



Mahone Bay Quilters Guild
piecemakers
by the sea

April 2017 News Letter

Please send information on events of interest to members be it shows, tours, events. If you enjoy something on the internet, you may be sure others will too. Send information to Nancy.mac@eastlink.ca

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Members. Gail Stryde, Marilyn Congdon and Donna

Veinot

Note the addition of e-mail addresses of the executive for your easier communication to the appropriate person in the event of a query/problem/idea, etc.

Canadian Quilters Association



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Comment

April showers bring May flowers as the old saying goes. The days will lengthen, the sun will shine and our thoughts will turn to being outside so get those big quilting projects finished on the rainy days.



Quote



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Volunteers Still Needed

Cuddle Quilt in 2018 – A volunteer(s) is needed to replace the current team organizing the event. This is appearing in 2017 because the organizers want to have the volunteer(s) shadow this year's event to be comfortable with the event and tasks. This event will be March 18th this year. Contact a member of the executive if you are interested or Sheila Langille directly.

We also need someone to Chair programming. There are excellent members of this committee to help.

Workshop News

Our Extraordinary Quilter workshops with Krista Hennebury will wrap up the quilting year. If you have registered for these workshops and have questions regarding the supply list or cutting instructions, let us know. We have a few spots available in her workshops. Have a look at Krista's blog (poppyprintcreates.blogspot.ca) - she's teaching in Australia.

Regrettably, Anna Davison's workshop was cancelled due to low registration. Arrangements are being made to refund the money that was received. Mary Gray will have cheques for reimbursement at the April meeting. If you can't attend, contact her to make other arrangements.

Bring along your completed CQA slab blocks to the April meeting. We've had a wonderful response and have received 195 completed tops from our blocks. So far all have been sewn into tops. We're waiting for a few more before we send them to the CQA. The deadline will be the May meeting.

Plans are underway for fall and winter workshops. Let us know if you have an idea.

Debbie, Marjorie and Mary

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Dessert Party

Mark your calendars for our 17th annual Dessert Party with our Extraordinary Quilter Krista Hennebury (<http://poppyprintcreates.blogspot.ca/>) which will take place on Wednesday April 26, 7pm at the Mahone Bay Legion. Tickets are now on sale. Tickets are *\$7.00 for MBQG members (see note *) plus a homemade dessert and \$15.00 for non-members.

*Members who buy a ticket for \$7.00 are asked to donate a homemade dessert. We have been asked in the past if a member could buy a \$15.00 ticket and not bring a dessert. The executive discussed this and decided that no we couldn't do that. If we did, we might not get enough desserts as too many members would opt to pay \$15 rather than bring a dessert. This has become a hugely successful event due for the most part for the wonderful array of desserts. Please support the Guild, buy a \$7.00 ticket and bring a delicious dessert!

Extraordinary Quilter

Extraordinary Quilter Krista Hennebury



Cutting Garden: 1-day workshop, Thursday, April 27, 2017

Krista's pattern was published in Australian Homespun June 2015. This beautiful scrappy garden is sure to cheer any home or porch swing. It is a generous lap



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size, featuring a charming rainbow colourwash of leafy stalks topped by primitive, sweet blooms. Students will learn to piece curves without pins, bias tape appliqué and “fabric sticker” appliqué by machine. Some pre-cutting is required. A perfect quilt for using up scraps and trading with classmates! A one-stalk table runner featuring a bloom at either end is a simpler option for those looking to make a smaller project.



Structural Improv: 2-day workshop, Friday & Saturday, April 28-29, 2017

Do you quilt under the influence of traditional methods and rules? Do you thrive on pointy points and perfectly square corners but secretly wish you could embrace the creative freedom of this wonky, improvisational business? If your answer is yes, then this class is for you! Starting with 5” charm squares, Krista will teach you her fun and fast piecing method that utilizes your traditional piecing and rotary cutting skills to create wonky strip units. There’s no pre-cutting of random strips, no stack ‘n whack, no free-cutting with scissors. You’ll be supported by Krista and fellow classmates as you design a table runner, wall hanging, or lap quilt with your improv units. Krista provides a relaxed, fun and encouraging environment to explore ideas and make your very own original quilt.

All workshops are located at Trinity United Church Hall in Mahone Bay, 9 am-4 pm

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**Mahone Bay Quilters Guild -
Registration Info for 2017 Extraordinary
Quilter Krista Hennebury**
<http://poppyprintcreates.blogspot.ca/>

**Workshop I: Cutting Garden – 1 day –
Thursday, April 27**

This quilt is a generous lap size, featuring a charming rainbow colourwash of leafy stalks topped by primitive, sweet blooms. Learn to piece curves without pins, bias tape appliqué and “fabric sticker” appliqué by machine. Some pre-cutting is required.

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Workshop details:

- ❖ Workshops will be held at Trinity United Church Hall
- ❖ Hall opens at 9 a.m., workshops start at 9:15
- ❖ Bring your lunch; tea and coffee will be provided
- ❖ Guild members register by mail, postmarked no earlier than **Wednesday, February 22, 2017**
- ❖ Patterns will be ordered for all participants at a cost of \$12 each; supply lists will be sent by email once your place is confirmed

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- ❖ Non-members can check with Marjorie Skinner or Mary Gray after March 10 to find out if spaces are available
- ❖ Choose your workshops as first / second choices. If you would like to attend both workshops, we'll do our best to accommodate those requests, depending on the number of registrations.
- ❖ Workshop fees for members: 2-day class is \$55, 1-day is \$35. Non-members: \$75 for 2-day workshop, \$55 for 1-day.
- ❖ Make cheques payable to Mahone Bay Quilters Guild

Note that the registration form is the last page of the newsletter. Click on the link below.

[REGISTRATION FORM](#)

Quilt Show – 2018

All but one position has been filled. Thank you to the volunteers.

In September, 2018 the quilt show will move to the Trinity United Church. The church is enthusiastic about Mahone Bay Quilt Guild having their show in their building. The Board of Directors and the Minister are totally on board.

There are several advantages to this location. It is right in Mahone Bay; we will have more room and a variety of spaces in which to hang quilts; there will be wheelchair access. As time goes on this space in the newsletter will contain interesting things about the show. If anyone has any ideas about how we use the space or quilt categories or possible items to be shown, please contact a member of the committee. The ideas have already begun to flow from our great volunteers.

Barb Himmelman. Nancy MacIntosh co-chairs

Treasurer. Marilyn Verburch

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Advertising. Linda Macdonald. Krista Garber

Public Relations. Empty just yet

Labels. Barb Robson

Display Hanging. Cathy Drummond

Human Resources. Brenda Lohnes

Raffle Quilt Production. Anna Davison

Raffle ticket Sales. Daphne Strowbridge. Bev Drysdale
Judy McKay. Helen Kirk. (Assisting)

Sales Room. Seaside stitchers. (Sharon Lawrence)

Decorating. Krista Garber

Open House Refreshments. Donna Veinot

Minutes

Mahone Bay Quilter's Guild

Regular Meeting March 6, 2017

Christine opened the meeting by welcoming the members, one new member Pamela Saunders and two visitors.

Minutes

The minutes from the last meeting were presented in the newsletter. Ruth moved that the minutes be accepted and Rose seconded it. Motion carried.

Treasurer

Ann P. moved that the treasurer's report be accepted and Patsy seconded it. Motion carried.

Ann P. presented the budget for the year April 1st. 2017 to March 1st. 2018. She moved and Brenda seconded that the budget be approved. Motion carried.

Membership Update

We now have 127 members in our Guild.

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We will be having a tea at the church on April 11. from 2 to 4 PM with the executive and new members to give them a chance to meet and ask questions and learn about how they can become involved in our guild.

Workshop Update

Anna's wreath class has several spaces left. It is on April 1st. at the legion.

The EQ classes are doing well and there are spaces left in those classes as well.

Financial Review

Nancy MacIntosh presented her report on the complete study she did of our financial situation.

Thanks for that work Nancy. It is comforting to know that our finances are in good hands.

Jean Ramsey

Jean will be missed as a long term member of the guild. Krista G., who knew her spoke fondly of her and her family. Barb showed us Jean's last quilt which she finished for her. A cute baby quilt.

Cuddle Quilts

Cuddle quilt day is approaching on March 18th. from 9AM to 3PM. Please come and join the fun.

Remember to bring your scissors for sharpening.

Quilt Show 2018

The plans for the show are advancing and it is quite likely the show will be at Trinity United Church. I just got the news that that will be happening.

Dessert Party

The plans for the dessert party are also going well and several volunteers were collected for the spaces that were open.

Yard Sale

If you want a table for the May 6th yard sale get in touch with Ann P. The tables are \$6 for half a table and \$12 for a full table. You can also donate items for the guild table.

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Sew And Tell

Lee Cassidy – Refugee quilt

Gail Stryde – 2 preemie quilts, Blue Heron and 365 Day Challenge

Christine Bell – Postcards

Laurie Swim – Halifax Explosion Project – Hope and Survival

Ruth Searle – Hospital Quilt and Watercolour Cushion

Isabel Fancy – Hidden Diamonds

Patsy Perkins – Butterfly Morning

Jean Ramsey & Barb Robson – Falling Charms for Zander

Marianette Bryan – Placemats and Rail Fence

Michele Stevens – Nine Patch Lap Quilt and Colourful Game Board

Linda Finley – A Place Complete with Friction

Marilyn Verburch – 3 baby quilts

Helen Kirk – Lap Quilt

Program

Kathy Tidswell gave us a wonderful program. She showed slides of her quilting and fantastic thread painting as well as a trunk show of some of her pieces.

Our next regular meeting will be on April 3, 2017 at 7 pm.

Respectively submitted by Isabel Fancy, MBQG secretary.

Postcard Challenge

Our postcards were lovely and showed off our beautiful province and I believe they have all been sent. Those who participated have been receiving some in return. Thanks to all who participated. Please take pictures or bring to the meeting in April so they can be posted on the blog.

Extraordinary Quilter Krista Hennebury

Information about Krista's workshops and mail-in registration are here. [Extraordinary Quilter](#). Send your completed registration form, postmarked no

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earlier than Wednesday, February 22, to Marjorie Skinner, 5202 Highway 322, Middle LaHave NS B4V 3L9

For those who registered for the EQ workshops, a confirmation email will be sent in early March along with supply lists.

Questions and suggestions about workshops? Contact Mary Gray (graymary007@gmail.com) or Marjorie Skinner (michaelskinner@537@gmail.com).

The Workshop committee is looking for your ideas! Do you have a class you'd like to teach? A design or technique that you'd like to share?

Have you see a design or technique that you'd like to learn? Your input is helpful.

Contact any member of the workshop committee: Debbie Breeze, Mary Gray, and Majorie Skinner.

Meeting Programs

Take advantage of the wonderful programs put on each month at the guild meetings after our short break.

Apr. 3: Linda Roe – all about felting

May 1: Celeste Thibodeau Stacey,
trunk Show.

June 5: potluck and AGM

Library News

For a list of the books in the library please use this link.

<http://www.mahonebayquiltersguild.com/mbgg-library-books-list.html>

For a list of the special rulers available to the members for check out use this link.

<http://www.mahonebayquiltersguild.com/mbgg-ruler-library-list.html>

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6 Magazine Subscriptions including the Block Magazine from the Missouri Star Quilt Co for easy & quick quilts made with precuts.

There are books on Art quilting, scrap quilting, log cabin, applique, curves, stars, paper piecing and red work to mention a few, if you would like to suggest a book for the library just let me know.'

Shows and Sales

<http://quilttheatlantic.ca/index.php/category/quilt-shows>

This site has a list of the quilt shows coming up in Nova Scotia and below is an interesting site for planning to catch shows in North America

<http://quilterstravelcompanion.com/>



Fabric & Yarn Sale



Grandmothers to Grandmothers

Saturday, April 29 9 am – 1pm

**St. Vincent De Paul Church, 320 Flying Cloud Drive,
(Off Forest Hills Parkway) Dartmouth**

Donations Accepted until April 15th



Fabric - 1/2 meter or more,

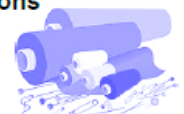
Yarns, knitting needles

Patterns, sewing notions

Contact for pick up/drop off
winniekwak@yahoo.com or
902-454-7269

martock12@eastlink.ca or
902-266-5188

- **Drop off:** 20 Thorne Ave, Dartmouth
- Patch Halifax, 2571 Robie St.
- Dartmouth Yarns, 122 Portland St.



May, 2017 – Put in your calendars if you are going to be in New Brunswick

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Woodstock Quilt Guild's Quilt Show - A Quilters' Celebration May 5 & 6, 2017 Vendors Mall Hours: Fri 10 - 8, Sat 10 - 4 Website: woodstockquiltguild.weebly.com Email: kbennett@aernet.ca Location: Ayr Motor Center, 105 Connell Park Rd., Woodstock, E7M 1L5 Admission: \$5

July, 2017 BAY QUILT FEST, Show and Sale



10am to 5pm on July 14, 15 & 16th, 2017

In support of St. Peter's Anglican Church,

10030 Peggy's Cove Rd, Hackett's Cove

Calling all quilters! Here's your chance to share your creativity...

We are looking for submissions for a quilt show and sale to be held in St. Peter's Anglican Church, in Hackett's Cove. The weekend of July 14th, 15th & 16th coincides with the Peggy's Cove Area Festival of the Arts Studio Tour, so we hope for lots of folks to be passing by and stopping in!

This is a non-juried event, open to all skill levels and is inclusive of all genres and quilting styles.-Quilts may be any size, hand or machine pieced/quilted. Small items will also be accepted, like runners, bags and placemats. We ask that quilts that were displayed last year NOT be entered again

.-Quilts, double to king, must have 4x6 colour photo attached to entry form that shows the entire quilt.

-Quilts do not have to be for sale, it's up to you; for show only is fine too.

-10% of the cost of any item sold will be withheld as a donation to St. Peter's Church.

-Terms of Sale: cash or credit. Credit card services will be made available to you but be aware that you are responsible for the associated service fees which will be

deducted from the sale. For your protection, personal cheques will not be accepted.

-Be assured we will handle and care for your pieces like they were our own, but please note that quilts are displayed at your own risk. Waiver must be signed by each participant displaying their work that releases the event organizers and St Peter's Church of any liability for any damage, or theft, that may occur.

Items can be dropped off at the Church on Wednesday, July 12th from 12 to 5pm.

Quilts must be picked up at the Church on Sunday, July 16th from 5 to 7pm.

*If these times do not work for you, please contact us to make alternate arrangements.

For further information contact:

Eleanor at 902-823-1991 or email: deo@eastlink.ca

Mamie at 902-823-3398 or email: mamieboran@eastlink.ca

September, 2017

September 14th, 15th & 16th, 2017 - **Kennebecasis Valley Quilters Guild** - 37th Annual Quilt Show and Sale - Island View Lions Centre, 9 Market Street, (Exit 141 OFF Highway 1) Quispamsis, NB Thursday - Noon - 8pm Friday - 10am - 8pm and Saturday - 10am - 4pm Vendors Mall This year's Theme is "Down by the Bay" 150 Years of Quilting

Interesting Things

Huge no waste flying geese. Great for fat quarters you do not want to cut up small.

<http://reannalilydesigns.com/2016/03/huge-no-waste-flying-geese-fat-quarters/>

Love vintage looks and love modern. Here they are combined.

<http://www.modabakeshop.com/2012/08/vintage-turning-modern-quilt.html>

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This is a scrap buster and is called a Haphazard Scrap Buster. It is colourful and haphazard. It would certainly bring brightness to a room.

Self Sashing Nine Patch. Colourful and great for a baby quilt or any other.

<http://www.joscountryjunction.com/disappearing-nine-patch-tutorial/>

A great baby quilt. Simple and clean lines.

<http://www.bonjourquilts.com/lattice-love-quilt-with-a-little-tutorial/>

An bright and easy baby quilt. <http://six-white-horses.blogspot.ca/2012/05/bright-windows-baby-quilt-free-pattern.html>

Easy and pretty quilt with circles.

<http://tearosehome.blogspot.ca/2016/02/circle-of-fun-delight.html>

A pretty baby quilt but easily translated to a larger one.

<http://www.honeybearlane.com/2011/09/letters-from-home-quilt-pattern.htm>

No instructions but probably pretty easy to copy. Too pretty to leave it out.



More baby quilt. <http://www.bonjourquilts.com/when-you-wish-baby-quilt-pattern/> Would make a good center for a bigger quilt.

Shattered Glass Quilt. Very attractive.

<http://letsquiltomething.blogspot.ca/2016/01/shatter-free-quilt-pattern-layer-cake.html>

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This is both a story and a quilt pattern. Just keep scrolling to get the pattern.

<http://tearosehome.blogspot.ca/2012/06/once-upon-thread-big-sister-and-little.html>

Giant Log Cabin Quilt. Great for a throw quilt and it sure looks easy.

<http://myquiltinfatuation.blogspot.ca/2013/06/giant-log-cabin-quilt-tutorial.html>

This is about learning a technique using a tea towel.

You know the kind; gorgeous flowers and too nice to use. <http://mypoppet.com.au/makes/2012/07/how-to-free-motion-quilting-on-a-vintage-tea-towel.html>

There is nothing like a star.

<http://www.sunshinequilts.com/patterns/spinningstar.pdf>

Very pretty and scrap friendly

<http://www.joscountryjunction.com/friday-finish-pinwheel-parade-free-pattern-too/>

Easy quilts for new quilters from Fons and Porter

Download the e-book. Many new quilters have cut their quilting teeth on Fons and Porter books.

<http://www.fonsandporter.com/free-easy-quilt-patterns-easiest-quilts-ever>

Want to learn free motion quilting. Here FaveQuilts provides lots of examples and tutorials.

<https://www.favequilts.com/Patterns-for-Quilting/Free-Quilting-Designs-for-Machine-Quilting>

This a bit different. Makes me think of Easter baskets we used as children to collect eggs.

<https://misterdomestic.net/2017/03/18/woven-fabric-basket-tutorial/>

Happy Quilting This Month!!!!

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REGISTRATION FORM

2017 Extraordinary Quilter Workshops with Krista Hennebury

Mail-in Registration Form

Mail your completed registration form, **postmarked no earlier than Wednesday, February 22**, to:

Marjorie Skinner

5202 Highway 322

Middle LaHave, NS B4V 3L9

Please mark 1st and 2nd choices and enclose a cheque for each workshop and pattern.

_____ Workshop 1 - **Cutting Garden** - 1 day \$47 (\$35+12) on Thursday, April 27

_____ Workshop 2 - **Structural Improv** - 2 days \$67 (\$55+12) on Friday and Saturday, April 28-29

Name _____

Phone _____

Email _____