

Nanaimo Quilters Guild

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Next Regular Meeting

May 16, Evening meeting only!
Doors open at 6:00, meeting starts at 6:30 pm
Nanaimo Curling Club – upstairs lounge 106 Wall Street
Elections, voting on Challenge

Next Executive Meeting

May 10, 1:30 at Chase River
Country Grocer, 82 Twelfth St.

Newsletter Deadlines

May 22 (next one is August 22)

Refreshments:

Members whose last names start with the letters U through Z, it's your turn to bring goodies to the meeting.

Remember to bring:

- your nametag and mug
- library books
- change for raffle prizes
- donation quilts / placemats
- mystery quilt blocks
- show and share
- 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

Spring has finally arrived and the flowers are blooming! I went to Butchart Gardens on April 22nd with my sister to see how things are shaping up for the year.....how beautiful it is there. The beds and gardens are alive with whites, pinks, blues, purples, reds and greens. Narcissus are standing tall, tulips bloom in every colour, fragrant hyacinth and thousands of forget-me-nots fill in the spaces. The shades of greens in the trees, the sharp border between vibrant lawn and rich soil, all had me thinking of so many quilt images....I wished I was a more artistic quilter. Nature has so many ideas to offer us every day!

I hope you all enjoyed our April Quilters' Guild meeting.....didn't we have a good time? A beautiful, colourful trunk show from Judith McLaughlin, demonstrating her magic ability with small pieces and a wonderful sense of colour! Thank you, Judith. We are indeed fortunate to have such a diverse group of quilters in our guild.

We were also fortunate to be able to celebrate a milestone birthday with Blanche Gates. I, for one, am in awe of Blanche and her ability to keep putting together lovely quilts for donation, raffles, family etc. You have set the bar high, Blanche, and given us all something to aspire to! I have been quilting for just nine years and I wonder how it must be to have watched the evolution of quilting for many more years.

May, as you probably know, is our AGM and elections meeting. Thanks to much hard work on the part of Vicki Zoltay, we have filled most positions and have just a couple left that we will be asking volunteers to step into at that meeting.

We will also be holding draws for a complete quilt kit and a Go! Fabric Cutter at the May meeting.

And finally, a reminder that we are just over a year away from our next quilt show. That means we should all be busy on our plans and work to create the quilts we will show and share in June of next year. I had a mainland guild ask me recently why we have shows every 3 years. They have annual shows and feel stressed by that but feel it is expected of them in the community. I told them that first of all, many of our show pieces take more than a year to create, and that secondly, we like to have some fun in our 'off' years and not feel we are needing to produce show pieces all the time. What a burden that would be! So, enjoy our more leisurely pace, but do get to work on those quilts so that between us all we can put on another fine show in June of 2019. *Your President, Christine Hustins*

Library

All library materials due at the **May evening meeting**. Take lots because you have them until the September meeting! Great time to find that special project for the Quilt Show.

Thank you to all our library volunteers who have helped this year and welcome to the newbies who are coming on board to help us next year! We still have room for some more evening volunteers next year! *The Library Team*

Thursday, June 21 Guild Picnic

This year's June picnic is being held **Thursday, June 21**, at the German Club, at 71 Caledonia Avenue, Nanaimo. The ground is flat, parking is close, washrooms are inside and wheelchair accessible. We have the whole place, inside and out. If it rains or is cool we hold the picnic inside. Like every year it will be pot luck so bring your favorite summer dish. We will start between 1 and 2 pm and hope to be eating by 4 pm. We have to be out by 6 pm. More info to come. *Judy Peterson, Pearls*

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2018 Nanaimo Quilters' Guild Program

May is our AGM so there is no scheduled Program but don't miss the meeting as your votes are important and there are amazing raffle prizes.

THANK YOU Judith McLaughlin for your scrappy trunk show. It was definitely an inspiration. The book Judith referred to many times is *The Big Book of Scrappy Quilts* by Martingale.

April 14: A Splash of Colour with Coreen Zerr

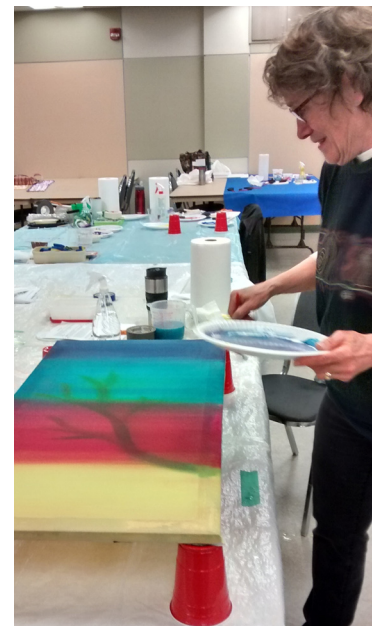
Our last workshop of the year was A Splash of Colour with Coreen Zerr on April 14. It was a riot of colour and fun. Thank you Coreen for sharing your creativity, supplies and knowledge. We expect to see many painted fabrics in future projects. Also a big thank you to our Angels, Marg Bradley and Lori Mudrie.

Coreen's website: http://www.coreenzerr.com/main_frame.html

Right: Judith McLaughlin with some of her beautiful scrappy quilts. Below left: A Splash of Colour workshop with Coreen Zerr on April 14. Below right: The Big Book of Scrappy Quilts



Right: Barbara W. and Barb K. at work on their fabric paintings. Below: Chris Longmore presents a Quilt of Valour to a veteran.



All Year Long: Mystery Quilt by A Little Crispy

May is Month 9. Receive a monthly email (or arrange to pick up your instructions at the Guild meeting).

Bring your completed April blocks pinned together or to a background piece to the May Guild meeting and enter the draw to win a participation prize!

The winners of the April monthly participation prizes were:
afternoon: Liz Simonson, evening: Vicki Dods

Questions? contact Becky Keizer, email: kiddkeizer@shaw.ca

Coming October 20: Sliced Circles with Ionne McCauley

Presenter: Art -in some form or other- has always been a part of Ionne McCauley's life. Since she was a child, she sketched and painted right along with her sewing - making clothes for herself. Then, during a six-year visit to Australia, she became interested in batik. She designed and made casual batik clothing for sale, learning a lot about dyeing fabric and using colour along the way.

After returning to Canada, Ionne's focus shifted to quilting and by 1997 she was teaching colour classes for quilters. This has led to teaching many different classes for all levels of students.

Ionne is a member of several fun quilting groups, her local guild, the Canadian Quilters' Association (CQA/ACC). She also belongs to a surface design group - the members of which experiment in various mediums, not just fabrics! www.ionnequilts.com

Workshop: Circles are among the most satisfying shapes to work with and the combination of circles and straight lines is exciting! Play with great, favourite fabrics and create a wall-hanging-sized art quilt top, while you learn about shapes and lines and designs. Quilting options are discussed for your finished project.



Sliced Circles with Ionne McCauley on October 20

FOUND: A pair a scissors was left behind at the Crazy Quilt workshop. They're 7" with blue handles. Please contact Janet Knecht to claim. email: quiltyjan@gmail.com



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Membership

Early registration for 2018-2019 started at the April Guild meetings.

We had 61 registrations and 2 new Members. Welcome Roneen Marcoux and Diane Robinson. We all look forward to getting to know you.

We will continue to take early registration at the May meeting.

The registration form can be found as the last page of the newsletter or on the website. Please print off a copy and fill it in before the meeting. Turn the filled in form with payment attached at the Membership table. Credit card payment will also be available.

Processing of the membership forms will take place during the meeting, and you should be able to pick up your new membership card and receipt before you leave the meeting.

If you are 80 years and older at the time of registration you are entitled to Honorary Member status. Membership dues are waived, but you still need to fill out a registration form. Honorary Members do not have to pay for their Newsletter to be mailed. BUT we would never turn down the offer of \$15.00 to help cover the increasing cost of printing and mailing.

See you all at the evening May meeting.

Laura Beswick, Membership

Quilt Bee Committee

There are only 5 Quilt Bee kits left. What a response to getting a jump start on a quilt for Haven House! The remaining kits will be available to sign out at the May meeting. Come and see us then. Way to go, ladies!

Quilt Bee Committee *Quilt Bee Committee: Leslie Millward, Margaret Carmichael, Marlene Jones*



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CQA Report

The Vancouver Quilt Canada Show released more tickets for the Gloria Loughman lecture, but it is now FULL.

Reminder that the Quilted Post Card Challenge is wrapping up and all are due on or before May 1st. If brought to the meeting, the postcards will be delivered to Duncan so the regional rep will get them to Vancouver.

Voting on line for the Batik Youth Challenge will start on April 15th until May 15th. Everyone is encouraged to vote in 3 age group categories. These are beginning quilters who are thrilled to have experienced quilters judge their work.

That web site is canadianquilter.com/youth-quilt-challenge.

It is now possible to do our guild reports directly on line at canadianquilter.com/guild-report-submission.

Zoomer magazine is running a contest to find the ultimate CQA member based on your CQA membership and to enter you must be 45 years or older, and embrace life with experience, confidence, passion, and want the very best from everything life has to offer. You can nominate someone on line. Dead line is June 8th, 2018

If you win you will be featured in an add in the magazine and need to share you love of quilting and how CQA supports quilting across Canada. *Janet Knecht*



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Block of the Month

Thanks to all who participated in the Fizzy Blocks, it was so neat to see how they looked together. It was great to see the finished and almost finished Bug Jars from last month. Sue A won the cup and fat quarter for having her blocks quilted. Janet K and Bonnie D showed 2 tops made from the evening blocks. The Halloween quilt was a nice surprise too. Congratulations!

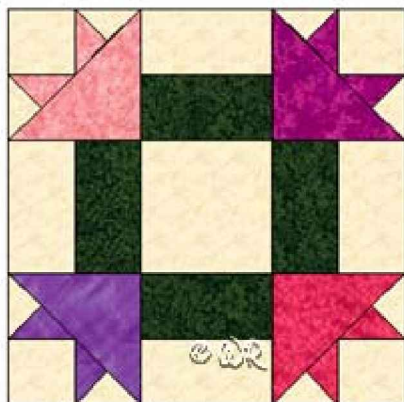
We had 13 (plus some 6 1/2" units) turned in at the afternoon meeting. Bonnie Dimitry won them. In the evening meeting there were 8 blocks won by Sharon Horncastle.

May's block is the Peony Nine Patch, <https://www.patchworksquare.com/mf/peony-nine-patch-quilt-block.pdf> We will be doing the 12 1/2" unfinished (12" finished) block. The background colour should be white or cream, the dark rectangles are green and the flowers can be any colour. I liked the idea of May flowers so that is why I picked this block. This will be the last block until September. So if you have any suggestions for the coming year regarding patterns or colour combinations let me know.

Sarah Beyer, 778-269-2380 (call or text), sarahbeyer@shaw.ca.



May Block Peony Nine Patch



Top: Sue Artuso's completed bug jar quilt.

Centre middle: April's Fizzy blocks won by Sharon Horncastle in the evening.

Right middle: April's Fizzy blocks won by Bonnie Dimitry in the afternoon.

Below right: Quilt tops completed by Janet K. and Bonnie D. from March bug jar blocks

Food Bank

Please consider donating the following: canned fruit and vegetables, canned beans, canned fish, pasta, pasta sauces, peanut butter and any other non-perishable items of your choice. Thank you for your support.



Nanaimo Quilters' Guild General Meeting April 18, 2018

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

Hospitality: Members attending: Afternoon 98, Evening 29. Debbie introduced 2 new members Roneen Marcoux and Diane Robinson. Welcome ladies! We also had 7 guests: Gail Bucholtz, Kathy Bush, Judy Hunter, Tracy Turner, Sue Jubb, Karen Killins-Robinson and Iva Kimberley.

Moved by Judy Peterson to accept the minutes of the March 21, 2018 general meeting as published in the April newsletter. Seconded by Linda Macey. Carried.

Announcements: We celebrated the 100th birthday of our dear member, Blanche Gates with a cake and tons of good wishes. Tracy Turner and Sue Jubb from the Parksville Quilthouse Guild were here to sell raffle tickets for their beautiful raffle quilts. Audrey Curtis would like to be remembered to all her friends in the guild and hopes to attend meetings soon.

Treasurer's Report: Posted on the bulletin board.

Correspondence: Posted on the bulletin board.

Bus Trip to CQA Show: The bus trip to the Vancouver CQA Show is full. Details will be sent to members by email.

Committee Reports:

Block of the Month: Please see Sarah's report on page 6.

CQA: Cindy Scraba presented prizes to Barb Root for being our Postcard Cheerleader, to Philippa Zapf for making the most postcards and to Karen Killins-Robinson for all her work on behalf of CQA. Also see Janet's report on page 5.

Challenge: Val Ansell thanked all the members who handed

in their Challenge Quilts.

Donations: Pat Clements reminded members that fabric is available for members to take home to make donation quilts. Pat will cut special sizes of batting if required.

Program: Janet Knecht thanked Sue Artuso and Coreen Zerr for their very enjoyable workshops. Janet would like another one or two members to join the Program Committee. She also asked members if someone would be willing to take on the job of looking after the Mystery Quilt for next year.

Quilt Bee: There are kits for anyone who would like to make a quilt to be donated to the Quilt Bee.

Quilt Show: Carole Rumo thanked Vicki Zoltay, who has taken on the job of Secretary for the Quilt Show Committee.

Sandra Radley introduced Judith McLaughlin who showed her wonderful variety of scrap quilts. Wow - what a treat to see what you can do with squares, rectangles and triangles!

Raffles:

Winners (afternoon) Lois Anderson, Pat Ryan, Bonnie Palfy, Laverna Anderson, Laura Morrissey, Kathleen Kane, Judy Hunter, Linda Robinson, Leslie MacDonald. Mystery Fabric: Arlene Sanders. Show and Share: Georgie Bowen. Mystery Quilt Draw: Sandra Radley. Name Tag Draw: Nadine Lindstrom, Carol Rumo. Winners (evening) Sharon Horncastle, Barbara Kerfoot, Kyla Shay, Maggie Warren, Doreen Smith, Nancy Lutes. Mystery Fabric: Leanne Sturgeon. Show & Share: Becky Keizer. Name Tag Draw: Kathy Coulter.

Adjournment: Meeting adjourned at 3:45 pm

Minutes submitted by Val Ursulak, Guild Secretary

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We will not be bringing any backing fabric or batting to the May AGM. If anyone requires batting please email Pat Clements – patclements@shaw.ca She will bring it to the May meeting

for you. Labels will also be on hand.

Next month is the last meeting that we will be collecting quilts. They will be distributed in early June before the picnic.

Thank you to everyone who supports the guild and donates quilts month after month. We literally could not do our job without all you wonderful quilters.

Thank you! Thank you! *Bonnie Dormuth, Pat Clements*

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We only have a very few openings left. If you step forward over the next few weeks, the Nominations portion of our May meeting (AGM—Annual General Meeting) will be very short.

1st Vice President: Afternoon

Coffee: 1 Evening

Membership: 2 in Sept/Oct...Evening

Program: 1

Social Media: NEW POSITION: working with: Instagram / Facebook / Twitter

Vicki Zoltay, Past President / Nominations



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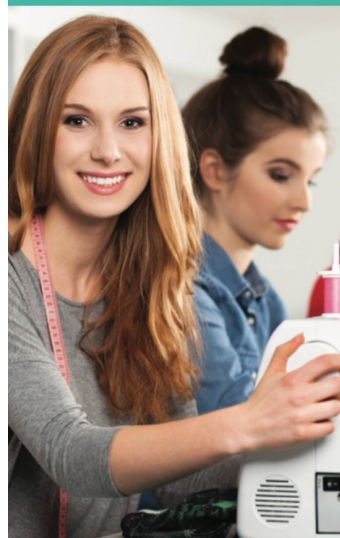
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Quilt Canada: CQA Juried Show May 31 to June 2, 2018, Vancouver Convention Centre. www.canadianquilter.com

Lion's Gate Quilt Show: June 8 / 9 Capilano University Sports Complex, North Vancouver. lionsgatequiltersguild.com/quilt-show/ email Linda: heese@telus.net

Parksville Quilt Show "Be Dazzled", June 22-24, 2018, Oceanside Place Arena, 830 West Island Highway, Parksville. \$8 per day, \$15/ 3 days. www.parksvillequiltshow2018.com

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Yes, I do ☐

No, please just retain my membership ☐

Year of 80th birthday _____

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