

SNIPPETS

Darwin Patchworkers & Quilters.

Established 1 May 1984



*And just like that
ITS CHRISTMAS*



Next meeting

Date - Monday 7th December

DPAQ Christmas Party - tickets no longer available

No meeting in January

Next meeting at 96A Winnellie Rd
Monday February 1st 2021

Dates to remember (all at 96A)

There will be no Saturday

Stitches in December

And no Friday sewing on
December 18th

Charity Quilts 16th January

Additional Saturday sewing 23rd
January

Australia Day 26th January -
(bookings required see page five)

General meeting 1st February

Weekly sewing days to continue
except for Christmas Eve and
Christmas Day providing
participants want to and have
someone to open etc.

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Presidents Report

Well we have made it to December, what a mad year! So many unexpected twists and turns, but in this year of being careful with our health and minimising contact with people we have turned to craft and technology to sustain us! I know which one I prefer.

I feel that our club has done very well this year with embracing the changes that COVID-19 has introduced, and it hasn't stopped us from including new people starting at our club, or looking at new and different ways to keep members busy with projects. ** A big thank you to those members that have gone out of their way to welcome newcomers and contribute their time to organising our club events**

I am sure everyone is well into making plans for Christmas, and I hope you all have the opportunity to do some special sewing for yourself over the next month or so!

I am looking forward to show and tell in February, and being back out at our club rooms for our Monday February 1st meeting.

Merry Christmas

Stacey

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO THE DECEMBER & JANUARY BABIES

December

Patricia Moore 3rd
Janelle Northcote 4th
Julie Billing 4th
Fiona Gaddes 7th
Heather Van Munster 8th
Barbara Lendaris 22nd
Penny Plain 23rd
Karen Wade 27th
Hilary Fowler 31st

January

Stacey Henderson 10th
Di Smith 11th
Julie Perry 12th
Lillian Furre 12th
Joan Mettum 19th
Lorraine Hunt 19th
Sheila MacAloon 25th
Gerda Lesson 30th
Bernadette Izod 31st

Library news and reviews



Library News - November 2020

Hi Ladies

You may have noticed that the library books have been arranged along the shelves from left to right – no reaching down on the floor to locate a book anymore. Over the holidays I hope to number the shelves and to relocate the magazines to a borrower friendly location. Hope this suits everyone. Let me know what you think or if you have any ideas for improvements please let me know.

New PURCHASES for the library are :=

Animal Parade & Animal Parade 2 - Both books are written by Cheri Leffler and include full size patterns for the Applique animals . I know that quite a few Nannies in the club are expecting new additions in the New Year, so this book should be an inspirational tool for that new Baby Quilt.

Cheri has included some Aussie animals, as well as jungle, sea and farm themes to peak your interest. Adorable quilts with lots of different patterns as a base your applique.

I have included three taster pictures for you, including Tree Huggers, Froggy Serenade and Pride in the Posies.



Hi Guys, we're having another Charity Quilt Sewing day in January 2021

Where: Clubrooms, 96A Winnellie Road

When: Saturday, 16 January (9am–4pm)

This is an opportunity to make a Quilt of Love or a lap quilt for an elderly person or someone in a wheelchair, or just someone less fortunate than yourself. You can also try out a new technique or a pattern you have wanted to do for a while or even just spend time with your quilting friends. We have plenty of free fabric in the Clubroom so you can use that or some of your own stash and of course in our library we have heaps and heaps of ideas of what to make.

The plan is that early in the New Year we will donate a stash of these quilts to our lovely Administrator—Vicki O'Halloran—for her to distribute amongst the community as appropriate and get her along to one of our meetings to meet our wonderful quilters.

We would love to see you there, and just so we have an idea of how many are coming, please give me a call on 0475 864 889 anytime leading up to the day or put your name down on the sheet provided in the clubhouse when next you are there.

Elaine Castles
Charity Quilt Coordinator

Quilt sizes for charity quilts

Quilts of love

12" square, 20" square or 24" square

Lap or Wheelchair quilts, 50" square

Cuddle quilts 36" x 36" square



December 2020

Saturday Stitches 23rd January 2021

Sewing caddy

Requirements for January Saturday Stitches as follows:

- 2 x co-ordinating F1/4's
- 1 - 16" x 2" for accent strip - optional
- 1 - large button to match fabric
- 1 - 4" x 4" tile or piece of 3 ply wood. I think tiles are available from Bunnings at about 50c each.
- 1 - 4" x 4" piece of non-slip matting
- 2 - 4" x 4" scraps of batting
- 18" of strapping, boning or the like
- Small amount of stuffing for pin cushion
- Sewing machine and general sewing supplies

***I have used the blue strapping that comes around boxes and parcels. It is a hard plastic and is 5/8" wide. I have enough to share.

Bonus Foot Pedal Mat requirements:

- 1 - 20" x 10" non slip matting
- 6" x WOF for binding and buffer
- Scrap of batting approx 8" x 14"

NB: I suggest you measure your foot pedal as some are larger. You will need twice the length + 6" x width + 2".



Footy Tipping 2020 Winner

Although we experienced a disrupted 2020 AFL footy season due to Covid, Friday Flutterer Footy tipping members maintained their enthusiasm. We had 16 members this year, 14 quilters and two family members. Not all of our members are AFL tragics which does not matter. Having minimal knowledge of the game sometimes helps your tipping results!

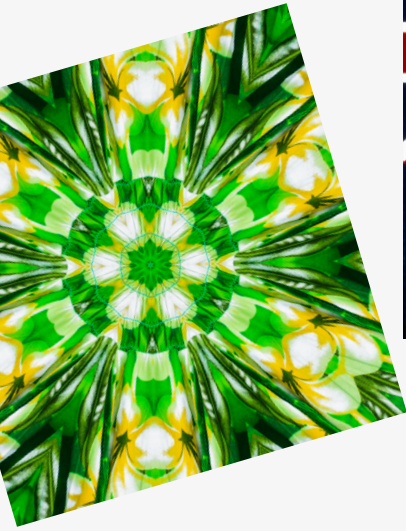
It was very tight up the top of the leader board for most of the season.

Congratulations go to Belinda Shaw who won the competition this year, 2nd place getter Jack Scriven and 3rd place getter Sue Duffield.

We would love to have more members join us for the 2021 season. An email will be sent out in the New Year to recruit members.



December 2020



Australia Day Tuesday 26th January 2021

9.30am-3.30-ish

Mystery Quiltlet

Requirements:

**Bring Sewing machine with walking foot
and free motion embroidery foot**

Pencil, ruler, eraser, paper scissors

Rotary cutter and sharp fabric scissors

Assorted coloured threads - all kinds

Cash to pay for kit - \$10

**Plate to share for lunch - Australia Day
Theme**

**Dress: Outfit to include visible items of
clothing and/or accessories in:**

Red and White and Blue and Green and Gold

Yes! All five colours. There's a challenge!

AND

**More games and surprises to accompany a
fun day where you will be surprised by what
you can achieve.**

BOOK IN ADVANCE - 8932 6036 -

jenniferharmour@gmail.com

(No booking, - no kit)

December 2020

Saturday Stitches November



Project bags made in November



Front and
back of Sue
Brittains
project bags



Darwin Community Legal Service - Rights on Show exhibition 2020



These two quilts were recently
on display at this exhibition at
the Supreme Court in Darwin

December 2020

Hand quilting- by Cheryl Chambers



The very first quilt that I ever made was over thirty years ago. It was hand quilted by me and I have been hand quilting ever since. On the odd occasion I will do some basic machine quilting on a quilt if I'm in a hurry to get it done but it isn't my favourite thing to do.

I always use a Bonwick Quilting Hoop which is stronger and thicker than an embroidery hoop. I like to use YLI Quilting thread and a size 12 quilting needle when doing cotton quilts but often when doing flannel quilts I will use Perle No.8 embroidery thread and a large eyed needle. I wouldn't suggest that you use a size 12 needle when you are just learning as it might be a bit short. Instead use a slightly longer needle until you adjust to them. Always make sure your needle is a flexible one and not too stiff.

I was lucky enough to go to an exhibition in America of "Harriet Hargraves" work and saw the quilts that she had done with the thicker thread and larger stitches. This was at the same time as we were being told here in Australia to do tiny stitches and so many to the inch. That certainly changed my ideas on hand quilting.

Some of the specialised hand quilting techniques are not always suitable for all quilts. An example of this is where you use a specialised thimble and rock the needle in the hole on the thimble, this is very hard to do with anything using cotton and wool wadding. For this technique you will need very fine fabric and wadding.

I believe that hand quilted quilts are a lot softer and lighter so make for a more snugglier quilt. They never take as long as you would expect to do and are very satisfy to leave to your family, hand stitched with Love. Cheers
Chezza

Note Cheryl has used
tape as a guide for her
stitches



December 2020

Show and Tell November



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Quilt in a nighty

We waited until October for our yearly Quilt in a nighty. Thanks to everyone who came along for the fun. 9am to 10pm sounded like a long day. It went fast. We had great food, games with prizes, champagne, and actually did lots of quilting.



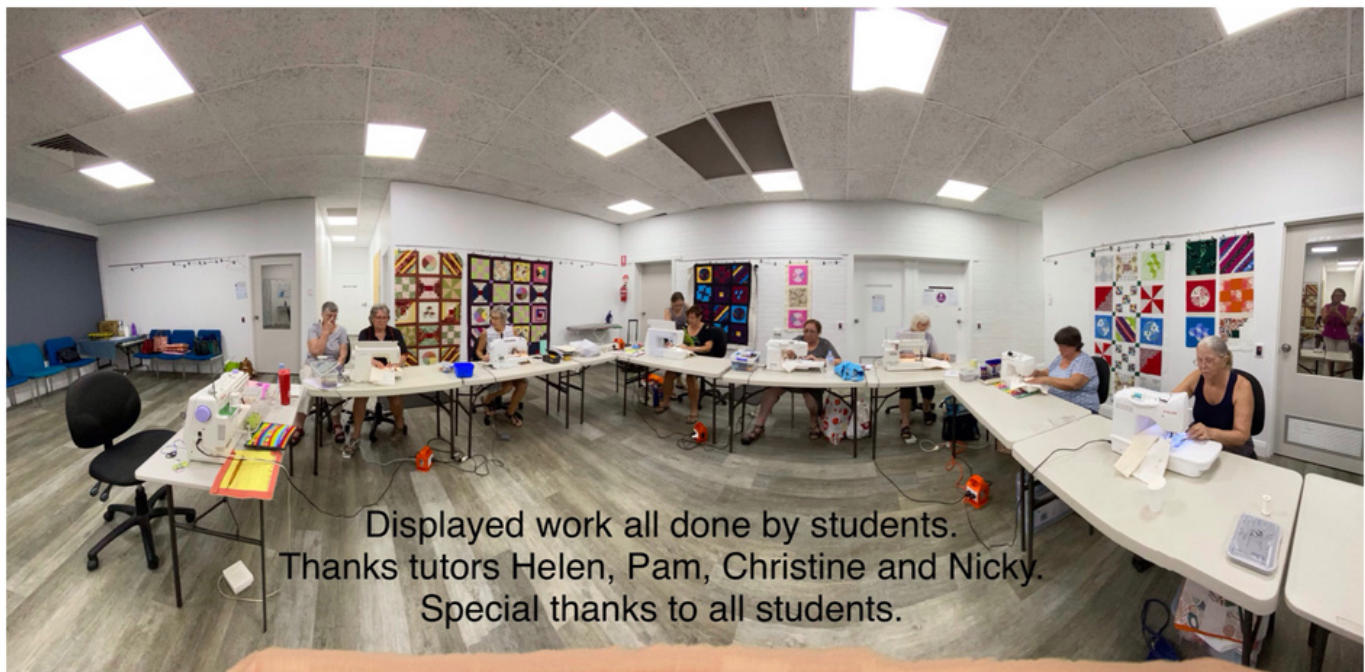
Winners



December 2020

2020 DPAQ BEGINNERS CLASS

Eight new members of DPAQ completed the first beginners patchwork class for many years. They did an eight week course learning a new technique each week. Vounteer members gave up their time to teach. Christine Garrett, Helen Tate, Nicky Honan and Pam Pemberton all created lessons and taught them.



Displayed work all done by students.
Thanks tutors Helen, Pam, Christine and Nicky.
Special thanks to all students.



December 2020

Saturdays at 96A

Christmas Club - 2nd Saturday
of each month
Coordinators Deb Selter and
Belinda Shaw
Saturday Stitches - 3rd Saturday
of each month. Sewing activity
demonstrated by a volunteer,
see Snippets for details.
Coordinators Jill Adams and
Christine Garrett

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Visitors welcome

Non Darwin Residential
visitors are welcome to
participate in sewing days
(excluding workshops) for
a fee of \$5 a day.
Visitors will be required
to sign in with their
contact details.

Please follow Covid19
protocols regarding,
cleaning, kitchen, food
preparation and social
distancing

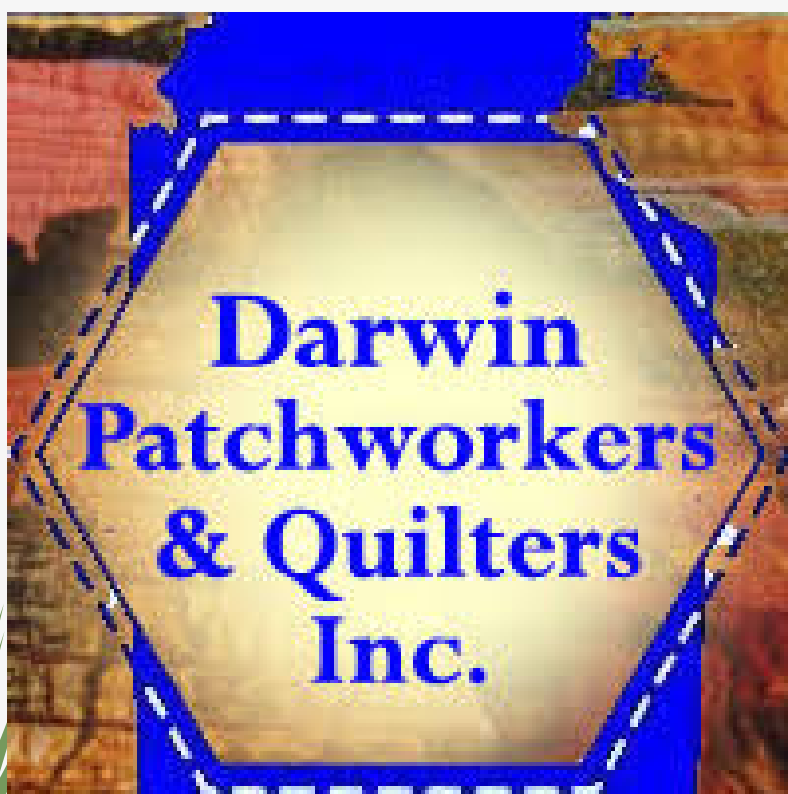
Thanks Joy
Baker for
taking these
three charity
quilts home
and completing
them.



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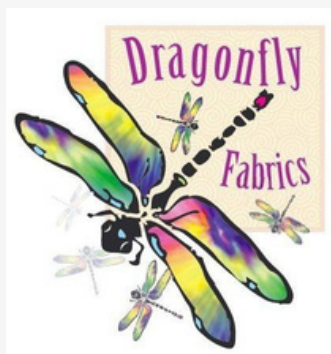
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