

Cupboard to Creativity February Update 2026

Hi Everyone,

The temperature is cooling as we embrace the month of March, so I hope you are getting lots of time to quilt.

I am happy to report that things are starting to settle a little here, the city studio property goes to market this week, which means a lot less travelling for me, and hopefully a mixture of more family and quilting time as a result.

I am still selling some fabrics, and I may continue to do that across the next few months, until I feel more comfortable with how things function in this new quilt shed.

I did manage to do quite a bit of work on "Bob's blocks" and as I started to deconstruct and look more closely at them, I realised not all would be salvageable, however I am happy with the result so far.

I chose to strengthen Bob's blocks with an iron on interfacing behind them then I added machine stitches to "crazy patch" the seams for support. I also made a block of my own, then decided I wanted it larger, so continued to add fabrics in random order to get to the size I needed. I chose 4 large and 8 smaller blocks from the original work, and have set them differently (meeting our challenge), adding more bright colours and a fun stripe. (there is a row of small dots in the cream stripe that may not show in the photograph)

I will finish the stitching on the blocks and then decide on how I want to enlarge the piece to a practical lap quilt size.

I enjoyed the octagon foundation block, so may have to use that again somewhere soon, it is a great for using small scraps.

I am happy to say I have also manage to bind 4 quilts that I can now add to the gifting pile.

I hope you had a productive February.

Happy quilting,
Jan P.

