

Nanaimo Quilters Guild

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Next Meetings

November 17, possible meeting at Curling Club in afternoon

**Nov. 17 evening: zoom meeting
Peter Byrne presentation at 7 pm**

**If no in person afternoon meeting,
then donation drop-off in Curling
Club parking lot 1 - 2 pm,**

Next Executive Meeting (Zoom)

November 11, 1:30 to 3:30 pm

Newsletter Deadline

November 21

Quilt Show Countdown

20 months until June 2023!

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)

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

Presidents' Pen

Thanks to all of you who have taken the time to respond to our inquiry about your interest in returning to in-person meetings. If you haven't yet done so, please do let us know your thoughts. Once the results are tallied and the executive has reviewed them, we'll advise members via an email on the plan for the November meeting and the guild website will be updated.

While we understand that members will be ready to return to meeting in-person at differing times, our goal is to provide as many options as possible for participation within a reasonable set of costs.

Thanks also to all of those who are renewing their memberships, please keep those rolling in! We depend on your membership to deliver programs and services both online and in person.

It wouldn't be November without taking a moment of pause to reflect and thank those in our communities who have served and continue to serve Canada at home and around the world through the armed forces. Many of you have made Quilts of Valor and perhaps know of veterans or serving members who have received a quilt through this wonderful program. To find out more about this organization, check out the Quilts of Valour website at www.quiltsofvalour.ca

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

2021-2022 Guild Program

I hope everyone enjoyed the great viewing and inspiration on the Global Quilt Connection's 'Sampler Platter' last month as well as their four "Meet the Teacher" videos and associated Scavenger Hunt plus the Live Studio Tour videos. There was certainly lots to keep us occupied and entertained!

We have some great programs and presenters lined up over the next few months, some on our regular meeting day, some on other days.

Upcoming Guild Programs:

Wednesday, November 17, 7pm: Peter Byrne, "Behind the Seams" Lecture/Trunk Show

December: No program presentation but maybe something organized by the Christmas Committee?

Tuesday, January 11, 7pm: Rose Parr, "Sew Smart: The Ergonomics of Healthy Quilting" Lecture

Wednesday, February 15, 7 pm: Krista Hennebury, "Who Gives a Flying FQ About Accuracy?" Lecture

We also have some exciting workshops lined up. Feel free to check out these presenters' websites to find out more about them and what they offer.

Upcoming Guild Workshops:

Saturday, December 4: Melissa Marginet, Modern Quilting with a Walking Foot (6 hrs)
(continued on page 2)

Program cntd.

Saturday February 5, Sunday, February 6: Peter Byrne, Hover Quilting (two 1/2 days)

Saturday, March 12: Krista Hennebury, Speed Date with Improv (6 hrs)

Signup sheets will be available for these workshops at the in-person meeting on the 17, if that takes place. Otherwise watch your email for workshop launches and registration details.

As always, if you know of presenters, workshop teachers or topics you are interested in, please let the Program Committee know - we welcome your input.

FUNDamentally Circles Workshop

Our first ever virtual workshop was held on October 30th with 14 eager students learning how to freeform piece quarter circle blocks without pins. Brenda Gael Smith of Serendipity Patchwork & Quilting in Sydney Australia gave us 3 hours of FUN and inspiration and showed how freeing it is to ditch the templates and pins and use improv methods to create one-of-a-kind blocks that can be sliced and diced to make even more creative forms.

The virtual format meant each student could work from the comfort of their own space and everyone had a front row seat. (see screen shot photos of workshop below)

Your Program Committee has more exciting virtual workshop opportunities lined up (see above).

Kathleen Kane, Chair, Program Committee



Membership

Keep the renewals and new memberships coming in! The Program Committee has some exciting sessions lined up for us and you will want to share in them. We now stand at 96. Registration information is on our website (www.islandquilters.ca) under Membership and with e-transfers and a fillable application form it can be done quickly and efficiently. Not comfortable with that? We still accept cheques payable to the Nanaimo Quilt Guild and forms can be mailed to NQG Membership, P.O. Box 943, Nanaimo, B.C. V9R 5N2. Dues are \$30 with \$15 added if you want the newsletter mailed.

Not sure if you have renewed or not? The present membership list is now on the website as it stood on October 14th. Any renewals after this date will not yet be listed.

Membership cards have now been printed and some were handed out on October 20 at the curling club parking lot. Others will await you at our first in person meeting.

We would like to welcome the following new members and hope we can all meet them in person very soon to share in their quilting history and experiences: Teresa Bellingier, Daphne Graff, Sheila Redel, Patricia Sayer, Carly Simon and Adrienne Stacey Happy quilting to all!

Barbara Kerfoot, Membership
membershipnqg@gmail.com

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Quilt Bee

Nothing new to report except to say, start thinking about whether you want to sign up for an in-person quilt bee in January. If we have an in-person Guild meeting in November, I will have a sign up sheet there. Otherwise I will get that info through email. I will let you know the decision. I'm going to Oliver Woods in the next week or so to find out exactly what rules they have in place.

I collected 7 quilts (2 shown here) in the parking lot in October and now have quite a few in storage, about 70 so I am going to call Haven House to see if they are ready to take a few off our hands. Storage locker is getting a little crowded.

Thanks, Janet Knecht and the Quilt Bee Committee



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Donation Quilts

Thank you to all the ladies for dropping off their quilts at the curling rink parking lot on October 20, the weather cooperated and we stayed dry. Thirteen quilts were handed in, thanks so much for labels on all of them.

We have had two twin size quilt tops donated by Laurie Webster, which need to be quilted and bound. Please contact us if you are interested in doing this.

If all goes well, we will be able to meet in person the afternoon of November 17. If you attend, you can bring your donation quilts. (If you don't want to attend the meeting, one of us will be by the entry door to accept your quilts.)

If we do not meet in person, we will again be accepting quilts in the curling rink parking lot between 1 and 2 pm on that day. Batting, backing and labels will be available.

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

Some of the donation quilts collected on October 20



Donation Quilts



Above: front and back of a donation quilt



Placemats

Thank you to everyone who turned in placemats on October 20. The weather was quite cooperative, by the time 2 pm rolled around it was actually sunny. Also, as per usual the placemats are all beautiful. I am sure recipients will be very happy to have one adorn their table this Christmas. We had 38 placemats donated to the Guild which brings our tallies up to 223 placemats and 55 tea cozies. This is a very respectable number for giving this Christmas, but I would not be unhappy to receive a few more. Hopefully we will be able to meet in person in November, but if not, I think we will reduce our time in the parking lot to one hour between 1-2 pm as it is likely to be cold. If we do have a November in-person meeting I will be there. I will have the usual batting cut 13" X 19". Again, thank you all.

Your Placemat Committee, Heather, Norma, Maureen

NQG Zoom Account

Our Guild has its own Zoom account, for the use of satellite groups or Guild business/activities. Contact Nancy Lutes at ndlutes@telus.net for the email and password should your group wish to use our account.



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CQA Report

Canadian Quilter magazine will be available at the guild library when we start meeting again in person, and you can check out the CQA website anytime at canadianquilter.com.

Thank you to all quilters who helped make the 2021 TrendTex Challenge a success. The quilts donated and auctioned off raised over \$4,500 for CQA/ACC!

And a quick look at what's going on at CQA this fall.....

- **The 2022 CQA/ACC TrendTex Challenge**, "Refresh" fabric bundles on sale for non-members November 1, 2021. See [Refresh Guidelines](#) for details.
- Start your **2022 CQA/ACC Individual Member Challenge "Rewire"** [info here](#)
- Mentor a youth to participate in the 2022 JN Harper **Youth Challenge – Real Fun** Guidelines: [English](#) or [French](#)
- The **2022 Mystery Quilt** started in September! The supply list is available now. Check for more information about the 2022 Mystery Quilt and retrieve the supply list in the **Members Only Studio** on our website. 5 more clues will be released in November - March.
- Send in your fat quarters for the 40th Anniversary Fat Quarter Lottery.
- Submit a teaching proposal for Quilt Canada 2023, if you teach quilting.
- Try the new online version of the Canadian Quilter magazine

Quilt Canada 2022 is scheduled to be held at the Vancouver Convention Centre (East) June 15-18, 2022. Check the [Quilt Canada 2022](#) page often as we will be adding more information over the coming months:

Is this the year you enter the National Juried Show?

Check out the [Call for Entry](#) for the 2022 show. Entry form opens January 3, 2022 and closes February 17, 2022, which means you have lots of time to complete your entry.

Join us! [Canadian Quilter Membership](#)

submitted by Christine Hustins, CQA rep



October 20 donation quilt

Quilts of Valour (QOV)

Our Nanaimo Guild has been the most generous on the Island in donating QOV. They are looking for a rep for the mid island. To find out more, contact Sandra at (250) 756-2421 or visit their [website https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca](https://www.quiltsofvalour.ca) and click on the red Join Our Team tab.

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Block of the Month Sew-Along

I hope you enjoyed working on the Halloween Candy block. I got my blocks sewn together, then changed my mind about one of the fabric choices. Reminder to audition fabrics before cutting! That's my tip of the day. Lol. I'm looking forward to adding this block to my Halloween quilt.

This month's block is inspired by the turning of the leaves. We have done a leaf block in the past but I found a neat looking leaf from September 21, 2020 on Marie's Quilt Bee [blog spot website](https://rie-quiltbee.blogspot.com/2020/09/the-leaves-are-beginning-to-turn.html) <https://rie-quiltbee.blogspot.com/2020/09/the-leaves-are-beginning-to-turn.html>. Marie lives in Pembroke, Ontario. The block is 7 1/2" unfinished. I was lucky to find a number of red 2" strips in my red scraps container so was able to use different fabrics for this block. In my sample I didn't put in a stem as her pattern directed. I followed her directions for making the main leaf point but you can use your favourite technique for that block. Her template, for example, could be used as a paper piecing unit.

Terri received some prizes from Island Sewing Centre in Campbell River so there's a possibility of having a draw for participation. We propose receiving pictures of completed blocks through posting on our facebook page, or email: sarahinstitchesnanaimo@gmail.com (my shaw account is at 98-100% so won't work). Although we will be trying to get back to in person meetings I know some of you won't be able to go to the meetings and I would hate to exclude you from a chance to win. Terri has agreed to mail out prizes to the winner. Also let me know if you would like to go back to a block draw program or just continue with a sew along program. I'll also ask for a show of hands at the in person quilt meeting. The deadline for posting the pictures will be the day before the meetings. I hope this works out as I would love to see your blocks.

Take care, *Sarah Beyer*, 778-269-2380 cell

2020 and 2021 Challenge

A reminder that if you completed the 2020 challenge, please let Judy or Val know by Wednesday, December 1 (whether we meet in person or by Zoom). These will be voted on at the Christmas meeting. The short challenge for 2022 will be announced at the December meeting.

Val Ansell and Judy Peterson
Challenge Committee

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](#)



Library

We may have an in-person meeting in November and we can return our library materials! The Library Committee is working on a plan for returning and checking out library materials if/when we are able to get back together.

IF we are meeting in person, please follow the directions to access the library. Thank you to everyone for taking such good care of our library materials. *Library Team*



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NQG Meeting Minutes October 20

Meeting called to order at 7:00 clock by Kathleen Kane in the chair. 30 members present on Zoom

Moved by Judy Moran, seconded by Laurie Webster to accept minutes of September 15 General Meeting as posted. Carried.

Correspondence: none

Treasurer: Balance in Guild and Show accounts are healthy. Moved by Nancy Lutes, seconded by Linda Macey to accept Treasurer's report. Carried.

Announcements: Jonanco's Fabric Sale October 21, 10 to 2. Jonanco Quilting Retreat October 22 - 26, \$6/day for non-members. October 22 - 24 Salt Spring Island "Fabric Frenzy" at the Farmers Institute. October 30 & 31 "The Connected Journey" art quilt show by Morag Orr-Stevens at the Gabriola Arts and Heritage Centre.

Business Arising from Minutes: members have received an e-mail regarding in person meeting in November. When results are tabulated the membership will be notified. If an in person meeting occurs there will be no program component. Covid Health guidelines will be followed.

Committee Reports:

Membership: we have 96 members, including 6 new members. Cards are ready. Will be available at in person meeting.

Library: will be open at an in person meeting with a different physical arrangement due to Covid rules.

Donations: received 13 quilts October 20. Working on dedicated e-mail. Have received a donation of Dresden Plate hand-quilted squares that need to be put together if anyone is interested please contact the committee.

Placemats: see report on page 6. We now have 225 placemats.

Block-of-the Month: see Sarah's report on page 8. Currently planning a way for members to send pictures of their blocks for a draw and some small prizes.

Quilt Bee: 7 quilts received today. Oliver Woods room is booked for January. see report on page 4.

Christmas Party: Will again be a non-food event. Nothing currently planned. ?possible New Year's event instead? Janet Knecht will contact the rest of the committee and report back

CQA: see report on page 7.

Program: see report on page 1 & 2

New Business: none

Show and Share: 3 ladies showed their work

Meeting adjourned at 7:57 pm

Submitted by Lorna Craig Secretary

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Nanaimo Quilters' Guild
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