

Cupboard to Creativity 2022 October Update.

Hi Everyone,

October has been another month filled with much rain for us in Qld. With the threat of more big rain and possible flooding, last weekend I lifted all my quilt studio things up onto tables just to be safe as I was not to be there for several days.

Fortunately all was well & back to normal ready for class the following Wed.

I do feel for those people who have been through multiple floodings in the past 12 months.

I was fortunate to spend a productive weekend on retreat with a group of friends at the beginning of this month, and started my monthly challenge. I managed to finish my sample the following weekend & it includes both the block styles that I suggested.

My centre block has an extra green strip in the centre of the large Half Square Triangle as I had already fussy cut the triangles and realized I had not cut large enough for the size I needed — I cut $1\frac{1}{4}$ " strip of the green, sewed it between the 2 coloured triangles then recut the unit, and I am happy with the outcome.

I then have made the smaller units into Bear Paw blocks, and completed the corners with four $\frac{1}{4}$ square log cabin blocks, bringing the centre colours out to the edges. I had fussy cut throughout the blocks, and with the blue fabric to bring it all together now have a 56" square quilt.





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I found another partly made project during my tidyup, which has now become a quilt for the table in our lounge in the city. The stitcheries I had previously made into blocks with the stripped units as borders, so I joined 2 blocks together and added a few more of the strip units to the ends and a final border to complete it to the size required.



The third project I was able to work on is a Quilt As You Go quilt that has been partly prepared for some time—all the backing fabric & wadding and joining strips are cut, the hexies are still a work in progress (I usually do this at meetings or in the evenings). I have made the first row of the quilt (it will be 7 rows in total)

There are 2 different sizes of hexies, the smaller ones have random strip piecing to enlarge the block. This was not intended as a fast growing project.

How are you going with your projects this past month?

I hope my posting these projects inspires you to check what is in your cupboard that needs to be completed, and to at least make some progress on each one.

Happy quilting. Jan P.