

# Nanaimo Quilters Guild

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## Next Meeting

**April 20, in-person**, doors open at 1:00, meeting at 1:30 Nanaimo Curling Club

**April 21, 3:00 pm** zoom presentation on Canadian WWII Red Cross Quilts by Joanna Dermanjian, Queen's University (and available to watch for 1 week following April 21)

## Next Executive Meeting (Zoom)

**April 14, 1:30 to 3:30 pm**

## Newsletter Deadline

**April 21**

## Quilt Show Countdown

**15 months until June 2023!**

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:

[NanaimoQuiltersGuild](https://www.facebook.com/NanaimoQuiltersGuild)

## Guild Website

The Members Only section password for our website will remain the same for the foreseeable future (password is printed on the back of your membership card) If you have something of interest for our Guild web site, please send it to Sue Creba at [smcreba@gmail.com](mailto:smcreba@gmail.com)

## Presidents' Pen

Greetings! It was wonderful to see a little more than 60 members at the March meeting! We look forward to an afternoon meeting again in April. Following on the heels of the elimination of the indoor mask mandate, proof of vaccine status will no longer be required by the April meeting. We encourage attendees to wear a mask if they wish, and to respect the choices of our fellow quilters with regard to masking. Bring your show and share, your own beverage, and don't forget your nametag!

Our deepest appreciation goes to Janet Knecht and Bonnie Dormuth for volunteering to step into the position of Co-Conveners for the June 2023 Quilt Show! We look forward to hearing more about the show in the coming months and how we can all help and participate in this critical fundraiser for the guild.

We understand that some members cannot attend daytime meetings, and some are still not comfortable attending a meeting. Please check out the program information for the virtual April program and we look forward to seeing you in person when the time is right.

Happy Quilting, *Terri Askham & Judi McLaughlin, Co-Presidents*

## 2022 Guild Program

On **Thursday, April 21 at 3:00 pm** via Zoom, Joanna Dermanjian of Queen's University will be doing a presentation about Canadian WWII Red Cross Quilts. This moving and poignant presentation about a little-known part of the Canadian war effort will be shown live on Zoom at the time indicated and will be recorded so Guild members will be able to watch the presentation for up to a week afterwards. Details will come when the Zoom link is sent out.

This upcoming presentation and the recent Krista Hennebury Speed Date with Improv workshop conclude the Program Committee's offerings for this Guild year. I want to thank everyone who has 'tuned in' to watch our speakers and has signed up for the workshops this year - your positive feedback and ongoing support has been incredible and very much appreciated.

For all of you who enjoyed the Global Quilt Connection's Sampler Platter in March, you will be pleased to know that our Guild is on their subscription list and it is our intention to sign up for every upcoming Sampler Platter or any other bonus offering they may surprise us with.

*Kathleen Kane, Chair, Program Committee*

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*Where you see blue underlined lettering in the online version of the newsletter, it means that you can put your cursor on the blue lettering and click the word or words, and you'll be taken to the website associated with the blue lettering. Best viewed in Google Chrome (some links may not work on a Mac)*

## Library

It was so nice to see everyone at our in-person meeting. Thank you to everyone who returned their books. We still have a large number of books still out from "COVID times" that we would like to have returned soon. We are hoping to get some of the newer magazines in circulation as well.

Our new format for returning and checking in and out seems to be working well and gives members an opportunity to choose library materials before the meeting as well as during the break. Remember we only have the April and May meetings left for library before we break for the summer.

Thank you to everyone for returning the library books. See you at the April meeting and Happy Easter everyone.

*The Library Team*

## Quilt Show Report

These are early days and Bonnie and I are busy gathering info and putting together plans. The first issue to deal with is getting committee heads in place for those areas in need. Below you will find those positions that require someone. Please look them over and see if you are interested in:

Admissions	Challenge	Demonstrations
Hostess	Publicity	Raffles
Signage	Volunteer Coordinator	

By next month we will have a meeting venue in place for our monthly meetings. Please look over these committees and let me know. [quiltyjan@gmail.com](mailto:quiltyjan@gmail.com)

*Your nervous show managers,  
Janet Knecht and Bonnie Dormuth*

## I Spy Anyone?

I have a collection of "I spy" fabric and I am finished making this type of quilt. There is enough fabric for many quilts. If anyone or any group would like them please email Mary Abbott at [maryabbott@telus.net](mailto:maryabbott@telus.net)



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## Membership

We now have 129 members for the current year with two new members just joining us. Please welcome Mary Jane McLaughlin and Ann Marie Arneson.

April is the start of early registration for the coming year 2022-2023 which runs from September 1 to August 31. Renewals can be done at any Guild meeting. The renewal form is on page 10 of this newsletter as well as on the Guild website [www.islandquilters.ca](http://www.islandquilters.ca) under the Membership tab. The form can be printed or there is also a fillable pdf form that can be saved and emailed to [membershipnqg@gmail.com](mailto:membershipnqg@gmail.com) [membership email](mailto:membershipnqg@gmail.com). Payment is \$30 and if you want the newsletter mailed it is an additional \$15. Payment is accepted by cheque (payable to the Nanaimo Quilters' Guild), cash or e-transfer to ([membershipnqg@gmail.com](mailto:membershipnqg@gmail.com) [membership email](mailto:membershipnqg@gmail.com)) Mailings can be sent to: Nanaimo Quilters' Guild, P.O. Box 943, Nanaimo, BC V9R 5N2

Those members who are 80 years and older are entitled to Honorary Member status. Membership dues are waived but you still need to complete a registration form.

We look forward to seeing you.

Barbara Kerfoot, Membership [membershipnqg@gmail.com](mailto:membershipnqg@gmail.com) or click here [membership email](mailto:membershipnqg@gmail.com) if you are viewing online.



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## Donation Quilts

We took in 16 quilts on March 16. Lynn took 62 baby hats to NRGH. We have bought a stamp for making new donation labels (photo at right). We will be giving 8 more quilts to Samaritan House, bringing our total to 24.

Through the Nanaimo Hospital Foundation, we received a request from a local pediatrician and GP, who are starting "Roots to Read" NRGH Newborn Literacy Project. This will provide every newborn with 2 new books, information about early literacy, library access and resources. They need fabric (baby friendly!) book bags approx. 11" wide by 11-12" tall (serge or zig-zag the seams, turn under at the top and finish with a couple of rows of stitching. Make fabric handles or use purchased webbing (2, 15" strips about 1" wide). We will accept them at our monthly meetings. See photos on page 9.

*Donation Quilts Committee: Lynn Bensten, Sue Creba, Bonnie Eaton, Tracy Irwin, Nadine Lindstrom, Jean Pennington, Arlene Sanders*

## Nanaimo Quilters' Guild 2022 Challenge

Since we have all been housebound for so long, we decided that an appropriate theme for the next challenge should be Houses. We ask you to choose to do a small quilt that speaks to you of your idea of house and home. The quilts will be displayed for voting at the 2022 Christmas meeting.

Here are the Rules to Play by:

- A quilt must have 3 layers: top, batting and backing.
- No kit or registration is required.
- Please don't use a commercial pattern. We want to see your ideas!
- Perhaps you could start with a basic Schoolhouse block and go to town on it.
- You could choose to represent one room or a whole house. Let your imagination run free!
- Embellish as much as you want. Maybe you'll want to choose a holiday theme.
- Finished perimeter to be less than 100". For example: a circle smaller than 31½" in diameter, a square smaller than 25" x 25" or a rectangle less than 20" x 30" would qualify.
- Colour palette and fabrics of your choosing.
- Submit quilt in an opaque bag with your name pinned to the back of the quilt and written on the bag. Please include your telephone number.
- Challenge quilt is due by the November meeting. This will allow us time to plan the hanging. We know that life happens, so some extension may be granted for reasonable grounds.
- There will be no prizes again this year, only ribbons.

*The Quilt Batts Challenge Committee: Val Ansell, Norma Franks, Judith McLaughlin, Sandra Radley, Linda Robinson*



A sample of our new stamp for Donation Quilts, as shown on March 16. The stamped area is 2.75" diameter. The Donations Committee will have labels prepared with this stamp (and heat set) available at meetings. If you wish to use your own fabric for a label, we will have the stamp at meetings for your use. You will need to heat set it yourself before use.

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## Placemats

It sure was nice to see everyone in-person at the March meeting. We took in 7 placemats and (thanks to Maureen) 25 tea cozies. This brings our stock levels up to 113 placemats and 38 tea cozies. I still have lots of batting (13'X19") and will bring to the April meeting. Please keep making placemats for donation, as only 5 more meeting to go before our "donation time" at Christmas. Thank you to all who contribute these beautiful works of art.

*Your Placemat Committee, Heather, Norma, Maureen*



## Quilt Shows & Sales

June 15–18 **Gathering the Threads Conference/ Exhibition**, Cowichan Community Centre, Duncan, BC. 10+ workshops and lectures by acclaimed textile experts Wendy Duffield, Allison Irwin, Jennifer Love, Catherine Nicholls, Susan Purney Mark, Gill Riordan, Ede Russett, Janet Scruggs, Karen Selk, Shannon Wardroper - surface design, colour, embellishment techniques, Notan, fibre manipulations, mono-printing, screen printing, collage, weaving, more. Evening lectures: wild silk production, textile residency, artist development. Walking tour of totems through downtown hosted by Cowichan Elders. Registration deadline: April 15, 2022

Website <https://gatheringthethreads.ecwid.com>

Saturday September 17 **NanGo Grannies Giant Fabric Sale**, Nanaimo Curling Club. We accept clean, unused fabric (at least 1 meter for non-quilting fabric, FQ size and up for quilting cotton), yarn until Aug. 31. If you have items to donate, please contact any of the following: Sue Creba 250 753-3371 (central & south Nanaimo), Bonnie Eaton 250-760-4247 (north Nanaimo), Cynthia Spencer 250 756-2429 (north Nanaimo)

September 24-25 **Canadian Rockies Quilt Show** of the Mountain Cabin Quilters Guild, Canmore, Alberta. Stay for our post-show workshops September 26-27, 2022. Choose from two recognized instructors - four workshops and two lectures. Website [www.mountaincabinquilters.ca](http://www.mountaincabinquilters.ca)

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## CQA Report

Plans are moving ahead with a day trip to the Canadian Quilters' Association's annual Quilt Canada show, to be held in Vancouver this year.

We have 31 people interested in travelling by bus and can take up to 56. If you are interested in seeing this national juried quilt show in an easy and stress-free way, please consider coming with us.

Our travel date is Thursday, June 16. We will be picked up in Nanaimo, taken via Departure Bay ferry to Vancouver and then dropped off right at the door of the Convention Centre. Later that afternoon we will be picked up again for the return trip home.

We'll choose a pick up place in Nanaimo that is easy for drop off or has room to leave your car for the day if you choose.

Our final cost per person will probably be between \$85 and \$120, depending on how many people travel with us. This will include our show entry tickets which I will purchase for us, but does not include personal ferry fares. Seniors will travel by ferry for free (65 and over) while those under 65 will have to pay the usual fare. You will need government ID for proof of age if you are a senior.

We did this trip last time the show was in Vancouver and it was a full day. Most of us were glad to have the bus take care of our trip back home so we could relax and have a pleasant and easy return to Nanaimo. For newer members this can be another great way to get to know some of your fellow guild members. And for those with friends in the Parksville guild, they are planning a trip over on the same day, so it should be a fun filled day all around!

Seats are open to our guild members until the April meeting date, after that we will invite any Parksville or Modern guild members who want to join us, and by May 1st we will open any remaining seats to family and friends.

A more detailed itinerary will come out to all travellers as we get closer to the date. For now we have booked the bus and are taking names of those interested. You can contact me by email anytime to have your name added to the list. I hope we'll have a full or nearly full bus for the trip. The more the merrier and we hope this will be a most merry day!

Christine Hustins, CQA Liaison [cahustins@gmail.com](mailto:cahustins@gmail.com)

## Quilted Art Display at May Meeting



Thanks to Nancy Lutes, who has arranged for and will be displaying the Circles and Lines exhibit at our Guild May meeting. This is a display of small quilts from FAN (Fiber Art Network) that is travelling around BC.



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## NQG March 16 Meeting Minutes

**Call to Order:** by Terri Askham at 1:30 pm.

Masks are now personal choice. For the remainder of this year bring your own beverage / snack.

Moved by Stephanie Gislason, seconded by Ann Roncin, to accept the **minutes of the February 16, 2021** meeting as posted. Carried.

**Correspondence:** none.

**Treasurer's Report:** Moved by Lise Skalos, seconded by Nancy Lutes, to accept the treasurer's report as posted. Carried.

**Hospitality:** there are 60 members at today's meeting, 2 new members and 1 guest.

### Committees

**Membership:** We now have 129 members plus 2 new today. Starting in April memberships for 2022-2023 will be accepted (see page 10 for new membership form).

Cindy Scraba of Cindy's Threadworks, a Guild member, is moving back to Saskatchewan at the end of March. She will have a new on-line store in the future.

**Programs:** A successful Krista Hennebury workshop last weekend (March 12) and Global Quilt Connections program March 19 & 20. The April program, on Thursday April 21, will be Joanna Dermanjian talking about World War II Red Cross quilts. Parksville is hosting Peter Bryne with the lecture we had last year. Anyone who missed it or wants to hear it again is welcome to attend. Future programs will most likely be virtual events as it's now difficult to get in-person presenters.

Programs and Workshops are now SEPARATE committees but they need more people on these committees to make it work!!!! Please consider volunteering.

**Donation Quilts:** Received 16 quilts and 62 baby hats received today. (see full report on page 3). A sample of our new stamped labels was shown - they must be heat set with an iron.

**Quilt Bee:** 8 quilts received today. Batting has arrived.

**Show Committee:** Our Quilt Show is June 8-11, 2023 (including setup & takedown) Bonnie Dormuth & Janet Knecht have

stepped up as co-conveeners. They are looking forward to everyone's assistance with this event!!!

**Challenge:** Topic this year is "Homes" something that speaks to you in some way about your home, no larger than 100" perimeter. There is no registration, but you must notify the committee (Val Ansell) of your entry by the November meeting. Entries will be hung and voted on at the December 2022 meeting. See page 3.

**CQA:** This year's CQA Show is in Vancouver June 15 to 19. We would like to rent a bus for the trip, which seats 56 persons. The more who sign up the lower the price per person. 35 people would be about \$110.00 50 people \$85.00. Christine Hustins (cahustins@gmail.com), our CQA liason, is taking names.

**Nominations:** Many positions including President, have been filled but there are still openings. See the list on page 9. Anyone interested can contact Bonnie Eaton (bonnieeaton@telus.net) or stand at the May meeting.

**Raffles:** Hospitality/Nametag: Barb Kerfoot, Mystery Fabric: Bonnie Dormuth, Sandy Dobson. Raffles: Dana Roncin, Chris Mousseau, Sue Artuso, Trish Sayer, Kyla Shay, Linda Robinson, Lois Anderson and Janet Knecht.

**Show and Share:** Many lovely quilts and hangings were shown. Draw winners: Judith McLaughlin, Kyla Shay.

Adjourned: 3 pm *Submitted by Lorna Craig Secretary*



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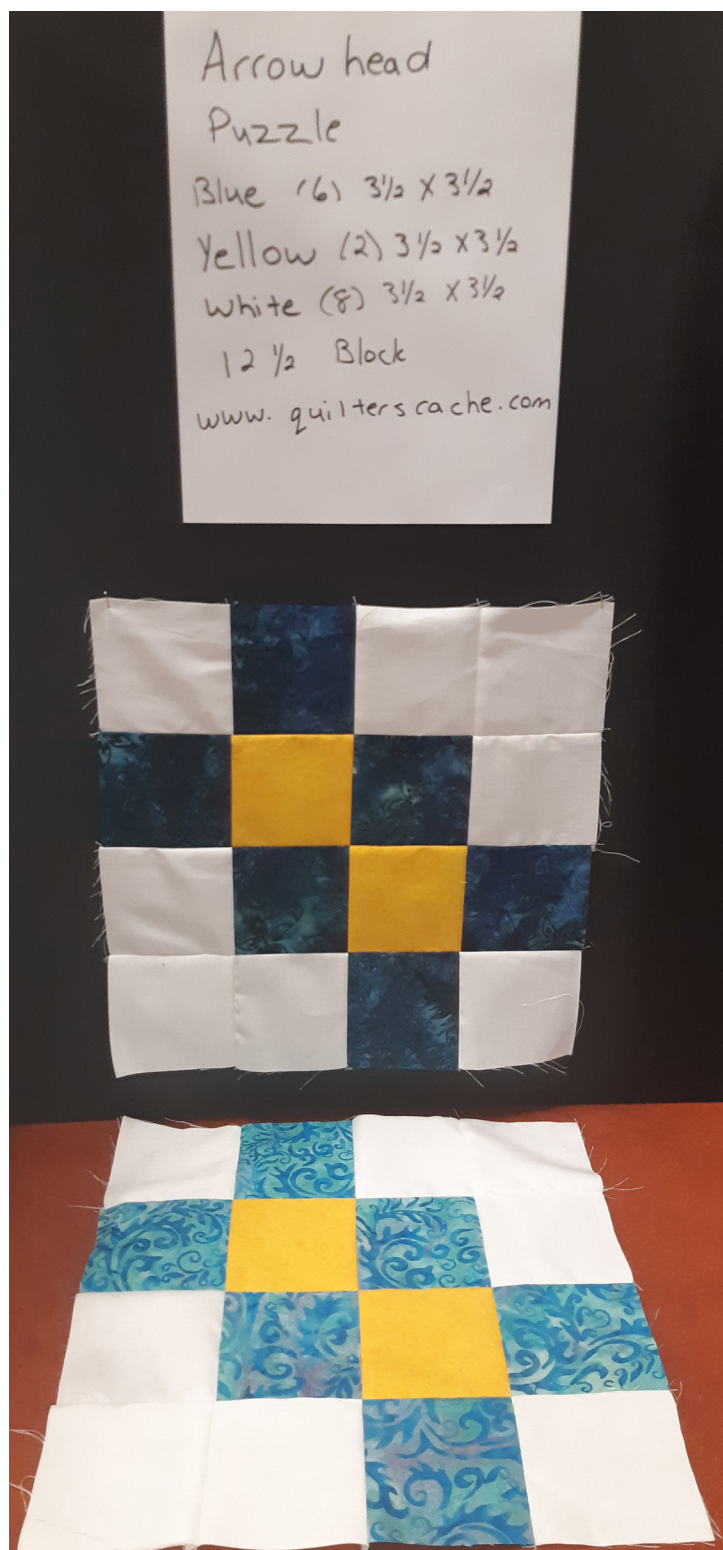
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\* With Glowing Hearts Quilt-Along, a limited number of kits are available.



## Block of the Month Sew-Along



April's Arrowhead Puzzle Block. Details in the text above right.

It was so nice to see people face to face at the March meeting. We didn't get any blocks for the draw but I hope some of you did try out the block.

April's block is Arrowhead Puzzle from [Quilter's Cache](http://Quilter's Cache) [www.quilterscache.com/A/ArrowheadPuzzleBlock.html](http://www.quilterscache.com/A/ArrowheadPuzzleBlock.html) It's a 12 1/2" unfurnished block. Blue (6) 3 1/2" squares, yellow (2) 3 1/2" squares and (8) 3 1/2" squares. Check the photo at left from the meeting for the layout. Colours suggested by Becky in solidarity with the horrible Ukraine situation. Measurements included by request of those without computer access.

Take care and hope to see you at the next meeting.

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## Nominations Committee Report

As reported at our last Guild meeting in March, many of the key positions for the Guild have people willing to stand again for the office. May I take this opportunity to applaud these amazing and dedicated women that have kept the essence of our Guild alive.

On the Executive, they are:

**Co-presidents:** Terri Ashkam and  
Judy McLaughlin (Evening Convener)

**Past president:** Bonnie Eaton

**1st VP:** Linda Macey

**2nd VP:** Vicki Zoltay

**Secretary:** Lorna Craig

**Treasurer:** Lija Bane

**Newsletter Editor / Web Liaison:** Sue Creba

**Membership:** Barbara Kerfoot

**Library:** Linda Addison

**Critical Positions to be filled:**

### Workshops

\*As noted at our meeting, the Program committee has split into two sections, Programs and Workshops. Kathleen Kane has agreed to take on the responsibility of Programming insofar as we will be having Zoom programs, but the task of providing workshops needs several more people (4-6) to work on this committee.

It would mean participating in the committee's planning and scheduling of in-person workshops and transporting the equipment needed to run the workshops.

### Newsletter Advertising

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### Hospitality

We have volunteers Muriel MacNeil and Gayle Rogers for daytime, but need Hospitality volunteers for evening.

### Block of the Month

### Christmas event

### Coffee

### June Picnic

In addition, there are several committees that I have either spoken to or I have not yet contacted. Please contact me if I haven't named your committee or spoken to you. (Newsletter mailing, Phoning, Publicity, Historians).

Thank you, *Bonnie Eaton, Past President*



Sample book bags for the "Roots to Read" NRGH Newborn Literacy Project. Baby friendly fabric bags approx. 11" wide by 11-12" tall (serge or zig-zag the seams, turn under the top and finish with a couple of rows of stitching. Make fabric handles or use purchased webbing (2, 15" strips about 1" wide). The Donations Committee will accept them at our monthly meetings.



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| <input type="checkbox"/> Raffles     | <input type="checkbox"/> Placemats         | <input type="checkbox"/> Executive | <input type="checkbox"/> Buddy to new members |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |  |                                    |   |

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