Scarlett's Improv
of Rachael Letham's Tree

Finished size for tree approx. 10" (25.4 cm)

Supply List for Scarlett's Improv of Rachael Letham's Tree

Templates are 10" long for finished seam size, 5" wide finished at top seam line

One 13" block is made of the two FPP templates with framing strips added to bring the block up to the generous size requested.

My sincere thanks to Rachael Letham for inspiring me with her free FPP tree block.

I'm continuing in this spirit by making this pattern free to inspire others.

Use assorted fabric scraps for the tree trunk, branches and background. Each template is numbered for placement. Pick your own theme or colors for the scraps.

The background fabric can be a fat quarter or similar amount of scraps that will cover the background sections of the templates and the framing strips. Measure your block before adding the framing strips to make sure it will come up to the correct size. Play with framing strip widths to offset the tree in any direction.

When donating to the Wollongong Modern Quilt Guild, please remove any paper by tearing it away before turning in your block to reduce weight and bulk for shipping. Stay stitch the edges of your block to stabilize it and prevent stretching.

Experimenting with color or print placement is encouraged. Who knows what you'll discover!

Please tag your Instagram posts with hashtags #bushfireblocks #wollongongmqg #treeblock #showusyourmqg #region5mqg

Please use this free pattern for the Wollongong Modern Quilt Guild's project for the Australian fire victims. Templates may be copied or printed as needed to make this patchwork design.

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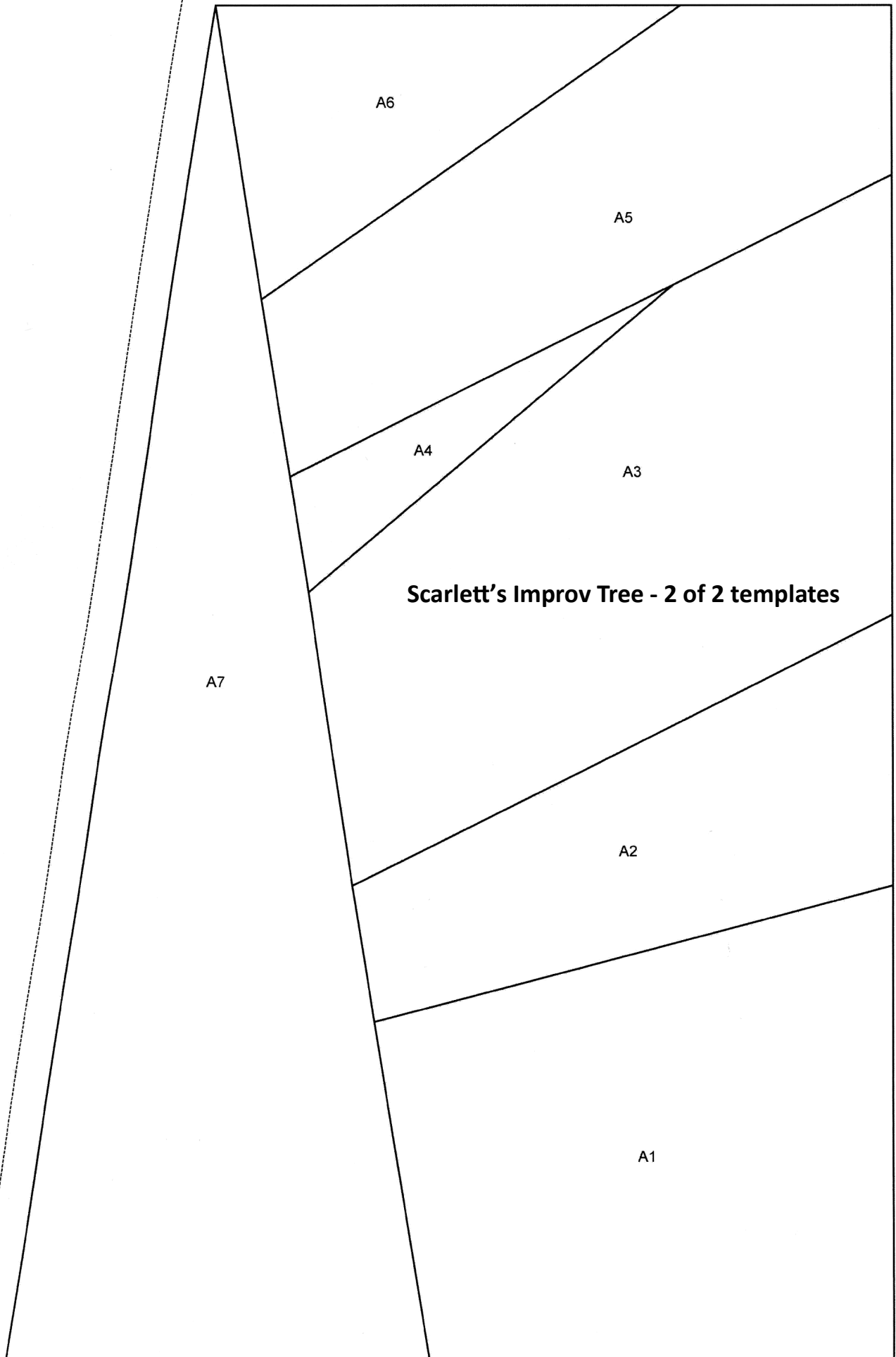
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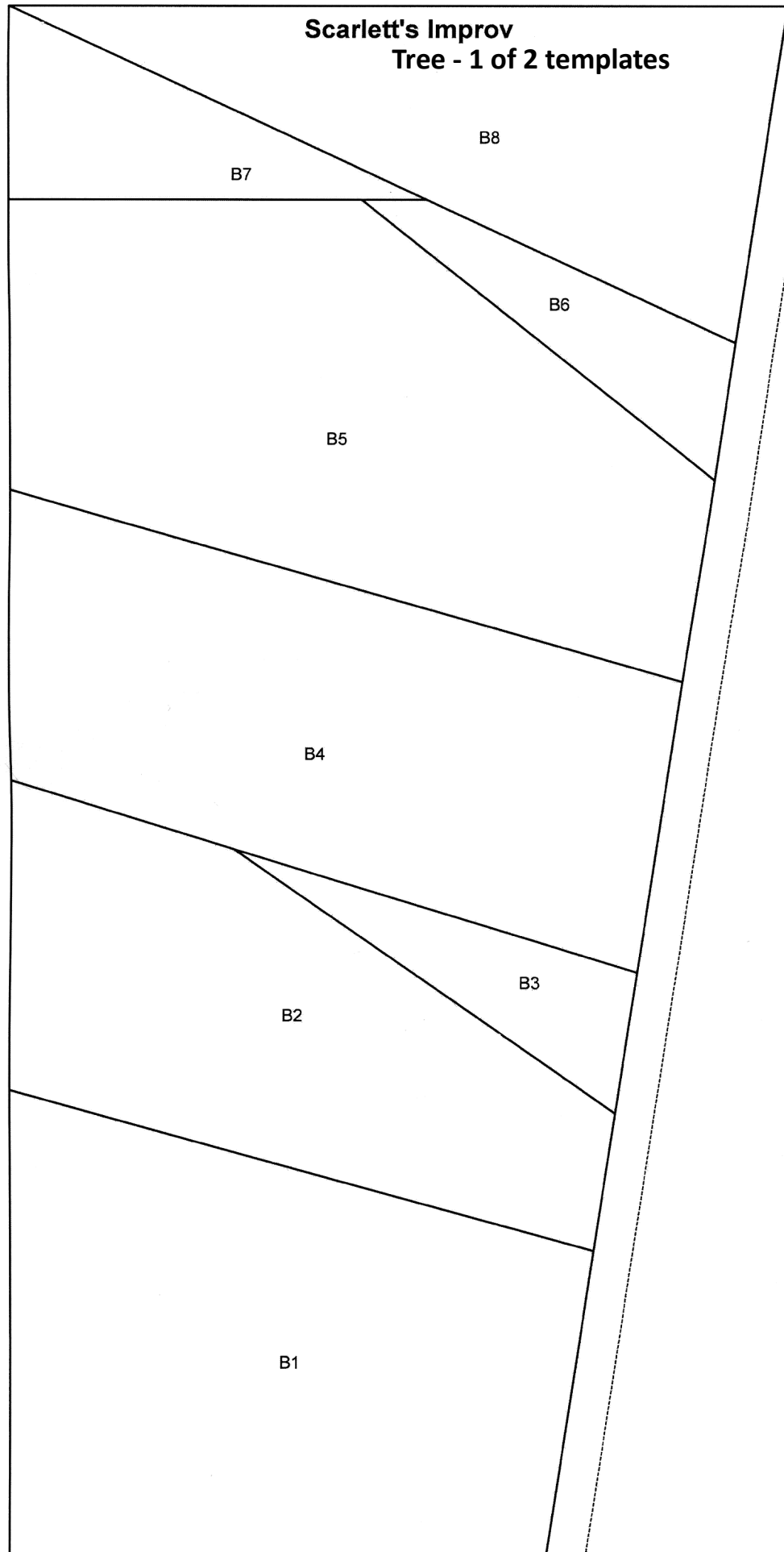
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Improv suggestions:

Flip and sew triangles over the upper corners of the tree block to make the tree more rounded looking. See example below. Adjust the size and shape of the triangles for variety.

Use background fabric instead of brown for the branches to make a see through tree. Make some green areas background instead for a more open tree.

Flip and sew small background triangles on the outside corners of bigger green sections to break up the outline of the tree.

Break up the trunk by flipping and sewing several different fabrics along the length.

After adding extra wide framing strips, tilt and cut the block to 13" leaving odd shaped strips, aka Wonky setting style.