

## President's Report

It has been a good start to the year with an excellent turn out by our members to our first Monday Meets for the year. Hosting the Traveling Suitcase Exhibition was a highlight of the meeting. It was very inspiring to see the work produced from around the country. Not to mention our members who brought in some of their own work and some amazing pieces from their mums or other family members. No wonder we have such a talented group. I was lucky enough to attend the Thread Painting Popup Workshop run by Barb Williams this month and I think I can speak for everyone who came along, it was absolutely fantastic and I can't wait to use these techniques in the near future. Barb's knowledge and patience with us was much appreciated and we are all looking forward to the next workshop so we can further our skills. We have another Popup Workshop in March which will be run by Bec Voukolos. A chance for everyone to use up some of their stash to make a 3 metre quilt.

### PRESIDENT'S CHALLENGE

There's less than a month before the President's Challenge closes. Annie has already received some completed pieces and is looking forward to getting more in the next few weeks. All pieces must be submitted by Saturday 22 March 2025. The winner will be announced at the AGM.

### AGM

The AGM is scheduled for Monday 7 April 2025. Lorraine Hunt and I will be remaining in our roles as President and Vice President for another year. Both the Treasurer and Secretary positions have become vacant.

DPAQ is a member based organisation. For us to function, strong support from you, as members, is vital in the ongoing operations of our Club. We believe our members have a depth of knowledge and experience that can assist and support the Club in an Executive role. We ask that if you feel you have the skills to act as Treasurer or Secretary we would appreciate your nomination prior to the AGM. Please give this your serious consideration.

### REMINDER ABOUT ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS AND LOCKER FEES

The DPAQ Annual subscription for 2025 is now due. The 2025 sub is unchanged at \$60.00. This can be paid by direct deposit into the DPAQ account details on the back page of this (and every) newsletter.

Make sure to put your Name, Membership Number and "2025 Sub" in the reference section, when making the deposit. Please also ensure that you complete a 2025 membership form online at our Facebook page: Darwin Patchworkers & Quilters Inc.

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## March Monday Meets

### Monday 3rd March 2025

96A Winnellie Rd., Winnellie

6:45pm for a 7:00pm start

## President's Report, *continued*

Locker fees of \$30 pa are also due. Please make sure you provide the above information with your payment but substituting "Locker Fee" for 2025 Sub.

At the moment we have a waiting list for lockers. If you find that you are not using your locker, you may like to give it up so that another member who attends the weekly Sit and Sew days can use it. Please speak to Julie Thornton on 0498 272 488.

### **OTHER NEWS**

There has been no further contact with NTG re the Anchor Tenancy so we will continue on as always.

Quilt Australia – next meeting is flagged for mid-March. Date to be confirmed.

### **MONDAY MEETS – START TIME**

We have been asked by a member to consider bringing forward the start time for the meeting by

15-30 minutes. i.e. perhaps 6.15pm for a 6.30pm start or 6.30pm for a 6.45pm start. I would like to gauge everyone's thoughts as to whether this would suit our members.

In particular it may affect members who live further out of town, parents with young children and members who work full time. No change will be made without full consensus so let us know your thoughts for or against.

If you are unable to attend the meeting and would like to express your thoughts, please email me at [presidentdarwinpatchworkers@gmail.com](mailto:presidentdarwinpatchworkers@gmail.com).

I hope you are getting lots of sewing done and we will see the results at TQ25.

Pam Eadie  
DPAQ President

## March Birthdays

2nd	Julie Tybell	9th	Rayma McMahon	27th	Sharon Buzzo
2nd	Beverley Lee	18th	Shan Sherlock	27th	Heather Havens
3rd	Sue Britton	18th	Vittoria Carriera	28th	Mairi Mitchell
8th	Rose Manison	24th	Elaine Castles	31st	Jessica Richards





## Calendar of Events

### March

Saturday 1st	1st Saturday of month Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Monday 3rd	DPAQ Monday Meets
Monday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 8th	Christmas Club
Thursday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th	Sit & Sew Thursday 9.00am to 9.00pm
Friday 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th	Sit & Sew Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 15th	March Pop-Up Workshop - Stash Busting 3-yard quilt
Sunday 16th	Days for Girls meeting

### April

Thursday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th	Sit & Sew Thursday 9.00am to 9.00pm
Friday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th	Sit & Sew Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 5th	1st Saturday of month Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Monday 7th	DPAQ Monday Meets
Monday 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 12th	Christmas Club
Sunday 13th	Days for Girls meeting
Saturday 19th	April Saturday Stitchers TBA

## Supper



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

**At meeting break** - put food out on the 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.



## Tropical Retreat News

DPAQ's Tropical Retreat 2025 will be held on the May Day long weekend 3rd to 5th May 2025. We are on track to ensuring the weekend will be good fun for all our retreat delegates. There will be plenty of time for quilting and sewing, along with a few games and great prizes to be won!

**TROPICAL RETREAT 2025 THEME** this year is "Schoolgirl". Even if you didn't wear a uniform to school, how did you wear your hair ?

The Retreat will be held at Free Spirit Resort, 901 Stuart Highway Holtze. Please refer to the flyer in this edition of Snippets for more information. You can register either online (link has been sent out) or pick up a hard copy of the form from the Rooms at 96A Winnellie Rd. A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is required upon registration, to be paid by bank deposit into the DPAQ Bank Account:

BSB 015 896 Acct: 258685721

Please use Retreat 2025 & your Name as reference.

For those who are wanting to stay at the Free Spirit Resort during the Retreat weekend, we encourage you to telephone the Resort directly to book your accommodation now. Mention that you are coming to the DPAQ Quilting Retreat to receive a 15% discount for your stay. For more information about the venue, please visit [www. aspenholidayparks.com.au/darwin-freespirit-resort](http://www.aspenholidayparks.com.au/darwin-freespirit-resort)

For any queries please email: [retreatdarwinpatchworkers@gmail.com](mailto:retreatdarwinpatchworkers@gmail.com)

Your Tropical Retreat Committee  
Di, Cheryl & Jill



### Days for Girls Meeting

Days for Girls meeting is on Sunday 16th March 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).

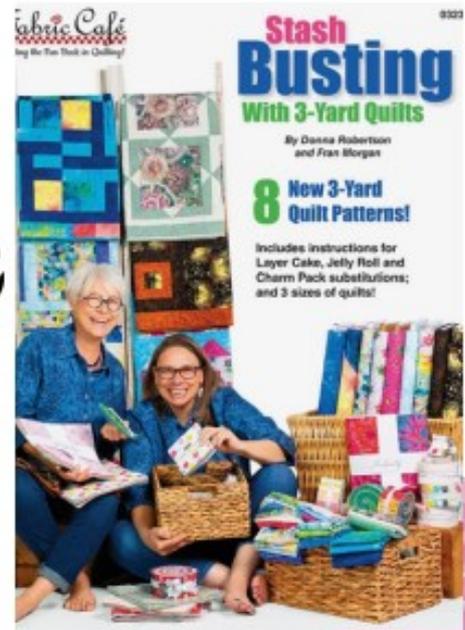
Submission for April SNIPPETS is due on 21st March 2025.

# 3D Leaves Thread Painting Workshop



# 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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# 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

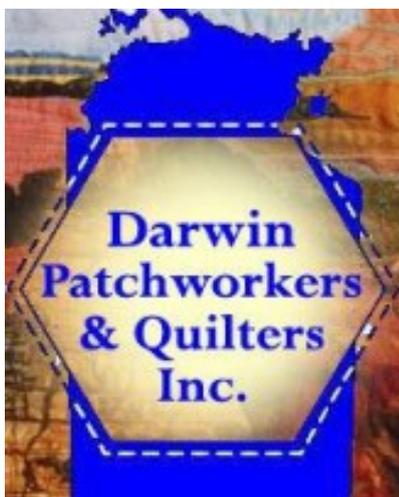
Learn how to Machine Applique this beautiful Medallion style quilt. If you are new to Applique, then this design will be perfect to learn how to do this technique or for those who are already proficient in this skill will be able to work through making the blocks for this striking design.

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





## General Information

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1 page \$40

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