

President's Report

AGM

The AGM is scheduled for Monday 30th March 2026. Lorraine Hunt and I will be remaining in our roles as President and Vice President for another year. Both the Treasurer and Secretary positions have become vacant. We also have a number of general committee member positions vacant.

DPAQ is a member based organisation. For us to function, strong support from you, as members, is vital in the ongoing operations of our Club. We believe our members have a depth of knowledge and experience that can assist and support the Club in an Executive role. We ask that if you feel you have the skills to act for any position on the committee, but in particular, Treasurer or Secretary we would appreciate your nomination prior to the AGM. Please give this your serious consideration.

Members may have noticed the new quilt adorning our couch. This was kindly donated by Stacey Henderson. It is a quilt which was in Joy's pile of

UFO's and Stacey has finished. It is lovely to have one of Joy's quilts in the room with us and I am sure her close friends will enjoy relaxing on the couch and being reminded of their dear friend.

Both Lorraine and I are interstate for our March meeting with family commitments but I am sure the rest of the committee will step up to host our meeting and a fun night will be had by all. Don't forget to put your name down for the Supper Roster to ensure we can all enjoy a nice cuppa and something to eat. It doesn't have to be fancy. If cooking is not your thing, there are lots of yummy options at the shops for you to choose from.

I am very excited to let our members know that Alice Springs have confirmed they will be hosting TQ26 from 3-10 October 2026. I want to encourage all of our members to support this exhibition and send an entry down to them. All the information is now on their website - www.alicespringsquiltingclub.org.au/events

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Monday Meets - February

Monday 2nd March 2026

96A Winnellie Rd, Winnellie

6:45pm for a 7:00pm start

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Our first Saturday Stiches was led by Vivian Holt teaching members how to make a water bottle holder and I am sure there will be few on display at Show and Tell on Monday.

In March Bec Voukolos will be teaching us how to make a Bargello Table Runner.

Don't forget to put your name down for our Workshops in October with Lynne Wilson. Sue Duffield will be back in town very soon ready to finalise our choices and make sure we have enough participants to run the workshops. Don't forget you can check out more of Lynne's work at www.hqw.com.au

Payments to DPAQ

Just a reminder that when you are making payments to DPAQ's bank account. Please give enough detail so that our Treasurer can allocate the funds correctly. It is extremely important that we can identify the payer (not always obvious from your account name) and the reason for the payment. Always include your name and a description

Examples are:

Vouchers/Sit and Sew, Raffle, TQ27 Entry, 2026 Membership, 2026 Locker, Wshop L Wilson Dep PopUp Wshop and date.

TR27 Dep – Tropical Retreat Deposit

TR27 Pmt – Tropical Retreat Payment

If you are paying cash, please complete one of the slips which we have printed out with the same type of detail.

Our Treasurer will thank you!

You will be pleased to know, that my attendance record for Fridays is 4 from 4. I am interstate this week so I don't think that counts as absent, as long as I show up when I am in town.

Have a great month and I hope to see you all at the AGM

Pam Eadie
DPAQ President

Thank you message from Jenny Armour

As many of our DPAQ members are aware, Jenny had a short stint in hospital after Christmas last year. Jenny continues to recover at home and wanted to pass on her thanks to everyone.



I would like to thank members for all the good wishes, messages, cards and gifts I received during my recent stay in hospital. It wasn't the best experience but all the love you all demonstrated made it so much easier. My special thanks to Alison and Doreen who steered me through the intricacies of being a (somewhat impatient) patient.

I look forward to becoming an active DPAQ member in the near future.

*Kind regards to you all,
Jenny Armour.*

We miss you and we hope to see you around the ClubRooms soon, Jenny!!

Annual Subscriptions and Locker Fees



The DPAQ Annual subscription for 2026 is now due. The 2026 subscription amount is unchanged at \$60.00. Locker fee is \$30.00 This can be paid by direct deposit into the DPAQ account - details on the back page of this (and every) newsletter. Please ensure to put your **Name, Membership Number and "2026 Sub"** in the reference section, when making the bank deposit.

If you would like a receipt for your club subscription payment, please email the Club Treasurer at treasurer@darwinquilters.com.au

Please also complete the 2026 Membership Application form with your details by clicking on the link - [2026 Membership Application – Fill out form](#)

Membership Cards

If you've already completed the membership renewal form and paid your yearly subscription fee, your new membership card will be available for pick up at the March Monday Meets. If you would like to have your card posted to your postal address please email admin@darwinquilters.com.au

Name Badge

Please email admin@darwinquilters.com.au if you have not yet been issued with your initial issue name badge (no charge) or if you would like to order a replacement name badge (cost to be advised).

Supper



Supper Angels: Alison McShanag, Elaine Castles, Alison 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.

From the SNIPPETS Editor



Contributions for the April edition of SNIPPETS is due on 27th March 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

March

Monday 2nd

Monday 2nd, 9th, 16th, 23rd

Thursday 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

Friday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th

Saturday 7th

Saturday 14th

Saturday 21st

Monday 30th

Monday Meets

Sit & Sew Monday 9.00am to 3.00pm

Sit & Sew Thursday & Evening 9.00am to 9.00pm

Sit & Sew Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm

Sit & Sew First Saturday of Month

Christmas Club

Saturday Stitches

DPAQ Annual General Meeting

April

Saturday 4th

Monday 6th, 13th, 20th, 27th

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

Friday 10th, 17th, 24th

Saturday 11th

Monday 13th

Saturday 18th

Sit & Sew First Saturday of Month

Sit & Sew Monday 9.00am to 3.00pm

Sit & Sew Thursday & Evening 9.00am to 9.00pm

Sit & Sew Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm

Christmas Club

Monday Meets

Saturday Stitches

The full 2026 Calendar of Events will be published on DPAQ's website - www.darwinquilters.com.au

March Birthdays

2nd Beverley Lee

18th Vittoria Carrieria

27th Heather Havens

2nd Elaine Castles

23rd Glenys Goda

29th Pauline Setter

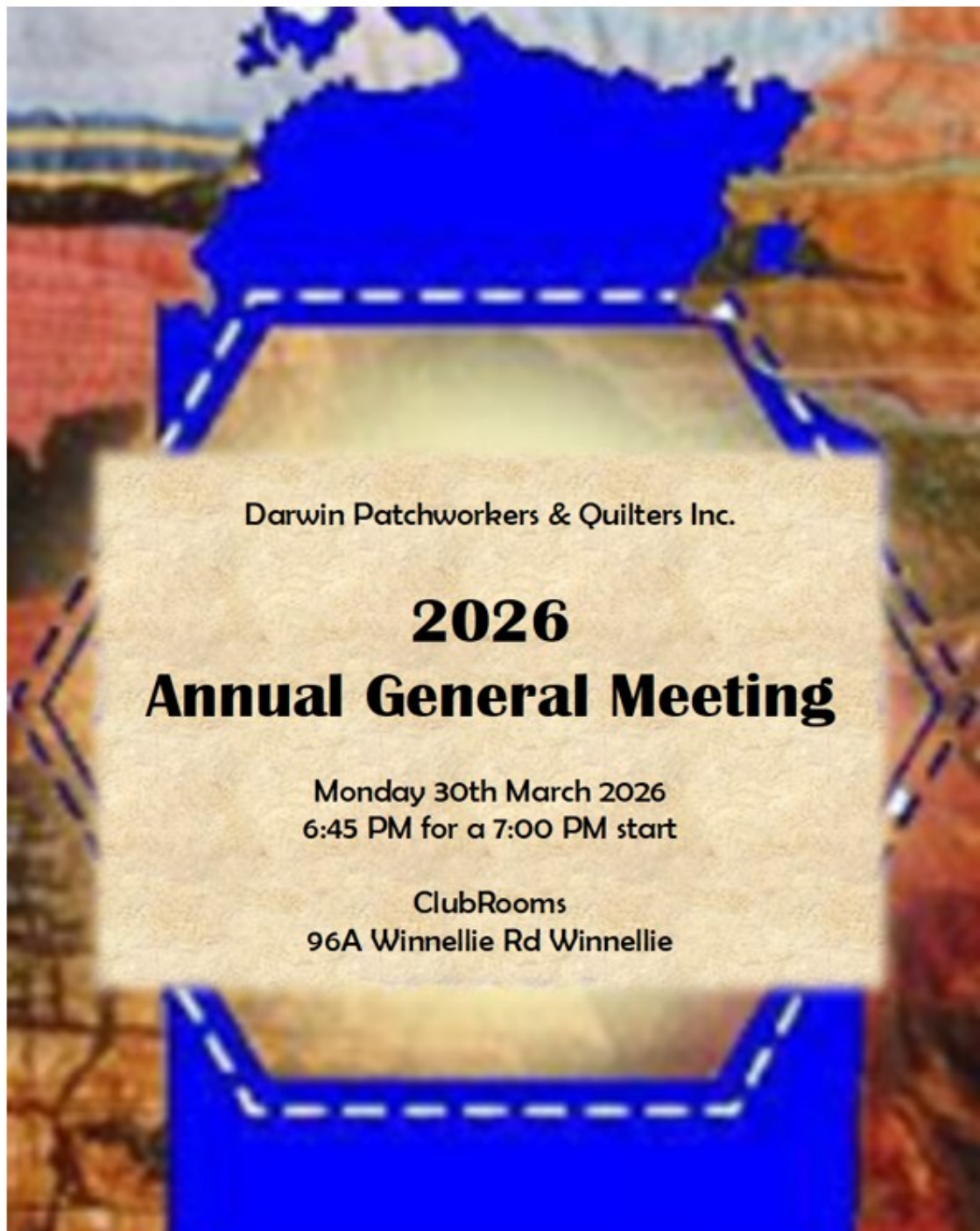
8th Rose Manison

27th Sharron Buzzo

31st Jessica Richards

9th Rayma McMahan





Annual General Meeting

The DPAQ Annual General Meeting will be held on Monday 30th March 2026 at the ClubRooms. This year there are several roles within the Management Committee that needs to be filled in order to continue club operations. The below positions are vacant:

- ⇒ Treasurer
- ⇒ Secretary
- ⇒ 3x General Committee Members

Current financial members can nominate or propose candidates for positions on DPAQ's Management Committee and are eligible to vote. If you wish to nominate for a position in the Management Committee, please complete and submit a nomination form, signed by a current DPAQ member.

Saturday Stitches



February Saturday Stitches

At our February Saturday Stitches, members enjoyed a hand-on day learning how to create a beautiful and practical wine (or bottle) carrier. The session was led by Vivienne Holt, who guided everyone through the process. As usual it was a fun morning and attendees left with their finished project.

March Saturday Stitches

Bargello Table Runner taught by Bec Voukolos

Saturday 21st March 2026

9:00 AM to 3:00 PM

Fabric requirements for the runner top is 9 different fabrics, 2 x 2 1/2 inch strips of each fabric (WOF). Fat 1/4s can be used if need be. Binding and backing is extra.

Choosing Fabrics - This runner uses 9 fabrics arranged from light to dark. The most important thing to focus on is value (how light or dark a fabric is) - not just colour.

1. Arrange from Light to Dark - Lay your fabrics out in order:

- #1 = Lightest fabric
- Gradually get darker through to #9
- Each fabric should clearly look darker than the one before it

If two fabrics look too similar when you squint, swap one out.

Tip: Take a photo and turn it black & white — it quickly shows if your values are distinct.

2. Fabric #6 = Your “Pop” Fabric

Fabric #6 should stand out. It’s the fabric that creates the zig-zag movement in the design.

Choose something that:

- Has strong contrast from the fabrics around it
- Still fits within your overall colour palette
- It doesn’t have to be the darkest — it just needs to catch the eye.

3. What Types of Fabrics Work Best?

- ⇒ Solids
- ⇒ Blenders
- ⇒ Small prints or tone-on-tone fabrics

Avoid large or busy prints — they get cut into small strips and can look messy instead of flowing.

Final Check

Lay them out, step back, squint, and make sure you see a smooth transition from light to dark.

Remember - Bargello success comes from value order, not perfect colour matching. If you doubt your fabric choices then bring in extra fabric and we can help you choose which will work best.

Some Examples of Bargello Table Runners



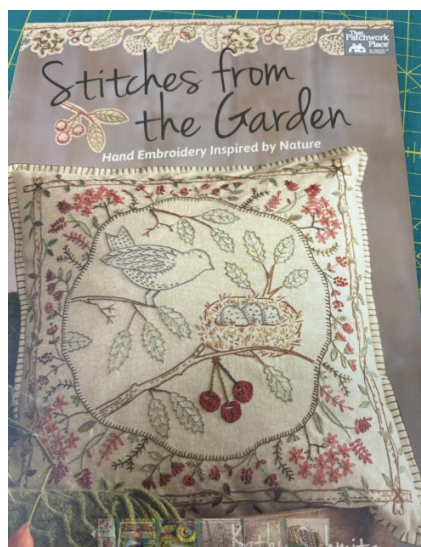
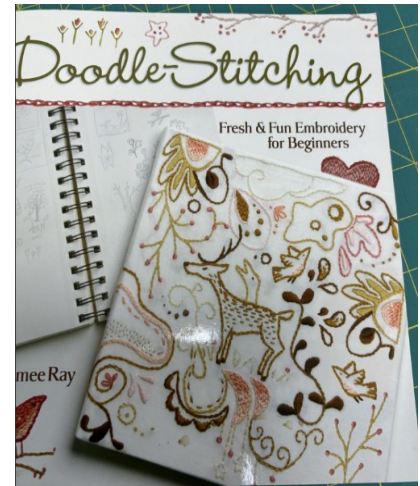
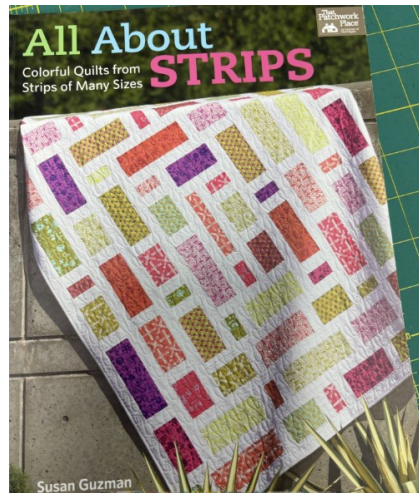
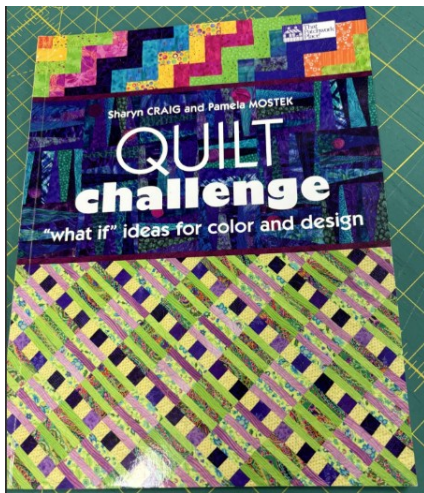
What's New in the DPAQ Library

New Books

DPAQ have been the recipient of over eighty books, donated to the library by Kaye Boath and Stacey Henderson. Kaye is leaving Darwin to be with family in the southern states. We wish you well in your move Kaye.

Stacey has donated books belonging to her mother, Joy, who passed away just over a year ago. Joy was a founding member of DPAQ and an accomplished quilter. Her collection of patchwork and quilting paraphernalia, which included an impressive collection of books and journals and magazines, was epic. We thank you Stacey, and your Dad, Tom, for the donations to the library for all members to share.

Some of the books donated are:-





**DAYS for GIRLS DARWIN TEAM 2026
SUNDAY MEETINGS**

@ CWA HALL

27 Bishop St Woolner

9.00 – 4.00

Please bring \$2 coin for air-conditioning use.

For more information please call Sallyann

0447 223 089

March – 15th

April – 19th

May – 17th

June – 21st

July – 12th

August – 16th

September – 20th

October – 18th

November – 15th

December – 13th

We've been informed we can use the room (cutting PUL/shields) at any time with notice to the CWA – so if you would like to meet up at any other time, please let me know and I will contact / inform them of the date/time.

**** These dates may change due to any unforeseen circumstances ****



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Jenny Armour

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Christina Middleton

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