

Nanaimo Quilters Guild

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Next Meeting

September 18, Nanaimo Curling Club, doors open at 1 pm & 6 pm, meetings at 1:30 pm & 6:30 pm

Next Executive Meeting (Zoom) September 11, 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 [here](#)

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 back to the start of another Guild year. Did you know it was 40 years ago that the Nanaimo Quilters Guild first opened its doors? Further on in this newsletter you'll find information about the 40th Anniversary celebrations that are being planned. It will be a special time.

As we head back indoors, it will be time to tune up the sewing machine and get going on those projects you've dreamed about all summer. The Guild will be offering programs to inspire you and workshops to teach you how, including the relaunch of the popular Block of the Month segment. Whether it's placemats or donation quilts or even a Quilt of Valour, there will be lots of opportunity to develop and exercise your quilting skills.

We extend our thanks to all the new and returning faces on the committees that are ramping up for the fall activity. At 40 years young, it will undoubtedly be the most memorable Guild year ever.

Happy Quilting! Ellen Ellis & Kathleen Kane, your Co-Presidents

40th Anniversary Celebrations

October 2024 is the 40th anniversary of Nanaimo Quilters' Guild's first meeting! To celebrate this milestone year, you'll see new and regular activities at the meetings throughout the year with a "40" or Ruby/Red theme. Keep an eye on this space in the newsletter for information as plans unfold and look forward to a special treat in October!

Guild Programs and Workshops

Our Garage Sale is scheduled for Wednesday, October 16, 2024 at the Curling Club during our regular Guild meeting. Remember the cost is \$10 per table with a maximum of 15 tables.

Our Studio Tour is scheduled for Saturday, November 9th and Sunday, November 10th. This is an opportunity for you to show off your quilting space. We only have 4 members registered so far; we have lots of room left.

The Pet Mesh Bag workshop is scheduled for Saturday, November 23... 9:00—3:30. Held at Jonanco, pot luck and the cost is \$20. Anyone who has registered was given a supply list. If you are interested in adding your name to the list, please let me know. *Program Committee Chair Vicki Zoltay*

Gloria Loughman September 7 in Parksville

The Parksville Quilt House Quilters Guild has invited our Guild to a presentation by Gloria Loughman from Australia, on Saturday, September 7, 2024 at 1:00 (doors open at 12:30) at Knox United Church in Parksville. There will be refreshments and door prizes as well. The charge for non-Parksville Guild members is \$10 at the door (first come first served).

Donation Quilts

At our June picnic, we received 1 lap, 3 NICU, and 3 baby/kids quilts. We delivered quilts to: Building Better Babies, Crossroads Crisis Pregnancy, Eden Gardens, Island Health (baby program), Community Hospice, Salvation Army, RCMP Victim Services, Nanaimo Regional General Hospital (Renal Unit, Palliative Care, VI Scan, NICU, Pediatrics and Dufferin Crescent) and to 2 new organizations - Sunfield Manor and Cornerstone. Thanks to generous donations of fabric from estates, we realized \$851 in sales of this fabric to our membership at a reduced price. We will put this toward purchasing batting and backing for the coming year.

We would like to acknowledge the especially generous donation of one of our newest members, Kathleen Holder for donating 50 quilts! Members Ginette Schewe, Nancy Lutes and Vicki Zoltay also deserve special commendations for their generosity.

In total this quilt year, the Guild has donated 152 quilts, 6 wheelchair quilts, 25 bags and 174 baby hats.

A sincere and huge thank you to all our members for their continuing creativity and generosity!

Donation Quilts Committee, the Scrappy Bags



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Placemats

We had 4 placemats turned in at the May meeting, so we now have 213 placemats and 28 tea cozies.

I am very grateful to those who have donated these beautiful items. We will need many more for our December distribution. Nanaimo Meals on Wheels have increased their client base dramatically over the past 2 years. In addition, they have asked that we include the volunteer drivers if possible. When I approached the membership there was general approval for doing this. That would mean they would need about 200 placemats. We usually provide 8-10 placemats for the Ladysmith Meals on Wheels and about 15-20 placemats for Gabriola Island Meals on Wheels, and about 100 placemats to the Salvation Army and the bulk of the tea cozies. If we are to continue to be generous, we need as many placemats turned in in the next 3-4 meetings as possible. So I am hoping you were all very busy over the summer doing just that! Norma will be at the Placemat Committee table in September with some batting (cut 13" X 19") to help you with this endeavour. I am away in September but will have lots more batting for the October meeting. Thanks so much.

Your Placemat Committee, Heather, Norma, Maureen



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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 2024-25 year.

We have a new member in Janet Murie from Duncan. Having quilted for about 30 years she finally decided to join a quilt guild to meet new quilters and to learn new techniques and ideas. Please make her feel welcome!

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 Membership forms are on page 12 of this newsletter as well as on the Guild website (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 The 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.

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

Cards and receipts will be available at the membership table at the September meetings for all who have paid. Keep on quilting and we look forward to seeing your creations in the Fall at Show and Share.

Barb Kerfoot & Laura Beswick, Membership Committee



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Upcoming Shows & Sales

Saturday, September 7, Gloria Loughman presentation 1:00 (doors open at 12:30) at Knox United Church in Parksville. For non-Parksville Guild members \$10 at the door (first come first served) Refreshments/ door prizes

Saturday, September 14 Barb Root's Garage Sale, 10930 Sea Vista Road, Ladysmith, V9G 2A1, 8 am to noon, 250-245-3320 (see info on page 9)

Saturday, September 21 NanGo Grannies Giant Fabric Sale, Nanaimo Curling Club, 10 am to 1:30 pm (page 7)

September 28-29, 10-4, 'Canadian Rockies' Quilt Show, The Mountain Cabin Quilters Guild, Canmore Recreation Centre, 1900 8 Ave Canmore, Alberta.

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CQA Report

Welcome back to another year of sharing and learning in our chosen craft of quilting. Canadian Quilters' Association (CQA) has a busy year planned, as usual.

This year's annual juried show, Quilt Canada, will be held June 18-21 at International Centre in Mississauga, Ontario.

Fall webinars are planned featuring Natasha and Aline Bugarin of Orbital Quilting, Kathy K Wylie, Terry Rowland and Peter Byrne. Visit the CQA website to find the details of events and to purchase tickets to these Zoom presentations.

Check out the CQA blog page for more information and details on specific events of interest to quilters. You can also visit the Facebook page for day to day updates and information on CQA happenings.

Your starting point for CQA information is the website at canadianquilter.com

Happy 40th anniversary to Nanaimo Quilters' Guild, let's make it memorable!

Christine Hustins, CQA liaison

Raffles

Happy beginning of another quilting year. I am looking forward to shopping for prizes for the raffle table.

Start saving your loonies for raffle tickets. Yes, that is one thing that has not gone up in price. Raffle tickets are still \$1.00 for the choice of 8 raffle prizes and \$1.00 for a chance on the one metre of mystery fabric. If any one of you asks how much the tickets are, we know you haven't read this newsletter.

Serge and Sew is once again donating gifts for our raffle table so please support this wonderful shop and say "Hi" to Becky. We appreciate donations of quilty things from our members and the more donations we get means my shopping money can go to more costly raffle prizes. If there are any raffle prizes you would like to see, please let me know, suggestions are welcome. Looking forward to seeing you in September with your loonies.

Carole Phinney, Raffles chair



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General Meeting Minutes of May 15, 2024

Call to order: 6:34 pm by Kathleen Kane, Co-President

Moved by Sandra Radley, seconded by Tuesday Shay that the minutes of the General Meeting of April 17, 2024 be accepted as posted. **Carried.**

No Correspondence

Hospitality: 53 members present, no guests.

Committee Reports

40th Anniversary: would like a couple more volunteers.

June Picnic: June 12, 4-7 pm.

Donations: see report on page 2 of June newsletter.

Retreat: for strip poker: 2 1/2" strips the width of the fabric, 3 white with red and 3 red with white.

Program: see report on page 1 of June newsletter.

Library: books signed out are due in September.

Quilts of Valour: see report on page 8 of June newsletter.

Challenge Quilts: members voted on the six entries, the winner was Vicki Dods.

New Business: a big THANK YOU to Terri Askham for all her work as co-president for the past two years.

DRAWS:

Show & Share: Vicki Zoltay

Hospitality: Dana Roncin, Val Ansell

Mystery Fabric: Lija Bane

Raffles: Bonnie Dimitry, Mary Jane McLaughlin, Maggie Warren, Judi Moran, Elinor Martin-Law, Sue Creba, Norma Franks, Elinor Martin-Law

Adjourned: at 7:50 pm *Lorna Craig, Guild Secretary*

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Library Report and New Books

It's great to be back. Anni, Barbara, Bonny, Elinor, Julia, Pat, Robin, Sharon and Susan remain as our team. Bonny and Sharon are the evening team and the rest of us take turns during the afternoon meetings.

Please return all books and magazines checked out last year. (a familiar refrain?) Hopefully everyone has had an opportunity to go through 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.

We are again very fortunate to share some additional new publications (to us). They are from the same Guild Member who donated books earlier in the year from the collection of a recently deceased quilting friend. These books will be on display on the window ledge. The label for all these new items will begin with B-23- 044 ending with B-23-59.

Bouquet of Blooms by Leisure Arts
 Patchwork Quilting by Company's Coming
 Favorite Quilts by Fons and Porter
 Quilting Illusions by Celia Eddy
 Quilting: The Basics and Beyond by Jeri Simon
 Decorating for Christmas by Sandra Hatch
 Christmas with Possibilities by Lynda Milligan
 Heirloom Machine Quilting by Harriet Hargrave
 Fusible Magic by Nancy Johnson-Srebro
 At Piece with Time by Kristin Steiner
 Hand and Machine Applique by Alex Anderson
 Applique with Attitude by Becky Goldsmith
 Shibori Designs and Techniques by Mandy Southan
 Quilt the Seasons Book 2 by Pat Sloan
 Christmas is Coming by Cheryl Taylor
 On the Run Again by Heather Peterson
 Looking forward to seeing everyone. *The Library Team*



NanGo Grannies Fabric Sale

On **Saturday, September 21, 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. upstairs at the Curling Club**, the annual NanGo Grannies Giant Fabric & Yarn Sale will take place. Thanks to many generous donations from quilters, we have a large selection of quilting fabrics, supplies and notions for sale, in addition to our other fabric and yarn categories.

All proceeds from this sale go to the Stephen Lewis Grandmothers to Grandmothers campaign supporting grandmothers and community groups working to provide assistance with HIV and AIDS in sub-Saharan Africa. We continue to increase the amount of money we send to African projects. Last year, we donated \$14,000 from our sale!

Remember to bring your own bags or other containers. Cash & plastic are accepted. Masks are suggested due to the number of shoppers!

Questions? Call Sue Creba at 250-753-3371.

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June 12 Show and Share Quilts



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Right:
The quilt that won the \$250 donated by NQG at Quilt Canada in Edmonton this June



Barb Root's Garage Sale

Saturday, September 14, 8:00- 12:00

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Sale items:

Q'nique mid-arm quilting machine, Baby lock Esante quilting and embroidery machine, sewing machine cabinet, Elna Carina Electronic machine, Elna Serger 614 DE, fabric, books, patterns, scissors, small task lights, pins, pillow forms, all kinds of threads, Omnigridd carry case, Supply case, machinglers, and more!



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Right: a heritage quilt restored by Janet Knecht



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Nanaimo Quilters' Guild

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2024 / 2025 year

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Raffles | <input type="checkbox"/> Placemats | <input type="checkbox"/> Executive | <input type="checkbox"/> Block of the Month |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | | |

Do you have an **expertise** you could present at a program or workshop?

Pd: Date _____ ☐ Cash ☐ Cheque # _____ ☐ Credit Card ☐ e-transfer

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