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## Meet the Executive

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

Marilyn Verburgh is our Librarian, here is a little about her. My husband and I moved to Indian Point 2001 after having spent 35 years in Toronto. We were ready to live in our little house by the ocean and just do what we wanted with our hobbies. After meeting Molly Hardy and Elaine McCauley I joined the Mahone Bay Quilters Guild that September. My first quilt was made in 1996 at a class and I remember the instructor saying "Find the fabric that makes you feel warm and fuzzy and is how you start". My first quilt with the Guild was in Linda Mill's workshop and that quilt still makes me happy.

The Guild needed a treasurer I stepped in not knowing what I was doing, but thanks to Patsy Perkins I struggled through, and now I am the librarian, with the help from Sharon Lawrence. I found when you volunteer for a position with the Guild, you become so involved and are not alone there is always someone to help.

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

## Don't Forget:

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

## Executive Members

- President** – Pam Wells – [pammied01@gmail.com](mailto:pammied01@gmail.com) or 902-527-2819
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- Monthly Program** – Chair, Rose Lesage – [cybera13@hotmail.com](mailto:cybera13@hotmail.com) or 902-789-3314 (Members. Gail Stryde, Alison Low)
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- Cuddle Quilt Coordinator** – Donna Veinot – [donna55veinot@gmail.com](mailto:donna55veinot@gmail.com) or 902-275-5100

## 2018 Meeting Dates

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

Mar 4, 2019 - 12:30 for 1:00pm

April 1, 2019 – 6:30 for 7:00pm

May 6, 2019 – 6:30 for 7:00pm

## Meeting Minutes

**Mahone Bay Quilt Guild**

**February 4, 2019**

Pam Wells called the meeting to order at 1 pm. She welcomed 5 guests: Vicki Clarke, Wanda MacDougall, Sheila Cleveland, Ramona Wentzell and Joan Vallis.

### **Minutes of January 7/19**

One correction- current membership is 142 (not 143 as reported). Moved by Donna Veinot and seconded by Rose Lesage the adoption of the amended minutes.

### **Treasurer's Report**

There being no questions, it was moved by Ann Phelan and seconded by Cathy Drummond the adoption of the report.

### **Membership**

Nothing new to report.

### **Workshop**

Our EQ for 2019 is Elaine Quehl from Ottawa, who primarily does nature themed workshops. Marjorie showed pictures of the 2 workshops she will be offering. The 1 day workshop on May 25 will be Hosta, and the 2 day workshop In Full Bloom. Patterns for each workshop will need to be purchased at a cost of \$16. The cost for 1 day workshop is \$35, and the 2 day is \$55. Fabric kits will be available, cost is unknown at this time. Registration will be by email starting at midnight on February 15. All emails are to be sent to Heather Sanft. On March 1 registration will open up to non-members. An email will be sent out prior to registration.

### **Library**

The new Quilting Arts Embellishment magazine, Quiltmania and the book WALK are now in the library. Marilyn asked that anyone using a pattern from a book or magazine check the website for any corrections in the pattern.

### **Program**

Nothing to report.

### **Cuddle Quilt Day**

There are still a few spaces left for the various stations. Donna circulated the sign up list. She reported that we made 169 cuddle quilts last year. She will place an ad in the South Shore Breaker. Donna also gave some suggestions on preparing quilts prior to that day.

### **Mini Retreat**

Christine reported that plans are now finalized for our 2<sup>nd</sup> guild mini retreat at the Quarterdeck. It will be held April 15-18. We have expanded our work space to include another small room, allowing for 25 people to attend. Cost of the workspace is \$175/ day, which is divided equally amongst the attendees. We will stay in the seaside villas at a cost of \$160/ night. Each villa has 2 bedrooms, 1 with a queen bed and 1 with 2 twins, plus a pull out sofa. The quote for lunch is \$20/day for 2 days, and supper is \$35/day for 3 days. She will try to renegotiate the cost of lunch. There will not be the option to opt out of meals. Further information will be sent out when available, along with the registration date.

### **Pictou Retreat**

Historically, we have awarded 2- \$500 scholarships towards the Pictou Retreat. So far, no information has come forward about the retreat, making some wonder if it is still going to take place. It was suggested that the scholarship money be redirected to offset costs of our own retreat, therefore allowing more people to benefit.

It was confirmed that the retreat is going forward, although information has not been published yet. Much discussion took place. It was felt that the money should be used for education only. The topic will be taken back to executive.

### **Yard Sale**

The hall has been booked for May 4. Further information will be provided when details are sorted out.

### **Raffle Quilt**

We have had several offers of a quilt. A selection committee will review all suggestions and make a decision.

### **Dessert Party**

Judy Cooper has agreed to chair this event on Wednesday, May 22. It was suggested that we change the format from an evening dessert party to an afternoon tea. Membership seemed quite pleased with this change. Instead of desserts, members will be asked to bring finger sandwiches, squares and cookies. Doors will open at 1:30, with the tea starting at 2. Tickets will be on sale at the March meeting - \$7 for members, \$15 for non-members.

### **Q & A**

Peggy asked a question about rebinding an old quilt.

### **Meeting Closed**

Moved by Anna Davison at 1:45.

### **Sew and Tell**

Anna Davison – Jean Ramsey's Monet Garden; Stack 'n Whack; Quilt as you go orphan blocks

Pam Wells – "What If" Christmas runner; cuddle quilts

Peggy Abbott – "Hugs and Kisses" quilt

Louise Keeley – 2 baby quilts; Christmas trees

Laurie Swim – Slow stitched embroidery "Happenstance"

Sandy Bruce – UFO's started in 1996, 6 Amish stripes

Donna Veinot – Turquoise cuddle quilt; queen quilt (quilted by Sew with Vision)

Linda Duffley, Sharon Lawrence, Sharon Griffiths – Mondo bags

Linda Duffley – baby quilt & cuddle quilt

Sharon Lawrence – Rabbit baby quilt, triangle pouch

Sharon Griffiths – Premie quilt, basket, flowers

Cathie Hutt – 3 premie quilts

Irene Hirtle – Nativity, old quilt "Farmers Wife"

Jan Strachan – Mondo bag, quilt bag

Katina Chapman – snow dyed fabric

Denise Milheron – Table runner; Log Cabin Christmas Tree; “Spice Cake” lap quilt  
Judy Cooper – Tree skirt gifted by sister in Tennessee  
Vicki Burke – Machine embroidered topper  
Bonny Houghton – Scarp quilts (Cheryl Arkison workshop)  
Marjorie Skinner – Garden Lattice- Briar Hill Design

Respectfully submitted

Sandy Emenau, Secretary, MBQG

## Membership News

### [Buddy System](#)

The buddy system for new members will continue at the March meeting. If you are a new member and wish to be introduced to a buddy for the meeting, please stop by the parlour 15 minutes before the meeting start or see Krista when you sign in.

### [Guild Bees](#)

There was no response to the request for interest in forming a bee to meet on weekends. Therefore, this issue will be set aside for now.

If there are any members wishing to join or form a bee that would meet during the week, please contact Krista at [krisgarber@aol.com](mailto:krisgarber@aol.com). Please indicate which weekdays are best for you and where you would be available to meet; for example, if you live in Mahone Bay, but would be willing to meet in Bridgewater or Chester, please let me know. Otherwise, we will try to match up members who live in the same area.

### [New Member's Tea](#)

In response to several requests, the date of the new members' tea has been moved to September for 2019 and subsequent years.

## Finance News

For those who may be sending your registration fees for the Extraordinary Quilter classes by e-transfer, here are the instructions. Ann will respond to you within 24 hours to let you know your money has been deposited.

### E-Transfer Guidelines

To send an eTransfer you must use the following email: [mbagtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:mbagtreasurer@gmail.com)

The question to post is: What is your favourite pastime?

The answer is: Quilting

Your monies will usually be deposited within 24 hours of your eTransfer notification.

A copy of your eTransfer will be sent to the appropriate person/committee.

Cheers, Ann Phelan

## Program News

Judy Cooper, textile artist, is our Program for March. She will be giving a computer presentation as well as showing us some of her work. It should be a very interesting presentation.

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

Rose Lesage,  
Program Chair  
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## Workshop News

### **The Extraordinary Quilter for 2019 will be Elaine Quehl**

The 2 day 'In Bloom' Workshop is now full. 1 day 'Hosta' Workshop still has 4 spaces available to members until the end of March 4<sup>th</sup> meeting. Registration will then be opened to other guilds and non-members.

Anyone who has not paid yet, please do so as soon as possible. Instructions for sending e-transfers are located in the Finance News section.

For those who may still interested, Elaine's website can be found at [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 23<sup>rd</sup> and 24<sup>th</sup>. The one-day workshop **"Hosta"** will be held on Saturday the 25<sup>th</sup>.

Any questions about our Extraordinary Quilter event? Let us know!

Heather Sanft ([hmsanft@gmail.com](mailto:hmsanft@gmail.com))

Marjorie Skinner ([michaelskinner537@gmail.com](mailto:michaelskinner537@gmail.com))

Mary Gray ([graymary007@gmail.com](mailto:graymary007@gmail.com))

### **"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). Tickets will be on sale at the March 4 MBQG meeting. Members tickets are \$7 (plus a food donation) and non-members tickets are \$15. I would appreciate it if you could please have the correct change or a cheque.

If you can't be at the meeting you can reserve tickets by email (starting on March 4) at [robsonbh@eastlink.ca](mailto:robsonbh@eastlink.ca)

Thanks, Barb

## Cuddle Quilt Day

Donna would like to thank the Members that volunteered for Cuddle quilts.

Remember: Cuddle Quilt Day will be March 16<sup>th</sup>. Doors open at 9:00 am at the Trinity United Church Hall. If you have any questions or would like to volunteer, you can contact Donna at [donna55veinot@gmail.com](mailto:donna55veinot@gmail.com)

## Quilt Retreat

Here is some information on the mini retreat to be held in April. Have a read and bring your questions to the March meeting, or email or call me if you cannot get to the March meeting.

Last year's mini Retreat was a lot of fun... side hurting, laughter fun, and very productive as well! This is not a workshop retreat, but a time to finish some UFO's, start a new project, or practice a new skill, and get to know some of the members better.

Dates: This year the retreat will run Monday April 15 (arrive after lunch) to Thursday April 18 (leave before lunch). We added one full day!!

Accommodations are the same as last year. Please check out the Quarterdeck website at [www.quarterdeck.ca](http://www.quarterdeck.ca) Cost: Villa rate is \$159/ night, and a villa can sleep up to 5 if you are comfortable sharing.

There is a pool and exercise space across the road from the villas, you can check the website to see what it is like.

Work space: The Ocean conference room and the room next door. Both face the ocean and have breathtaking views and the relaxing sound of waves. Cost of this is \$175 total, divided amongst all attendees.

Meals: will be provided by the restaurant at \$15 per lunch (we are there for 2 lunches) and \$35 for dinner, (we are there for 3 dinners). Because they are bringing in staff and food just for us, there is no option to back out of meals. What we did last year; bringing in food for lunch, was not in keeping with food safety regulations so we have been asked not to do that again...

I will be taking names for attendees starting Mar 11, via email... see below for my email. Included in your application you will need to specify...

- if you have roommate preferences from guild members you know want to attend and hopefully get in,
- your bedroom preference; need a room to yourself, willing share or willing to sleep on pull out couch

This year I am asking for a \$100 deposit to hold your place. I will not cash these and will return it at the retreat, unless you don't show, then the money will be used to pay the meal cost. You can give me this at the April 1st Guild meeting.

Thanks,  
Christine Bell  
dogonit@live.com  
902-766-0202

## 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 March/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 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

We have been approached by the Museum to see if any of Members would like to display quilts in their Quilt Exhibit that runs June 22 to about September 2019. Here are some of the details we received:

Hand quilted only, will be displayed since they will be displaying their historic collection.

They have mostly large quilts in their collection, so a few small would be nice with a couple of large ones too.

Any lenders will need to complete a Loan form with details of their quilt, size, date created, and an insurance value which we send along to our insurance company for the duration of the loan. I can send a Loan Agreement for lenders to complete later.

Installation of works would be done June 19 and 20<sup>th</sup>. Reception would be held Thursday, July 18 at 7 p.m. \*Closing date for the exhibit may change depending on other programming. Once the time gets closer, we can get it confirmed.



If the quilts have a sleeve for a dowel, they will be hung using a dowel system or by clips. If the lenders have a dowel that fits their quilt, that would be helpful too.

For more information, please contact the Museum at 902-543-4033 or Linda Bedford, Curator, [Linda.Bedford@bridgewater.ca](mailto:Linda.Bedford@bridgewater.ca)

## Quilt Show 2020

As mentioned at the last meeting, we are looking for someone to chair the Quilt Show in 2020. Have you ever wondered how you could help out the Guild? This would be a perfect opportunity! There would be lots of assistance from the members and the process is documented in many binders. If you have any questions about what is involved, please contact, our President, Pam Wells.

## 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 [mbagnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mbagnewsletter@gmail.com) )

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

## Odds and Sods

Have you ever wanted to take the bus tour to Paducah, Kentucky? I have attached a file that provides all the information.

Have you ever wanted to travel to the South Pacific? One of our members, Debbie Breeze, is there now and has been documenting their travels. She has shared their blog. Here's the link so you can follow along. <https://breezingthrough.home.blog/> . It looks beautiful!!



## 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 March dates are: March 11 and March 25

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

### Cuddle Quilt Day

Cuddle Quilt Day will be March 16, 2019. Guild members and friends come together to make quilts for various charities.

We meet at Trinity United Church Hall at 9am, lunch is provided. Contact Donna at [donna55veinot@gmail.com](mailto:donna55veinot@gmail.com) Everyone welcome

## At the Meeting:

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

We had such a large sew and tell in February, I could not choose one so I chose three. Two patterns from Extraordinary Quilters we have had in the past as well as one pattern from a Guest Speaker, Briar Hill Designs. I must add they were all beautiful, I could have filled the Newsletter with just sew and tell.



*A scrap quilt that Bonnie made from Cheryl Arkison's workshop*



*Pam and the runners she finished from Janet Barker Workshop*



*Marjorie and her Garden Lattice from Briar Hill Designs*