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## Meet the Executive

This section of the Newsletter will be used to introduce the Members of the Executive.

Alicia Anderson is our Vice President. Here is a little about her. I moved from Alberta in September 2017. I started quilting after taking some classes at a local quilt shop in Okotoks where I lived. It was soon after that I bought a machine that also allowed me to do machine embroidery and took some classes on creating quilts including this. I love how quilts seem to appear suddenly out of a mess of fabrics. There are so many different kinds and colour combinations the excitement never ends! There is always something new to learn and a different way to do something, the challenges keep my love for this burning.

*Stay tuned to see who will be introduced next Month.*

## Executive Members

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## Don't Forget:

- Our meetings and workshops are **scent free**
- Wear your Name Tag
- Sew and Tell
- Questions for "Quilting Q&A"

## 2018 Meeting Dates

(All meetings are held on Mondays at the Trinity United Church Hall in Mahone Bay)

**April 1, 2019 – 6:30 for 7:00pm**

**May 6, 2019 – 6:30 for 7:00pm**

**June 3, 2019 - Closing Pot Luck Dinner and AGM**

**Sept. 9, 2019 - 6:30 for 7:00pm**

## Meeting Minutes

**Mahone Bay Quilt Guild**

**March 11, 2019**

Pam Wells called the meeting to order at 1 PM. She welcomed guest, Alex MacDonald, son of Kimberley.

### **Minutes of February 4, 2019**

Moved by Rose Lesage and seconded by Anna Davison the adoption of the minutes.

### **Treasurer's Report**

Moved by Ann Phelan and seconded by Isabel Fancy the adoption of the report. Ann explained a few things about the budget for 2019-2020. Although membership is up, Ann only budgeted for \$3300 in case this doesn't continue to be the trend, and \$480 for raffle quilt, which is to pay for fabric, etc. as we are making it ourselves this year. Moved by Ann Phelan and seconded by Marilyn Verburch the approval of the budget.

### **Membership**

We are now at 144 members. Two new members since our last meeting.

### **Bees**

Since there has been no response from anyone regarding a bee on either the weekend or throughout the week, this item will be set aside.

### **Workshop**

We are getting ready for our EQ, Elaine Quehl in May. There are still 2 spots available in the one day Hosta workshop, and one spot in the 2 day workshop.

### **Library**

A second Sue Spargo book has arrived but has already been signed out.

### **Program**

Looking for suggestions/ volunteers for programs for Sept., Oct. & Nov. Rose would like to have this booked before the summer. Any members interested in doing a program please see Rose.

### **Cuddle day**

This Saturday is cuddle quilt day. Ann Phelan volunteered to coordinate things in the kitchen. It was decided that everyone would bring their own dishes so nobody would be left with cleanup.

### **Mini Retreat**

Christine reported that there are still 3 chalets available. Please contact her if you are interested in going.

### **Afternoon Tea**

Judy Cooper asked for a few more volunteers. There was discussion about what members should bring. Not all details have been worked out. An email will be sent out to the membership soon.

### **Yard Sale**

The date is May 4. Tables are \$6 for half table and \$12 for full table. Please contact Alicia.

### **Education Fund/Pictou Retreat**

Pam gave information on the Pictou retreat. There is only one teacher, doing a mystery quilt. There are 2 independent studies. The fee is \$800. The guild will pay \$500 towards registration for each of 2 people. Dates are Sept. 18-23. Names will be drawn at the April meeting. Only those who are will to go and pay the extra \$300 should put their name in the draw.

### **Quilt Show 2020**

We still need a chair for this event. Pam asked everyone to think about it.

### **Raffle Quilt**

Jill Green has volunteered to construct the quilt and Colleen Paton will machine quilt it.

### **Volunteer of the Year**

Isabel Fancy is once again coordinating this. Award will be presented at the June pot luck.

### **Desbrisay Quilt Display**

Pam is coordinating this in conjunction with the Desbrisay Museum's historical display from June to September. They are asking for both large and small hand quilted quilts. Their insurance will cover our quilts while on display there. A reception will take place on July 18.

### **Shadow for Communications**

Pam asked for a volunteer to shadow Barb Robson to take pictures of guild events and update the blog.

### **Fibre Art Challenge**

A flyer can be found out the MBQG Facebook page. Location is Ontario, and a group of New Zealand quilters will be participating.

### **Request for Executive**

Two members of our executive are at the end of their 2 year terms- program and secretary. Anyone interested should let Pam know.

## **Meeting Times**

A reminder that starting next month, April, we will be resuming night time meetings. Doors open at 6:30 for meeting start at 7.

## **Scents**

Pam reminded everyone to not wear scented products to guild events, since we have some members who are quite sensitive to scents.

## **Closing**

Moved by Isabel Fancy at 1:40 pm

## **Sew and Tell**

Donna Veinot – Carpenter's Wheel tree skirt, Fall table runner

Anna Davison – Delectable Mountains quilt, fish placemats, hot pads

Elizabeth Tumblin – Posey Quilt

Krista Garber – Moon Shadow cuddle quilt- machine quilted by Wendy Thistle

Peggy Abbott – Row by Row with a twist

Isabel Fancy – Gypsy Wife quilt- machine quilted by Paul MacDonald

Sandy Emenau – Cat on Quilts wall hanging, 2 cuddle quilts

Bridgewater Bee – Mug rug challenge

Marjorie Skinner – Aunt Grace (free pattern from Marcus fabrics)

Jan Strachan – King Lotus quilt, Baby girl quilt

Katina Chapman – Sand and Sea quilt – machine quilted by TLC Quilts

Kristina Hawkins – Cuddle quilts

Marilyn Verburch – Granddaughter's first quilt

Cathy Drummond – Where Land Meets the Sea wall hanging

## **Program**

Judy Cooper delighted us with a presentation of her textile art work.

## **Respectfully submitted**

Sandy Emenau, Secretary, MBQG

## Membership News

### [Buddy System](#)

Any new members wishing to be paired with a buddy for our April meeting, please see Krista prior to the start of the meeting.

### [Membership Renewal](#)

Our new membership year begins on June 1, 2019. Renewal payments may be made in May or June, by cash, cheque, E-transfers or credit card payment. Reminders will be sent over the next two months. Any current members who will reach age 80 between June 1, 2019 and May 31, 2020 qualify to renew as a life member at no charge. Please let Krista know if you will become a life member in our upcoming year.

## Program News

April's program will be a trunk show with Debbie Vermeulen and 2 other Members of "TARTS", (Textile Artists).

They will also have hand dyed fabric, small art pieces and a sea glass book for sale.

This sounds like another interesting program.

If you have an idea for a program, please let me know.

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## Workshop News

### **The Extraordinary Quilter - be Elaine Quehl**

Both classes are now full. If you have not already checked out her website, it can be found here [www.elainequehl.com](http://www.elainequehl.com).

Workshops will be held at Trinity United Church Hall, our usual meeting spot. The two-day workshop "**In Bloom**" is scheduled for Thursday and Friday, May 23rd and 24th. The one-day workshop "**Hosta**" will be held on Saturday the 25th.

Any questions about our Extraordinary Quilter event or have a suggestion for a workshop, please let us know!

Heather Sanft ([hmsanft@gmail.com](mailto:hmsanft@gmail.com))  
Marjorie Skinner ([michaelskinner537@gmail.com](mailto:michaelskinner537@gmail.com))  
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## Cuddle Quilt Day

Thank you everyone who helped make Cuddle Quilt Day a success once again this year. Your generosity is much appreciated throughout the community and these quilts will warm the hearts and souls of many. We have received a number of comments and suggestions regarding how we operate Cuddle Quilt Day. With that in mind the Executive is asking for volunteers to form a committee to work on a proposal for any possible change. Please note that any proposals for change will be presented before membership for discussion and approval. If you are interested in sitting on the committee, please contact Pam at [pammieD01@gmail.com](mailto:pammieD01@gmail.com)

Thanks again to Donna Veinot for coordinating again this year.

## “Afternoon Tea and Quilts by the Sea” with Elaine Quehl”

As many of you know, we are making changes this year, our annual “Dessert Party” will now be an afternoon tea on Wednesday May 22, 2pm (the hall will open at 1:30pm). A few tickets remain and they will be on sale at the April meeting. Members tickets are \$7 (plus a food donation) and non-members tickets are \$15. It would be appreciated if you could please have the correct change or a cheque.

If you are unable to attend the meeting you can reserve tickets by email Barb at [robsonbh@eastlink.ca](mailto:robsonbh@eastlink.ca)

## Mini Quilt Retreat

There are still spots available for the mini retreat at the Quarterdeck. If you would like to go but don't have a roommate, there are 2 villas looking for a 3rd person, and if there is a group, villas are still available. All the details for the retreat are in last month's newsletter, so please check there; if you've already deleted it you can access via the guild website, located [here](#) , or contact me, Christine Bell at [Dogonit@live.com](mailto:Dogonit@live.com)

## Quilter's Yard Sale

Our yard sale will be held at the Trinity United Church Hall on May 4, 2019 from 9 am – 1:00 pm. Here are the details:

Set up will begin at 8am

3ft (half table) - \$6.00 can buy 2 halves for full table.

There are 32 halves available.

If you have a **guild apron** we request that you wear it and please also **wear your guild name tags**.

Payment to Alicia once registered to ensure availability of request via cash at April guild meetings or e-transfer.

If you have any questions, please contact Alicia at [aliciaanderson101@hotmail.com](mailto:aliciaanderson101@hotmail.com)

## Guild Executive Position

We are still looking for someone who would be interested in shadowing Barb Robson for a year or so to help her with activities involved in photographing, documenting and posting our activities to the blog, etc.

Anyone with an interest in photography and blogging, or would like to learn about them, could find no better mentor than Barb. Please contact me, Christine Bell at 766-0202 or by email at [dogonit@live.com](mailto:dogonit@live.com)

## Quilt Display –DesBrisay Museum

DesBrisay has asked MBQG to supply hand quilted quilts and quilting related items to complement their display of historical quilts. These do not need to be vintage quilts. This installation which will be curated by guild member Val Header will run during the summer, drop off for quilts would be June 18 with pick up Sept 10. There will be an opening reception on July 18, 7-9. Loan forms to cover insurance will be provided. Please provide dowels if you have them.

I am asking that anyone interested to please send me a photo and description of the quilt or items by mid-April at [PammieD01@gmail.com](mailto:PammieD01@gmail.com)

Requested Items are:

- 6 Hand quilted quilts to hang.
- 6 Hand quilted wall hangings (smaller sizes).
- 2 Hand quilted quilts to fold over 2 Quilt Racks (if we can get two quilt racks).
- 2 Quilt Racks.
- Quilting tools. Hoops, patterns, vintage, etc. Something for smaller displays or to fit inside a glass showcase.
- Quilting demonstration will be sometime between July 16-25.



## In the Community

### Slow Quilting

We gather with our handwork at the Biscuit Eater in Mahone Bay from 2-4pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of the month.

The April dates are: April 8 and 29th

New members, new quilters are most welcome! Come and see what we are doing, maybe you will be inspired to start a handwork project!

## Pictou Retreat

This year we will again draw for two members to attend the Pictou Retreat. Names will be drawn from those in attendance at our April meeting, if you are not able to be at the April meeting please email Pam Wells at [pammied01@gmail.com](mailto:pammied01@gmail.com) to have your name submitted. Cost of retreat is \$800.00 and the MBQG will pay \$500.00 directly to Pictou Retreat and you pay the remaining balance. You are responsible for our own transportation. If the winner is unable to attend the next person drawn will be eligible to receive the \$500.00. I have attached two documents which provide information on the retreat.

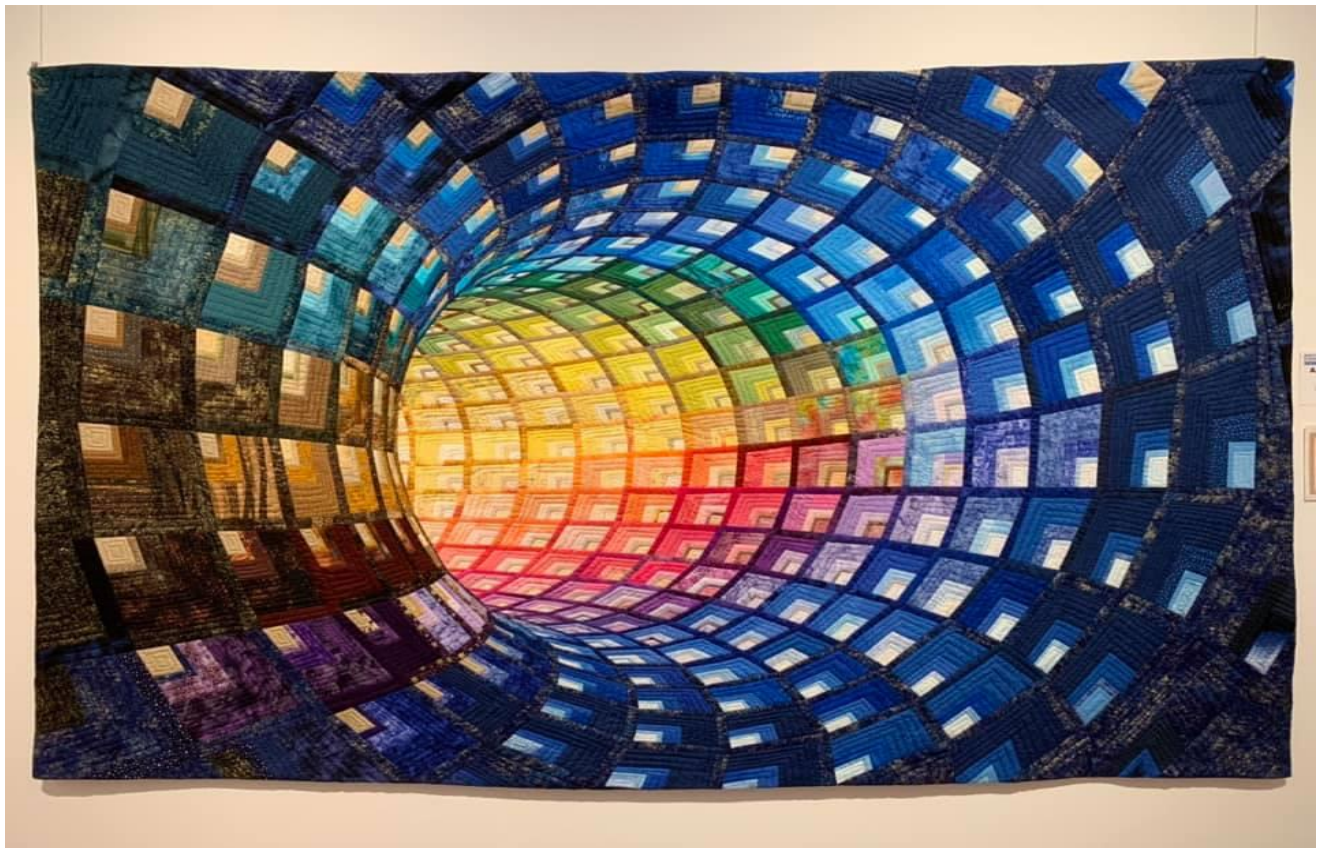
## Free Patterns

(I will share links to free patterns here, if you found one you would like to share, please send it to me at [mbqgnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mbqgnewsletter@gmail.com) )

Remember, if you have anything to share, please send it to me, Gail Stryde, at [mbqgnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mbqgnewsletter@gmail.com)

## Odds and Sods

I thought I would share a picture of Quilt that Ricky Tims shared on Facebook. It was at the Spanish Patchwork Association show and is by Montse Forcadell Blasco. I would love to attempt it, how about you?





## At the Meeting:

(This section will feature picture(s) from Sew & Tell)



*Jan's Lotus Quilt.*



*Judy's Beautiful Advent Calendar made for her Granddaughter.*