

President's Report

Well, here we are in March already!

February Highlights:

Reasonably quiet February, just settling back into the year and planning for some exciting things ahead.

March and beyond Outlook:

- March 16 is the first of our new 'Pop Up' Workshops. Christine will be doing a bag. See information on Saturday Stitchers page.
- AGM in April – Consider how you can help DPAQ maybe you could join our fabulous committee.
- Club challenge 'What Does 1984 mean to you'. This challenge will be displayed and judged at the 40th Birthday on 5 May.
- 4-6 May Tropical Retreat. This year it will be held at Free Spirit Resort in Pinelands. See page 6 for information.

- 5th May DPAQ 40th Birthday to be held at Free Spirit during the Tropical Retreat. See attached flyer.
- Workshop – Pam Holland is all locked in for June. Stay tuned for more details soon.

Positions Vacant!

President - The 2024 AGM is not far away and I wanted to let you all know that I will not be standing as President again. Some family issues have arisen that need my attention, so something has to give. I will be staying on the committee just not as President. It has been an amazing and privileged 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.

Treasurer – Robyn will not be standing as Treasurer for 2024, so if you feel you can help with this role please let us know.

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Next General Meeting

Monday 4th March

96A Winnellie Road Winnellie

6:45pm for a 7:00pm start

Supper: Christina Middleton, Alison Brown, Leanne Douglas

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.



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Saturday Stitches Coordinator – With our new Pop Up Workshops Christine has decided to hand the over the reins of coordinating Saturday Stiches.

TQ25 Coordinator – as mentioned previously if we are to have an exhibition 2025 we need this role filled as soon as possible.

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

Belinda Shaw



Membership Fee for 2024 is now due

Just a reminder that the DPAQ Membership Fee for 2024 is now due for payment.

The online 2024 Membership Renewal Form is live on the DPAQ website - www.https://darwinquilters.com.au/

Membership fee of \$60.00 has not changed in the last few years. As usual it will be much easier for our club Treasurer Robyn if you pay your membership fee (and locker hire) electronically, via bank deposit to the DPAQ bank account - BSB 015896 Acct 258685721 or via Square payments during the monthly meetings. Don't forget to enter in the description *Membership payment <name and your membership number>* if paying via bank transfer.

Our Membership Convenor Christine will issue the 2024 membership cards once the online registration form has been completed and the fee paid.

DPAQ Website Update



We are currently in the process of updating the information on the DPAQ website. Our Snippets Editor, Christina Middleton, has taken on this mammoth task but we need your help.

We'd like the website to be littered with photographs; a place to showcase all the projects our club members have completed over the years.

We are asking members to submit photos of your patchwork quilts and other projects, any and all photographs from past DPAQ events, Sit & Sew days, Show & Tell items. Anything!!

If you have something to contribute, please email them to Christina - christinacmiddleton@gmail.com.

Please note the 'c' in between her first and last names!



DARWIN
PATCHWORKERS
& QUILTERS
IS TURNING

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YOU ARE INVITED TO JOIN US ON

SUNDAY 5 MAY 6.30PM

FREE SPIRIT RESORT BISTRO

COST IS \$50 * DRESS - SMART CASUAL

**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

presidentdarwinpatchworker@gmail.com

March Birthdays

2nd	Julie Tybell	9th	Rayma McMahon	27th	Heather Havens
2nd	Beverley Lee	18th	Shan Sherlock	28th	Mairi Mitchell
4th	Sue Britton	18th	Vittoria Carriera	31st	Jessica Richards
8th	Rose Manison	24th	Elaine Castles	31st	Judy Anictomatis
		27th	Sharron Buzzo		



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!

March

Monday 4th	DPAQ General Meeting - 6.45pm for 7.00pm start
Mondays 4th, 11th, 18th and 25th	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Thursdays 7th, 14th, 21st, 28th	Sit & Sew into the evening 9.00am to 9.00pm
Fridays 1st, 8th, 15th, 22nd	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 9th	Christmas Club - 9.00am for 9.30am start
Saturday 16th	Saturday Stitches - Pop Up Workshop 9.30am to 4.00pm

April

Monday 8th	DPAQ Annual General Meeting 6.45pm for 7.00pm start
Mondays 8th, 15th, 22nd, 29th	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Thursdays 4th, 14th, 18th	Sit & Sew into the evening 9.00am to 9.00pm
Fridays 5th, 12th, 19th, 29th	Sit & Sew 9.00am to 3.00pm
Saturday 13th	Christmas Club - 9.00am for 9.30am start
Saturday 20th	Pop-Up Workshop - Mystery 3 yard Quilt 9:00am to 4:00pm

Tropical Retreat News

The Tropical Retreat committee would like to inform members of our new email address:
dpaqretreat@gmail.com

DPAQ's Tropical Retreat 2024 will be held on the May Day long weekend 4-6 May 2024. We are in the final stages of ensuring the weekend will be fun for all our retreat delegates. There will be plenty of time for quilting and sewing, lots of games and cool prizes to be won!

And... the DPAQ 40th Anniversary dinner will also be held at Free Spirit Resort, which will make the weekend extra special.

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.

The online registration form will be sent to members in the next few days so keep an eye out for it. 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.

If you had already paid your deposit (or the full amount), please email us so that we can send you the link to the online registration form.

Those who are wanting to stay at Free Spirit Resort during the Retreat weekend we encourage you to telephone the resort directly to book your accommodation now. Mention *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

From your Tropical Retreat Committee

Simone, Maureen, Di & Christina





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

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

Saturday Stitches

Saturday Stitches for March on Saturday the 16th is the first DPAQ Pop Up workshop! For those who wish to attend on the day, we will be doing the Tower Crossbody Bag. The pattern and fabric requirements can be downloaded for free from the sewsweetness.com website (go to Patterns then Free Patterns and select *Tower Crossbody Bag*).

Also, Bec Voukolos will have zips, sliders and D-rings available for the bag.



April Pop-Up Workshop

In April, there will be another Pop-Up Workshop called The Mystery 3-yard Quilt. Sounds very intriguing! This will be held on Saturday 20th April. The workshop will be hosted by Bec Voukolos from Top End Quilting.

Please see flyer on page 8.

Anyone interested in attending this workshop, please contact Bec at:

topenquilting@outlook.com

Deposit and payment will be payable to Bec. Deposit of \$30.00 is required by 10th March.

DPAQ SATURDAY POP UP WORKSHOP

MYSTERY 3 YARD QUILT

Fabric Café
Putting the Fun Back in Quilting!

by
Fran Morgan

GO BOLD With 3-Yard Quilts

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8 new quilts featuring a kaleidoscope of vibrant colors and patterns. Enlargement instructions for Twin, Queen/King included!



Let's make a fun and easy quilt by using only 3 yards of fabric. This workshop will be for one day 9 till 4 in which you will be creating one of these quilts. The mystery being which one will it be?

SATURDAY APRIL 20TH

- Cost \$55 (\$25 for workshop and \$30 for the 8 pattern book)
- Deposit of \$30 required by March 10th
- If you can't make the workshop but would love to have the book please contact Bec at topendquilting@outlook.com to order by March the 10th. Delivery of this book will be after the workshop
- Cutting instructions and other requirements will be available after March 10th. Pre cutting of your fabric will ensure for an easy and effective use of sewing time on the day.



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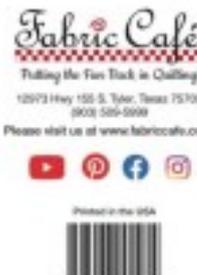
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Christmas Club News

Another lovely turnout for Christmas Club, members eager to start the mystery Christmas quilt a long, the first Section. .

For some , this row came together very quickly so it will pay to bring along another project to do next month There is a bit more construction with the next two rows, the instructions are ready to be handed out on the day.

The results were great, lots of different fabric choices which will make some great trees. Yes it is a tree quilt .

Thanks to Stacey and Cheryl for a fantastic morning tea and to Tom for making those delicious sausage rolls.

Looking forward to seeing everyone in March, morning tea being provided by Belinda and Pam

Sue Duffield

Christmas Club Coordinator



What's New in the DPAQ Library

Hi Ladies,

Donations from members:

Tile Quilt Revival

Donated by Pam Pemberton

Tile Quilts, also known as Boston Pavement or Stonewall quilts, dating back as far as 1898, have been given a new life in this lovely book. A technique I haven't come upon myself and a very interesting way to Patchwork. Thanks Pam.

Quiltfolk Issue 27

Donated by International Quilting success Simone Symonds

This is a book of inspiration, showcasing quilters and would-be quilters from the California Bay area.

Hot Chocolate Sewing – by Tilda

Donated by myself

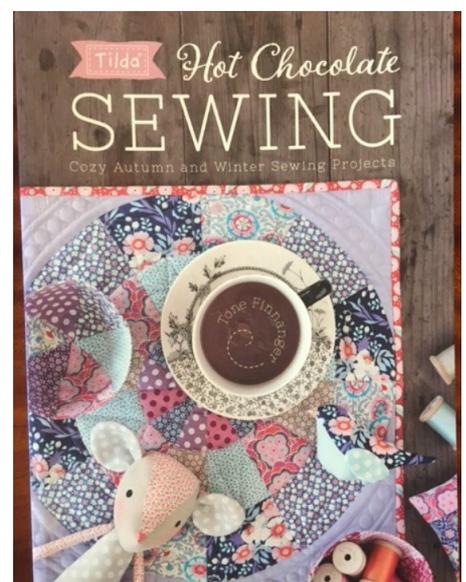
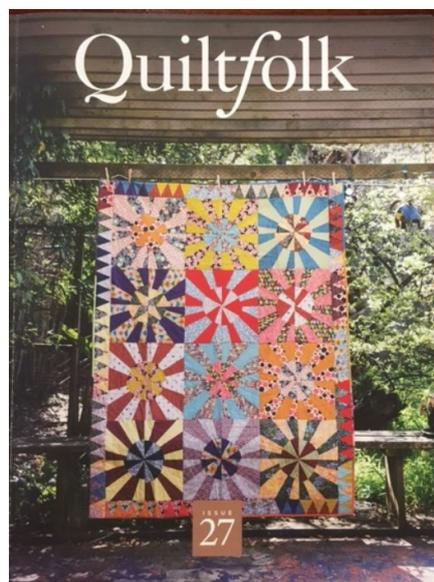
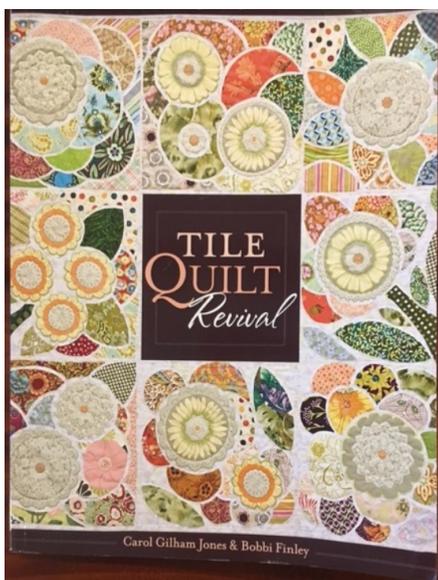
I won this delightful book and have already made the Rag Doll friend. Tilda doesn't disappoint with some quirky toys and a beautiful reindeer quilt in soft pastel colours.

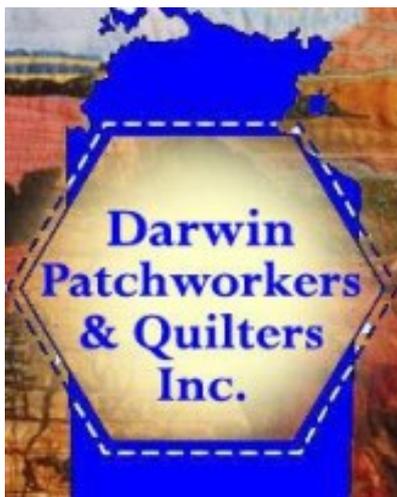
I have ordered two 3 Yard Quilt Books by the Fabric Café – requested by Bec. I hope they will be here within the next couple of weeks.

All donations gratefully accepted with love.

Happy Reading!

Jenny Molloy





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
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