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Meet the Executive

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

Hi, my name is Pam Wells. I grew up in Milton, NS and have lived on the South Shore, the Valley and Newfoundland before moving to Pine Grove in 2000. I say I was born with a sewing needle in my hands as I remember taking bits of my mother's sewing scraps to make doll clothes and learning how to embroider and knit at a very young age. I have always been interested in crafts and needlework and had a tole painting business while living in NF. I joined my first quilt guild while living in NF and joined MBQG about seven years ago. I wanted to feel that I was part of the guild and get to know the members so participated in workshops and I took a position on the Workshop Committee. That position lasted four years until I became vice president. I was a traditional quilter and I would do only hand quilting.....until I was inspired by what I saw at Sew and Tell and during workshops. I now also enjoy art quilting, thread painting and free motion machine quilting. Two of my other interests include watercolours and gardening.

Stay tuned to see who will be introduced next Month.

Don't Forget:

- Our meetings and workshops are **scent free**
- Wear your Name Tag
- Library Books
- Sew and Tell – **There will be no Sew and Tell at the June meeting**
- Cash or Credit Card for class registration etc.

Executive Members

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2018 Meeting Dates

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

June 4, 2018 - Closing Pot Luck Dinner and AGM – Supper starts at 6pm

Sept 10, 2018 - 6:30 - for 7pm

Oct 1, 2018 - 6:30 - for 7pm

Nov 5, 2018 - 6:30 - for 7pm

A Quilter's Query:

(This section will include a puzzle, trivia etc.)

Here is a word search puzzle I created. You can print it or complete it at the address provided.

Quilt Blocks

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AMISH STAR
APPLIQUE
RAIL FENCE
CHURN DASH
CHEVRON
HOURGLASS
FLYING GEESE
NINE PATCH

Play this puzzle online at : <https://thewordsearch.com/puzzle/336401/>

Meeting Minutes

Mahone Bay Quilt Guild

May 7, 2018

Christine Bell called the meeting to order at 7 pm. She welcomed guest Shirley Fraser and new member Bonny Houghton.

Treasurer's Report

Ann Phelan answered a question regarding EQ expenses. There being no further questions, it was moved by Ann and seconded by Anna Davison the approval of the April treasurer's report. A financial review has been completed by Cathy Drummond, who has found the books very well organized and all in order. It was noted that we are looking at changing our year end, but this will occur slowly and membership will be kept advised.

Minutes of April 9, 2018

There being no discussion, it was moved by Sandy E and seconded by Brenda Lohnes the approval of the April minutes.

Embroidery Class

Linnet Finley is holding a learn to embroider class in Dartmouth on June 16.

Membership

Krista reported that we are now up to 134 members. Membership renewal starts this evening. Dues are \$30 for the year, which will now end May 31, 2019.

The new member's tea is next Tuesday, May 15. Krista has redesigned the MBQG name tags. They will be printed on fabric with your name on them.

Also, Krista will be taking over some of the tasks – sending out e-mails – that Barb R has been doing.

Workshops

Debbie B reported that registration for the October 17 workshop with Cheryl Arkison starts tonight. She also asked for an expression of interest for a wool embroidery/ stitches workshop with Linda Naugler on Nov. 3. It would be a small group of 12 participants.

Library

Marilyn V let us know that we have a new Quilting Arts magazine.

Program

Nothing new to report.

Newsletter

Reminder to send any submissions to Gail Stryde. She welcomes members to submit articles.

Dessert Party

Marilyn HH was not present but sent a written report. 130 people attended and we realized a profit of \$750. \$135 was brought in from the sale of take home desserts.

Quilt Show

Barb H reported that plans are progressing well. Challenge quilts will be shown during Sew & Tell at the Sept meeting.

Cathy D explained exactly where the label should be sewn on quilts. When looking at the back of the quilt, bottom left. A fillable form has been sent out for quilt submissions. Some people are having problems opening the attachment. Cathy brought some paper copies for those people who need them.

Brenda Lohnes passed around a sign-up sheet for volunteers to work during the show.

New Executive

The new executive will be elected at the June meeting. Members are encouraged to volunteer.

Canada Quilt

The draw took place for the 2 unfinished Suttles Canada quilts. Janice Mason and Gail Cosman were the winners.

Volunteer of the Year

Award will be presented at the June pot luck. Isabel encouraged everyone to vote.

Slow Quilting

This will take place next Monday, May 14 and again May 28 at the Biscuit Eater from 2-4.

Next Meeting

Monday, June 4. This will be our AGM and pot luck. Doors open at 5 with dinner at 6. Ann Morrell will be doing a trunk show.

Q & A

One question asked and answered.

Meeting closed: 7:35 pm.

Sew and Tell

Donna Veinot – Blue/white Star, Poppy Walkabout, Christmas Stripes, Zigzag quilt (Heather Stewart Workshop). Machine quilted by Verna Ward

Christine Bell – Harry Potter quilt, Fidget Quilt, “What If” blocks & “Leaf Runner”

Ann Phelan – French Braid

Susan Lilley – 2 art quilts

Bonny Houghton – Japanese Morning Glory & Monsters Inc. tops

Sharon Lawrence – Aunt Margaret's quilt

Cathy Drummond – Goodbye wall hanging

Heather Stewart – 4 preemie quilts for IWK

Kimberley McDonald – Card Trick – quilted by Helen Donaldson. Flimsy Postman top

Marjorie Skinner – Hand bags, lap quilt

Heather Rafuse – Christmas runner, A Tisket a Tasket top

Denise Milheron – Patchwork quilt

Pam Wells – New York Beauty

Sandy Bruce – Leaf table runner – EQ workshop

Cathy Hutt – Double Irish Chain

Daphne Strowbridge – Beach baby quilt – machine quilted by Alison Low

Program

We were entertained by Marilyn Verburch and Krista Garber who shared with us some of their favorite gadgets.

Respectfully Submitted:

Sandy Emenau, Secretary, MBQG

Membership News

The 2018 New Members tea hosted by the Executive was held on May 15, 2018. Eleven New Members, 4 Life Members and most of the Executive attended. Everyone was served tea and coffee by Christine Bell and the many treats were enjoyed by all. A discussion took place on what the new members would like to see happen in the guild, program ideas, quilting bees etc. Another successful event. I thought I would share a picture.



Program News

The end of our meeting year is here already! I'm just finishing my first year as Program chair and I'm amazed that it has gone by so quickly! I've been very grateful for the degree of help from many of you and I've enjoyed getting to meet so many talented people!

Our June 4th meeting is our Annual General Meeting and Pot Luck dinner! **Please remember to bring your own dishes, such as plate, cup, bowl, and utensils!** We will be providing tea and coffee.

Also, please let me know what you will be bringing for the pot luck. I'll make tags for the food so let me know if your recipe contains ingredients like flour, egg, nuts, etc., since some of our members have food allergies or sensitivities. **Also bring serving utensils for your dish and if you bring something that needs to be cut into serving sized pieces, please do that yourself as it can become a little overwhelming for us when we bring the food out to the serving table.**

Those of us who are setting up will be at the church at 5pm, so if you wanted to drop off your food a little early, that is ok too. We will be eating at 6:00 pm.

This year we are having a special guest who will be doing a trunk show for us! Anne Morrell Robinson has a year round studio in the Margaree River in Cape Breton called Kingross Quilts and Fibre Arts. She is a hand quilter and applique artist and you can see her website at www.kingrossquilts.com. She is doing a workshop for Mayflower Quilt Guild on June 8th if you're interested. Information is available on her website!

Please note this meeting may run later than usual with the Potluck, AGM and our Special Guest.

We have quite a few new members, you can call me or email if you need more information!

Rose Lesage
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Workshop News

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**Wonderful news: Linda has agreed to teach a second day!
Applique on Wool with Linda Naugler
November 3, 2018, 9:30 am - 3 pm at Trinity United Church Hall**

November 17, 2018 9:30 am - 3 pm
Fee \$35, maximum number of participants is 12 for each day

Create a sampler of embroidery stitches with wool-on-wool applique. Linda is an experienced needle worker who has offered to provide small-group instruction in some basic as well as a few intricate stitches. You'll need #5 or #8 Perle cotton and some small pieces of wool. If you'd like to make a needle case, you'll need a piece of wool about 7" x 9" along with some small pieces for applique. An extra piece of wool for practicing stitches is useful.

Sharing remnants and threads as a way to expand your selection is strongly encouraged. Linda will supply the needles.

Sources: Encompassing Designs and Spruce Top in Mahone Bay, River House in Petite Rivière for wool; Michael's may carry Perle cotton. You can order threads from Because You Count in Moncton or Traditional Stitches in Calgary. Check to make sure that your choices are in stock.

The photo is Linda's recent project. You can use one of Linda's birds or another simple shape (circles, leaves).



I'll be contacting everyone who signed up at the May meeting to confirm registration info and find out if you're right- or left-handed. Keeners can check out Mary Corbett's video tutorials on YouTube.

Values plus Workshop with Cheryl Arkison
Wednesday, October 17 at Trinity United Church Hall, 9 am - 4 pm
Trunk show at 7 pm, \$5 at the door.

We have 4 spots remaining in Cheryl's workshop.

Push yourself further in understanding value. Through fabric play and some improvisation you will have a lot of fun making quilt blocks that can be put together in so many different ways.

This class will have you honing your value judgment skills when it comes to the darkness and lightness of fabrics. We will our fabric, discuss the importance of value design, and each work on a quilt. No two alike. This is a great class for beginners to



relative play with in quilt will be learn a



fundamental skill and experienced quilters to hone that same skill.

Basic Sewing skills required, no quilting knowledge required.

You'll need a stack of scraps, already cut into strips 1"-3" wide and minimum 8" long. Sizes can and should vary. Bring scraps in all colours and types of fabric if you have them (and I know you have them!) Bring a bin, bag, or whatever you have. Aim for at least half of a

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Cheryl
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Morning Quilts and the designer of the slab block we the Ronald McDonald House quilts in January 2017. are based on the traditional and familiar with a flair for colour, design and quilting. Her website: cherylarkison.com

Contact Debbie Breeze to register; 902-857-3524 or by email to debbiebreeze@eastlink.ca The fee is \$35 for members, payable by cash, cheque, credit card or e-transfer. This workshop is limited to 20 participants. We will keep a waiting list if necessary.

Cheryl will also present a trunk show at Trinity United Church Hall, 7 pm on the evening of Wednesday, October 17. Admission fee is \$5. Advance tickets will be available at the September meeting.

From the workshop committee: we appreciate hearing your suggestions.

Mary Gray: graymary007@gmail.com

Marjorie Skinner: michaelskinner537@gmail.com

Debbie Breeze: debbiebreeze@eastlink.ca

Quilt Show News

Busy times ahead for the quilt show committee. At the May meeting Brenda Lohnes circulated a signup sheet for volunteering at the three day quilt show. There are several openings to be filled and we are asking for members to volunteer time to help make this a successful endeavour. You can sign up at the June meeting, or e-mail Brenda Lohnes and offer your help.

Friday Sept 28th am 1 opening
pm 4 openings

Saturday Sept 29 am 7 openings
pm 7 openings

A reminder that during shift volunteers are to rotate positions allowing time to sit for a time. This is a great time to meet visiting quilters and hear of their guilds and activities.

The Hanging Committee is encouraging all members to consider entering quilts. (Limit 3) Remember the time to make entry to show is the month of June. The entry forms have been sent out via e-mail, are attached to the newsletter, but forms will be available at June meeting.

The time is fast approaching for all members to send in their entries for our 2018 Quilt Show. This is not a juried show, it is a chance for us to see and share all the fun work that we do, both beginners and experienced quilters. Please enter!

The entry form, with detailed instructions, is attached. You may send up to 3 entries but please send them together, between June 1 and June 30. If you have any questions, feel free to contact Cathy Drummond.

Remember to sell your raffle tickets and be prepared to return money at the September meeting.



In the Community

Slow Quilting

We gather with our handwork at the Biscuit Eater in Mahone Bay from 2-4pm on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month. The dates for the Summer are June 11 and 25, July 9 and 23, August 13 and 27.

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

SAQA

Transitions, it is a juried show of 29 works by 19 SAQA members from Atlantic Canada, all done on some aspect of the theme "Transitions". It opens at the Craig Gallery at Alderney Landing in Dartmouth on March 28 until April 29. It will be in Yarmouth from August 2 until September 28, the Inverness Centre for the Arts from October 5 to 31, and St. John's Centre for the Arts from January 11 until March 9, 2019. Be sure to check it out as some of our Members have their work showcased in the show.

Our Quilt Show

Our next quilt show will be September 28, 29 & 30 2018 at Trinity United Church, Edgewater St, Mahone Bay during the Mahone Bay Scarecrow Festival. Please see the Quilt Show Section in this Newsletter for more details.

Challenge quilts will be displayed at the Sew and Tell at Sept meeting.

Remember this is YOUR show so make it a special one!

Quilting Bees

There was some discussion at the New Member's Tea about quilting bees. Some of the new members expressed an interest in joining a Bee or starting a new Bee. I thought we could include a list of those Bees out there that have room for new members as well as those who are interested in starting a new Bee. Please send this information to me at mbqnewsletter@gmail.com

Our First Annual MBQG Retreat

A wonderful time was had by all during the Retreat at the Quarterdeck in Summerville Beach. We laughed, we chatted, we snacked, we had a drink or two and believe it or not we did sew. The view was stunning and the company was great. Here is a picture of the participants with their projects.



The Annual General Meeting will be held at our June 2018 meeting.

Please take time to read the following documents before the next meeting:

MBQG Annual General Meeting June 5, 2017

Christine Bell called the meeting to order at 7:10 PM. She welcomed all members as well as one new member Jill Green and one guest Rosanne Joudrey.

It was established that we had a quorum, the agenda was presented and the meeting continued.

Christine presented three lifetime membership certificates to Patsy Perkins, Sandy Alexander and Colleen Rafuse who was not present

2016 Minutes

The minutes from the 2016 AGM were circulated in the newsletter and since there were no errors or omissions it was moved by Marilyn Verburgh and seconded by Ann Phelan that they be approved.

Motion carried.

Treasurer's Report

The treasurer's annual report was presented at the April meeting and was approved at that time as requested by the NS Registry of Joint Stock Exchange. A financial summary was presented at this time and it was moved by Ann Phelan and seconded by Anna Davison that it be approved. Motion carried.

Thank you to Patsy Perkins who completed a financial review.

President's Report

Christine thanked everyone who worked hard to make this another successful year of fun, friends, quilting and learning.

All the executive and committee reports were circulated before the meeting. Since there were no questions or discussion about these reports it was moved by Bev Drysdale and seconded by Pam Wells that the reports be approved as presented.

Volunteer Awards

The volunteer award for this year was presented to Ann Phelan for the countless number of hours she has contributed to make our guild successful, educational and fun. Thank you Ann.

Election of Officers

There were no further nominations for the open positions so those who volunteered were declared by acclamation. Officers for the coming year will be as follows.

President.....Christine Bell
Vice-President.....Pam Wells
Secretary.....Sandy Emenau

As I step into the role of Past President, I welcome our new President Pam Wells and wish her as much fun and success as I enjoyed.

To all, have a wonderful summer, quilt, dream and stay safe. Thank you for a great year,

Respectfully

Christine Bell, President, Mahone Bay Quilters Guild

Following are the annual committee reports for 2017 to 2018

Library Report 2017-18

Total Books 239 all on Website
9 DVD's
16 Rulers
6 Subscriptions
Block – Missouri Star Quilt Co.
Canadian Quilter
Fon's and Porter Love of Quilting
Quilters Connection
Quilting Arts
Quiltmania

Submitted by: Marilyn Verburch

Communications Report 2017-18

Communications continue to be circulated by emails, on our Guild blog and through our newsletter (thanks to Gail Stryde).

We send our newsletter out by email to 134 members, 1 member receives the newsletter by snail mail. We send out 54 complimentary newsletters by email.

To date our blog has had 79,841 page views, we average 21.76 views a day. We have posted 183 entries plus we have separate links for Guild information regarding our quilt show, meetings, workshops and events.

Our Flickr page holds our pictures (4,497) from all meeting show and tells plus many workshop and special events. Pictures are in albums according to the event or meeting.

Our Facebook page continues to grow, we have 198 members. Anyone can join, we have several non-members who belong to our Facebook page to keep up with our news. We welcome "new" Facebook members!

Respectfully Submitted

Barb Robson

Membership Report 2017-18

June 2018

Membership continued to focus on improved member services throughout the past year. For example, coordinated efforts with the Treasurer now enable members to pay membership dues by E-transfer and credit card. Pre-made name tags will be soon be available for sale to members.

Following positive feedback from our first New Members' Tea last year, tea invitations in 2018 were also members. The memories they shared of changes in the Guild over the years certainly enhanced our event for the new members. As before, the new members made great suggestions for future Guild events, which the Executive will begin arranging over the summer months.

Attention to increasing Guild membership over the past year has resulted in numbers growing from 129 members in June 2017 to 135 in May 2018. In the upcoming year, we will have 11 life members.

Beginning in June 2018, much internal correspondence will be reallocated from Communications to Membership to better distribute tasks among the Executive.

Being part of such a collegial and efficient Executive Committee makes contributing to the Guild's objectives very enjoyable. I look forward to requesting members' approval for a second term as Membership Chair.

Respectfully submitted,

Krista Garber
Membership Chair, 2016-2018

Programs Report 2017-18

Following our last AGM, the 2017 – 2018 season began. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who gave me suggestions for people to approach to do our monthly program. Feel free to contact me if you have a suggestion for the future!

The programs for the rest of the year were as follows:

September 2017 - Linda Finley presented a very inspiring trunk show of SAQA art quilts.

October 2017 – Heather Sanft. She brought many pieces of basket work that she had completed and showed us a slide show about many aspects of basket weaving and preparing the materials.

November 2017 – Linda Naugler presented a trunk show of her beautiful work! We all enjoyed her energy and creativity.

December 2017 – We enjoyed our Christmas Pot Luck which included a Christmas ornament exchange and a new Pin Cushion Exchange was introduced with much success and will be continued again next Christmas.

January 2018 – Jamie Pratt presented a selection of handmade paper.

March 2018 – Pam Tracey, from Fall River, did a trunk show of her beautiful art quilts.

April 2018 – Kathy Higgins did a trunk show of her amazing applique work!

May 2018 – Krista Garber and Marilyn Verburgh provided a very entertaining and informative 'Battle of the gadgets' competition!

Respectfully submitted,
Rose Lesage and Gail Stryde

Workshop Report 2017-18

We started the guild year with a Skills Day, an opportunity for members to attend short sessions about 4 topics of interest: quilt-as-you-go, hand applique, paper piecing and quilt finishing techniques. Eighteen people attended, at a cost of \$10, throughout the day. Many thanks to Bev Drysdale, Kathy Higgins, Pam Wells and Debbie Breeze for participating. We held two workshops again this year: Karen Miller's Soft Sculpture Tree & Butterfly and Linnet Finley's Colour Theory session. Registration for both workshops was at capacity. A third workshop was cancelled due to low Registration. Thank you to our guild members Linnet Finley and Marjorie Skinner for agreeing to lead Workshops.

Our Extraordinary Quilter, Janet Barker, provided a colourful trunk / slide show with many quilts to illustrate the sources and results of her inspiration as a quilter. Both her workshops enjoyed full registration numbers. Our sincere thanks to Barb and Peter Robson for providing accommodations for Janet during her stay in Mahone Bay. Many guild members shared in the transportation and hosting duties during Janet's stay with us. My heartfelt thanks to Marjorie Skinner and Mary Gray for their participation on the workshop committee.

Respectfully submitted,
Debbie Breeze

At the Meeting:

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

Here is Cathy Drummond showing us her piece called "Good Bye"



Odds and Sods

The Guild received two lovely Thank you letters. I thought I would share them here:

Here is a thank you note from the NICU at the IWK:

Dear Quilters

On behalf of the NICU team, families and their babies, we thank you for your donation of the beautiful quilts from the members of the Mahone Bay Quilters Guild. Absolutely appreciated!! It is donations such as this that makes the experience for NICU families that much easier.

*Warmly,
The NICU team*

And

Thank You Mahone Bay Quilters Guild!



Earlier this month two members of the Mahone Bay Quilters Guild dropped by with a donation of beautiful quilts to be enjoyed by participants.

Thank you for sharing your labours of love with us!

Upcoming Quilt Shows

(This section will include upcoming quilt shows)

I have included the spring and summer shows. For other dates, please check out our Website at

<http://www.mahonebayquiltersguild.com/quilt-shows-.html>

- **May 1 – October 25, 2018 - Quilt Show and Sale**, Le Musee des Acadien des Pubnicos, #898 Rte. 335, West Pubnico, B0W3S0 Yarmouth & Acadian Shores
<http://www.novascotia.com/events/festivals-and-events/quilt-show-and-sale/-3571>
- **July 23 – 27, 2018 - Quilt-Expo**, Sacré-Coeur Church (9650 Route 1), Saulnierville, Monday – Thursday – 10 – 8pm, Friday 10 – 4 pm <http://www.quilt-expo-couvertes.com/>
- **July 10 – 14, 2018 ~ Quilt & Fibre Arts Show & Sale**, Albert County Museum, 3940 Route 114, Hopewell Cape, NB
Tues – Fri 9:30 – 5:30pm Sat – 9:30 – 5 pm

- **Aug 2 – Sept 28, 2018, *Transitions***, by Studio Art Quilt Association (SAQA), Atlantic Division, Art Gallery of NS, Yarmouth Branch, 341 Main St., Yarmouth NS
- **August 4 & 5, 2018** - The **Northumberland Quilt Guild** will be having their annual “Show and Sale” on August 4th and 5th from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm at the Decoste Center, 85 Water Street in Pictou, N.S. Admission is \$5.00 per person, which includes refreshments. Looking forward to seeing you there!
- **August 11 & 12, 2018 - *Log Cabin on the Lake Quilt Show***, The Akerley Area Quilt Guild, Narrows United Church on Bridge St., Cambridge-Narrows, NB, Sat 10-5; Sun 11-4