



# Snippets

July 2015

## Territory Quilts 2015 Exhibition

11th to 13th September  
2015

Put these dates in your  
calendar!

**Remember : Entries are  
due by**

**Friday August 7th**

### Next General Meeting

The next meeting of Darwin Patchworkers & Quilters Inc. will be held on Monday 6th July at 7.30pm at the DP&Q Clubrooms, 96A Winnellie Road, Winnellie NT.

#### Supper Roster :

Leanne Douglas

Barb Mellon

Tip Wade

Corinne Robinson

**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.

### Happy birthday to :

3<sup>rd</sup> Jane Price

5<sup>th</sup> Kaye Carlson

6<sup>th</sup> Yvonne Boyd

12<sup>th</sup> Irene Duncanson & Jan Beeby

13<sup>th</sup> Patricia Isaacs

28<sup>th</sup> Leone Jones

29<sup>th</sup> Lorraine Clarke

31<sup>st</sup> Alison McShanag



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Established 1 May 1984

A detail from Helen Godden's quilt  
"Freedom"



## Royal Darwin Show

### Sitters Required

We rely on members to volunteer to sit at Darwin Show to promote DPAQ and sell raffle tickets in our major raffle.

Thanks to the members that have already volunteered, but I desperately need more sitters.

Please put your name down for one of the slots. Perhaps you want to organise a time with a friend.

Select a time that will coincide with your visit to the Show as we cannot offer refunds or entry passes.

Please contact me with a time that suits you:

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Doreen Dyer

Date/Time	Number of Sitters Required
<b>Thursday 23<sup>rd</sup> July</b>	
11am - 1pm	2
3pm - 5pm	2
5pm - 8pm	2
<b>Friday 24<sup>th</sup> July</b>	
9am - 11am	2
1pm - 3pm	2
3pm - 5pm	1
5pm - 8pm	2
<b>Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> July</b>	
9am - 11am	1
11am - 1pm	1
1pm - 3pm	1
3pm - 5pm	2
5pm - 8pm	1





## TOP END NATIVE GARDEN STALL

Kathy Carter and I set up a stall at the Top End Native Garden Open Day at Colliwobble Farm in Virginia on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June.



As well as our items for sale, we had the DPAQ Raffle Quilt on display with tickets for sale. We sold just over 8 books! There were so many positive comments about the quilt and there were lots of enquiries as to the makers. Some people bought 5 tickets each as they just want this quilt in their home. Thanks to Lesley Every who volunteered to help for a time in the afternoon selling raffle tickets.

It was a windy day, so once we overcame issues with the quilt becoming a sail in the breeze, we settled in to enjoy the day. There were nearly 500 adults plus children visited the Open Garden. Barbara and Herb Backers had organised a number of activities for children. Barbara is a Wildcare carer and the animals 'living' on the farm were very popular with the families.

All in all, it was a great community day, and I'd like to thank Barbara for inviting us to have a stall and allowing raffle tickets to be sold.

Doreen Dyer



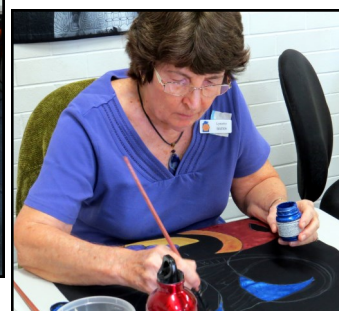
# A visit from Helen Godden!

In May Helen Godden came to Darwin. She showed us her quilts and spoke about her quilting journey, in a presentation on the Wednesday evening. Then on Thursday and Friday the "Crack Pots" had their turn to create an original art quilt using paints and micro quilting. To say that most of us were pushed out of our comfort zones would be putting it mildly... but what fun, and how inspired we all were! Several of us reported not being able to sleep on Thursday night.



On Saturday it was the turn of the Beginner Free Motion quilters, then on Sunday the advanced class. We all worked so hard, and learned so much. It was a wonderful few days. Helen is a fantastic tutor.

Many, many thanks to Alison McShanag and the Committee for organising her visit and to Alison for providing accommodation for Helen.







# From the Committee - June 2016

From time to time members miss announcements, updates and decisions made by the committee. We had a request for a summary of information from the AGM at the same time that we were thinking about ways to improve communication to members. There will be a 4 month trial to provide a summary of information 'From the Committee' in Snippets each month. This month is a bit long, but I hope to condense to no more than one page for the next few editions.

## AGM (3<sup>rd</sup> March)

The AGM was attended by 30 members and 11 apologies were received.

Queries and Requests from members included:

Request for Financial Reports to be available in club rooms;

Response: Since November 2014 - each month's financial reports have been stored in the Minutes folder in the office/library of DPAQ Club Rooms.

Do members need to vote on the AGM date changed from March to April in 2016?

Response: No, the Constitution states: *'43. (1) The Association must hold all annual general meetings within 5 months after the end of the Association's financial year.'* The financial year end is 31<sup>st</sup> December, so the AGM can be anytime up until 31<sup>st</sup> May.

Elections:

One written nomination was received for each of the positions - President, Treasurer, and Secretary. For the 8 General Committee Members - five written nominations were received, one nomination from the floor and Cheryl West was appointed in May. There is still one vacant General Committee Member position.

## Sewing Days Session Payments

To show our appreciation, members who volunteer, to either teach a Saturday Stitchers workshop or for cleaning 96A Winnellie Rd (as per 96A Anchor Tenant Lease agreement), will be exempt from paying the session fee. This is limited to:

Saturday Stitchers Tutor - 1 person;

Cleaning - 2 members (as listed on the roster in the kitchen).

If you do this, please continue to record your name in the Register for the session and note either (tutor or cleaning) and you don't need to include a payment.

There seems to be a misunderstanding about first time visitors at Sewing Days. Visitors pay the same amount as members at Thursday Threads Sit and Sew, Friday Stitchers, Christmas Club and Saturday Stitchers. First time visits at a General Meeting (i.e. the first Monday of the month) are free.

## Committee - Current Focus

A 3 year plan for tutor/workshops - Alison McShanag is currently negotiating with Wendy Williams for 2016;

Managing the renewed 96A Anchor Tenant Lease requirements;

A review of Sub-groups to ensure we are working within the DPAQ Constitution and auditing requirements;

Australian Council of Quilters (ACQ) - 2015 meeting feedback to members;

Planning for Darwin Show - members are asked to put their names down for a 2 hour session. It is best to incorporate the DPAQ session with your visit to the show. Arranged entries and refunds will not be possible this year;

Saturday Stitchers calendar for the rest of 2015;



# From the Committee - June 2016 (cont.)

For more information on any of these, details are available in the Committee Meeting Minutes folder stored in the Club office/library. If you are not able to access the Minutes please email Doreen Dyer on [darwin-patchworker@gmail.com](mailto:darwin-patchworker@gmail.com) for an excerpt of the section of the minutes related to your query.

## What has the Committee started to plan?

Christmas celebration meeting;  
Australia Day 2016 Workshop/Activity;  
Mt Bundy Retreat 2016;  
Looking at charity quilts donations after TQ15 Exhibition.

## Sub-committees & Others

The sub-committees have been extremely busy

TQ15 Committee: is in the midst of TQ Planning, such as the publicity - including banners, sponsorship, early advertising to members (see key dates on the notice at the Club and also on Website), Bernina machine prize, Best of Australia Quilts have been confirmed for display at the Exhibition. New streamlined quilt frames are being made.

Valuation Committee: Last met to value quilts 17<sup>th</sup> May - had 5 quilts to value at the open valuation day. All were issued with their valuation certificates on the day. One was a charity quilt (Darwin Women's Shelter). One out of session quilt was valued for RSPCA. Next open valuation day will be held Saturday 29 August. This is planned to be just before the exhibition and will be promoted to members via Snippets. The TQ15 judge, Jan Frazer, will be doing a training session with the Valuation team in September.

Website / Facebook: Have you had a look at the updates on the DPAQ site and Facebook lately? Updates occur frequently.

<http://darwinquilters.com.au/>

<https://www.facebook.com/darwinpatchworkersandquilters>

Snippets: A bright and often 'bulging' newsletter is provided to members in time for the General Meeting each month (usually the week prior). Snippets is distributed by email, can be read online on the DPAQ website and a hardcopy is kept in the 'Snippets' folder in the library.

Library: A stocktake will be done in the near future.

## Other Activities:

**Australia's Biggest Morning Tea** - \$340.40 was raised in total. Very generous donations were received from Mt Bundy Retreat, Friday Stitchers, Bay Babes and in the ABMT Collection box in the club rooms. Thank you to all who donated to this Cancer Council NT activity.

**Top End Native Garden Open Day** - 120 Burdens Creek Road, Virginia Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> June. We are having a stall at this open day. Quilt raffle tickets will be sold and members' own craft items will be for sale on the day.

**Current Number of Members** - 99.

# Saturday Stitchers

## June—Charity Quilt Day



A big thank you to everyone who came to Saturday Stitchers in June. We now have fourteen lap quilts in the making. Some finished, many almost finished and a few still at the cut out stage. We have been in contact with Terrace Gardens and they were delighted to hear that we were making quilts that could be used with wheelchairs. I am pleased to say that we have almost thirty quilts of love in the charity cupboard as well.

Alsion McShanag





# Saturday Stitchers

## July 18th, 10am-4pm

Make a bag with Corinne Robinson. Requirements list below.

NB. Corinne will have available for purchase the insert for the bottom of the bag.

Nancy's instructions are easy to understand and fun to sew!  
Photos are included in each step. Materials list:

### Fabric

#### A. Wedge panel outside option:

6 pieces - 12"x10" (6 different cottons) for outside  
¼ yd - Strap, bottom/sides, pocket, flap  
½ yd - Lining and pocket

#### B. Single fabric outside option:

¾ yd - Outside, flap, and straps  
½ yd - Lining and pocket

#### C. Two fabric outside option:

½ yd - Front, back, pocket  
¼ yd - Bottom/sides, flap, and strap  
½ yd - Lining and pocket

### Interfacing

1 yd - Pellon #987F fusible fleece  
¼ yd - Pellon #809 Decorbond™ fusible  
⅓ yd - Pellon #71 Peltex™ single side fusible  
(Or double side fusible Peltex 72)

### Notions

1 magnetic purse snap  
Jeans/Denim (90/14) machine needles

### Finished measurements

11 ½" wide x 8 ½" tall x 3 ½" deep  
Strap has a drop of 12 ½", can be made longer  
Fits great over the shoulder  
Two pockets inside

### Three flap styles



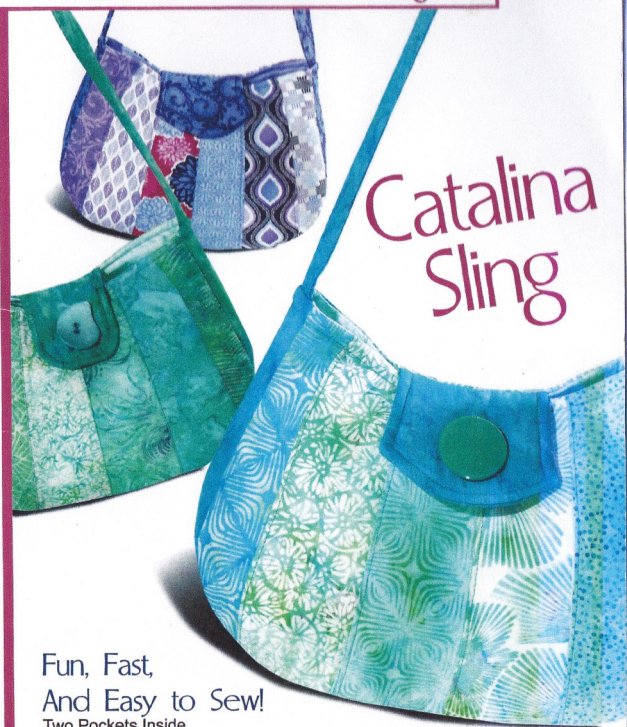
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## Pink Sand Beach Designs

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And Easy to Sew!

Two Pockets Inside  
Magnetic Snap Closure  
Color Picture Instructions and pattern pieces included

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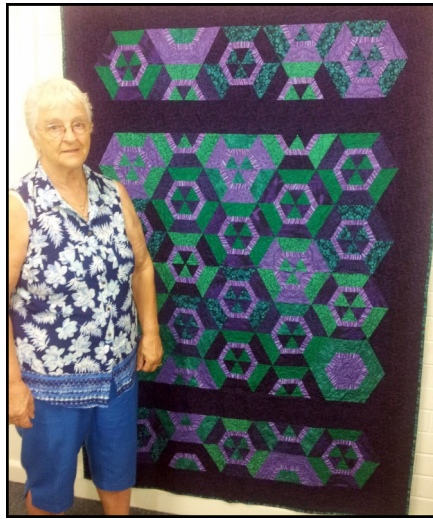
Sue Britton has a request—could everyone paying for meetings or sewing sessions please be careful to pay with Australian coins only!



# Show and Tell — June meeting



Ann's "Kimberley Silhouette"



Gerda's quilts for her great granddaughters



Raffle quilt for Quilters Down the Track



This quilt was made as a gift for Kristina by Di Clark



Janelle made table runners to practise on her Sweet 16



Lesley's disappearing four-patch





Kaye's bed runner with embroidery and mirrors, and some beautiful cushions

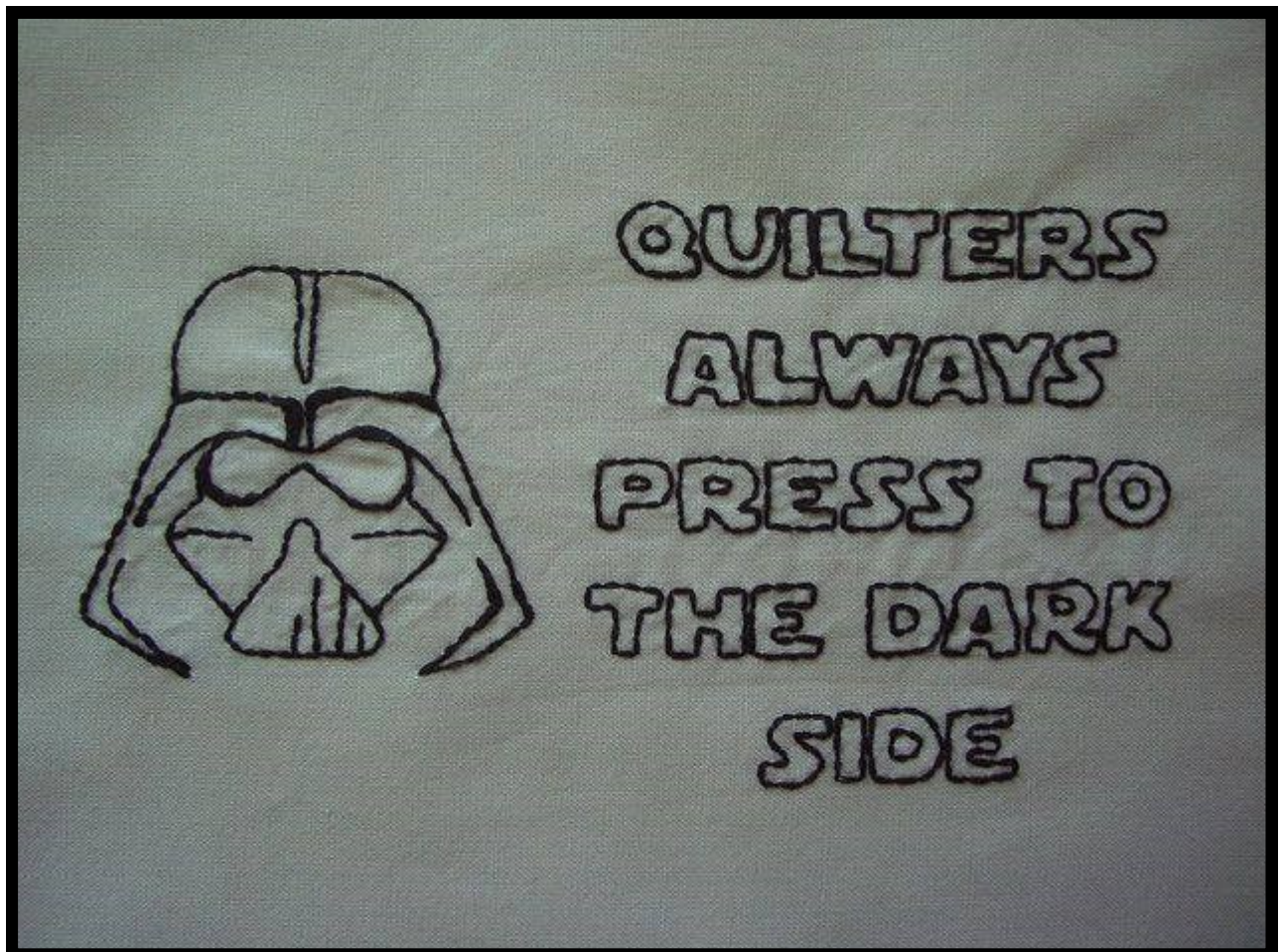


Chris at her last meeting with a charity quilt.

Goodbye, Chris! We'll miss you.



Some work from the Helen Godden workshop, "Crack Pots"



# call for entries

explore the fourth dimension in cloth  
and submit your work for the next  
travelling textile art exhibition  
curated by Brenda Gael Smith

online entry form  
closing date: 15 January 2016

a matter of time  
textiles.com  
EXPLORING THE FOURTH DIMENSION

Dear textile enthusiasts -

Following the fantastic response to *Beneath the Southern Sky* and *Living Colour!*, I am curating another travelling textile art exhibition touring in 2016/2017. I invite you to share this Call for Entry information with your readers and members:

**Call for entries:** explore the fourth dimension in cloth and submit your work for the next travelling textile art exhibition curated by Brenda Gael Smith - *a matter of time*. Each work will be in a 100x40cm (LxW) vertical format and up to 32 works may be selected. The closing date for entries is 15 January 2016. International entries are welcome.

For more information, see [www.amatteroftimetextiles.com](http://www.amatteroftimetextiles.com) or contact [info@amatteroftimetextiles.com](mailto:info@amatteroftimetextiles.com)

Sincerely

Brenda Gael Smith

curator - a matter of time

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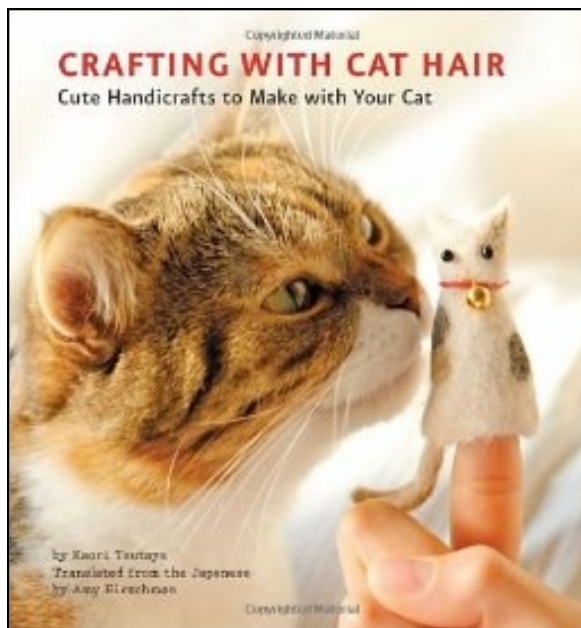
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And because we have a funny dog photo on page 2,

I thought I'd balance it out for all those cat lovers. Look what popped up on Amazon. Now there's a use for all that hair on the lint brush!



## Did you know?

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

**All Art Framing Pty Ltd - 15%**  
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**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%**  
42 Cavenagh Street, Darwin 8981 8242

**Sewing Machine Sales and Service Darwin - 10%**  
Shop 1/3 Parap Place, Parap, 89818926

# The Australian National Brooch Show

Contemporary artists from across Australia (& some international) have contributed to this unique exhibition, showcasing 245 imaginative & unusual Brooches.

## Special "Try & Buy" events:

- ♣ Saturday 13th June, 10am-12noon, South Yarra
- ♣ Sunday 9th August: 3-4.30pm, Fitzroy

A touring exhibition of miniature wearable artworks created in an extraordinarily diverse range of media. See all works online soon!



First venue:

## South Yarra

**2 June - 30 July 2015**

Toorak – South Yarra Library,  
340 Toorak Road, South Yarra, Vic.

Opening hours are:  
Mon: to Thurs: 10am - 8pm  
Fri: 10am - 6pm  
Sat: 10am - 5pm. Sun: 2pm - 5pm

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Second venue:

## Fitzroy

**6 August - 25 September**

Fitzroy Library,  
128 Moor Street, Fitzroy, Vic.

Opening hours are:  
Mon: 10am - 6pm. Tue & Wed: 1pm - 8pm  
Thurs: 10am - 6pm. Fri: 1pm - 6pm  
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## War-Time Quilts Exhibition: Quilts from Military Fabrics – Annette Gero collection

July 3 - November 22, Manly Art Gallery, Sydney, NSW



This very rare collection of 'war quilts', made by active soldiers and prisoners of war from pieces of disused uniforms, army blankets and other military fabrics, includes quilts dating from the Napoleonic Wars (1803-15), the Crimean War (1853-56) and World Wars One and Two. A publication by The Beagle Press accompanies the exhibition.

Image: **A soldier's patchwork with incredible border**, c.1855, made in India or England, felted wools taken from uniforms, all hand sewn and hand applied beadwork, textural layered appliqued border, 208cm x 216cm



	<b>IF YOU ARE TRAVELLING....</b>	
July 11th-Aug 2nd	Gold Coast Quilters Guild Quilt Exhibition	The Arts Centre Gold Coast, 135 Bundall Rd, Surfers Paradise, QLD
July 3rd-Nov 22nd	Wartime Quilts Exhibition (see previous page)	Manly Art Gallery, Sydney, NSW
June 2nd-July 30th	The Australian National Brooch Show (including pieces by our own Doreen Dyer!)	Toorak-South Yarra Library, 340 Toorak Rd, Sth Yarra, VIC
July 10th-12th	Craft & Quilt Fair	Silverdome, Launceston, TAS
July 23rd-26th	Craft & Quilt Fair	Melbourne Convention and Exhibition Centre, South Wharf, VIC

## Calendar of club events

2nd July	<b>Thursday Threads</b> 9am-9pm at clubrooms, cost \$5, and every Thursday
3rd July	<b>Friday Stitchers</b> 9am-4pm at clubrooms, cost \$5, and every Friday
6th July	<b>General Meeting</b> 7:00 for 7:30pm at the clubrooms
7th July	<b>Quilters Down the Track</b> 9:30am-1:30pm at The Beehive, Freds Pass, cost \$3.50 and every Tuesday
11th July	<b>Quilters Down the Track</b> 1:30-4:30pm at The Beehive, Freds Pass, cost \$3.50, 2nd & 4th Saturdays
11th July	<b>Christmas Club</b> From 10am, \$5, at the Clubrooms
18th July	<b>Saturday Stitchers</b> 12noon to 4pm, cost \$6.



# 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

Robyn McDonald 0421 667466

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

## Quilt Valuation Service

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

## Website Design and Support

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## Meetings

**Christmas Club**—Meets the second Saturday of each month from 10am at the clubrooms. Work on a different themed project each month. Cost \$5. 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 \$5. BYO snacks and lunch. Contact Robyn Salmon 0427 356 028

**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.) Don't forget to bring your show and tell and coffee mug. Attendance cost is \$2 for members and visitors (first visit free)

**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 888 508

**Saturday Stitchers**—Meet the third Saturday of each month at the club rooms. A sewing activity is demonstrated by a volunteer. Cost \$6 plus any activity costs. Contact: Kim Tait 0418 825294

**Thursday Threads Sit and Sew Day and Evening**—From 9am to 9pm at the clubrooms. Cost \$5 each. BYO food. Contact Jan Cashion 0418 894 131

**NB** Visitors are welcome to our Thursday Threads, Friday and Saturday Stitchers days for 3 visits only. If they wish to continue after that they need to become full members.