



Mahone Bay Quilters Guild
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December 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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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.

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Comment

We enter a busy time for families during the Christmas season. We travel to be with loved ones. We plan dinners with family and friends. We light up our houses; hang wreathes of welcome on our doors and anticipate the fun of watching children find gifts under the tree. But the 'we' is not everyone. Please take time to remember someone alone or ill or who has no means to celebrate the season. Christmas is the season of giving; give your time and/or money in the true spirit of Christmas. After all quilters are the very best at giving of time, expertise and care and donations to worthy causes. No one can match them.

Quote

Be the
change
you wish to
see in the
world



Submissions to the Newsletter

The newsletter is sent out the Monday one week before the regular meeting. Submissions for the newsletter at the latest must be received the Sunday. Note that files should be provided in an editable format. PDF files are not. Thank you.

Here are some hyperlinks to let you jump around the newsletter.

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The program for this coming meeting is the annual Potluck. Always good and always fun. The program committee is certain to have activities that keep everyone laughing and having fun. Please remember to bring your own dishes as well as your potluck contribution. Don't forget your pincushions if you are participating in the challenge. Also, if you are participating bring a Christmas tree decoration, get your number and enjoy what exchange you get; very nice items and a start to the season. Additional information will be provided by Barb Robson as the date approaches.

[Minutes](#)**Mahone Bay Quilt Guild****November 6, 2017**

Christine Bell called the meeting to order at 7 pm. She thanked Pam Wells for filling in for her in October. She welcomed new members Sandy Lelons, Johanna Alford, Rexanne Burns, Gail Smith & Michelle Nelson, as well as guest Marlene Meep.

Treasure's Report

No questions/comments for Ann for the treasurer's report, therefore moved by Ann and seconded by Anna Davison that report be approved. Motion carried.

E-transfers continue. Ann advised the membership that we are looking at "square" technology, and that we will hopefully be ready to test it in April. There is a user

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fee but it is felt that it is worth it for the convenience it will bring.

Membership

We now have a total of 128 members. Some membership cards still need to be picked up. Reminder to all members to wear name tags, esp. with so many new members.

Workshops

Mary reported that there are still a few spaces left in the Nov. 18 Christmas workshop with Marjorie. The Karen Miller workshop was well received and everyone completed their piece.

Library

Marilyn reported that we have 3 new books and 4 new magazine subscriptions.

Programs

Rose reported that all programs are booked for the year. She reminded everyone to start working on their pincushions for the Dec. meeting.

Quilt Show

Barb Himmelman confirmed the dates for the 2018 quilt show for Sept. 28-30. Raffle tickets are ready and being passed out tonight. A sign-up sheet for hanging and taking down quilts was circulated. Barb R will send out a memo outlining who is eligible and what can be sold in the boutique.

Correspondence

Letter was read from Ronald McDonald House thanking us for our contribution and participation in the Canada 150 Big Quilt Bee.

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Our December meeting will be a pot luck, starting at 5:30. Along with the pincushion exchange, there will be an ornament exchange. There will also be a Christmas Sew and Tell.

Barb R reported on the Father Christmas Festival, Nov. 25-26 & Dec. 2&3. Sign up sheet was circulated for receiving of quilts, displaying and 2 hour shifts in the welcome centre.

Jill Green talked about Quilts of Valour. She is the regional representative. During her talk, the Bridgewater Bee presented her with a finished quilt made by them for Quilts of Valour.

Reminder that we will be having daytime meetings, at 1 pm in Jan., Feb. and March.

Christine asked the membership if there was an interest in holding a guild mini retreat, and asked for a volunteer to research venues. Michelle Stevens volunteered.

The idea of getting together at a local coffee shop/ restaurant on a slow day for hand work and socializing was suggested. Executive will look in to this.

Donna Veinot has volunteered to coordinate Cuddle quilt day. March 17, 2018 is a tentative date.

Lynn White donated, on behalf of Vicki Bardon of Suttles and Seawinds, two Canada applique quilts that need to be finished. Also a number of quilt templates were donated.

Sew and Tell

Rose Lesage –Winnie the Pooh baby quilt

Sandy Emenau – Horses embroidered quilt

Peggy Abbott – curtain valance

Anna Davison – 2 Christmas table toppers

Bridgewater bee – Quilt of valour

Isabel Fancy – Beam of Hope Christmas runner

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Kristina Hawkins - I found a quilted heart

Sharon Lawrence – Snowman wall hanging

Judy Marshall – Baby quilt, table runner, panel quilt

Annette Fralic – BOM bed quilt

Michele Stevens – Cutting garden runner, Krista Henneberry workshop

Donna Veinot – Fabric Christmas cards

Barb Robson – Celestial Compass

Christine Bell – Butterfly & Bark , Karen Miller workshop

Mary Elizabeth O'Toole – 2 table toppers

Jill Green – McKenna Ryan “Heaven and Nature Sing” wall hanging

Marilyn Verburgh – Dresser scarf & Mariner's Compass

Program

Linda Naugler did a trunk show of some of her more recent work.

Next meeting: Dec. 4/17 (Christmas Potluck)

Respectfully submitted: Sandy Emenau, MBQG Secretary

Workshop News

Refunds for those members who had registered for the cancelled Christmas workshop will be available at the December pot-luck. See Debbie, Mary or Marjorie.

Best wishes for a happy holiday season to all members and their families. More workshop news in the new year.

Keep the ideas coming!

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Quilt Show – 2018

The dates for the show in 2018 have been confirmed and you will all have received your raffle tickets. We hope you are thinking about entries for the show and perhaps items to put in the Boutique for sale. A theme has been chosen and the materials to be circulated to quilt shops and tourist bureaus have been designed. There will be some interesting additions to the show. More details will follow as the year marches on. Remember to finish your challenge quilts so we can support the chosen charity. And remember this is your show so please answer calls for volunteers. **You** make the show a success.

Countdown of 9 months to go until our 2018 show takes place.

Pin Cushion Swap

Rose has the swap at the December meeting all planned. Make sure you do not forget your pincushion to swap. If you want to enter before the meeting date which is December 4th, contact Rose at cybera13@hotmail.com

Library News

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

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

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

For Sale

I have a Pfaff Creative Vision Embroidery and Sewing Machine for sale. It has all the original feet and hoops with it and some designs built in. I am asking \$1700.00 for it but will negotiate reasonably. The machine is

about eight years old and has 200 hours stitched, but it has many, many more hours to go. It is in great condition and stitches beautifully. Contact

joquilt@bell.aliant.net



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/>

Interesting Things

A really cute pillow. Red and green scraps and a background. <http://thecraftyquilter.com/2016/12/ho-ho-farmhouse-pillow-tutorial/>

A Winter Wedding Quilt - Lovely.

<http://thecraftyquilter.com/2016/12/ho-ho-farmhouse-pillow-tutorial/>

Have you heard of Fidget Quilts? Here are some hints on how to make them.

<https://www.favequilts.com/Throws-and-Lap-Quilts/Junes-Garden-Fidget-Quilt-for-Alzheimers-Patients>

A lovely Christmas quilt. Not enough time this year?

Try for next year.

<http://www.abrightcorner.com/2017/06/comfort-and-joy-free-pdf-pattern.html>

Plaid for Dad quilt. Looks comfy.

<https://carterquilter.wordpress.com/category/plaid-for-dad-quilt/>

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Classic tree skirt. Left overs perhaps.

<http://fortworthfabricstudio.blogspot.ca/2014/10/granny-square-quilted-tree-skirt-pillow.html>

Like quilts with fussy cut patches. Here is a tutorial.

<http://www.blossomheartquilts.com/2017/05/fussy-cutting-tutorial-4-inch-economy-block-pattern/>

A Christmas Quilt to make in ONE night.

<http://www.blossomheartquilts.com/2017/05/fussy-cutting-tutorial-4-inch-economy-block-pattern/>

Reusable gift bags. Gift in a gift.

<https://sewsweetness.com/2010/11/tutorial-reusable-gift-wrap.html>

Christmas Fat Quarter Quilt. Looks easy.

<http://www.piecesbypolly.com/2014/11/simple-christmas-fat-quarter-quilt-free.html>

Steps to Tranquility.

<http://www.happyquiltingmelissa.com/2013/11/steps-to-tranquility-tutorial-and.html>

This block is Starry Skyline. It would make a beautiful quilt.

<http://fromblankpages.blogspot.ca/2012/01/starry-skyline-block-tutorial.html>

Blossoms of Hope. This was done for Breast Cancer Awareness in 2014 but it is a lovely block still in 2017.

<http://thecraftyquilter.com/2014/06/blossoms-of-hope-quilt-block-tutorial/>

Do you have a granddaughter, niece or daughter aka 'Princess'? This is a simple quilt but with lovely fabrics it will be fit for a 'Princess'.

https://content.primecp.com/master_images/files/Rose%20Quartz%20Butterfly%20Quilt.pdf

This is called little peaks. It is a great scrap project and is listed as being for an intermediate quilter. It combines colour and a modern look.

<https://www.purlsoho.com/create/2016/05/11/little-peaks-quilt/>

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Want to try a small project in a more modern vein. How about a baby quilt?

<http://www.kitchentablequilting.com/2014/10/follie-baby-quilt-and-tutorial.html>

Last Minute Christmas Patterns

This is a lovely Christmas snowflake table topper.

<http://www.joscountryjunction.com/friday-finish-snowflake-center-piece/>

This table topper is really lovely. Traditional colours, some applique and presto....

<http://www.gigisthimbble.com/2011/11/holly-berry-table-topper-tutorial.html>

A quickie table runner. Cost effective, colourful with leftover Christmas fabrics.

<http://www.sameliasmum.com/2010/11/12-days-of-christmas-runner-tutorial.html>

A different Christmas stocking. A spiral and great for scraps. <http://www.sameliasmum.com/2010/11/12-days-of-christmas-runner-tutorial.html>

Tree skirt but not your ordinary. Might take a bit of time with prairie points. <http://bomquilts.com/free-original-bomquilts-com-patterns/tamarack-grove-tree-skirt/>

It says 'Tree Skirt in an Evening'. Perfect for a last minute gift or two.

<http://eschhousequilts.com/2012/10/north-pole-tree-skir-2.html>

Not last, last minute but it is very simple and nice.

Classed as intermediate.

<http://www.sewmamasew.com/2009/07/christmas-in-july-quilted-tree-skirt/>

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