

President's Report

It's been a busy month with most of my time taken up with helping with preparations for TQ25. It was a big learning experience for me being involved with helping to set up the exhibition and assisting the judge Julie Haddrick while she judged the quilts. I learnt a lot! One of my key takeaways would be to encourage members to request a critique. For some reason I thought that critiques were for the professionals but really when you think about it, we can all benefit from the judges' comments to help us learn and improve our work. I wish I had asked for one.

We were pleased to have Joy Harvey, Area Manager for Bernina (Qld and NT) to present Christine Garrett with a brand new Bernina 570QE sewing machine for her amazing quilt which won Best in Show. Joy was also available at the Just Stitchin' merchandise stand throughout the weekend to showcase Bernina's products.

It was an honour to host Ruth Nunn who opened our Exhibition for us and brought along 3 quilts from the Australian Quilt Museum. Ruth as a foundation member of the Lions Club of Quilters Victoria, is instrumental in developing a collection of Australian quilts to preserve the history of quilts in this country. Ruth also brought a selection of miniature quilts from The International Quilt Challenge – Our

World Coming Together with pieces from some of our very own DPAQ members.

If that wasn't enough, we also had Territory Icons in Thread on display as well as our own President's Challenge Open The Door to My World.

Congratulations and well done to the TQ25 Committee who did a great job ensuring the event ran smoothly. Simone Symonds, Alison McShanag, Christina Middleton, Jenny Molloy, Karen Conway and myself. We have received so much positive feedback from our members and members of the public of how well it was run. Congratulations also to our members for producing such a fabulous and diverse display of work. All prize winners should be very proud of their achievements. A full list of awards will be published in September Snippets. Along with recognition of our sponsors without whom we would not be able to host this event.

Unfortunately I was interstate for the Trunk Show and Workshops but by all accounts they were a resounding success. Thank you Julie Thornton for coordinating and looking after Julie Haddrick for the weekend.

Tania Ray from Sew Joe N Me was booked to be our guest speaker for our August Monday Meets

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Monday Meets - September

Monday 1st September 2025

96A Winnellie Rd., Winnellie

6:45pm for a 7:00pm start

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but unfortunately was unwell. Due to the late notice we were unable to find another speaker. I gave a brief intro about Top End Indigo Art Collective which is the new group started up by Pam Hefner of Cycad Studios. It is a group of interested people who wish to learn and promote the art of Shibori – Indigo Dying. The group meets twice a month, one day for stitching and preparation of pieces to dye and the other day to dye the pieces. Stitching days are held at Winnellie Art Space and dyeing days are held at my house which is where the vats have been set up until a more suitable location is found. There are quite a few DPAQ members who have been previously involved in the sessions at Cycad Studio and a number who have shown an interest.

The group welcomes any new members who would like to learn more about Shibori.

A lot of our members will be going down to Adelaide again this year to attend Quilt Encounters. I'm looking forward to seeing them at October Monday Meets to showcase what they have learned.

Finally, it is with deep sadness that I pass on our condolences to one of our founding members, Jenny Armour on the passing of her husband Tony. I know that many of our members will be offering love and support to Jenny at this very sad time.

Pam Eadie
DPAQ President

Supper



Supper: Sue Aib, Kerry Fallon, Alison O'Brien

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.

September Birthdays

3rd Di Howard

12th Leslie Biessel

13th Christina Middleton

4th Katie Newton

12th Julie Thornton

22nd Susan Webb

7th Pam Eadie

13th Carol Birch

26th Kerry Reid





Calendar of Events

September

Monday 1st	Monday Meets
Monday 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th	Sit & Sew Monday 9.00am to 3.00pm
Thursday 4th, 11th, 18th, 25th	Sit & Sew Thursday & Evening 9.00am to 9.00pm
Friday 5th, 11th, 19th, 26th	Sit & Sew Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 6th	Sit & Sew First Saturday of Month
Saturday 13th	Christmas Club
Saturday 20th	Saturday Stitchers - Foundation Paper Piecing
Sunday 21st	Days for Girls meeting

October

Monday 6th	Monday Meets
Monday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th	Sit & Sew Monday 9.00am to 3.00pm
Thursday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th	Sit & Sew Thursday & Evening 9.00am to 9.00pm
Friday 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st	Sit & Sew Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 4th	Sit & Sew First Saturday of Month
Saturday 11th	Christmas Club
Saturday 18th	Pop-Up Workshop - Free Motion Quilting
Sunday 19th	Days for Girls meeting

SNIPPETS Deadlines



Submission for:

October SNIPPETS due on 19th September 2025

November SNIPPETS due on 24th October 2025

December SNIPPETS due on 21st November 2025

If you have anything you wish to include in upcoming editions of SNIPPETS, please email SNIPPETS Editor Christina Middleton at snippets@darwinquilters.com.au

Around the Club News

Saturday 30th August - Charity Quilt Day

On Saturday 30th August is the 5th Saturday of the month which means there will be a Charity Quilt Sewing Day from 9 am to 2 pm. Quilts have been donated to Pearl Age Care for residents with dementia, Blaze Aid for individuals affected by floods, and to the Birthing Suite at Royal Darwin Hospital as part of the Quilts of Love initiative. Palmerston Hospital has requested lap quilts and sensory/touch quilts for use in the Geriatric ward and intensive care unit. Pearl Age Care is opening a Dementia facility in the upcoming year and has requested additional quilts.

Join us on Saturday for a free sewing day; Morning Tea will be provided and bring your own lunch. Alternatively, make a quilt at home to donate to our Charity cupboard.



Don't Forget Your Raffle Tickets

Just a reminder to please bring back the stubs from the raffle tickets you've sold. This way we can make sure all those lucky buyers are in the draw.

Don't forget to pop the payments into DPAQ's bank account. Please put your name "+ Raffle tickets" so that it will make it easier for our Treasurer Julie to reconcile the bank statements.

Please make sure this is done before 30th September as the raffle is drawn during Monday Meets on 6th October.

Also, Top End Quilting will be donating a special prize for the member who sells the winning first place ticket! As a gesture of appreciation, the top seller will receive a delightful bundle of assorted quilting goodies.

Workshops in 2026

I have taken on the role of Workshop Coordinator for 2026 and would like some feedback from members as to what interstate tutor or particular techniques they want to explore. There will be only one interstate tutor next year preferably in the second half.

Preference will be given to a tutor who hasn't been to Darwin before but a lot will depend on availability.

At the ClubRooms, there is a sheet which you can list your preferences and an email will be supplied in 6 weeks time when I return from overseas.

Sue Duffield

Workshop Coordinator 2026

Saturday Stitches

September Saturday Stitches is Foundation Paper Piecing – Circle Of Geese with a Difference by Using Colour.

Requirements:

For Centre Star - 1, 2 or 3 colours (eg: Light – Pale yellow, Medium - Apricot & Dark - Orange) 4 or more strips at least 2 1/2" wide either WOF, Fat Quarters or Jelly Roll.

Background Fabric: 1 Fat Quarter cut into 4" strips in Pastel or Low Volume or Black, Dark Grey or Navy for high contrast.

Note: Solids or Blenders with minimum pattern work best

This will make 1 x 12" Block – increase amount of fabric if you wish to make more.

Other Requirements:

- 'Add a Quarter' ruler if you have one
- Flower head pins
- 6 1/2" square ruler
- Rotary cutter 28mm if you have one
- Small cutting mat if you have one
- Sewing machine in good working order
- General sewing supplies
- Your lunch



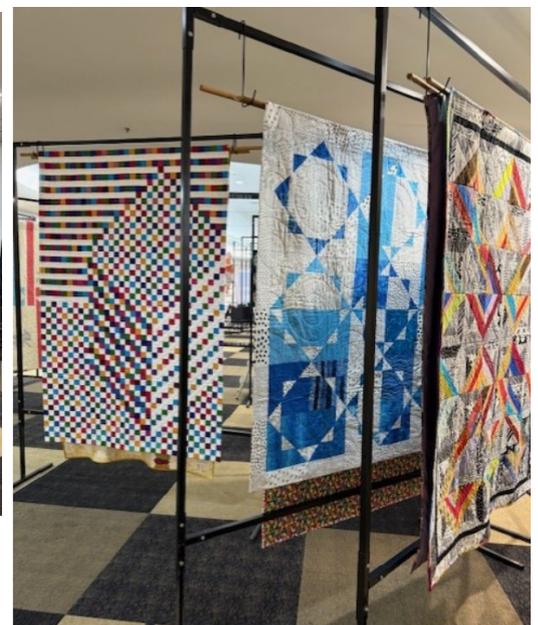
Territory Quilts 2025

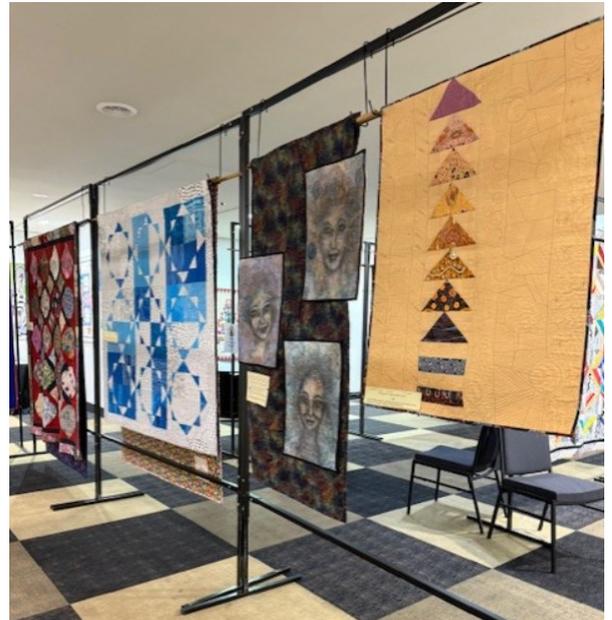
Territory Quilts 2025 is done and dusted! Congratulations to all the entrants and exhibitors, to all the winners and especially to Christine Garrett, who took out the Best of Show for her *City Scape* quilt. Nicky Honan was the winner of the Viewers Choice for her quilt *An Impulsively Organic Garden*.

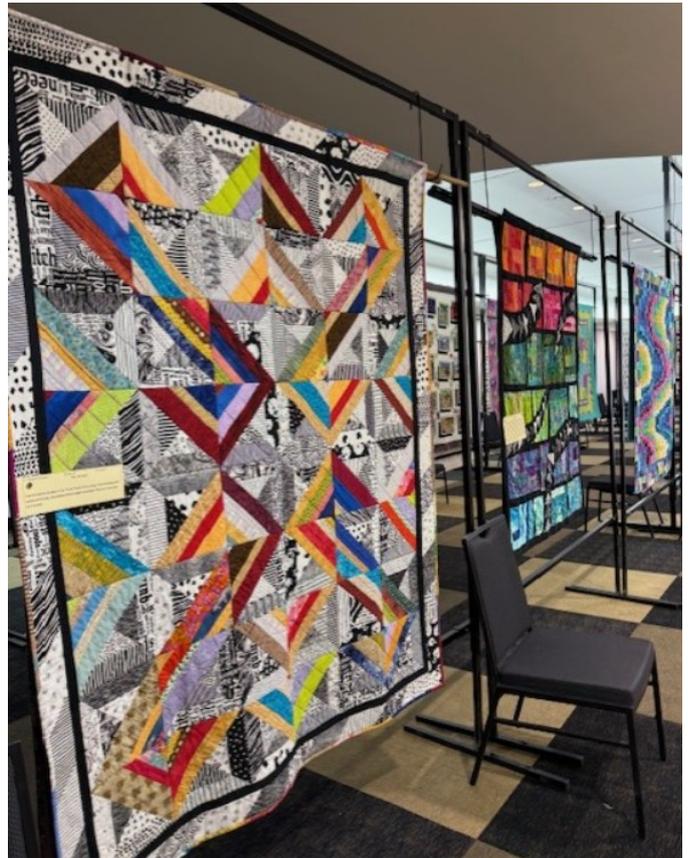
It was also fantastic having the *Icons of the Territory* by Textiles Travelling Suitcase; the International Challenge of Miniature Quilts by the Lions Club of Victoria Quilters *Our World Coming Together*; and DPAQ's 2025 President Challenge *Open the Door to my World* as part of TQ25

Take a look at some highlights of the TQ exhibition and the complete list of TQ winners and TQ sponsors from pages 7-13.

The Committee would also like to extend their gratitude and appreciation to all the volunteers who helped set up the exhibits, manning the front desk, welcoming over 350 visitors and selling raffle tickets; white-glove duties and talking to TQ visitors, and of course taking down the exhibits and packing up the quilts on the final day. We truly couldn't have done it without the time and help you provided.







List of Territory Quilts 2025 Winners

AWARDS

Best of Show

City Scape - Christine Garrett

Best Use of Colour

Fannie Bay Cliffs - Kate Brodie

Retaining the Tradition

Time To Bloom - Jan Curtis

Best Modern Quilt

City Scape - Christine Garrett

Sustainable Quilt Award

Rescue & Respect - Doreen Dyer

Hand Quilting

Grow Free Wildflowers - Kim Tait

Domestic Machine Quilting

Magpie Geese in flight over Yellow Waters - Annie Radomski

Long Arm Machine Quilting

Falling Leaves - Jenny Armour

The Library Award

Twisted Log Cabin - Alison Brien

Best use of Aboriginal designed textile – hand screen printed

Twisting the Night Away - Rayma McMahon

Best use of Aboriginal designed textile – commercially printed

Stars - Lorraine Hunt

Joy Baker Christmas Award

Scandinavian Christmas - Stacey Henderson

Judge's Choice

Kaleidoscopic No 2 - Simone Symonds

Amateur Encouragement Award

Bush Honey Story - Recycling - Felicity Amery

Viewer's Choice

As voted by the public who visited the Territory Quilts 2025 Exhibition

An Impulsively Organic Garden - Nikki Honan

Category Winners

Category 1 - Large Quilts

1.1 Amateur

First prize

Pink Braids - Heather Van Munster -

Highly Commended

Another Sunset - Vittoria Carriera

Hodgepodge - Christina Middleton

1.2 Professional

First prize

Xmas Delights - Annie Radomski

Highly Commended

Fragments of Joy - Debra Selter

Category 2 - Small Quilts

2.1 Amateur

First prize

Trip Around the Territory - Pam Pemberton

Highly Commended

Blue Options - Di Howard

Fannie Bay cliffs - Kate Brodie

2.2 Professional

First prize

City Scape - Christine Garrett

Highly Commended

Magpie Geese in flight over Yellow Waters - Annie Radomski

Category 3 - Large Applique Quilts

3.1 Amateur

First prize

Daisy Path Quilt - Doreen Compain

Highly Commended

Grow Free Wildflowers - Kim Tait

Enchanted Garden variation - Heather Van Munster

3.2 Professional

First prize

An Impulsively Organic Garden - Nikki Honan

Category 4 - Small Applique Quilts

4.1 Amateur

First prize

Scandinavian Christmas - Stacey Henderson

Highly Commended
The Love Bus - Leanne Douglas

Category 5 - Beginner Quiltmaker

First prize
Encouraged - Jillian Harris

Category 6 - Student Quiltmaker

First prize
Linked up - Georgia Voukolos

Highly Commended
Glimmer - Amara Glynatsis

Category 7 - Mixed Technique

First prize
Northern Afterglow - Julianne Gifford

Highly Commended
Australiana Quilt - Doreen Compain
May the Muses Be With You - Nancy Battenberg
Poppies - Jill Adams

Category 8 - Long Arm Quilting

8.2 Two or more people, small quilt, 50-140cm
First prize
Baby quilt - Jenny Armour

8.3 Individual, large quilt, 140-260cm
First prize
My "Have a Go" Quilt - Tania Ray

8.4 Two or more people, large quilt, 140-260cm
First prize
Vivid Harmony - Debra Selter

Highly Commended
Falling Leaves - Jenny Armour
Harvest Haystack - Rose Manison

Category 9 - Miniature

First prize
Red Collared Lorikeet - Christine Garrett

Highly Commended
Through the Keyhole – Tiphonie Wade

Category 10 - Art Quilt

First prize
Portraits from Denpasar (My Dopamine Dealer) - Nikki Honan

Highly Commended
My Cottage Garden - Pam Eadie

Rescue & Respect- Doreen Dyer
I'm Still Me! - Nancy Battenburg

Category 11 - Collaborative Quilt

First prize

My Sewing Inspiration - Kim Tait

Category 12 - Kit quilts (not eligible for Best of Show)

First prize

Essence of home - Susan Duffield

Highly Commended

Time To Bloom - Jan Curtis

Lavender Maze - Bec Voukolus

Time Travelling - Pam Pemberton

Category 13 - Any other item (not eligible for best of show)

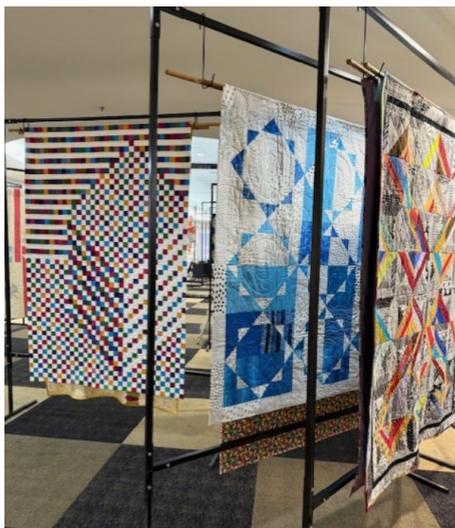
First prize

Bernina Club Bag - Pam Eadie

Highly Commended

Bee Ware - Robyn Kruger

Jungle growth chart - Jillian Spice



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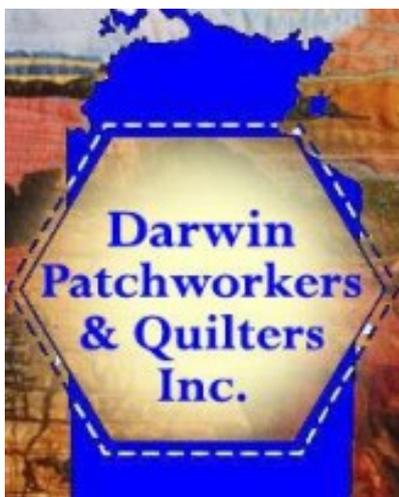
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