMBERS**

**PRICE INCLUDES:- BUFFET TEA, WINE, BEER, SOFT DRINKS AND LIGHT ENTERTAINMENT**

**DRESS CODE: AFTER FIVE WEAR**

**RSVP BY 16<sup>TH</sup> MAY, 2014    ROBYN SALMON**

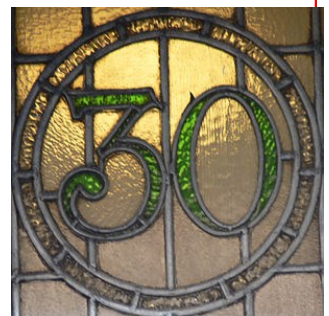
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**89321094**

**NB. ENTRY WILL BE BY TICKET ONLY, SO MAKE SURE YOU HAVE YOURS!**



**Please note : Important information** for those members participating in Pam Pemberton's challenge "Thirty"- the closing date for this challenge has been brought forward to Friday the 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2014, as entries will be displayed and judged at the 30<sup>th</sup> Birthday dinner.



# Luixin Newman workshop - June 1st 2014

[www.thimblelady.com](http://www.thimblelady.com)

## Requirements list

You will need to bring :

- Lunch and snacks
- Something to quilt which is marked for quilting  
Luixin suggests two fat quarters and wadding (as one unit) or something you have ready to quilt. Her website has free patterns which can be downloaded and used to mark for quilting
- Needles, thread, thimble and hoop (a hoop which you can fit a fat quarter into)  
THE HOOP IS NOT ESSENTIAL

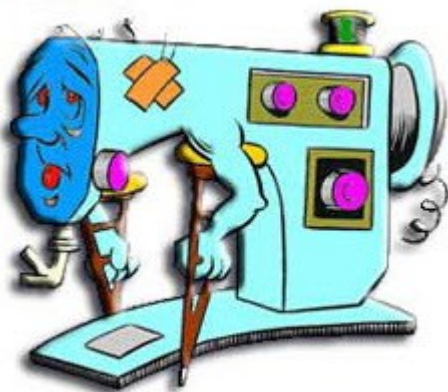
Luixin will have thimbles for you to try and buy if you want them (YOU ARE UNDER NO OBLIGATION TO BUY THEM (\$16/plastic and \$48/steel), needles 1 packet \$7.99 She will also have these to buy (26 pcs).

Please have cash available for your purchases.

Luixin will also bring a hoop for you to try out. These will not be available for purchase, she will only bring one

If you want to purchase The Thimblelady products prior to the workshop they are available from her website [www.thimblelady.com](http://www.thimblelady.com)

It is not essential to have her products for the workshop, however the technique Luixin teaches is about teaching you to use her thimble in particular.



## Opportunity to have your machine serviced : calling for expressions of interest

I have been in touch with Otto Windler who is from down south and is a Bernina Sewing Machine Mechanic. He owns a shop down south and has been up here before and took a couple of days to service members' machines at the clubrooms. He has offered to come up to Darwin for the Queen's Birthday long weekend which is the 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup> June 2014. He will

service all types of machines, not just Bernina.

If you are interested please contact me ([j.cashion1@bigpond.com](mailto:j.cashion1@bigpond.com) or 0418894131)

He needs to have at least 25 machines to service to make it worth his while. He has a daughter living here and will combine the visit.



## Mt Bundy News Update

Full payment is now due. Please contact Jan Cashion if you are not sure how much you owe. Also, can everyone please bring their own cup?

### COMFORT BAGS

CWA Darwin Branch has asked us if we would partake in making comfort bags for the Women's Shelter. These are given to women who have nothing when entering the shelter except the clothes on their backs. CWA then put toothpaste, toothbrush and essential items into the bags, which they take with them when they leave. I thought it would be nice if everyone who goes to Mt Bundy Retreat could make one over that weekend. They would prefer them to be colourful and around A4 size with a handle so as they can be worn over the shoulder. They do not have to be lined.

As co-ordinator of Mt Bundy Retreat I am asking everyone who attends and has a sewing machine to bring some fabric and cotton to make one of these bags. Thank you.

It would also be lovely if other members could make a bag, even if not attending Mt Bundy.

Jan



ROYAL  
DARWIN SHOW

Royal Darwin Show have approached our organization asking if we could supply a Judge to judge the Patchwork and Quilting Section at their 2014 Royal Exhibition. The suitable person would need experience and expertise to undertake this role. If you are interested in this position, please contact Jan Cashion on email or telephone to discuss your interest as soon as possible.



## Dragonfly Fabrics

**Shops 2 & 3, 53 Alawa Crescent, Alawa**

Phone: 08 8948 0691 Fax: 08 8948 0694

Email: [dragonfabric@bigpond.com](mailto:dragonfabric@bigpond.com)

Web: [www.dragonfabric.com.au](http://www.dragonfabric.com.au)

For sale :

### HQ - Handi Quilter Frame

Extends to 12 feet wide Purchased from  
Needles Eye Industries, Perth, 2005 for  
\$2200 (Receipt is available)

It is still in its original packaging - never been  
used due to ill health.

Instructions can be found on YouTube for  
assembly and use - just go to You Tube and  
type in How to Use Handi Quilter Frame.

Price \$750 (any reasonable offer accepted).

Contact details:- Peter Blake 89 419510 or  
04277 95546



## Did you know?

**Member Discounts generously provided by the following...**

### ***All Art Framing Pty Ltd - 15%***

U3 74 Dick Ward Drive, Coconut Grove  
8985 5166.

### ***Dragonfly Fabrics - 10%***

Shops 2 & 3, 53 Alawa Crescent, Alawa  
8948 0691

### ***Jackson's Art Suppliers - 10%***

7 Parap Place, Parap 8981 2779

### ***Janome Sewing Centre - 10%***

U50 12 Charlton Court, Winnellie  
8941 0088

### ***The NT General Store -10%***

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### ***Sewing Machine Sales and Service Darwin - 10%***

Shop 1/3 Parap Place, Parap,  
89484871





The Good Luck Shop" Shop  
1/3 Parap Place,  
Parap  
Ph. 89484871

[sales@sewingmachinesdarwin.com.au](mailto:sales@sewingmachinesdarwin.com.au)

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## Internet Bytes



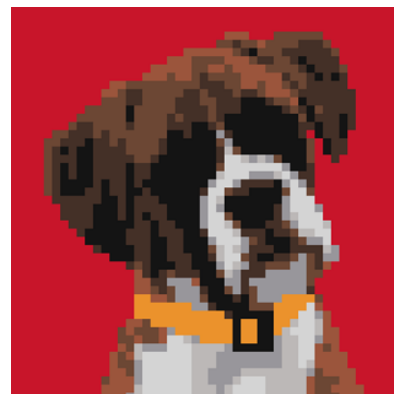
<https://www.youpatch.com/>

Essentially, you choose the image you want to turn into a pixel quilt (the site gives some great ideas as to what images work best), upload your image, and the program pixelates it. But it doesn't stop there. You can then choose how many colours you want in your quilt (up to 15), how detailed you want it (the more detail the more pixels) and you can even recolour the pixels and change their position for yourself.

Here's a couple of examples:

Once you purchase the pattern you get a detailed pattern, breaking down the quilt into easily manageable blocks, great cutting instructions and even the names of the Kona cottons required to make the quilt.

Down Under Quilts, Mar 14 had an article about this site.



	IF YOU ARE TRAVELLING....		
May 17th-18th	Mountain Quilters Club Inc Biennial Show	Peachester Community Hall, Qld	
May 17th-18th	Riviera Quilters Inc Biennial Quilt Show	Bairnsdale West Primary School, Vic	
May 21-25th	Quiltwest 2014	Perth Convention Centre, WA	
May 23rd-25th	45th Annual NQA Quilt Show	Columbus, Ohio, USA	
May 31st-June 1st	Waverley Patchworkers' Quilt Show	Mt Waverley Community Centre, Vic	

## Calendar of club events

2nd-5th May	<b>Mt Bundy Retreat</b>
5th May	<b>General Meeting</b> 7:00 for 7:30pm at the clubrooms
6th May	<b>Quilters Down the Track</b> 9:30am-1:30pm at The Beehive, Freds Pass, cost \$3.50, and every Tuesday
1st May	<b>Thursday Threads</b> 9am-9pm at clubrooms, cost \$3.00, and every Thursday
2nd May	<b>Friday Stitchers</b> 9am-4pm at clubrooms, cost \$3.00, and every Friday
10th May	<b>Quilters Down the Track</b> 1:30-4:30pm at The Beehive, Freds Pass, cost \$3.50, 2nd & 4th Saturdays
10th May	<b>Christmas Club</b> From 10am at the Clubrooms
17th May	<b>Saturday Stitchers</b> Chenille 9:30-4:00pm at the Clubrooms



# DPAQ General Information



**ABN**  
74 081 861 533 (Not currently registered for GST)

## Advertising Rates

Quarter Page \$20, Half Page \$40

## Bank Account

BSB: 015-896, Account: 258685721

## Gift Quilt/Quilts of Love Coordinator

Alison McShanag: 0439 089 566

**Newsletter Contributions** to Helen Tate by the 15th of the month; helen.tate@ntschoools.net Articles welcome.

## Quilt Valuation Service

Susan Webb is the convenor 0419 416 712. Cost \$15 members, \$40 non-members, \$30 fast track (members only).

## Website Design and Support

Pam Pemberton 0488 261 905

## Committee Members and Contacts

Name	Position	Email	Phone	Mobile
Jan Cashion	President, Public Officer, Mt Bundy Coordinator	j.cashion1@bigpond.com	8932 7645	0418 894 131
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Alison Brown	Web Assistant	dragonflylane@bigpond.com		0411 660 624

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Susan Webb	Valuations Committee Convenor	dpaqvaluations@gmail.com		0419 416 712

## Meetings

### **Christmas Club**

Meets the second Saturday of each month from 10am at the clubrooms. Work on a different themed project each month. Cost \$3. BYO lunch and snacks. Contact Debbie Selter 0418 826 169

### **Friday Stitchers**

Meet every Friday from 10am at the clubrooms. Work on your own project. Cost \$3. BYO snacks and lunch. Contact Judy Toy 8945 6612

### **General Meeting**

Held the first Monday of the month at 7.30pm at 96A Winnellie Road, Winnellie from 7.00pm for a 7.30pm start. (No meeting held in January.) Sign the attendance book when you arrive. Don't forget to bring your show and tell and coffee mug. Attendance cost is \$1.00 for members and first time visitors and \$5.00 for non members.

### **Quilters Down the Track**

Meet at The Beehive, Fred's Pass Reserve on the second and fourth Saturdays of each month from 1.30-4.30pm. They also meet each Tuesday from 9.30am to 1.30pm. Work on your own project. Cost \$3.50 each. Contact Maerwen Taylor 8988 1311, Shelley Grobler 0439 888 505

### **Saturday Stitchers**

Meet the third Saturday of each month at the club rooms 96A Winnellie Road, Winnellie. A sewing activity is demonstrated by a volunteer. Cost \$5 plus any activity costs. Contact: Kim Tait 0418 825294 or Barbara Mellon 8927 1657

### **Thursday Threads Sit and Sew Day and Evening**

From 9am to 9pm at the clubrooms. Cost \$3 each. BYO food. Contact Pam Pemberton 8983 1823 or 0488 261 905.