

# Nanaimo Quilters Guild

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## Next Meetings

**September 15, zoom meeting  
open at 6:30 for socializing,  
meeting starts at 7 pm.**

**September 15, noon - 2 pm,  
Donation drop-off, Curling Club  
parking lot**

## Next Executive Meeting (Zoom)

**September 9, 1:30 to 3:30 pm**

## Newsletter Deadline

**September 21**

## Quilt Show Countdown

**22 months until June 2023!**

## Presidents' Pen

Welcome to a new guild year! The Fall is always a great time to be a quilter. We move back inside and start to think about all the holidays that inspire those special quilts and home décor items we love to sew for ourselves and others.

While it's becoming clear that we won't be back to "normal" entirely as the guild year begins, the executive is working to include some in person meetings. The program committee has some fantastic learning planned for 2021/2022. These programs will continue to be offered on Zoom, in partnership with our fellow quilters in the Parksville and Nanaimo Modern guilds. Our September guild meeting will be on Zoom, while the executive works with the Provincial health orders, recommendations and safety protocols to allow those who are comfortable to have some in person meeting options in the coming months. Our hope is that this mix of options will serve more of our members and safely transition us back to those in person meetings we look forward to each month.

We are full of gratitude to all our members, for continuing to support the guild through your memberships, donations, and particularly the volunteer time that has kept our learning and charitable activities going during this extremely challenging period in our lives. A special thanks goes to Bonnie Eaton for stepping into the President's role mid-way through last year. We're also very grateful to our newsletter advertisers and sponsors, for continuing to support us at such a challenging time for businesses. Let's continue to support them in return.

As we work our way through the next phase of the pandemic, stay safe, stay connected and keep sewing!

*Co-Presidents Terri Askham & Judi McLaughlin*

## 2021-2022 Guild Program

The Program Committee is planning a full program of virtual lectures this year as well as a number of online workshops on various interesting and educational topics.

As a followup to the Global Quilt Connection 'Sampler Platter' in May, featuring 18 quilt teachers doing online demos, they will be holding another Sampler Platter weekend on Saturday and Sunday, October 2nd and 3rd, noon to 3 pm, showcasing another 18 presenters. Further details, along with the Zoom link, will be sent out closer to that time.

Details are still being worked out with other presenters and teachers so stay tuned for more information in upcoming newsletters.

For programs, we will again be collaborating with our sister guilds, the Nanaimo Modern Quilt Guild and the Parksville Quilt House Quilters' Guild.

*Kathleen Kane, Chair, Program Committee*

## Guild Website

The Members Only section password for our website will remain the same until October 2021, when it will change, and a new password will be issued to renewing or new members. (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)

## Quilt Bee

Hello everyone, hope all is well with you.

I have not much to report except to say I will have the batting cut by the time you read this. Also of note I have a few quilts that were donated by Laurie Webster last June, and they all need to be quilted. I have the backing and batting and Laurie has also included the binding that is already made up.

I am looking for volunteers to finish these up. Let me know by email or phone call.

As for next year's Quilt Bee, I have booked Oliver Woods for January 22, all going well. Marlene Jones and I were very busy over the summer making up kits.

I **WILL NOT** be at the curling rink in September and depending on what transpires at the September Zoom meeting, I will either be at the guild or in the parking lot come October.

Also does anyone know how to get in touch with Pam McAleer? I have collected 5 of those Bead Bags for Cancer. *Thanks, Janet Knecht*

**TIP:** To remove masking tape residue from a ruler, drizzle some WD40 on affected area, let sit for a few minutes and rub off.

## Membership

We are continuing to receive memberships for the coming year 2021-22.

The membership form is in the newsletter and also on the guild website ([islandquilters.ca](http://islandquilters.ca) under the Membership tab at the top of the page). We also have a membership form that can be filled out online also located on the guild website. Scroll down and the pdf membership form is the fillable one.

Fees can be paid by e-transfer or by cheque. E-transfers are to be sent to [membershipnqg@gmail.com](mailto:membershipnqg@gmail.com). Cheques are payable to Nanaimo Quilters Guild and sent to NQG, PO Box 943, Nanaimo BC, V9R 5N2

Membership is \$30. If you want the newsletter mailed to you and are not an honorary member, please add an additional \$15.

Both methods require sending in a membership form either by emailing to [membershipnqg@gmail.com](mailto:membershipnqg@gmail.com) or the postal address above.

Honorary members (those over 80) are exempt from membership fees. At this time we will not be mailing membership cards or receipts but will be ready with them at our first in person meeting which we hope will be very soon. Think positively and quilt on!

*Barbara Kerfoot, Laura Beswick, Membership*



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## Homewood Retreat

Camp Homewood has cancelled our November 2021 Retreat. The kitchen facilities are undergoing a major renovation/upgrade, necessitating the closure of the facility from September until mid-January 2022.

It has been confirmed that we do have the first week of November 2022 reserved for us. The dates are Monday, October 31 to Saturday, November 5, 2022.

All registrants have been contacted with the option of withdrawing if they choose. Otherwise, the \$50 deposit has been automatically rolled over for these new dates.

Homewood has also indicated there are some weeks available in March of 2022 if our guild is interested.

We have decided it is time to pass along the Retreat torch to other guild members. We've both been involved in one capacity or another for several years and are ready for a break. We have informed all retreat participants of our decision. We will need 2 guild members to assume this responsibility. Please contact either of us if you are interested. Lorraine Daley (Retreat raffles) and Vicki Zoltay (newly proclaimed Activities coordinator) are also part of the team. The new Retreat coordinators would be responsible to set things in motion to organize a Spring 2022 retreat if interest warranted it.

*Yours in Quilting, Robin Barker wrbarker@shaw.ca, Pat Ryan patriciaryan19@gmail.com*

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## Donation Quilts

Your new Donation Quilts Committee would like to thank Bonnie Dormuth and Pat Clements for their outstanding work for the past few years, and for the handover of this important work. We hope to live up to your great example!

Over the summer, in addition to quilts donated to local organizations, five quilts were sent to Lytton to assist residents who lost their homes in the forest fire which destroyed their town. Bonnie and Pat delivered 16 twin size quilts to Janice Spencer for Samaritan House, which will soon have a new home on Nicol Street. We still need a few more so that every room will have a new quilt.

We will again meet in the parking lot of the Curling Club on September 15 from noon to 2:00 pm to receive any donations you have made over the summer. As usual, labels, batting and backing fabric will be available.

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

*(see more on page 7 and 8)*

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## Placemats



Thank you to everyone who turned out for the June meeting/picnic in the Curling Rink Parking Lot. It was a lovely day and very enjoyable. We took in 26 tea cozies and 34 placemats, bringing our "in-stock" total to 161 placemats and 51 tea cozies! As usual the show-and-share was a highlight. I will be in the parking lot again at the Curling Rink on September 15th from noon to 2 PM in case anyone made any placemats over the summer that they would like to donate, as I believe our September meeting will again be by Zoom. I will have some batting cut 13" X 19" as per usual. It is a new Guild year and let's hope we can actually meet in person soon.


*Your Placemat Committee, Heather, Norma and Maureen*



## What's NEW This Fall at Huckleberry's

### We will be celebrating our 27<sup>th</sup> Birthday this Fall

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## CQA Report

*Editor's note: where you see blue underlined lettering in 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. Links have been checked by Sue Creba and Leslie McGeough. Best viewed in Google Chrome, some links may not work on a Mac.*

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CQA/ACC is working hard to bring you a variety of monthly webinar lectures (see below for two in September).

You will find fun quilt-alongs and projects on our website. We also are sharing ideas and finished quilts on the [Quilting in Canada Facebook](#) and the [Canadian Quilters Association - Quilting Projects Facebook](#) page. There is always something new and exciting going on at CQA/ACC and new members are always welcome.

The annual CQA/ACC Mystery Quilt project will kick off in September and we are excited to have Ships & Violins as our designer with a modern feel. If you have not joined CQA/ACC yet you will definitely want to do that now before the Mystery begins as it's only for members.

The 2021 TrendTex Challenge Auction is scheduled for September 23, 2021 (see below for link).

### Webinars 2021

**Lorna Costantini presents Big Stitch Hand Quilting - Making it Modern, September 18, 2021 at noon Pacific Time**

If big stitch hand quilting is not in your basket of quilting skills, this is your opportunity to learn the basic techniques. Tools and materials, hints for success and a demonstration of hand quilting will get you started enhancing your quilts with Big Stitch Hand Quilting.

Lorna is a quilter, pattern designer and teacher located in St. Catharines, Ontario. She is a graduate of the University of Guelph with a major in clothing textiles and design.

**Teresa Duryea Wong presents Indigenous North American Quilts: 150 Years of Sewing and Survival, September 22, 2021 at 4 pm Pacific Time**

Teresa is a celebrated author and lecturer, having spoken at the major quilt shows and museums in the US. She has also lectured at quilt guilds across America and Canada.

Learn how the transfer from sewing buffalo hides and other natural materials to quilting took place and see the

beautiful quilts, including the eight-point Morning Star, were made in this period.

Tickets go on sale here [Webinar Tickets](#) for CQA/ACC members August 23 and non-members September 15, 2021. Then click on the ticket sale date.

The 2022 challenge for youth is to complete a quilt based on the theme Real Fun!

### TrendTex Challenge and Auction

The 2022 CQA/ACC - TrendTex Challenge, "Refresh" kicks off this Fall; with fabric bundles on sale for CQA members, as of October 1, 2021 and for non-members, as of November 1, 2021. See [Canadian Quilter](#) for details.

TrendTex 2021 Auction....First Place Winner, Janet Reader Day (Demorestville, ON) , Even When I Push You Away You Always Come Back

**SAVE THE DATE - SEPTEMBER 23-26, 2021** as CQA/ACC will be auctioning off the entries received for the TrendTex 2021 Quilt Challenge. Go to [Bidding Owl](#) to preview and register to bid on one (or more) of your favourite quilts.

### CQA 40th Anniversary

Join us in celebrating the 40th anniversary of the Canadian Quilters Association. Traditionally, the 40th Anniversary is recognized as the Ruby Anniversary so let's have some fun with our RED fat quarters.

Members can mail a fat quarter to the CQA/ACC Administrative Assistant and every 40 days we will tally up the number of entries received and award 8-12 RED fat quarters to the winning entrant(s).

### Jigsaw Puzzle Time!

This month's puzzle is compliments of Carole McCarville, CQA/ACC Executive Director.

To start your puzzle click [Jigsaw Planet](#)

### Bonus Jigsaw Puzzle

This month's bonus puzzle is a block to be quilted from a 10 week Mystery with Ships and Violins done in the CQA/ACC logo colours. [Jigsaw Planet Bonus 1](#)

[Jigsaw Planet Bonus 2](#)

Join us! [Canadian Quilter Membership](#)

Christine Hustins, CQA rep



## Block of the Month Sew-Along

Hello all. Hope you all did good with last month's Disappearing Block. I sure like the fabrics I picked out. I hope eventually you will share your blocks or quilts from the BOM with the newsletter so we can see how they turned out. It is always so neat to see what people are up to.

For this time I was drawn to a new site to me called Stash Bee. They have a nice step by step tutorial for this block called Hive 8. The link is [Hive 8 tutorial](#) The block is unfinished 16.5 x 16.5. The instructions have a YouTube clip from Missouri Star Quilting for the Double Square Star however remember the sizing is a bit bigger and they've added an extra piece to the block. It uses 4 focus fabrics and 1 background fabric. My two blocks turned out super cute. I hope you enjoy making it. If you run into problems contact me.

Sarah Beyer of Sarah in Stitches Longarm Service, [sarahbeyer@shaw.ca](mailto:sarahbeyer@shaw.ca), 778-269-2380 (call or text)



## Library

This is usually the newsletter when we look forward to the coming quilting year after our summer break. I'm running out of things to say. The good news is, that there appears to be some new quilting books being published!

We're keeping our eyes open so we can start buying some new books! We have quite a number of books in "lockup" at the Curling Rink and it will be quite a surprise when we get access to those cupboards.

Till we are able to meet in person again, stay safe and happy quilting. *The Library Team*

## NQG Zoom Account

Our Guild now has its own Zoom account, for the use of satellite groups or Guild business/activities only. Guests are welcome to attend presentations or meetings one time as per usual Guild policy. Please contact Nancy Lutes at [dnlutes@telus.net](mailto:dnlutes@telus.net) for the email and password should your group wish to use our account.

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:

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## NQG Meeting Minutes June 16, 2021

Acting President Bonnie Eaton began the meeting at 7:00 pm welcoming all attending on Zoom. Our next Guild meeting will be on September 15, 2021. As some pandemic restrictions may still be in effect for in person meetings at that point, general meetings will be held via Zoom in September and October.

**AGM Minutes of May 19, 2021:** Accepted as in the newsletter, moved by Nancy Lutes; seconded by Stephanie Gislason. Carried.

**Treasurer:** Bonnie indicated all was in good order as reported at the Executive meeting..

**Membership:** The membership fee for the 2021 – 2022 guild year is due. Forms are available on the website and in the newsletter. Payment may be made with e-transfer or with a cheque. The forms must be completed to ensure membership information is correct and current.

**Block of the Month:** See Sarah Beyer's article page 6.

**Donations:** No report was received, but it was observed that several quilts had been handed in and shown at the NCC in the afternoon. There will be a donation to Victim Services in the near future.

**Placemats:** See Heather Henderson's report on page 4.

**Program:** Kathleen Kane. A reminder and description of the upcoming presentation by Coreen Zerr was given. Because of the uncertainty regarding in person meetings, it is intended that all programs will be virtual for the next guild year. Collaboration with the NMQG and the Parkville guild will continue. It is anticipated that a Zoom workshop may be available this summer for our guild, with the plan to deliver four or five in the coming year.

Janet Knecht suggested that making a T-shirt quilt and a UFO day might be of interest.

Thanks were extended to Vicki Zoltay for agreeing to host the monthly Sew In during the summer. This will occur the first Monday of the month.

**Quilt Bee:** Janet Knecht. See her report on page 2.

**Announcements:** Coreen Zerr. Laura Morrissey and Coreen will have their charity quilt sale August 28. A reminder will be emailed to the membership closer to the date.

There was a general vote of thanks given to Bonnie for her excellent piloting of our group during these uncharted pandemic waves.

**Slide Show:** Kathleen Kane. Numerous quilts were shown along with comments given by the respective quilter.

The meeting concluded at 8:10 pm.

*Submitted by: Norma Steven, recording secretary*



On June 10, Pat Clements, Sue Creba and Lynn Bentsen delivered quilts to NRGH for NICU, VI Scan and Dufferin.

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## 2020 and 2021 Challenge

We have decided to have 2 parts to the Challenge this year. The first part will be voting on last year's challenge at the Christmas meeting. Would anyone with a completed 2020 piece please let Judy or Val know, by Wednesday, December 1, so that we know how many to plan for. The second part will be a short challenge for 2022 to be announced at the December meeting.

*Val Ansell and Judy Peterson, Challenge Committee*



Janice Perrino, CEO of Nanaimo and District Hospital Foundation, sent along this photo from the staff from VI Scan. This is how they prep a room for a child coming in to help them get ready for their medical tests, with a quilt and a teddy bear. This is for a 4 year old boy. Janice says 'Your quilts make all the difference in the world to them!'

## Quilts for Fire Victims

I'm sure you are aware of the devastating fire that destroyed the town of Lytton, B.C. in June, causing hundreds of people in the town and the surrounding area to lose everything they owned.

Heather's Fabric Shelf in Kamloops, BC is a quilt shop hosting a quilt drive to offer quilts to area residents. You can read more about this on facebook

## Making a difference

Many of you know Marlene Jones, a long time member of our Guild. Here is an article reprinted from the Children's Health Foundation of Vancouver Island Summer 2021 newsletter.

### "Handmade gifts with lifelong meaning"

"Families staying at Jeneece Place\* have been taking home beautiful, handmade quilts since 2012—thanks to dedicated volunteers like Nanaimo's Marlene Jones!

Marlene discovered her love of quilting when she moved to Africa for her husband's job. "A friend really got me going on quilting, doing bright African batiks and putting colours together that I'd never thought of."

When they moved back to Canada, Marlene joined the Nanaimo Quilters' Guild, who made donations to Ronald McDonald House. When Jeneece Place opened, Marlene had an idea. "We had followed the story of Jeneece as a young child," Marlene says. "I thought, well this is closer to home...why don't I take some quilts to Jeneece Place?"

As of September 2020, she's donated 500 quilts. At a value of \$125 per quilt, that makes her gift-in-kind contribution an incredible \$62,500! More than that, people are so touched that a stranger has taken the time to make a meaningful memento of their stay. Thank you for your wonderful contribution Marlene!

\* Jeneece Place is a home where children and their families can stay while receiving medical care in Victoria.

Envisioned by Jeneece Edroff and owned and operated by Children's Health Foundation, Jeneece Place is located on the Victoria General Hospital grounds, housing 10 bedrooms; a kitchen; dining, living and play rooms; and a backyard where kids can feel at home.

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