

President's Report

Thank you for welcoming me on the weekend as your President for 2024. I have very big shoes to fill and would like to thank Belinda Shaw for the fantastic job she has done over the past 2 years.

I think everyone who attended the Tropical Retreat at Darwin FreeSpirit Resort had a great time, and as usual the quality of work produced was outstanding. It never ceases to amaze me to see other members' projects and the variety and diversity of everyone's interest is truly inspiring.

As I only accepted the role of President last Saturday at the Tropical Retreat, our Vice President Lorraine Hunt provided the Vice President's Report at the 40th Birthday Dinner and we have included it in this month's Snippets.

I look forward to working with our committee over the next 12 months and continuing the good work of past presidents and their members.

Pam Eadie
President

Next General Meeting

Monday 13th May

96A Winnellie Road Winnellie

6:45pm for a 7:00pm start

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.

May Birthdays

2nd Alison Brien 9th Jennifer Fisher
4th Helen Tate 21st Debra Selter



Calendar of Events

Mark your calendars, we are now coming into the 2nd half of 2024!

May

Saturday - Monday 4th, 5th, 6th	DPAQ Tropical Retreat at FreeSpirit
Saturday 5th	DPAQ 40th Birthday Dinner
Monday 13th	May General Meeting 6.45pm for 7.00pm start
Mondays 13th, 20th, 27th	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Thursdays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th	Sit & Sew into the evening 9.00am to 9.00pm
Fridays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 11th	Christmas Club - 9.00am for 9.30am start
Saturday 18th	Saturday Stitches TBC
Saturday 25th	DPAQ Biggest Morning Tea \$5.00 entry

June

Saturday 1st	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Monday 3rd	June General Meeting 6.45pm for 7.00pm start
Mondays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Thursdays 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th	Sit & Sew into the evening 9.00am to 9.00pm
Fridays 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 8th	Christmas Club - 9.00am for 9.30am start
Saturday 15th	Saturday Stitches TBC
Friday 21st	Pam Holland Trunk Show 7.00pm
Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd	Pam Holland Workshop
Saturday 29th	Charity Quilt Day

Vice President's Report

Speech made by Lorraine Hunt during DPAQ's 40th Birthday Dinner

Welcome to everyone, including our past presidents, sponsors, visitors and members.

We commenced the journey 40 years ago from where we first met at Red Cross with a small number of members to a variety of locations across Darwin and now 96A Winnellie, where the club is 95 members strong, and we are in the fortunate position to be able to use the Winnellie Art Space.

I feel that I am a "newbie", having been a member for only 7 years. I appreciate the help, advice, and friendship that I have received during this time. As individuals we come from all walks of life, the reasons for our love of patchwork and quilting are varied. It's an avenue for creativity, an opportunity to unwind and a craft to share with friends or fellow members of DPAQ. Techniques, fabrics, threads, and patterns have changed a lot in 40 years. We come together to share ideas but also to share our highs and lows of life.

Thankyou to all members past and present who have contributed and got the club to where it is today. Your help is very much appreciated whether you have been president, committee member or a member who has contributed with the smallest task. There is a job for every member of DPAQ.

Volunteers, including committee members, and others from the general DPAQ membership assist with the following:

- Retreat organisation.
- Exhibition organisation
- Christmas Function
- Quilt Raffle prizes and tickets.
- Biggest Morning Tea
- Stitching in a Nightie
- Visiting Tutors, travel, accommodation, and classes
- Library
- Charity sewing days.
- Snippets
- Australia Day Activities and probably many more!

We gather together for the following:

- Sit and Sew – Monday, Thursday, Friday and 1st Saturday of the month
- Christmas Club – 2nd Saturday of the month.
- We now have pop-up workshops with Tutors from within our club – 3rd Saturday of the month.

I hope you all enjoy your evening and don't forget to mingle with everyone.

DPAQ 2024 Committee



L-R: Treasurer Simone Symonds, President Pam Eadie and Vice President Lorraine Hunt

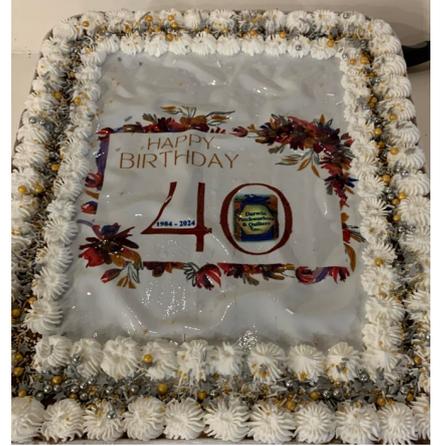


Front row L-R Kerry Reid, Cheryl Burron, Belinda Shaw, Christina Middleton, Pam Eadie, Di Howard
Back row L-R Rose Manison (Secretary), Julie Thornton, Simone Symonds, Lorraine Hunt, Christine Garrett

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Birthday Dinner



DPAQ Quilt Challenge

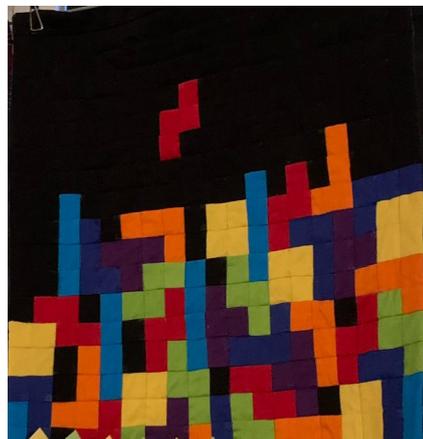
What does 1984 mean to you?

Darwin Patchworkers & Quilters Inc. celebrated its 40th birthday on 1st May 2024. To mark the occasion, the challenge for Club members is to make a small quilt with the theme of '1984'. This year is the Club's birth year and wondered what is special about this year for us.

This is our story...



This year's DPAQ Quilt Challenge worthy winners - Alison Brien, Mary Noble Jenny Armour and Kim Tait and the winning quilts....

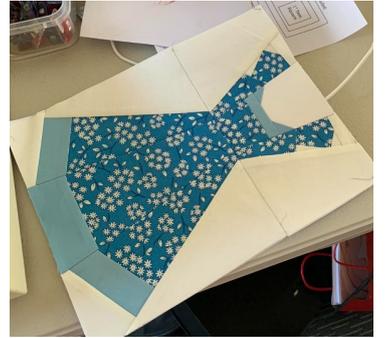


DPAQ 2024 Tropical Retreat

The Tropical Retreat was a fun weekend, held at Darwin FreeSpirit Resort. There were lots of laughs, 80s music, a sea of fabulous ruby outfits and accessories, raffle prizes, yummy birthday cake, and of course various projects and lots of sewing.

Best Ruby Outfit and Best Ruby Accessory winners and runners up went to Jenny Molloy, Robyn McDonald, Annie Radomski and Carol Chirichiello. Massive thank you to Jewel from FreeSpirit who was given the hard task of judging.





Pop-Up Workshop

Mystery 3-yard Quilt Workshop

A really great positive day had by all at the Mystery 3-yard Quilt Workshop, held on Saturday 20th of April. A few laughs even with the seam ripper in hand. Will definitely be holding another 3 yard workshop soon. The photos are of some of the major blocks in the quilt that were completed on the day.



Christmas Club News

April - a big turnout for our together despite six of us being in Melbourne for AQC. Thanks to Kim Tait for unlocking and handing out the next instalment of the mystery Christmas quilt and to Alison and Annie for providing morning tea. The Christmas quilts are taking shape with the end in sight.

May - our next gathering is the weekend after the retreat so hope everyone is not too worn out for what looks like a fun weekend. The fourth instalment of the mystery quilt along will be handed out, the crowing glory, hint, hint. Alternatively, you can work on your own projects.

Morning tea will be provided by Robyn and Rose.



Sue Duffield



What's New in the DPAQ Library

Hi Ladies!

New additions to the Library for May.

Magazine

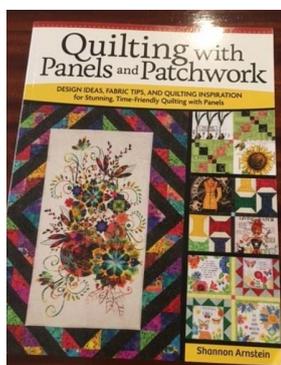
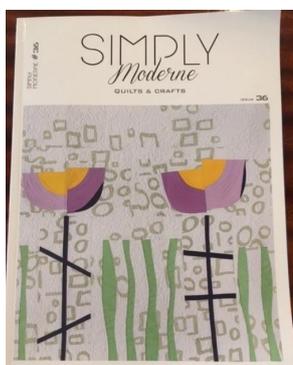
Simply Moderne – Issue 36

- Amazing quilts from the International Quilt Festival at Houston.
- Portrait of Michelle Marvig: her history and what drives her to success.
- Ten amazing projects to inspire you.

New Book

Quilting with Panels and Patchwork by Shannon Arnstein.

Design ideas, fabric tips and Quilting Inspiration for Stunning, Time-Friendly Quilting with Panels.



Happy Reading!
Jenny Molloy

Editor's Note

This month's Snippets is coming to you all the way Morning Tea (see next page).



from the small southern Riverina town of Deniliquin, NSW. I'm currently here in Deni, as affectionately called by the locals, planting trees on our land where hubby and I will be building our home for retirement!

May is such a big month, we are only coming into the 2nd week and already DPAQ has had 3 major events - Tropical Retreat, 40th Birthday Dinner, DPAQ Quilt Challenge - with another on the calendar before months end - DPAQ's Biggest

While I'm here in Deni I will take the opportunity to see the Modern Quilt Exhibition, and will also have a meet and greet with the local quilting group to get the lowdown on quilting in regional NSW.

Enjoy this month's Snippets, full of lovely photos from last weekend. Regrettably I won't be at this month's general meeting so see you all in June!

MODERN QUILT EXHIBITION

IN CONVERSATION

27 March to 2 June 2024
Peppin Heritage Centre Gallery
Deniliquin NSW
AUSTRALIA
open everyday

Stitched dialogues between some of Australia's best modern quilters and their international contemporaries
Curated by Tara Gleasonbury

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Biggest Morning Tea

- When:** Saturday 25th May 2024
- Venue:** Club Rooms, 96A Winnellie Road, Winnellie
- Time:** 10:00am to 1:00pm
- Theme:** Yellow

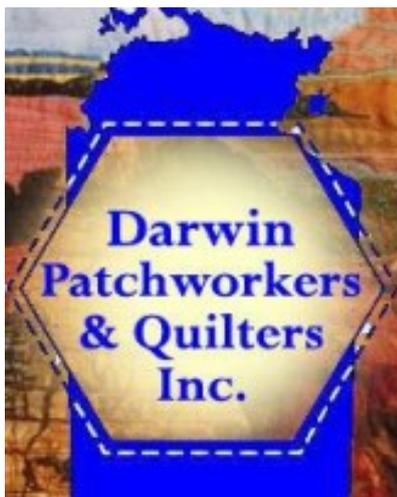
\$5 entry fee, includes morning tea

Bring your own Cup/Mug, there will be a prize for the most unique one.

Make a mug rug with a Tea Cup theme, there will be a prize for the most creative.

A list will be in the club rooms for you to register and what food you would like to bring to share, or you can use the club email to have your name added. You can also reserve a table for 4/6 people. Invite a friend or two.

All proceeds go to the club donation. The eftpos machine will be available for use.



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