



Mahone Bay Quilters Guild
piecemakers
 by the sea

November 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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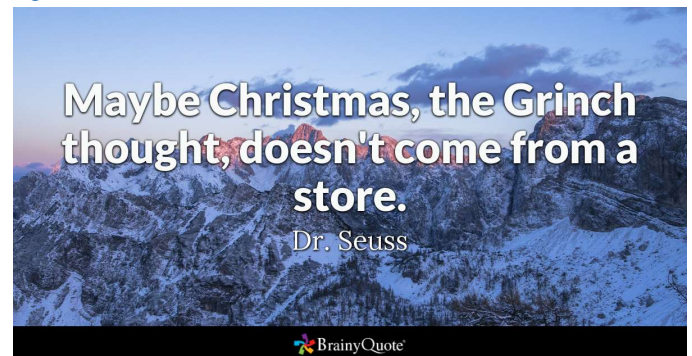
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November. For some this is a hectic time. The clocks, the stores, the advertisers, the television is constantly telling you how close you are to Christmas and how little time you have to shop. But do not despair. You are a quilter. You have probably started back in September on your gifts. But if not, there are still fast Christmas panels, tree ornaments and one day quilts in the magazine section of your local store. Just keep smiling as others get stressed.

Quote



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.

The Big Quilt Bee – Canada 150 – Ronald McDonald Houses



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RE: Big Quilt Bee in Support of Canadian Ronald
McDonald Houses

It is very hard to put into words how overwhelmed we all are having regard to the hugely successful Big Quilt Bee. Thank you hardly covers the deep feeling behind those two little words. I was in attendance at the Bee in Toronto and had a chance to meet quilters from all over Canada and to thank them in person for their contribution. It was an amazing couple of days that I won't forget.

The Big Quilt Bee was by all standards an enormous success and an outstanding Canada 150

undertaking. It is in every way a lasting legacy of Canada's 150th years and the quilters who worked so hard to make this such a huge success. Each of the Houses are having such wonderful reactions from families with each gift of a quilt that is given. Each one is a gift that will keep on giving through the years.

On behalf of the 15 Ronald McDonald Houses, our Boards of Directors, staff and of course all the families who call our Houses "home", we extend a heartfelt thank you to you for your generosity, time and talent. Each and every gift of a quilt will make a difference in the lives of the recipient family.

From all of us.....Thank you!

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Wanted

Someone in the Lunenburg/Mahone Bay area to machine embroider names on various articles. Please contact Lori Keelty at lorikeelty@me.com.

Minutes

Mahone Bay Quilt Guild October 2, 2017

Pam Wells called the meeting to order at 7 pm. She welcomed all members present as well as new members Kathi Giberson, Rexanne Burns and Gail Smith, and guest Sandy LeLows.

Treasurer's Report

Ann presented the treasurer's report for September. Moved by Ann and seconded by Michelle Stevens that the report be approved. Motion carried.

Membership

Krista reported that we now have 122 paid members. This number is down from last month due to 12 members not renewing.

Library

Marilyn reported that a new Quilting Arts magazine has arrived.

Programming

Rose had nothing new to report. Reminded everyone about the pincushion exchange.

Quilt Show

Raffle tickets will soon be coming out. Kits for the challenge quilts have been sold out.

Cuddle Quilts

Leigh reported that she delivered cuddle quilts to Northwood, and the residents were very appreciative.

Workshops

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The skills day on Sept. 23 went well. On Nov. 18, Marjorie will be doing a Christmas workshop, with 4 choices of project. The Karen Miller workshop is full and the wait list has been cleared up.

Pictou Retreat

Isabel Fancy and Peggy Abbott attended the Pictou retreat and shared their experience with the membership.

Winter Meetings

Pam advised the membership that the executive has made the decision to hold daytime meetings in Jan., Feb., and March.

Patsy Perkins moved the adjournment of the meeting.



Sew and Tell

Cathy Drummond –
Butterflies

Sandy Emenau – 2
mug rugs, Canada
banner

Barb Robson (for
Heather Stewart) – 2
preemie quilts,

Elizabeth Hartman designs

Michele Stevens – Lone Fish baby quilt

Peggy Abbott – felted scarf

Program

Heather Sannft did a presentation on basket making.

Next meeting

November 6 @ 7 pm.

Respectfully submitted

Sandy Emenau, Secretary, MBQG

Workshop News

November 18, 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Trinity United Church Hall Christmas workshop with Marjorie Skinner. Fee for members: \$35.

From Marjorie: Following my trunk show last year, I had several requests from members to share some of my Christmas work with them. I have chosen 4 projects for you to try: Star Christmas Tree, Stacking Christmas Tree, Bell tree decoration and Yoyo tree decoration. You may only want to make a couple but I will give out the pattern and instructions for all 4 at the workshop.

Register at the October and November meetings or contact Mary Gray at graymary007@gmail.com

From the workshop committee: we appreciate hearing your suggestions and are planning more workshops for the spring. Keep the ideas coming!
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Quilt Show – 2018

Tickets on the raffle quilt should be available soon. Please accept your allotted number and sell them.....this enables our Guild to hold workshops etc...

We want to encourage all members to consider entering a quilt or hanging in show. This is not a juried show but a celebration of the quilt making of our members. Made with love is what people will see.

The advertising committee is soon to present the poster and rack card design. Thanks to all the show volunteers who are working so hard.

If you bought a kit for the quilt challenge, thank you and the volunteers who organized the challenge and we look forward to seeing your results.

Countdown of 10 months to go until our 2018 show takes place.

Pin Cushion Swap

From Rose Lesage who will be chairing our program committee. As the title says, there will be a swap of pincushions. Sign up is at the September meeting but you can also contact Rose at cybera13@hotmail.com.

The exchange will take place at the December meeting where participants names will be chosen at random. Rose has provided the following links on making pin cushions.

There are lots of free patterns available and lots of examples to get ideas. Lots are on Pinterest. Here are a few links.

<https://www.pinterest.com/pin/238690848983673991/>

<http://thesewingloftblog.com/pincushion-patterns/>

<https://www.craftsy.com/blog/2013/10/pincushion-patterns/>

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What a great idea for a gift for someone as well as a nice keepsake for yourself.

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>

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

An unusual quilt.

<https://shwinandshwin.com/2014/03/world-map-quilt-home-sewn-series.html>

A jelly roll Bargello Quilt. Really pretty in spring colours. Not too soon to think about spring colours.

<http://stitch2write1.blogspot.ca/2011/09/jelly-roll-bargello-tutorial.html>

Ever wanted a Tiffany diamond well here is one.

<http://quiltingintherain.com/2010/11/tiffany-diamonds-quilt.html>

In case you are looking for a Christmas placemat pattern. <http://www.leighlaurelstudios.com/my-blog/2014/11/dresden-forest.html>

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This could be adapted for any special piece of fabric.

<http://quiltersenjoycolor.blogspot.ca/2017/08/koi-pond-quilt.html>

This is a bonanza of quilts for children.

<https://www.favequilts.com/Kids-Quilts/17-Free-Quilting-Patterns-for-Children>

A cookie plate crumb catcher. Handy for Christmas.

<http://thecraftyquilter.com/2013/10/christmas-once-a-month-cookie-plate-crumb-catcher/>

A Christmas table topper (a hexie)

<https://frommycarolinahome.wordpress.com/2014/12/01/christmas-hexagonal-table-topper/>

Fast gift. Christmas Tree mug rugs.

<http://fortworthfabricstudio.blogspot.ca/2014/11/christmas-tree-mug-rug-free-pattern.html>

Quick, colourful, only a jelly roll. Should be some Christmas ones in the quilt store.

<http://mleknits.blogspot.ca/2011/05/free-pattern-for-you.html>

Just want to read and learn. Applique anyone?

<https://www.favequilts.com/Applique-Basics/Quilt-Applique-Techniques>

I spy quilt. Really pretty and advertised as easy.

<http://www.happyquiltingmelissa.com/2010/11/i-spy-quilt-tutorial.html>

Here is a cute little pattern. I might have included before. You could embellish to death if you wanted.

<https://www.purlsoho.com/create/2011/08/28/mini-quilt-of-the-month-august-piecing-a-photograph/>

This one is called Controlled Chaos which is a scrappy quilt. You could follow the pattern or use it as a starting point. Great for a beginner. Non-repetitive.

<https://www.shinyhappyworld.com/2016/08/controlled-chaos-a-free-scrap-quilt-pattern.html>

Shattered glass. Very pretty in blues.

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

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Traditional style but with a twist or should I say a lot of geese. <http://www.crafttown.com/quilt/wildgoose.htm>

Very pretty baby quilt. Suitable for fresh lively fabrics.

<http://cloud9fabrics.com/make-sew-ribbon-box-quilt/>

Want to do a log cabin quilt but want something different. Take the guess work out of a barn raising quilt with this pattern. And it is scrappy to boot.

<http://www.redpepperquilts.com/2013/07/Scrappy-Log-Cabin-Quilt-and-Tutorial.html>

This is called an Ivy Trellis quilt but is easy to make.

<https://www.favequilts.com/Queen/Charming-Ivy-Trellis-Quilt-from-Riley-Blake-Designs>

Sweet mini quilt for telling what is to come in the next months.

<https://graybarndesigns.com/2017/01/09/snowflake-mini-quilt-pattern/>

Do you like designs from the 1930's? Here is a block called Farmer's wife.

<https://www.bonjourquilts.com/bonnie-farmers-wife-1930s-sampler-quilt-sew-along/>

Ok a few Christmas quilting items.

A pretty easy quilt but very attractive. It could be done so the blocks contain particular scenes.

<http://www.piecesbypolly.com/2017/08/anne-of-green-gables-christmas-quilt.html>

Using charm packs but would be gorgeous in something other than the fabric Figgy Pudding.

<http://littladypatchwork.blogspot.ca/2010/10/charming-stars-fig-tree-version.html>

A really sweet tree ornament. Quite different.

<https://nerospost.wordpress.com/2013/01/04/pinwheel-brooch-ornament-tutorial/>

A modern Holly table Runner. Great for a gift and for using luscious red fabrics.

<http://www.leighlaurelstudios.com/my-blog/2014/12/dresden-table-runner.html>

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A small quilt, Christmas themed, easy to do. A great gift and a bit different in this season.

<http://www.seamsandscissors.com/christmas-row-houses-pattern-quilt-woman-giveaway/>

A Christmas ribbons throw. In fact for a bit of bling, ribbons machine appliqued on top as embellishment would be interesting.

<http://www.happyquiltingmelissa.com/2012/07/christmas-in-july-blog-hop.html>

This one takes a while but if you start in November it might be finished. Really nice.

<http://www.joscountryjunction.com/christmas-star-quilt-tutorial/>

This is a really cute Christmas wall hanging. Bright, colourful.

<http://thecraftyquilter.com/2013/11/christmas-tree-wall-hanging-tutorial/>

Back to non Christmas items.

Just Blocks.

This is a lovely butterfly block. You can see it in all kinds of colours and combined with other blocks for a spectacular quilt.

<http://sewnbyleila.blogspot.ca/2012/06/36-alice-brooks-butterfly.html>

Could be a Christmas gift. It says it take an hour with charm squares.

<https://mypatchwork.wordpress.com/2011/05/02/tote-bag-tutorial/>

A versatile block.

<http://www.pieceandquilt.com/2015/01/how-to-sickle-quilt-block-30-days-of.html>

A very nice block. Again a possible scrappy application.

<http://www.freshlemonsquilts.com/summer-sampler-series-lucky-pieces/>

This one is really neat. Lots of movement in a quilt.

<http://www.pieceandquilt.com/2015/04/how-to-rolling-pinwheel-star-quilt.html>

Faux fly geese. Would be nice to make a scrappy quilt.

<https://heyletmakestuff.com/scattered-geese-log-cabin-quilt-go-tutorial/>

This is called a lovers' star. Complex but has big possibilities.

<http://www.pieceandquilt.com/2015/04/how-to-lovers-star-quilt-block-30-days.html>

This is paper pieced. Really nice. Worth the effort.

Alternated with plain blocks would be a great quilt.

<http://627handworks.com/2013/07/block-rockn-week-10-mercury/>

That is it for November. Have fun.

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