

Vice President's Report

I start my report with very sad news; Julie Thornton our Treasurer and Public Officer has passed away last month. Her passing has left a very large gap in our Darwin Patchworkers and Quilters family.

At our October Committee meeting we discussed Julie's many roles in DPAQ, those shoes will be hard to fill. Thus the following information for our members- Pam Eadie (President) is the new Public Officer. Pam and myself, will jointly administer the Treasurers position until the AGM next year. Alison McShanag is taking over the Sit & Sew vouchers. If you have any queries or require further information, please don't hesitate to contact us.

The reason I have the pleasure of writing this month's report is that Pam is overseas enjoying everything Japan has to offer.

At our last Monday Meets, we had show and tell from the Quilt Encounter in Adelaide, there were a variety of techniques displayed.

Barb Williams' Pop-Up Workshop on Free Motion Quilting was a great success, many thanks Barb.

Quilt in a Nighty is being held on 1st November at 96A Winnellie Road, please advise if you are attending. Di and Christina have been busy organising this event.

Our guest Speaker for Monday Meets will be Leanne from Dragonfly, bringing us up to date on Sue Spargo, Sashiko and Christmas.

We have been approached by Julie of Perinatal group regarding making pouches for returning deceased babies to communities. We have decided to dedicate our next Charity Quilt Day on 29th November to this project, your assistance would be appreciated.

Wow, not long till Christmas, our Christmas Party is at Rydges Palmerston on 8th December 2025, more information to follow.

Lorraine Hunt
DPAQ Vice President

Monday Meets - November

Monday 3rd November 2025

96A Winnellie Rd., Winnellie

6:45pm for a 7:00pm start

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Clubrooms located at 96A Winnellie Road Winnellie NT

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Supper



Supper: TBA

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 re- place with a clean garbage bag.

November Birthdays

4th Pam Pemberton

26th Barbara Williams

7th Cheryl Chambers

26th Jillian Spice

14th Wendy Rattenbury



SNIPPETS Deadlines



December SNIPPETS will be published on Wednesday 10th December 2025. Submission is due on Friday 5th December 2025.

The first SNIPPETS for 2026 will be published on 1st February 2026. Submission is due on 26th January 2026.

Should you wish to include any items in upcoming editions of SNIPPETS, please email SNIPPETS Editor Christina Middleton at snippets@darwinquilters.com.au



Calendar of Events

November

Saturday 1st	Quilt In A Nighty
Monday 3rd	Monday Meets
Monday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th	Sit & Sew Monday 9.00am to 3.00pm
Thursday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th	Sit & Sew Thursday & Evening 9.00am to 9.00pm
Friday 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th	Sit & Sew Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 8th	Christmas Club
Saturday 15th	Saturday Stitchers - Quilt As You Go
Sunday 16th	Days for Girls meeting
Saturday 29th	Charity Quilt Day

December

Monday 8th	DPAQ Christmas Party
Monday 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd	Sit & Sew Monday 9.00am to 3.00pm
Thursday 4th, 11th, 18th	Sit & Sew Thursday & Evening 9.00am to 9.00pm
Friday 5th, 12th, 19th	Sit & Sew Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 6th	Sit & Sew First Saturday of Month
Saturday 13th	Christmas Club

ClubRooms Opening Days and Sit & Sew

The ClubRooms will be closed during the Christmas / New Year period. It will re-open for Sit & Sew after New Years' Day on an ad-hoc basis. Please refer to DPAQ's Facebook page for opening days.

The first Monday Meets for 2026 will be in February.

Around the Club News

Vale Julie Thornton



It is with great sadness that we share the news of the passing of Julie Thornton, our much-loved Treasurer and Public Officer and long-time DPAQ member.

Julie's passing has left such a huge void within the DPAQ family. She was not only a dedicated and hardworking Treasurer, Public Officer and committee member, but also a dear friend to so many of us – always ready with a smile, a word of encouragement, a helping hand, and a joke or two here and there. Her contribution to the club, both in the committee and in club functions, will be remembered and deeply appreciated.

We extend our heartfelt condolences to her family and friends. Julie will be greatly missed, but her warmth and generosity will continue to be felt through the legacy she leaves within our quilting community.

Rest in peace, Julie.

2025 DPAQ Raffle Winners

The DPAQ annual raffle was drawn during October's Monday Meets on Monday 6th October. The winners were published in the NT News on 11th October.

Congratulations to the raffle winners:

1st Prize: Glenys Goda

2nd Prize: Julieanne Gifford

3rd Prize: Jillian Spice

Thank you to all the members who sold tickets and supported our annual raffle.



Above: Second prize raffle winner Julieanne Gifford, pictured with Di Howard, who called into the ClubRooms to collect her prize.

Saturday Stitches

QUILT AS YOU GO METHODS

Saturday November 15, 2025

10:00am to 3:00pm

Requirements:

Top Fabric: Lots & lots of scrappy strips between 1½” to 2” wide up to 12” long or more **or** Jelly Rolls, Honeybun Rolls **or** Fat Quarters cut up into strips

Backing Fabric: 1m of small print or blender fabric works best

Sashing Strips: 1½” wide x WOF to contrast with Backing fabric

Wadding: 1 metre of wadding with scrim or 1 metre of flannelette

Thread: Top thread that matches the sashing fabric & bobbin thread that blends in with backing fabric

Basting Spray & a Glue stick

Bias Binding Maker Tool - 25mm (Optional)

Rotary cutter: 45mm with new blade

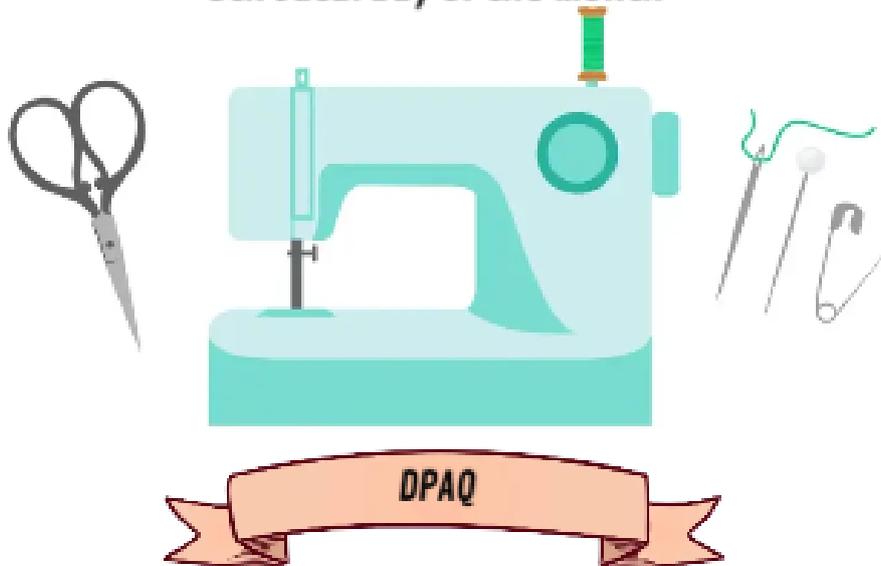
Sewing machine: Cleaned & in good working order

General sewing supplies

Your lunch

NB: From using QAYG method you can make up large floor cushions, table runners, table toppers or lap quilts, therefore you can pre-cut your Wadding/ Flannelette into squares of 8” **or** 9” **or** 10” – your choice, then cut your Backing fabric 1 ½” larger than the Wadding square size you have chosen into 9 ½” **or** 10 ½” **or** 11 ½”

5th Saturday of the Month



Charity Quilt Day

**Saturday
29th November 2025**



**9:00am - 3:00PM
ClubRooms
96A Winnellie Road Winnellie**

A day dedicated to making pouches for
returning deceased babies to communities





DARWIN PATHCHWORKERS AND QUILTERS

Christmas Party



8th December 2025

6:00pm for a
6:30pm start

**Kris Kringle theme "Quilter's Delight" up to \$20.00
Participation Optional**

RYDGES PALMERSTON

15 MALUKA DRIVE, PALMERSTON

COST: \$55.00 MEMBERS OR \$65.00 NON-MEMBERS

RSVP and Payment 27th November 2025
Place your name on Sign-Up sheet in ClubRooms
or email admin@darwinquilters.com.au
Preferred payment to DPAQ Bank Account
Use name and 'Christmas Party' as reference



Christmas Party

The 2025 Darwin Patchworkers and Quilters Christmas Party will be held on **Monday 8th December 2025** at the Level 1 Function Room **Rydges Palmerston** 15 Maluka Drive Palmerston 6:00PM for a 6:30PM sharp start.

Kris Kringle

This year, our Kris Kringle will be a little different. We're introducing a **Quilter's Delight** theme – something special and thoughtful that celebrates our love of quilting. Think along the lines of a quality quilter's cotton Fat Quarter paired with a handmade pincushion and some fun novelty pins, or perhaps a beautiful quilt pattern with coordinating fabric and a small handmade bag. We'd like to move away from the usual chocolates and \$2.00 shop gifts, and instead choose something meaningful that we, as quilters, would genuinely appreciate and use. The suggested value is \$20.00, and while participation isn't compulsory, we'd love for as many as possible to join in the fun and creativity this year.

Cost

The cost for the Christmas Party is \$55.00 for members and \$65.00 for non-members. This includes a buffet dinner and one drink voucher. Please advise the committee of any dietary requirements via email admin@darwinquilters.com.au.

Preferred payment is by bank deposit to DPAQ Bank account:

BSB: 015-896 Account No. 258685721, please use your name and 'Christmas Party' as reference.

If paying by cash, place in a sealed envelope labelled with your name and 'Christmas Party'. Please put in the safe in ClubRooms via the slot.

Please put your name on the sign-up sheet in the ClubRooms or email admin@darwinquilters.com.au once paid.

Please RSVP and pay by 27th November 2025.

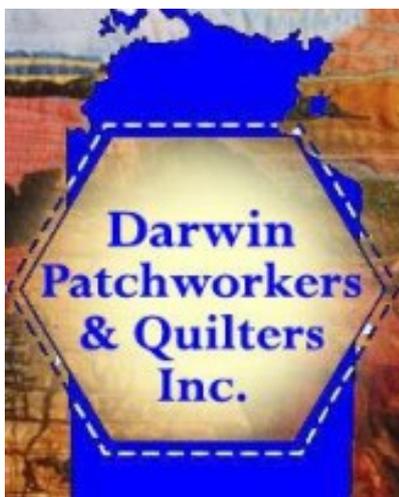
Please bring along cash on the night to purchase raffle tickets as Square payments may not be available on the night.

Let's make this another memorable night and celebrate the festive season.

We hope to see you there!!

Christmas Club Committee

Bec and Christine



General Information

ABN

74 081 861 533
(Not registered for GST)

Bank Account

BSB 015 896
Acct: 258685721

Advertising Rates

Free for Sponsors
1 free ad per year for members
1/4 page \$20
1 page \$40

Quilt Appraisal Service:

0419 416 712
Cost:
\$15 (Members)
\$40 (Non-members)
\$30 Fast Track (Members only)

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Christina Middleton
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Jenny Armour

Newsletter Editor

Christina Middleton

Committee Members and Roles

Pam Eadie	President
Lorraine Hunt	Vice President
Rose Manison	Secretary
(Vacant)	Treasurer
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Cheryl Burrow	Committee
Susan Duffield	Committee
Christine Garrett	Committee
Di Howard	Committee
Christina Middleton	Committee
Kerry Reid	Committee
Bec Voukolos	Committee
Pam Eadie	Public Officer

Please send any questions for the Committee to
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