

## President's Report

Happy 2025!!

There isn't too much to report for this month with the Christmas Break and having been away until last Saturday.

In the immediate future, we have:

- The Travelling Suitcase Exhibition which kicks off our Monday Meets (formerly General Meeting) on 3rd February 2025. Judging by the posts I've seen on Facebook, we are in for a real treat.
- Australia Day on Monday 27th January 2025. Bring along your own work, perhaps a good opportunity to work on your piece for The President's Challenge.
- Unfortunately I am unable to attend - Jim's 60th, mum and daughter visiting and a new puppy. Needle and thread are a distant memory at present.
- Christmas Club has had their first meeting and by all accounts it went well with planning underway for the raffle prize, table decorations and members gift exchange.
- Our first pop-up workshop is on in February with Barb Williams teaching us one of her free motion techniques. More information on pages 8&9.

I am looking forward to another fun year of quilting and friendship.

Pam Eadie  
DPAQ President

## February Monday Meets

### Monday 3rd February 2025

96A Winnellie Rd., Winnellie

6:45pm for a 7:00pm start

## Supper



Supper for DPAQ's February Monday Meets on Monday 3rd February will be provided by the DPAQ management committee.



## Travelling Textile Suitcase will be presenting their exhibition at DPAQ's February meeting on Monday 3rd of February

We would love you to bring along a piece of your embroidery or an embroidered quilt for show and tell at the meeting.

Don't forget if you are interested in getting involved in teaching or assisting (or learning to embroider) please let us know.

You will also have the opportunity to take a small piece to embroider yourself. It can then be included in a wall quilt which will be on show at the Royal Darwin Show.

Textiles Travelling Suitcase (TTS) is a Darwin-based community group with an interest in textile surface design. TTS has partnered with the Australian Textile Arts and Surface Design Association (ATASDA) to bring the suitcase to the Territory.

ATASDA promotes textile art and surface design and those who create it. Primarily based in NSW, Vic and Queensland, there are also regional and remote members across Australia.

Check out the Facebook page as per below.



### Textiles Travelling Suitcase

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#### Intro

See a travelling exhibition of embroideries transported around Australia in a suitcase. Be part of creating a community textile for Darwin Show 2025. Learn 3 embroidery stitches in a two-hour session. Book a free visit for your group.

## DARWIN PATCHWORKERS & QUILTERS



### 2025 TROPICAL RETREAT



You are invited to join in for 2 or 3 days of quilting & sewing with lots of fun & laughter, Delegate bags & lots of prizes to be won.

**Where:** Darwin Free Spirit Resort - 901 Stuart Highway, Holtze

**When:** Saturday 3 May 2025 @ 7.30am to Monday 5 May 2025 @ 4.00pm

**Cost:** 3 Days - \$220 per person 2 Days - \$180 per person

*Morning Tea, Lunch & Afternoon Tea are included on Saturday & Sunday*

*Morning Tea & Lunch only on Monday*

To register please complete the online Registration form (link will be emailed) **or** collect a form from the Club Rooms at 96a [Winnelle Rd](#), Winnellie.

To secure your spot a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is required to be paid into DPAQ Bank Account as places are limited.

**BSB:** 015 896 **ACC:** 258685721 - # Tropical Retreat 2025

**Accommodation** is at the Delegate's own cost if you wish to stay at the Resort for the weekend.

For further information/queries please email:

[dpagretreat@gmail.com](mailto:dpagretreat@gmail.com)



# Tied with a Ribbon

**Jemima Flendt**

**1 Day Workshop**

**Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2025**

**Cost \$150 members \$160 affiliate members**

**When perfect isn't the Point – 1 Day**

Learn how to make my ever-popular Confetti Quilt. This quilt is so fun to make and works with so many different fabric combinations. This quilt design is great for beginner quilters and to gain confidence in machine piecing as you are not focussing on perfect points. Learn the simple construction method behind this design and make this eye catching and striking quilt.

**Pattern – Confetti Quilt**



# Tied with a Ribbon

**Jemima Flendt**

**2 Day Workshop**

**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> & Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> May 2025**

**Cost \$275 members \$285 affiliate members**

## Trinket Box Quilt – 2 Days

Learn how to Machine Applique this beautiful Medallion style quilt. If you are new to Applique, then this design will be perfect to learn how to do this technique or for those who are already proficient in this skill will be able to work through making the blocks for this striking design.

I will take students through how to applique and then through to laying out their blocks and machine appliqueing it. Once students are confident sewing, they can continue making more blocks for their quilt.

Choose from two layout options within this one design – students can make either version.

Pattern - Trinket Box  
Template set available



# Around the Club

## Lockers

### If you don't use it you will lose it 😊

Our lockers are coming up for renewal and we have people on the waitlist.

This is a callout to people who don't use their lockers on a regular basis to hand it back and give the people who attend our Sit & Sew days a chance to have a locker.

The locker situation will be looked at as members request a locker renewal for this year.

Please call Julie Thornton 0498 272 488 if you have any issues with this request.



## Membership Fee for 2025 is now due

Just a reminder that the DPAQ Membership Fee for 2025 is now due for payment. The online 2025 Membership Renewal Form is now live on the DPAQ website - [darwinquilters.com.au](http://darwinquilters.com.au)

Membership fee is \$60.00 and locker hire is \$30.00. As usual it will be much easier for our club treasurer if you pay your membership fee (and locker hire) electronically, via bank deposit to the DPAQ bank account - BSB 015896 Acct 258685721 or via Square payments during the monthly meetings. Don't forget to enter in the description *Membership payment <name and your membership number>* if paying via bank transfer.

Membership cards will be issued in due course.



## Days for Girls Meeting

The first Days for Girls meeting for 2025 is on Sunday 16th February 2025.

It will be held at the CWA Hall, 27 Bishop St, Woolner.

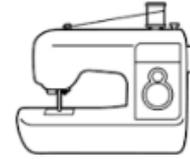
For enquiries please contact Sallyann on 0447 223 089



If you would like to include an item for next month's SNIPPETS, please email SNIPPETS editor Christina Middleton at [dpaqsnippets@gmail.com](mailto:dpaqsnippets@gmail.com).

Submission for March SNIPPETS is due on 21st February 2025.

# Saturday Stitches



## SATURDAY STITCHES

**15<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY, 2025 - 9.00am to 3.00pm**

**3D Leaves Thread Painting  
by Barbara Williams**

**Cost of Workshop is \$25.00 payable to DPAQ  
BSB: 015 896 ACC: 258685721**

**Plus Cost of the Material Kit supplied by Barbara is \$15.00 (CASH)**

**BYO Lunch**

## **Christmas Club**

The Christmas Club group gathered for the first time this year, bringing together old friends and new faces with a shared excitement for the season ahead. It was a relaxed and enjoyable day, as everyone took the time to catch up, reminisce about past holiday gatherings, and discuss how we can make this year's celebrations even more memorable. There was a sense of camaraderie and joy in the room, with laughter and ideas flowing freely as we brainstormed ways to make this year's Christmas Party special.

As we look ahead to the rest of the year, the group is filled with anticipation for the upcoming holiday season. We're eager to explore new themes, activities, and creative ideas to share with one another as the months unfold. The sense of community within the Christmas Club is truly heartwarming, and we are all excited to continue building traditions that will make this year's holiday season unforgettable.

Bec Voukolos  
Christmas Club Coordinator

# 1-Day Workshop 2025

*with Barbara Williams*

## 3D LEAVES THREAD PAINTING

Saturday 15th Feb 2025  
Duration 9:00am to 3:00pm  
Venue DPAQ rooms



### Prerequisite

Some experience in free-motion machine stitching required.

In this workshop learn the freedom of being able to stitch a free form rendered shape. Learn to create rendering techniques for thread painting.

Example of DARNING FOOT



### What is supplied in the workshop

- Water soluble fabric
- Equipment for washing and pinning
- Material scraps
- Calico samplers

### Required by student

- Sewing machine in good working order, with **DARNING FOOT** attachment not a **walking foot**
- Machine manual, tools and accessories
- A small hoop (about 250mm diameter) Pen or pencil
- Sewing kit – Small sharp scissors, pins, needles for both hand sewing and sewing machine
- A small range of threads in any colour- Cotton, Polyester, Rayon. Approx 40wt.
- Variegated threads are great.



# Choose your own Adventure

## Stash Busting with 3 yard quilts



This sewing event is a great opportunity to get out those precuts you have been holding on to and use them in one of the Fabric Cafe 3 yard quilts.

**Choose your own adventure by picking your quilt from the book and use your precuts or you could go the traditional 3 yard quilt way. The choice is yours**

Cost is \$50 per person. This includes your own copy of the pattern book "Stash Busting with 3 yard quilts" which has pattern instructions for these 8 quilts.

**Saturday the 15th of March. 8:30am for a 9 am start.**

Payment to be made to DPAQ by the 1st of March. Limit is 15 people. Please include reference your name and include 3 yard Quilt



**Any question please contact Bec Voukolos at [topendquilting@outlook.com](mailto:topendquilting@outlook.com)**

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# What's New in the DPAQ Library

Hi Ladies,

Welcome to the New Year. New additions for the library for January are:-

**Black & White, Bold & Beautiful** by Kim Schaefer. 24 projects to piece and applique, including quilts, runners and place mats.

**Rainbow Quilt Color Method** by Sarah Thomas. Learn to create Multicolour and Monotone quilts with 15 Modern Patterns.

**Kantha – Sustainable Textiles & Mindful Making** by Ekta Kaul. Kantha originated in Bengal and refers to embroidered, unwadded quilts made with layers of discarded fabric. Kantha is the embodiment of sustainability, mindfulness and self expression, Climate change being on most people's minds. A beautiful book exploring the origins of Kantha and some instructions on "how to" for those looking for a new technique.

## For Fabric Café Enthusiasts: Two new additions

**Curve Appeal**

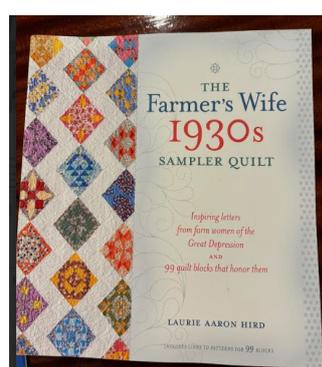
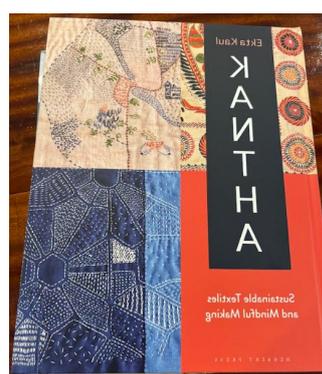
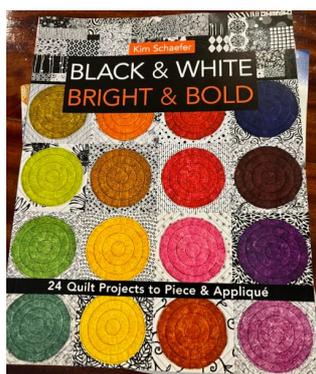
**Double Focus - 3 yard quilts** – 16 new unique patterns for you to try.

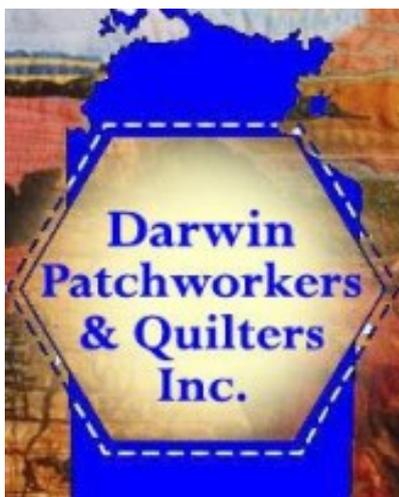
**Donation: The Farmers Wife – 1930's sampler** by Laurie Hird. Inspiring letters from the women of the Great Depression & 99 quilt blocks that honour them.

If anyone has some specific books on their **Wishlist**, please let me know and I will try and order them for the club resources.

**Happy Reading!**

**Jenny Molly**





## General Information

### ABN

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### Library

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