Nanaimo Quilters Guild

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Next Meeting

February 13, doors open 1:00 and 6:00, meeting starts at 1:30 & 6:30 pm Nanaimo Curling Club – upstairs lounge 106 Wall St. Program: Garage Sale

Next Executive Meeting

February 7, 1:30, Chase River Country Grocer, 82 Twelfth St.

Next Quilt Show Meeting

February 27, 1:00, Chase River Country Grocer, 82 Twelfth St.

Newsletter Deadlines

February 21 (21st of every month)

Refreshments:

Members whose last names start with the letters M, N and O, it's your turn to bring goodies to the meeting.

Remember to bring:

- your nametag and cup
- money + bags for garage sale
- change for raffle prizes
- donation quilts / placemats
- show and share
- Mystery Quilt, Block of Month
- food bank donations



Guild Website

If you have something of interest for our Guild web site, please send it to Sue Creba at suecreba@aquariusd.com

From the President's Pen

Can we be moving into February already? January seemed busier than ever with quilts to work on for the show in June, our guild mystery quilt, baby quilts to be made etc. And I've been seeing photos online of the first of CQA's 52 Blocks in 52 Weeks. I don't think I'll be able to resist making that one too! I've seen some lovely choices of fabric patterns and colours, not sure what I will use just yet.

Our annual Quilt Bee happened as you know on January 26th. If you haven't taken part in one of these yet, mark it on your calendar for next year. It's always held on the last Saturday of January and is a good time for those who attend. We have been, in recent years, donating more than 120 quilts to Haven Society after our quilt bee, an impressive number for a guild of 170-200 women.

And now we're looking forward to June's quilt show. As Sarah reminded us, it's time to book long arm quilting if you are going that route, and time to choose quilting styles for yourself to do if you're going that route. An Events post was added to our Facebook page, we are on the CQA Events Calendar and several of our Quilt show volunteers are taking the information out there in one way or another. It's shaping up to be another good show and I hope everyone volunteers to help out if they are able. You can have a lot of fun as a volunteer, interacting with both your fellow quilters and the public. You'll see the show through different eyes and may even make more time to study all those beautiful quilts either before or after your shifts.

I want to remind you all that our February general guild meeting is the second Wednesday instead of the third, making it February 13th this year. This is due to a bonspiel at the curling club on our usual day.

And now, a little story.....I haven't shared a story for awhile so here goes. My daughter Olivia and her significant other, Jarratt, arrived December 23rd to spend Christmas with me. There was a little concern over whether it would happen or not, given the surprisingly fierce storm that hit the coast. But the linemen did their jobs, the city fixed the water issue, the lights came on and the dinner was cooked. So, my daughter and I always discuss quilting, projects I'm working on, fabrics etc. She is not a quilter but loves quilts. (I have hope that she will catch the bug someday.) In the course of the conversation, I showed Olivia the lovely fabrics in a layer cake that a friend gave me for Christmas. Jarratt, who has as much interest in guilts and guilting as most men do, made a valiant effort to show an interest in this pastime of mine by asking me what I was going to make with the 'fat stack' I was given. When I'd picked myself up off the floor and wiped away the tears of laughter, I explained that it's a 'layer cake', but I like his term much better! He laughed along with us and said it must have been a combination of their breakfast at IHop and the talk of fat guarters that created the 'fat stack'! Of course now whatever I make with those fabrics is going to be known as the Fat Stack Quilt.

Take care everyone, and watch out for crocuses and snowdrops when you are walking
this month!Your President, Christine Hustins

Library

Happy 2019! A quick reminder. There will be NO library at the February meeting because of the Garage Sale. Regular library will be in March. You have 2 months to enjoy those library materials! Thank you to everyone who faithfully returned their library materials and to the helpers who managed to get them all checked in and ready to be taken out again!

Enjoy! The Library Team

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2019 Guild Program

February Program: Garage Sale. 16 tables have been sold. Vendors will set up at 12:00 and will receive information from Joy. Doors will open for guild members at 12:45. Committee members will be admitted at 12:30 to provide for set up time. There will not be any shopping prior to the meeting. The sale will take place during the program portion of the meeting. Please bring cash and your own bag(s).

Guidelines for donating items to the Guild table:

· The money raised goes toward the guild.

• All material submissions must be no smaller than a fat quarter, or can be packaged items e.g. 2" x 2", 3" x 3" etc.

• All items must be labelled with size of material, recommended amount to pay for the item and your name.

• All items must be clean and useable and quilt related (books, fabric, notions etc.

• We assume you do not wish to have these items returned so any left over items will be donated to The Hospital Recycle Store at Longwood.

• You can hand in your items to the table once the doors are opened to the guild at 12:45.

Workshops: In order to fill our workshops, space will be open to non-guild members two months prior to the workshop.

February 23: Felting/ Nancy Wesley

We have enough participants for this workshop. It promises to be a fun day creating a bunny, then playing with felting.



March 23 : Free Motion Quilting Surprise Step by Step is <u>CANCELLED</u>

due to low registration. In its place we are

pleased to offer Practice Your Free Motion Quilting with Vicki Dods. Those who took Vicki's workshop in the fall had a terrific experience. In this session some patterns and techniques will be introduced but a lot of time will be provided for practice and coaching by Vicki. Spaces are filling up fast so sign up at the February meeting if you are interested.

Mini UFO April 13: Still a few spaces available here.

Fall 2019 Carol Seeley: Teaching since 1992, Carol most enjoys assisting her students in creating original designs that they believed to be beyond their abilities, by breaking down the process into simple understandable step by step instructions.

Carol's work covers a wide range from the traditional quilting style, to the more contemporary style of abstract designs and realistic west coast landscapes, all with an eye to create the illusion of 3D imagery, and more recently to create actual 3D imagery to add to the realism.

Her primary subject matter lies in exploring the beauty, frailty and devastation of the world in her own backyard, the passages and coves between Vancouver Island and the main land of Canada. Whether viewed from the vastness of the oceans and mountainous islands or the detail of an individual tree.

The pleasure garnered from the touch of a piece of cloth has led Carol to create her art in fabric. She particularly enjoys the softness of touch of the cloth and the ability to depict details of an image with fibre and thread. She uses extensive quilting & embellishment in her work to create depth and texture to entice the viewer into the surface. She also enjoys combining textiles with other mediums such as thread painting, beading, felting, cheesecloth, fibre and found objects.

Carol's work is in galleries and private homes in North America and Europe as well as several magazines and books. She has been juried into national and international quilt and art shows receiving awards regionally, nationally and internationally for both her contemporary and traditional designs.

To view more of her work, see the artist gallery at <u>www.</u> <u>fibreartnetwork.com</u>



WORKSHOP: Designing a Landscape Quilt

October 19 and November 2, 2019 FEE: \$95 payable to the Guild \$6 material fee payable to instructor Space is limited. Sign up soon!

Description: Create a small quilted seascape while learning fabric selection and my special pieced appliqué construction method. This class will start with discussions on how I create my patterns. Then while using either one of my designs (four to pick from) or drafting your own design begin fabric selection with tips for creating visual depth in your water, sky and islands. During this step. my pieced appliqué construction technique will be demonstrated, using both the hand and machine methods. Then taking this seascape, we will give it an authentic look while exploring the basic surface embellishment techniques I use in my landscape quilts. Learn the processes for creating textured objects, such as bushes and trees from far away to up close and personal. Create water movement and shading as well as a passing sailboat using thread painting and machine embroidery.



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Nominations

Did I ever tell you I like giving hugs? I really enjoyed the January meetings-lots of hugs in both the afternoon and evening meetings. THANK YOU.

Keep in mind I'm still making the rounds but the opportunities available for you are: President. Secretary and Challenge.

The positions we have filled so far are: First Vice President, Guild Secretary back-up, Block of the Month, Christmas Party, Donation Quilts, Evening Convenor, Evening Secretary, Historians, Hospitality, Library, Membership (3 so far), Newsletter Editor, Newsletter Mailing, 'Phoning Committee, Placemats (2 so far), Program (with one addition), Publicity, Raffles (3 so far), Retreat and Web Master Liaison. Is that awesome or is that awesome!!!

Vicki Zoltav. Past President — Nominations

Show Committee Ballot

Every member of the Show Committee is given a Show Committee Ballot. They vote for their favourite entry in the show and place their ballot in the regular Ballot Box on the Information Desk. The ballots are given out prior to the show and each person's name is checked off the master list. Anyone not receiving their ballot should check at the Information Desk.

Judith McLaughlin, Chair Ballot Committee



By the time this newsletter comes out, this year's guilt bee will have passed. No doubt everyone in attendance had a very productive day, some laughs and a great lunch. We want to thank these members for taking time out of their busy schedules (especially during a quilt show year) to join us. Special thanks goes out to Leslie MacDonald and Leslie Robinson for being our helping angels at the "Bee".

We've have approximately 35 quilts turned in already and thank these gals for their lovely work. As for the rest of us, the Haven Society guilts are to be handed in by the end of the February meetings. Please ensure your guilt is labelled and, if possible, attach a piece of paper with your quilt's dimensions on it. Because of the garage sale, we will not be handing out any backing fabric, kits, nor batting. We look forward to seeing and accepting your creations.

Bonnie Dimitry, Marlene Jones, Heather Cowan, and Arlene Sanders

Membership

I still have several Membership Cards and receipts that have not been picked up. Please check if your membership card has an expiry date of September 18, 2019. If not, then you need to either renew your membership or pick up your new card. Please drop by the Membership Table to collect.

Laura Beswick, Membership



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Calling for Depot Captain Volunteers!

What duties does a Depot Captain perform?

Collect exhibitors' quilts – at your convenience, at your home, a few days before the show. Deliver these quilts on the morning of Thursday June 6 between 8:00 and 8:30 am to the "Quilt Hanging" team at the Curling Rink.

*** NOTE: NON-SMOKING ENVIRONMENT ONLY***

After the show, receive the same quilts from the "Take Down" committee and redistribute them to their rightful owners. The following is an overview of how many Depot Captains are required and in which areas:

Quilt Show 2019 Depot Captain Designated Areas:

- 1. Duncan/North Cowichan/Crofton: Leslie Robinson
- 2. Ladysmith/Saltair/Chemainus: need 4 depot captains

3. **Moose Hall/South:** incl. Cedar, Chase River, Yellowpoint, Cinnibar Valley and Extension area, South Wellington and Cassidy – 1 depot captain needed

4. **Nanaimo North:** north of Mostar/Rutherford Rd. to Aulds Rd., and south of Dickinson Road, Gail Lambourne – 4 more depot captains needed

5. **Nanaimo Central:** north of Fifth Street turnoff on the Parkway and north of Comox Rd. to Mostar/Rutherford Rd. – 5 depot captains needed

6. **Nanaimo South:** Moose Hall (south end of Tenth St.) north of Jinglepot Rd/Westwood Lake, Downtown and Harewood – 2 depot captains needed

- 7. Lantzville: Robin Barker
- 8. Parksville: Kathy Bush
- 9. Gabriola Island: 1 depot captain required

Please email Leslie Millward Imillward@shaw.ca or Sandy Dobson sdobson@telus.net .

Please note this answer to a frequently asked question: *Every exhibitor's quilted items should be covered by their own home insurance.*

Are You Tired of Making Quilts?

Are you thinking of sewing some small projects to use up your stash? Maybe you are thinking of sewing up some gifts for Christmas. Did you sew up too many tote bags than needed from that new pattern? Wondering what to do with the table runner you just finished that doesn't go with your new colour scheme? And what are you going to do with that predominate pink baby quilt after the expectant mother had twin boys? No idea?

Well, the **BOUTIQUE COMMITTEE** would like to let you know that there will be a Boutique area at our upcoming Quilt Show in June where you could place these and other items up for sale. Most sewn and quilted items are welcome – some restrictions do apply, for example no knitting, etc. and there is a consignment fee of 10% that goes to the Guild.

Interested? For more information or to register in advance contact the Quilt Show Boutique Committee Kathy at kadirica@shaw.ca

Quilt Show 2019 Update

(Please see Caroll's full report in the minutes on page 7 & 8)

Set up: Thursday June 6 starting at 8 am. Lunch provided for all participants.

The Show: Friday June 7 and Saturday June 8, 10 am to 5 pm. Admission \$8.00.

Sunday, June 9, Take Down Day:

• 10:00 – 11:30 –guild members can come and see the show, ribbons etc. and take pictures.

- 11:30 12:30 snack served in lunch room.
- 12:30- 2:30 take down the show

2:30 – 3:30 – pick up your quilts

The layout of the show will be the same as the last show.

At each meeting, sign up sheets will be on display for you to sign up in the areas that interest you. There will also be a Show table for questions and to submit your Call To Entry forms.

In February, there will be an overview of what you need to know if you wish to put your lovely items into the boutique. Judy Peterson will also being doing a brief presentation about the raffles. Raffles tickets will be available for pick up and return every afternoon and evening meeting starting in February until the show.

See Sandy Dobson and Leslie Millward's article at left about the roles and areas for the Depot Captains.

We need volunteers to help assemble frames and sails, to help in the lunch room to take orders, to bring goodies for the tea room, and food for the volunteer room.

Book marks are now available for you to advertise our show.

What we raise from raffle ticket sales, the lunch room and admission fees is what funds our Guild for 3 years. For our show to be a success, we need you to help. Please volunteer to help fill the 410 volunteer spaces, to make this a wonderful and successful show.

Caroll Rumo Quilt Show Committee Chair

Challenge

For all those who are challenged! Hopefully everyone who purchased a kit are well on their way to turning the fabric into a work of art, or at least have an idea that they just need to put into fabric. I had a lightbulb moment last week (while packing up my basement, which includes my sewing room, as we are finally finishing it after 29 years!) and actually got mine done, all I have to do is put on a hanging sleeve.

I had to have mine done sooner rather than later as my husband and I are taking our first REAL vacation together in 37 years before the show. I personally like to put things off until the last month.

Please read your directions carefully as all criteria must be met for it to be hung in the show, in this case size does matter.

Again, if you have any questions regarding the Challenge please contact any one of your Challenge Committee.

Philippa Zapf, Karen d'Oliveira and Vicki Dods

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February Block of the Month

Lorraine D. made a donation guilt from her November blocks. Congratulations for having it finished and for your generous donation. It was fun to see the Miniature Quilt blocks that were turned in at the meeting. I won the afternoon meeting 14 blocks and Stephanie won 7 blocks in the evening.

For the February meeting there is Valentine's Day fabric, for you to "do your own thing" 12 1/2" blocks. If you missed the meeting, just text me to arrange pick up of the fabric. You may do any type of block (applique, pieced, a combination, etc). Have fun!!

Sarah Beyer 778-269-2380, sarahbeyer@shaw.ca or Becky Keizer text 250-816-4211, kidkeizer@shaw.ca



Request for Quilt Show Volunteers

Sign up for this years quilt show has begun. We've made a good first start but have a very long way to go. Please remember that the success of the show is only as good as the volunteers. We are the make or break factor for it all.

At the next meeting I encourage you to look over all the avalaible positions and see what best suits your time and interest. It may appear to be a lot of work but remember many hands make the job easier and the time go faster,

I have a few spots for those who want to be a part of the volunteers at the show but need to sit. Please contact me directly at 250-245-5936 or quiltyjan@gmail.com or see me at the meetings. Thank you to everyone who has already signed up. The count down begins. Congratulations on being part of the solution. Thanks everyone.

Janet and Bonnie. Volunteer co-ordinators

Wanted for Quilt Show Lunchroom

The Quilt Show Lunchroom team is requesting that you save your 4 litre plastic ice cream pails and lids for them. You can drop them off at any meeting at the Quilt Show table.



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Above: Lorraine D.won a mug and fat guarter for completing her November block win (donation quilt). Below: Stephanie won the January evening blocks. Left: February's Valentine block fabric.









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Donation Quilts

In January 15 quilts were collected at the day meeting and 4 quilts in the evening. As February's meeting is the garage sale we will not have any batting, backing or labels available at either meeting. We will be accepting donation quilts. If you require any batting or labels let me know and I could get some to you. At the March meetings we will have batting, backing and labels at the donation table.

> Bonnie Dormuth 250-753-9366 Pat Clements patclements@shaw.ca

Food Bank

Thank you, ladies for your continued support with your donations at our Christmas Potluck and at our January Guild Meetings. We collected another nine boxes of groceries. Well done!

You can continue to support our Food Bank, Loaves and Fishes by: 1.Donating at our Guild Meetings. 2.Donating at your local grocery store. 3. Donating food items and or cash at Loaves and Fishes 210 Fry Street, Nanaimo BC V9R 4Z1. 4. Donating recycling items at Empties 4 Food bins.

Your committee: Vicki Dunsmuir,Nancy Lutes, Barb Kerfoot, Germaine Batchelor

See what our Guild and its members are up to. You can submit photos of your quilts to our Facebook and Instagram sites. Click on the FACEBOOK link below:

https://www.facebook.com/Nanaimo-Quilters-Guild-118598632009213/

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February Sale

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Placemat Donations since 2015

In 2015/2016 guild year – we donated 302 placemats In 2016/2017 - 224 placemats and 40 tea cozies In 2017/2018 - 369 placemats and 41 tea cozies (78 were Canada 150 placemats donated on July 1, 2017) In 2018/2019 - so far - 194 placemats and 58 tea cozies Donated to: Nanaimo and Ladysmith Meals-on-Wheels,Mid Island Abilities Society (until 2018), Salvation Army Christmas Hamper Program, "Good Cents for Change" a non- profit that raises funding for tailoring classes, sewing machines and supplies for a women's group in Zambia (last 2 years).

Your Placemat Committee, Heather, Norma, and Maureen

Quilt Shows and Sales

Timberlane Quilters Celebration of Quilts. Saturday March 16 (10-5), Sunday March 17 (10-4), Dwight Hall, 6274 Walnut Street, Townsite Powell River. Admission \$6, kids 12 and under free. <u>www.timberlanequiltersguild.ca</u>

Westshore Quilt Show 'Piece...Quilt...Love!' Friday April 12 (10-5), Saturday April 13 (10-4), Eagle Ridge Community Centre, 1089 Langford Parkway. Admission \$6 (2 days), kids under 12 free. www.westshorequiltersguild.ca

Abbotsford Quilters Guild 'Quilts in the Valley', April 26 & 27,10 am - 5 pm. Abbotsford Pentecostal Assembly Church, 3145 Gladwell. Admission \$5.

Nanaimo Quilters Guild 'Material Magic', June 7 & 8 (10-4), June 9 (members only), Nanaimo Curling Club, 106 Wall Street, Nanaimo



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Minutes of the January 16, 2019 Nanaimo Quilters Guild Meeting

President Christine Hustins called the meeting to order at 1:30 pm.

Hospitality: Afternoon: 92 members, 2 guests: Karen Killens-Robinson, Carol W. Evening: 30 members, 1 guest.

Moved by by Barb Peters (afternoon) that the Minutes of the November 21, 2018 meeting as published in the December newsletter, be accepted. **Seconded by** Lorna Craig (afternoon). **Carried**

Treasurer: Treasurer's report posted on notice board.

Membership: No new members.

Correspondence: Posted on notice board.

Committee Reports:

Nominations: see report on page 3.

Block of the Month: see report on page 5.

Challenge: See report on page 3.

CQA: Log cabin pattern for QOV on page 9.

Donation Quilts: see report on page 6.

Programs/Workshops: Report on page 2.

Quilt Bee: See report on page 3.

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The layout of the show will be the same as last show: admissions, demos on the main floor; boutique, tea room, volunteer room on the upper floor; balloting and treasurer in the lower level; merchant mall, raffles and show on the curling rink area.

Committee responsibilities were reviewed.

There will be 41 ribbons awarded: 8 categories as listed on the CTE form with 3 ribbons each; CQA best of show; 2 Past President's awards; 6 secret categories; first time entry.

In February, there will be a presentation on the forms and requirements for the boutique.

For Call To Entry **you must have one entry form per item** entered into the show. The second page is equally important as the first page. The hanging committee uses this to plan the layout of the show. Since we are hanging all quilts on rods and chains, all quilts require a 3" sleeve. *(continued on page 8)*

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Minutes of the January 16, 2019 Nanaimo Quilters Guild Meeting (Cntd.)

The Challenge has prizes: three gift certificates of \$50, \$25, \$15 and two \$10 mystery categories.

Demonstrations: 5 on Friday and 4 on Saturday. Three of these are trunk shows.

There will be a detailed orientation for depot captains. Your depot captain will call you about 1 week before the show to bring your quilts to her house. Quilts are sorted and hung on set up day.

We need volunteers to help assemble frames and sails; a practice session is organized prior to the show at the Budget rental facility's parking lot.

We need many volunteers to help with lunch room to take orders, etc. Sign up sheets are also available for bringing goodies for the tea room.

There will also be a sign up sheet for food for the volunteer room. Trish is asking that you consider bringing small sandwiches, savory types of finger food, fruits and veggies.

Your name tag for working at the show will be in the volunteer room. The volunteer room is for all volunteers to take a break and relax. Someone will be assigned to that room all day. You can leave your personal items there if you wish.

It was emphasized that what we raise from raffle ticket sales, the lunch room and admission fees is what funds the guild for 3 years. Since prices are going up for everything (rental of the Curling Club, storage, batting and material that are provided for donation and quilt bee quilts, it is crucial that everyone sell as many tickets as possible.

For our show to be a success, we need you to help. Please volunteer to help fill the 410 volunteer spaces.

Raffles: Afternoon: Bertha Abma, Sue Artuso, Cathy Herrington, Lynn Bailey, Jean Pennington,



4:30pmSunday Noon-4:00pm-

Mickey Lemmon, Leslie MacDonald. Mystery fabric: Lija Bane Show and Share: Lorraine Whillans Name Tag Draw: Trellis Craig, T. Kylah Shay, Robin Barker, Vicki Zoltay Mystery Quilt Draw: unkown Evening: Audrey Lloyd, Vicki Zoltay x 2, T. Kylah Shay, Arlene Ackerman Mystery Fabric: Norma Franks Show and Share: Vicki Zoltay Name Tag Draw: Mary Abbott Mystery Quilt Draw: unknown

Meeting adjourned by Christine Hustins at 3:20 pm. Minutes submitted by Sue Creba, Secretary NQG



For the month of February come visit us in store and receive 30% off the regular price of any of our Heart print fabric! We have a wide range for all your Valentines Day projects.



Visit us in store at 180 Trunk Rd. Duncan, BC, or online, for sweet deals, updates on new product, and sew much more! @BlackSheepQuiltShop #fabriclandblacksheep





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4.3" Touch Screen.-**Automatic Thread**

Cutter Jumbo Bobbin, Optional BERNINA Stitch Regulator - 9 mm Stitch Width

Quilts of Valour

Quilts of Valour has presented 12,000 quilts and want to raise this numberto 20,000 by the year 2020. At the moment there are 45,000 injured veterans with the average age of 45!

Quilts of Valour is celebrating its 10 year anniversary and are hoping everyone in the Guild will celebrate by making a log cabin block or even a finished quilt. The block is 10 1/2" unfinished, made in reds, whites, with a yellow centre representing a light in the window welcoming them home again. Details are below. Come on Nanaimo quilters, let's make several blocks each for our veterans. Blocks can be turned in to Barbara Clement or Sandra Radley. Barbara Clement CQA rep

Log Cabin Block (10 1/2" unfinished)

Fabric Requirements:

- 2 1/2" wide strips of various darks (reds)
- 2 1/2" wide strips of lights (white cream)
- 2 1/2" squares of yellow for centres

8 rows of 6 blocks will give you a quilt approximately 60" x 80". No borders needed, just layer, quilt and bind.

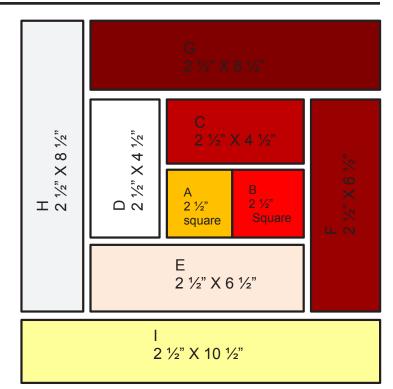
Below: an emotional moment as Chris Longmore presents a quilt made by a member of NQG to a WWII veteran.





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For those attending the Westshore Quilt Show, in Langford, on April 12th and 13th, stop at the store and take advantage of our super sale!!!!

All regular priced fabrics - 20% to 30% off.

Clearance fabric - \$10.00 per metre.

And don't forget to check out our featured notion showstopper special!!!!

And the Award for the Best Late Ad Submission Excuse goes to

Good day, enclosed is Kismet's ad for the Guild Newsletter.

You may recall that, when I signed up for another year of advertising, I pledged that the ads would all be in on time, or, failing that, there would be a viable excuse provided. In this case, it's not necessary, because this is what actually happened.

The morning of January fifteenth dawned cold and foggy in Port Alberni. Heedless of the icy, skeletal hands of illness (possibly typhoid, maybe a cold) that clutched at me, I bravely drank my cup of tea and donned my work clothes.

"Husband, oh husband, where can you be going?" cried my wife, fretfully, "Surely you cannot rise this day. We have only just pulled you back from the brink of your grave."

"Fear not, my darling," I cried, taking her in my arms, "This day, of all days, I must go forth, for the time has come for the submission of the guild newsletter ad."

With that, I went out into the clinging mist, and struck off across the moors. The swirling mist dazzled my eyes, and things half-seen danced across my sight and disappeared. Though I have walked that path countless times, I was soon out of my reckoning. Was it my delirium that turned the earth beneath my feet? Was it the relentless fog, now pressing in on me from all sides? And were there voices calling, as if from a great distance or deep beneath the earth?

Presently, when I knew that I ought to be nearing the ridge at the top of the heath, I felt my path turning downward, curving between two hills. Some unseen force had conspired to lead me to the edge of the Gully of No Return.

I stopped, my damp hair now hanging lank against my forehead, where the fever was resuming with force. I heard my breath coming in ragged gasps, and then another sound stopped my breath altogether.

Low, barely at the edge of hearing, but unmistakeable, the low, warbling notes of the Haunted Didgeridoo rose through the impenetrable mist. I turned and fled blindly up the hillside, heedless of my direction, seeking only to escape the unearthly sound. As I reached the top of the small hill, and the land fell away again, I realized with horror that the sound, the ominous "woom-a-wahhh-a-looo," was now in front of me, and coming closer. In terror, I turned again and ran headlong into the mist.

As I ran, ever the sound pursued me, now on my left, now on my right, always closer, closer. In exhaustion, I fell to my knees at the edge of an icy bog. I could go no further. The sound filled the air around me. As an enormous shape rose up before me, I swooned and remembered no more.

When I came to myself again, I was in my own bed. My wife was laving my brow with warm water. She explained that a young cooper's apprentice on some errand of his own had come across my lifeless form at the bog and brought me home in his wagon. Two days later, as I made my way to the store to submit my guild ad, I stopped in at the cooperage.

"Good morrow, Mr. Dabney," I said, hailing the cooper, "I've just come by to thank that young apprentice of yours for seeing me home the day before yesterday. I had a bit of a turn out on the moor."

The cooper put down his tools. "Apprentice?" he said, wiping his hands on his apron, "Why, sir, I've not had an apprentice here in over twenty years."

Anyway, here's the ad.

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