

# SNIPPETS

April 2024

## President's Report

Well sadly this is my last President report for Snippets! It has been an amazing experience to be in this role. I thank you for all your support and guidance over the 2 years, I will treasure this time spent as your President.

### March Highlights:

- Our new 'Pop Up' Workshop. The 'Tower Crossbody bag' was a huge success and the bags looked amazing. We can look forward to a few more this year.

### April and Beyond Outlook:

- AGM – Consider how you can help DPAQ maybe you could join our fabulous committee.
- 20th April – pop-Up Workshop 'Mystery 3 Yard Quilt'.
- Challenge 'What Does 1984 mean to you'. To be displayed and judged at the 40th Birthday on 5th May. I have started mine!

- DPAQ Tropical Retreat at FreeSpirit Resort in Pinelands. 4th-6th May. The theme is 'Ruby' so get those outfits ready!
- 5th May DPAQ 40th Birthday to be held at Free Spirit during the Tropical Retreat. Some surprises in the works for this too....
- 21st, 22nd and 23rd June - Pam Holland Workshop and Trunk Show. Please see flyer for more information.
- Darwin Show to promote our club and sell raffle tickets for the amazing quilt.
- Another Pop-Up workshop..... stay tuned

### Positions Vacant!

President, Treasurer and Saturday Stitches Coordinator.

Please consider having a turn at helping out and also joining the committee, we do have fun!

Belinda Shaw



**Monday 8th April**  
96A Winnellie Road Winnellie  
6:45pm for a 7:00pm start

# AGM Supper

**Supper Angels:** Annie Radomski, Mary Noble, Jan Curtis



**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.



## Calendar of Events

2024 will be a bumper year with plenty of exciting events in the DPAQ Calendar— the main one being DPAQ's 40th Anniversary!

### April

Monday 8th

Mondays 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th

Thursdays 4th, 14th, 18th

Fridays 5th, 12th, 19th, 29th

Saturday 13th

Saturday 20th

DPAQ Annual General Meeting 6.45pm for 7.00pm start

Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm

Sit & Sew into the evening 9.00am to 9.00pm

Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm

Christmas Club - 9.00am for 9.30am start

Pop-Up Workshop - Mystery 3 yard Quilt 9:00am to 4:00pm

### May

Saturday - Monday 4th, 5th, 6th

Saturday 5th

Monday 13th

Mondays 13th, 20th, 27th

Thursdays 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd, 30th

Fridays 3rd, 10th, 17th, 24th, 31st

Saturday 11th

Saturday 18th

DPAQ Tropical Retreat at FreeSpirit

DPAQ 40th Birthday Dinner

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Saturday Stitchers TBC

## April Birthdays

6th Cheryle Hall                      18th Robyn Davies  
8th Jill Adams                            23rd Jenny Armour  
11th Pam Pemberton                    27th Felicity Amery  
13th Alison Brown



## Tropical Retreat News

It's getting closer! DPAQ's Tropical Retreat 2024 will be held on the May Day long weekend 4-6 May 2024. Places are filling up fast. We can safely say that we are nearing our target number of delegates. So if you're still considering whether to attend or not, make sure you decide soon and email us at [dpaqretreat@gmail.com](mailto:dpaqretreat@gmail.com) so we can send you the registration link. A \$50.00 non-refundable deposit will be required upon registration, to be paid by bank deposit into the DPAQ Bank Account BSB 015 896 Acct: 258685721.

For those who have already registered and paid the deposit, an email will be sent out in the next few weeks that will contain more information about the weekend. The full amount for the retreat is due by 19th April 2024.

### 2024 TROPICAL RETREAT THEME



The Tropical Retreat theme for this year is Ruby. That's right! In line with DPAQ's Ruby (40th) Anniversary, the Tropical Retreat Committee have decided to mark the occasion by making it the theme for 2024.

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.

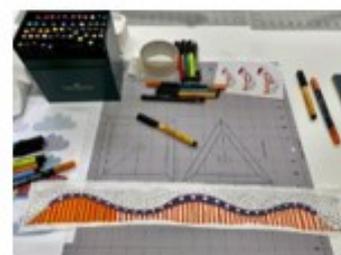
From your Tropical Retreat Committee  
*Simone, Maureen, Di & Christina*

# Pam Holland 2-Day Workshop

**Saturday 22 June & Sunday 23 June 2024**

**Darwin Patchworkers and Quilters Clubrooms  
96A Winnellie Road Winnellie**

**The theme is "ULURU".  
It is appliqued and quilted at the same time**



**The cost for this 2-day workshop is \$250 members or \$300 non-members  
Payment is due by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

**Pam Holland Trunk Show Friday 21 June at 7pm  
\$10 entrance fee**

**Please read and be aware of our Cancellation Policy as per DPAQ Workshop Policy**

## Around the Club News



A Mini Shoutout to Bec...

And we mean mini in every sense of the word!

This little quilt made by DPAQ member Bec Voukolos has been voted as finalist in the Australian Quilt Show 2024 Challenge. It will be touring around Australia as part of the Australasian Quilt Convention Traveling Exhibit.

Bec also won the Blue Ribbon for the miniature section in the TQ23 Exhibition.

Well done and congratulations, Bec!

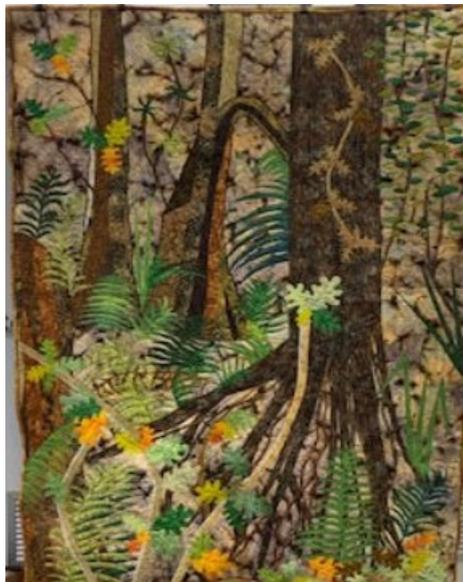
### March General Meeting

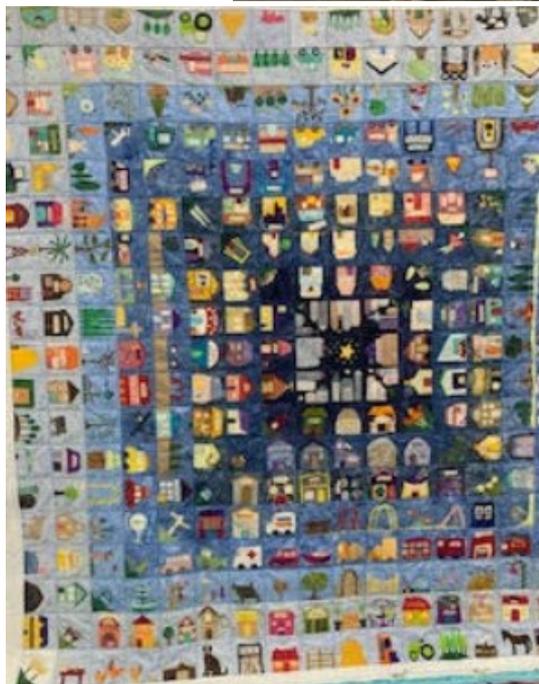
In last month's general meeting, there was a plethora of quilts on display for the Show & Tell portion of the monthly meeting. Check out the photos on the next page.

Nicky Honan was our guest speaker who gave a short talk about her latest "rabbit quilt".

This was Nicky's last DPAQ meeting for a while as we bid farewell to Nicky who will embark on a 12-month journey around the world, first stop Tunisia.

Bon Voyage, Nicky!





# Pop-Up Workshop

DPAQs first ever Pop-Up Workshop was held on Saturday 16th March in place of the usual Saturday Stitches.

Those who attended on the day made fabulous Tower Crossbody Bags from the sewsweetness.com website.

The next Pop-Up Workshop for April is the Mystery 3-yard Quilt hosted by Bec. This will be held at the Clubrooms on Saturday 20th April. We can't wait to see what is created on the day by those who signed up for the workshop.

Those who are unable to attend, you can still try your hand at making your own 3-yard quilt. Check out the 3-yard quilt books by Fabric Café, recently acquired by the DPAQ Library.



## Christmas Club News



Another lovely gathering in March with some members back from their holidays while others are off exploring. Those doing the mystery quilt along got stuck into the second section, a few doing reverse sewing (unpicking) as a little more challenging was this row. Others just worked on their own Christmas projects. Another delightful morning tea again provided by Belinda and Pam who showed off her baking skills.

The April gathering will be a bit smaller as 6 of our Christmas club members are heading to AQC in Melbourne including myself as a late addition. However, the session will go ahead on the 13th April thanks to Kim volunteering to unlock the club rooms and handing out the third section of the quilt along to those who are participating. Bring along another project as back up as you may finish the section early. I am sure other members will

assist in setting up and putting away. Annie and Alison will be providing morning tea, thanks ladies.

The Christmas raffle group quilt is progressing, only 4 more sections to be returned. However, there is still a bit of work that needs to be done during the assembling stage. Its certainly going to be different this raffle and was quite challenging for some of the participants.

In light of the AGM approaching, I wish to mention that this is definitely my final year as Christmas Club Coordinator, as next year I intent to go off travelling a lot. I will be around some of the time to assist whoever is interested to take over, it's not difficult. However if there are no volunteers by November when planning starts for the following year, then Christmas Club will not run in 2025. This affects the club as a whole as we provide the table gifts, prizes and raffle quilt at the DPAQ Christmas Party. Please give it some thought and have a chat with me if you are interested.

*Sue Duffield*



# What's New in the DPAQ Library

Hi Ladies!

New additions to the Library for April :-

## Magazines

Embellish Issue 57 - Inspiration from our pets! Spots on Dogs, Bulldog puppy and more.

American Quilter Vol.40 No. 2 – The Floral Garden, Applique, hexies and Recycle, Reuse & Repurpose. Also a great article on sewing with CORK.

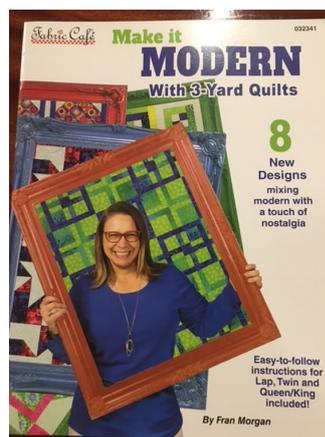
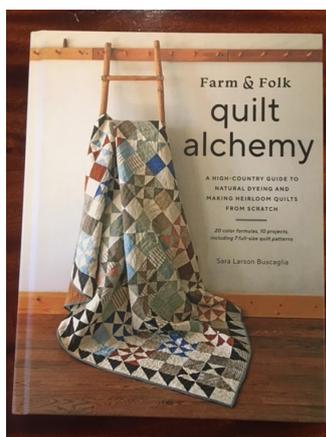
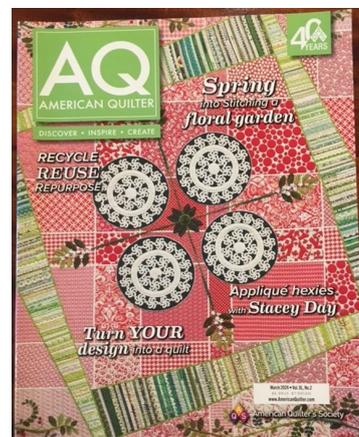
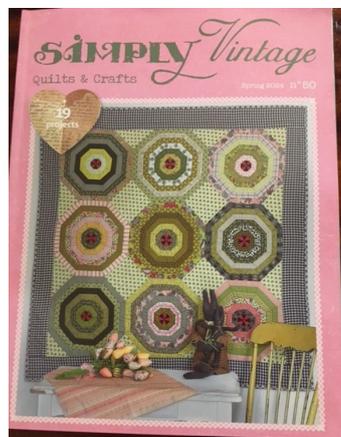
Simply Vintage No.50 - A great selection of new projects, including Spider Web Quilt using strata . Calendar with Hearts, Small Country side pictorials and a selection of exquisite Fragment projects.

## Books

Farm & Folk – Quilt Alchemy by Sara Larson Buscaglia - Everything you need to know about natural dyeing and making heirloom quilts from scratch.

Fabric Café - Make it Modern and Fast and Fun- 3 Yard Quilts - Just in time for the Workshop with Bec. 16 quilt patterns to choose from in three different sizes.

Happy Reading!  
Jenny Molloy





**2024**

**DPAQ**

# **Tropical Retreat**

**You are invited!**

**Enjoy 2 or 3 days of quilting and sewing & fun and laughter**

**With lots of prizes to be won!**

*Darwin*  
**Free Spirit**  
Resort

901 Stuart Highway Holtze

[www.aspenholidayparks.com.au/darwin-freespirit-resort](http://www.aspenholidayparks.com.au/darwin-freespirit-resort)

**When:** Saturday 4 May 2024 to Monday 6 May 2024

**Cost:** 3 days - \$220 per person

2 days - \$180 per person

To secure your spot, a \$50.00 non-refundable deposit is required to be paid to  
DPAQ Bank Account BSB 015 896 ACCT 258685721



## **The Two or Three Day Packages Include**

Delegate bag, gifts and Morning Tea/Lunch/Afternoon Tea



## **Accommodation options at delegates own cost**

Accommodation bookings need to be made directly with Free Spirit Resort. To receive a 15% discount for your stay, please call the resort on 08 8935 0888 and mention *DPAQ Quilting Retreat*.

Please note - to receive the discount you must call and book over the phone.



For more information, or to secure your place at the Tropical Retreat, please email

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



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PATCHWORKERS  
& QUILTERS  
IS TURNING

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YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US ON

SUNDAY 5 MAY 6.30PM

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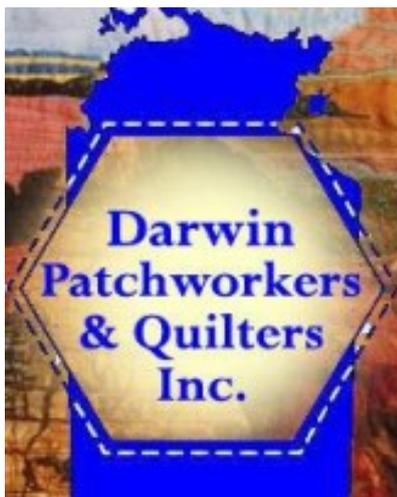
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**PLEASE BRING 1 PHOTO OF YOUR MOST  
MEMORABLE MOMENT AT DPAQ**

PAYMENT TO DPAQ BANK ACCOUNT WITH  
YOUR NAME AND 40TH

rsvp by 26/4/24 to

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



## Committee Members and Roles

Belinda Shaw	President
Debra Selter	Vice President
Rose Manison	Secretary (A/g)
Robyn McDonald	Treasurer
Christine Garrett	Committee
Di Howard	Committee
Julie Thornton	Committee
Christina Middleton	Committee
Lorraine Hunt	Committee
Robyn McDonald	Public Officer

Please send any questions for the Committee to  
darwinpatchworker@gmail.com

## General Information

### ABN

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### Bank Account

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1 page \$40

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