

Snippets

December 2015



Don't forget!
Darwin Patchworkers and Quilters
Christmas Party
At the clubrooms,
Monday 7th December
6:30 for 7pm
Bring a \$10 gift to go under the tree
Prize for best necklace

Next General Meeting

The next meeting of Darwin Patchworkers & Quilters Inc. will be our Christmas party held on Monday 7th December at 6:30pm at the DP&Q Clubrooms, 96A Winnellie Road, Winnellie NT.

Happy birthday to : December :

4th Terry Cairns & Janelle Northcott

5th Pam Hamill

8th Heather Van Munster

22nd Naomi Oliver

25th Margaret Glowacki

27th Karen Wade

30th Chris Knights

31st Hilary Fowler



January :

3rd Diana Clark

5th Wanita Darcy

8th Stacey Henderson

9th Pirjo Ward

12th Lillian Furre

& Julie Perry

16th Jennifer Burton

18th Janet Cashion

19th Sue Summers

25th Sheila McAloon

27th Colleen O'Neill

30th Patricia Ann Parry & Gerda Lesson

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Saturday Stitchers November



You know that when Saturday Stitchers start producing Christmas decorations etc. that it must be getting close to Christmas and the end of the year. We were shown by Janelle and Viki how to make dancing men and Christmas bells. Each group managed to make either one little man or one bell.

We had a pleasant afternoon stitching and sharing, and once again, thank you Janelle and Viki for your help.
Lesley Every



AUSTRALIA DAY WORKSHOP

SATURDAY JANUARY 23 – 9am to 4pm at the Club Rooms

The Mystery Stash Buster



If you want to make a 54" x 54" quilt top in a day, and reduce some of your stash, then this is the day to do it! However, we have a few options. You get to choose which you would prefer as the technique is the same for each.

While we have chosen the 10" square in order to achieve "a quilt in a day", this technique is also quite suitable for 5" or 6 ½" squares.

This block is quite straightforward, and in the larger versions things happen fairly quickly, so come along and join the fun and celebrate our national day together.

Option 1 – Quickie 54" x 54" Quilt top Requirements:

- 8 (10") squares, 2 from each of 4 assorted dark fabrics
- 8 (10") squares, 2 from each of 4 assorted medium/light fabrics
- 1 (10") strip of a contrasting fabric, crosscut into 4 (10") blocks
- 1 1/2 metres background fabric*:
 - From background fabric cut:
 - 2 (10") strips crosscut into 8 (10") squares
 - 3 (6 ½") strips crosscut into 16 (6 ½") squares
 - 4 (2 ½") strips

*If you would like to have the option of later turning your masterpiece into a single bed sized quilt, then you should increase the background fabric to 2.1metres.

Option 2 – The 78" x 78" Layer Cake Friendly Version Requirements:

This option lends itself to the use of one precut 10" Layer Cake, of 40 or 42 pieces plus a few extra 10" squares from your stash to make up a total of 45 (10") squares. The Layer Cake should be made up of **two pieces of at least 9 of the fabrics used** and provide a good mix of lights, mediums and darks. You will also need:

- 3 metres of a background fabric:
 - From background fabric cut:
 - 5 (10") strips from width of fabric – crosscut 18 (10") squares
 - 6 (6 ½") strips from width of fabric – crosscut 36 (6 ½") squares
 - 1 (25") strip from width of fabric – crosscut 12 (2 ½" x 25") strips from fabric length.

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Option 3 – The 78" x 78" Stash Buster Version Requirements:

If, however, you wish to reduce your stash rather than use a Layer Cake, these are the cutting requirements:

24 (10") squares, 2 from each of 12 assorted dark fabrics

22 (10") squares, 2 from each of 11 assorted medium/light fabrics

3 metres of a contrasting background fabric, cut as per instructions for the Layer Cake version.

Other Requirements:

Cost of the day \$6

BYO lunch

Rotary Cutter – a good sharp one

6 ½" ruler will be helpful if you have one, but a 12 ½" x 6 ½" one will also be good

12" rotating cutting mat would also be helpful, or a small cutting mat that you can turn easily

(I have a couple of rotating mats I can bring so don't panic)

All the usual sewing requirements like suitable thread, pins, scissors, and of course, a sewing machine.

And, most importantly, a good sense of fun.

Please contact Lyn Bates if you would like to participate:

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0407 004482



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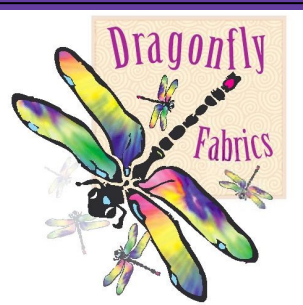
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There are 3 Changi Quilts, all made under similar circumstances. One was made for Australian men in Changi and is held at The Australian War Memorial. This one was made for the British and is held by the Red Cross at their National Headquarters in London where I had the opportunity to see it a few years ago. There is another book about the Australian quilt: Diary of a girl in Changi by Sheila Allan. I believe there is a copy in DP&Q library, but if not I would be willing to lend my copy if anyone wishes to read it. The following item appeared in The Oldie Newsletter, and the link is well worth following up.
Jenny Armour

The secrets of the Changi quilt



The Changi quilt might look like an innocent craft project – but it was created by a defiant group of women prisoners during the Second World War.

Each square is packed with secret messages. Find out the hidden meanings and read one family's story of life in jail at redcross.org.uk/changi

The British Red Cross provided food parcels, clothes and toys for the prisoners. We continue to give families parcels in their time of need. Please consider [leaving a gift](#) in your will to the Red Cross as a promise that help will always be there.



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Oct 24th-Dec 13th	Art Quilt Australia 2015	National Wool Museum 26-32 Moorabool St, Geelong 3220
Nov 13th-Dec 22nd	Australian Quilts In Public Places Exhibition 2015 - " <i>Light and Life</i> "	Whitehorse Art Space, Box Hill Town Hall 1022 Whitehorse Rd, Box Hill, VIC
Dec 12th-20th	Vineyard 28 Annual Quilt Exhibi- tion (quilts and crafts for sale)	270 Bagieau Rd, West Har- vey, WA
Jan 21st-27th	Tokyo International Great Quilt Festival 2016	Tokyo Dome, Tokyo, JAPAN

Calendar of club events

7th December **General Meeting—Christmas Party**
6:30 for 7:00 at the clubrooms

(NB No General Meeting in January)

3rd December **Thursday Threads**
9am-9pm at clubrooms, cost \$5, and every Thursday

4th December **Friday Stitchers**
9am-4pm at clubrooms, cost \$5, and every Friday

12th December **Christmas Club**
From 10am, \$5, at the Clubrooms

Saturday Stitchers—no meetings until February



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Meetings

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)

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

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.

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