

Nanaimo Quilters Guild

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Next Meeting

Note Date Change!!!!

September 27, Nanaimo Curling Club, doors open at 1 pm & 6 pm, meetings at 1:30 pm & 6:30 pm

Next Executive Meeting (Zoom) September 13, 1:30 pm

Newsletter Deadline

September 21

Refreshments:

In September, members whose last names start with the letters A and B, it's your turn to bring goodies to the meeting for our coffee / tea break.

In our newsletters' online version, blue lettering gives a live link to websites and email addresses. Best viewed in Google Chrome (may not work on a Mac).

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 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

Presidents' Pen

Welcome to the Nanaimo Quilters' Guild 39th year! Autumn is a great time to be a quilter. Our days see us back inside and starting to think about all the holidays that inspire those special quilts and other items we love to make for ourselves and others.

We begin by thanking everyone who helped to make our guild show such a great success in June, especially our Co-Conveners, Janet Knecht and Bonnie Dormuth. Clearly it didn't overwhelm them too much as they both have already committed to returning in their roles for 2026!

There have been some changes to our committees and executive roles and the new crew are approaching the year with enthusiasm and lots of great ideas. We look forward to spending time with you this year learning, creating and connecting.

Happy Quilting, *Terri Askham & Kathleen Kane, Co-Presidents*

Guild Programs and Workshops

It's been a busy summer organizing our programs. We have managed to put together a few things for the Guild year:

September 23 & 24: Global Quilt Connection's Sampler Platter. Details about the teachers, their demos and the Zoom link will be sent out the week prior to the event. In **October** we will have a hand-out for the Procrastinator's Showcase. We hope you will have all six you list finished for the January meeting. We have another Workshop planned for **January 6th**...details to follow. We have 3 UFO Workshops planned: one on **January 20th**; the other dates are pending. In mid **February** we have Jeannette Blackmore and Vicki Dods hosting a 'Quilt as you Go' Workshop.

Darlene Potts (the previous owner of Creative Quilting in Duncan) has agreed to offer us a Pop-up Shop in the Spring. (And no, I have not forgotten about Kismet Quilts!) We'll talk some more at our September meeting.

Vicki Zoltay, Program Committee

Homewood Retreat

I hope everyone is enjoying the summer and staying cool. Some of us needed time to decompress from the Quilt Show. Wasn't that a great show!! Now it's time to start getting ready for a new Guild year and I'm starting by looking to those going to Homewood in November and those who are interested.

September is the time to make your final payment. Vicki and I are working out the dollar and cents with Homewood. You will receive a statement soon on your room and sewing assignments along with amount owing. Remember the balance is due at the September 27th meeting. Cash, cheque or credit card only, please.

Those who wish to go need to be get hold of me and we can arrange to get your name on the list. We are almost full and will be starting a wait list. Email me: judymp@shaw.ca or phone: 250-741 6071

Stay safe *Judy, Vicki and Lorraine, Homewood Retreat Organizers*

Donation Quilts

In June, we delivered quilts to the Hospital (2 wheelchair quilts, 4 quilts for pediatrics and 2 large adult lap quilts) and to Crossroads Pregnancy Centre (4 baby quilts and 4 receiving blankets). Many Oooh's and Aaah's and expressions of gratitude. We will be delivering to our other local organizations this fall.

In addition to donations to our regular agencies, several individual donations were made to Ukrainian refugees and a fire victim family from last year's forest fires in BC.

Last year we received and distributed 138 Book Bags for the Roots to Read program and 425 knitted baby hats to NRGH through the Hospital Foundation. The September meeting will be the last one where we accept kids' book bags for NRGH. The hospital now has a printed book bag sponsor and will no longer need donations of sewn bags.

One of our committee members is currently making a comfort quilt requested by Eden Garden for the removal of deceased residents. The Hospital has also requested a similar one.

Crossroads Pregnancy Centre is in need of shopping bags for their young moms, similar to those made for Haven recipients. We will accept those starting in September. *Donation Quilts Committee, Scrappy Bags*

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Placemats

Another summer almost over, and a new Guild Year about to start. The Quilt Show was a lovely way to end last year. The quilts were all so impressive and inspiring. We had 10 placemats donated at the Quilt Show and then another 10 over the summer. So we are starting with 133 placemats and 36 tea cozies. I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the September meeting. Hope you were busy making those lovely placemats over the summer. I will have some batting 13" X 19" at the Placemat table as per usual.

Your Placemat Committee, Heather, Norma and Maureen



Placemats donated over the summer

Library

It's a new year and there are new faces in the Library. Please be patient with us as we learn the ropes. At this time our team includes Anni, Barbara, Bonny, Elinor, Julia, Pat, Robin and Susan. Many hands make light work. Thankfully, Linda and Lil will be mentoring us at our first meeting.

Please return all books and magazines checked out last year. (a familiar refrain?) Hopefully everyone has had an opportunity to go thru the signed out items as we will not be processing renewals in September.

Just to refresh everyone's memory the Library is open for one half hour before the meeting and again during the coffee break.

Looking forward to seeing everyone. *The Library Team*

Membership

As we begin a new year we encourage all to renew and join. Thanks to the many who have already sent in their forms and funds for the 2023-24 year. To date we have two new members from Duncan that were enticed by our quilt show. Please welcome Carli Heinrichs and Rebecca Meehan-Danesin. Carli is a longtime quilter who enjoys crazy quilting and also has a blog carlithequilter.ca Take a look to see what she is up to. Rebecca has been a quilter for about 10 years and enjoys working with lots of colour in her quilt creations and learning new techniques.

Membership is now \$40 for the year with a charge of \$16 for those who want the newsletter mailed to them. Funds can be paid via cheque payable to Nanaimo Quilters' Guild or via e-transfer to membershipnqg@gmail.com Mailing address is: Nanaimo Quilt Guild Membership, P.O. Box 943, Nanaimo, B.C. V9R 5N2. The treasurer will be on hand at the September meeting for anyone wanting to pay by credit card.

A membership form is included in this newsletter and updated forms are on the www.islandquilters.ca website under the Membership tab. The form can be printed, and there is also a fillable pdf form there that can be saved and emailed to membershipnqg@gmail.com

Members for the coming year will be listed on the website once more renewals have been received. If you have any questions please contact membershipnqg@gmail.com

Keep on quilting and we look forward to seeing you soon. Cards and receipts will be available at the membership table at the September meeting for all who have paid.

Barbara Kerfoot, Laura Beswick, NQG Membership

Raffles

Welcome back ladies to another year of Raffles and Mystery Fabric tickets. They are still only \$1.00, one of the few things that have not gone up in price.

We need volunteers for the day meeting and the evening meeting. Linda is taking some well deserved time off from the day meeting and Sharon and Sandy need help in the evening. Sharon broke her wrist and is having some issues with her right hand. You would not be doing this on your own but helping myself and Joanne in the day or Sharon and Sandy in the evening.

See you with loonies and toonies at the September meeting. *Carole Phinney - Raffles chair*

Quilt Bee January 27, 2024

This year's Quilt Bee will be held on January 27, 2024 at the Oliver Woods Recreation Center on Oliver Road, Nanaimo. Time will be 9:00 am until 3:30pm.

This year's Bee will be pot luck. We believe it is safe to do so. Please bring a food dish to share with any dietary notes attached. Also a plastic bag or such to take your dirty dishes home. Coffee and Tea will be provided. Remember to bring your own mug.

We will have kits, backing and limited batting, (more on this later) at the Bee.

Sign up for Quilt Bee will start in September so get your team together and visit us at the Quilt Bee table. Also please bring any tote bags, Christmas stockings, and quilts that you have finished over the summer to the meeting.

Regarding batting, we are searching for a good deal so at this time we may only buy one roll (32 pieces.) We will start by giving only 1 piece per person until we can find a solution. Most batting will be held back for the Bee until a better price is found. The cost of batting rolls has gone up and shipping is ridiculous. If anyone knows of a cheaper solution, please let us know. Looking forward to a great day of quilting, lunch, and participation from many. Cross your fingers it doesn't snow!!!

Bonnie Dormuth, Janet Knecht (250-734-1671)
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Quilt Shows & Workshops

Chilliwack Quilters' Guild "Sew'd to Joy" Quilt Show, Oct. 13-14, Chilliwack Alliance Church at 8700 Young Street in Chilliwack, BC. 5 pm - 8 pm on Friday, Oct. 13, and 9 am-4 pm on Saturday, Oct. 14. Admission \$8, free for spouses and children under 15. Wheelchair accessible, plenty of free parking. <http://www.chilliwackquiltersguild.com/>

Westshore Quilters' Guild "Sew Magic" Quilt Show October 12-14, Eagle Ridge Community Centre, 1089 Langford Parkway, Langford, BC. Evening Gala 12 7-9 pm (tickets \$15 valid for Gala and Quilt Show). October 13 10-5, October 14 10-4. Admission \$10 (for both days) <https://www.westshorequiltersguild.ca/quilt-show> <https://www.facebook.com/WQGSHow/>

Phyllis Cullen Workshop Series, Oct 1-8, hosted by the Kingfisher Craft Company in Peachland, BC. Phyllis Cullen is a renowned artist from the big island of Hawaii. Four different workshops to choose from over 6 days, open workshop hours, lectures, a trunk show. Workshops: *Easy Stained Glass Quilts* (October 2), *Layered Portraits* (Oct. 3 & 4), *Tour Day* (Oct. 5), *Okanagan Impressionist Landscape Collage* (Oct.6), *WILD! Animal Fabric Collage* (October 7 & 8). Starting at \$175 CDN per workshop plus applicable taxes - payable by e-transfer at time of registration. contact: Jason Bieber, Kingfisher Craft Company, 250-718-4550 kingfishercraftco@gmail.com. See all info and register at www.kingfishercraftcompany.com

NanGo Grannies Giant Fabric Sale

NanGo Grannies 7th Annual Giant Fabric Sale **Saturday, September 16 at the Curling Club**, 10 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Lots of quilting fabric and supplies, Christmas, fashion and costume fabric, yarn and notions, an unfinished project section. We have several dozen rolls of beautiful upholstery fabric donated by Hartmann & Company, and some beautiful yarn donated by a local weaver. Prices start at \$3 a meter! We accept cash and credit cards and there is an ATM on site. Bargains galore and free parking, in the Curling Club parking lot, or across the street at Bowen Park. We recommend that you wear a mask while indoors due to the number of shoppers, and bring your own shopping bags for your purchases!

Thanks to all of you who have passed along some wonderful fabric to us. We have a great selection for sale!



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CQA Report

Welcome to a new guild year, returning and new members. Today's report is for the newer people who don't understand what CQA is. As the liaison between CQA and our guild, it's my job to fill you in and keep you informed on CQA activities.

So first of all, what is CQA? The Canadian Quilters' Association is the national group that connects quilters across Canada. They hold an annual juried and judged quilt show, in a different Canadian city each year. The 2024 show will be held next June in Edmonton, so work is beginning on that already.

Everything you need to know about CQA can be found on their website, at canadianquilter.com. From there you can search around to see what they are all about and you can join as a personal member if you like. Our guild is a member of CQA so you will find copies of their regularly published magazines in our library.

CQA connects quilters by offering a number of challenges and activities each year and the magazine that focuses on different quilters and quilting techniques going on across the country. Their annual show will give you a sampling of traditional, modern and cutting edge artistic quilting work. You will see more art quilts than traditional

and you will learn about the tools and techniques intrepid quilters are using to push the envelope in order to translate their plans, ideas and patterns into new and different pieces of fabric art that still fit within the definition of 'quilts'. There will be a nod to traditional work as well as quilts that tell stories and quilts that make statements.

CQA promotes quilting for youth as well, with an annual youth challenge at the juried show. It's inspiring to see what young, learning quilters are working on and the ideas they come up with to meet challenge requirements.

The website contains galleries of quilt photos, show winners, challenge winners, even barn quilts, most of which are available to everyone, not just members. So I hope you will have a look there if you haven't yet and consider joining or at least take advantage of the magazines you will find in the library. Again, the website is canadianquilter.com. Happy sewing,

Christine Hustins, CQA Liaison cahustins@gmail.com

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Houston Quilt

I received an email from a woman in Texas who asked about this quilt. I guessed it was one of the quilts that Guild members took to the 2008 Houston Quilt Show in for victims of Hurricane Ike. *Sue Creba* Here is her response:

“ That sounds about right. It was gifted to an elderly neighbor of mine who has passed on. We were in Seabrook when Hurricane Ike hit and our homes were affected. It was probably gifted to her at that time. I held on to the quilt because I thought it was pretty.”

If one of you know who made this quilt, Priscilla Eipper would love to hear from you! prisceip@gmail.com



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Meeting and AGM Minutes of May 17, 2023

Call to order: at 6:30 pm by President Terri Askham.

Moved Sandra Radley, seconded Stephanie Gislason to accept the Minutes of the General Meeting April 19, 2023 meeting as posted. Carried.

Treasurer's Report: Moved Judith McLaughlin, seconded Sue Creba to accept Treasurer's April 2023 report as posted. Carried.

Committee Reports (see June newsletter for reports)

Hospitality: 59 members present.

Quilt Show: See report page 3 & 4. Janet walked us through the timelines for set up and take down. We need more volunteers, especially for the tea room. Floor plan is done and will be confirmed with Black and White. June 5 to June 11 to be declared Quilt Week by the City of Nanaimo. **Boutique:** read full report on page 3. Quilts for sale on Show floor are paid for at Boutique and picked up on Sunday. **Show Challenge:** 15 pieces received today: Thank you to Pat Ryan, who is taking on Library! see report on page 5.

New Business: Bonnie has a proposed slate for 2023/2024 positions, nominations will be accepted from the floor. Job descriptions for open positions are on the bulletin board.

Annual General Meeting

Called to Order at 7:30 pm by Bonnie Eaton, Nominations Committee.

Moved Lunda Macey, seconded Stephanie Gislason, that the Minutes of the AGM of May 22, 2022 be accepted as posted. Carried.

The following were acclaimed. There were no nominations from the floor.

Executive

Co-Presidents: Terri Askham, Kathleen Kane

1st Vice-President: VACANT

2nd Vice-President: Bonnie Dormuth

Treasurer: Lija Bane

Secretary: Lorna Craig

Past President: Judith McLaughlin

Evening Convener: Kathleen Kane

Committees

Block of the Month: VACANT

CQA: Christine Hustins

Challenge: Vicki Dods, Jeanette Blackmore

Coffee: Tuesday K. Shay

Donations Committee: (Scrappy Bags satellite group)

Historians: Greta Simmons, Marsha Whitmee

Hospitality: Bonnie Palfy, Bonnie Dimitry, Barb Root

Evenings: Karla Hanson, Sandra Radley

Library: Pat Ryan

Membership: Barb Kerfoot (chair), Laura Beswick, Maggie Picard

Newsletter Advertising: Ellen Ellis

Newsletter Editor: Sue Creba

Newsletter Mailing: Linda Campbell

Phoning Committee: Trish Kirk

Placemat Committee: Heather Henderson

Program Committee: Vicki Zoltay (chair), Judy Hunter, Lorraine Daley, Nancy Lutes

Publicity: Lorraine Daley

Quilt Bee: Janet Knecht

Raffles: Carole Phinney

Retreat: Judy Peterson, Vicki Zoltay

Webmaster Liason: Sue Creba

AGM adjourned.

DRAWS:

Block of the Month: Greta S.

Show & Share: Moire P.

Hospitality: Vivki D.

Mystery fabric: Bonnie Dormuth

Raffles: Vicki Z., Sharon D., Norma F., Sandra R. Barbara Karabek, Tuesday S. x 2, Judith M., Susan G., Maggie P.

Adjourned: 8:02 pm. *Lorna Craig, Secretary*

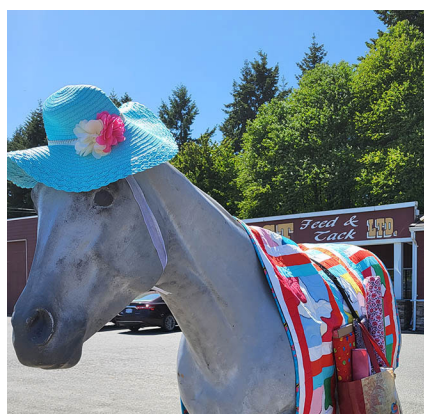
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Above: Lynn Bentsen won the Blanche Gates Memorial Award for her round robin quilt (shown) at our June 2023 Quilt Show.

Right: Cantelope the horse dressed up to advertise our June Quilt Show outside the Trading Post across from the airport.



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Nanaimo Quilters' Guild

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2023 / 2024 year

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I was an Honorary Member in 2022-23 ☐

I do ☐ do not ☐ consent to my personal information appearing on the membership list that is provided to the members of the Nanaimo Quilters' Guild.

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Print Name _____

Signature _____

Areas in which I am willing to volunteer:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Hospitality | <input type="checkbox"/> June Picnic | <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Raffles | <input type="checkbox"/> Placemats | <input type="checkbox"/> Executive | <input type="checkbox"/> Block of the Month |
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