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## President's Welcome Message

It's been a busy month for many of you preparing for our Quilt Show and then having to switch gears to prepare for a hurricane.

Though we missed the Saturday of our Quilt Show due to the arrival of Hurricane Fiona we were still able to achieve a successful Show.

It was lovely to see some of our past presidents visit during our Thursday evening opening ceremony.

We were honoured to have Michele Stevens-Mosher to host our opening and some kind words from our Mayor David Devenne.

We also had our MLA for Lunenburg and Minister of Economic Development, Susan Corkum-Greek present us a certificate of Congratulations for our 30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.

The comments from attendee's were very positive and encouraging.

You should all be very pleased with the beautiful and professional display of quilts we were able to display.

I am always amazed at the staggering level of talent we have in our Guild, and it fills me with pride to be a small part of such a wonderful group of talented quilters and artists.

The financial reports are getting finalized and there are indications that this may have been the most successful Quilt Show we have hosted to date.

Boutique and floor sales exceeded expectations as did raffle quilt ticket sales.

It will take a few days to "let the dust settle" before we will have the final numbers. A huge thank you to the husbands!

CONGRATULATIONS to everyone for a job well done!

Annette Fralic

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## Meeting Date

**Our next meeting is October 3, 2022. It will be in-person only at the Trinity United Church**

## Slow Quilting

Have you signed on to Slow quilting for a chat yet? If not, here are the upcoming times:

October 3, 17, 31  
November 14, 28  
December 12

Drop in anytime between 2 and 4pm

## Quilt Show News

### Show Winners

Pam Wells – Winter Wonderland



Best in Show Award  
Honourable Mention Viewer's Choice

Ruth Grant – Stained Glass Dreams



Viewer's Choice Award

Colleen Paton – Spring Garden



Honourable Mention Best in Show  
Honourable Mention Viewer's Choice

Sandy Emenau – Pandemic Millifiore



Honourable Mention Best in Show

Christine Bell – Cutting Garden



Honourable Mention Best in Show

### Show Treasurer – Jill Green

*We are still working on our final review of the financials and waiting for some receipts for expenses to come in to complete the quilt show treasurers report. At this time, we are definitely showing a profit of greater than what we had planned, which is phenomenal news considering we were shuttered on what is typically the busiest day. Full report to follow for our next Guild meeting. Thank-you to everyone for a job extremely well done in very trying circumstances.*

### The Boutique – Tara Lynas, Christine Bell and Ann Phelan

Wow!! In the face of adversity, Covid, Hurricane Fiona, and power outages the Mahone Bay Quilt Guild put on an outstanding show. Our Boutique generated more sales than ever before!

We were fortunate to have amazing products and an incredible volunteer team that sold their hearts out, 355 items sold in 14 hours. Thank you all.

From your Boutique team

## Registration Team – Jan Strachan

What a show. I had the pleasure of seeing the quilts early on and predicted that the show would be beautiful, and it was. We are a talented group that is for sure. We had 124 to show and thanks to the cooperation of all of you we were able to take them all in just over an hour. Pick up was also achieved in just over an hour. Our team Colleen and Peter Paton, Eldora and Dave Baillie, Johanna and Mike Alford Cathy Drummond and her husband, Nina Scott-Stoddard and her husband, Barb and Peter Robson, Kelly Skelton and her husband. Phil Strachan and many more. Thanks to all of you especially the ones I missed!!!!

## Door prize winners given out at the Quilt Show – Gail Stryde

1. Anonymous – *Heather Hector and Annette Fralic*
2. Atlantic Fabrics – Bridgewater – *Ray Shay*
3. Faye at Avonport Discount Fabrics – *Paul MacDonald*
4. Fabricville – *Bruce Taylor, Linda Moodie, Debby MacPhee, Sheena Gibbs*
5. Lynn's Quilting Studio – *Karen Mumford*
6. Patch – *Helen Ferns*
7. Quilts by the Bay – *Dave Hogan*
8. Sew With Vision – *Sue Rosin*
9. Violet Quilts – *Marilyn Massie-Clarke, Celia Klemenz*
10. Woolworks – *Cindy Sutherland*

**The Guild would like to thank everyone for their generous donations. I will be in touch with the winners shortly.**

## Ribbons awarded at the show.

We started awarding committee ribbons at our 2018 Quilt Show. The idea came from the Vancouver Modern Quilt Guild, and it sounded like a good idea! Each member of the quilt show committee can participate and each member chooses their own theme. They each make their own ribbon which usually represents their theme in some way. Once the quilts are hung the committee members then judge the quilts that are in their category and attach their ribbon to the winning quilt. It is a great way to honour incredibly talented quiltmakers! Thanks to all who participated!

Outstanding Quilting by Entrant awarded by Krista Garber to Pam Wells for "Winter Wonderland"

Outstanding Embellishment awarded by Pam Wells to Judy Cooper for "Squash Squad"

Outstanding Hand Quilting awarded by Barb Robson to Christine Bell for "Covid Cutting Garden"

Outstanding Piecing awarded by Eldora Baillie to Sandy Emenau for "Pandemic Millefiori"

Outstanding Hand Applique awarded by Gail Stryde to Christine Bell for "Covid Cutting Garden"

Outstanding use of Colour awarded by Cathy Drummond to Debbie Breeze for "A Walk in the Woods"

Outstanding Beginner Quilt awarded by Gail Smith to Lynne Hannah for "Sew Many Pieces"

Outstanding Whimsical Quilt awarded by Annette Fralic to Tara Lynas for "Delightful Desert"

Outstanding Baby or Child Quilt awarded by Nina Scott Stoddart to Eldora Baillie for "Monster Mash"

Outstanding Modern Quilt awarded by Tara Lynas to Ann Phelan for "Shirt Strip Boxes"

Outstanding Miniature awarded by Johanna Alford to Judy Cooper for "Squash Squad"

Outstanding Holiday Theme Quilt awarded by Elizabeth Tumblin to Pam Wells for "Winter Wonderland"

Outstanding Original Design awarded by Jan Stachan to Cathy Drummond for "Deep in the Woods"

## Program News

I would like to thank Rita for the wonderful presentation on her antique quilt collection in September. I heard from many members, and they enjoyed the presentation immensely.

Here are few words from Rita:

*It was an absolute delight to share my quilt collection with the guild this past Monday. I wish to thank the members who made the presentation possible by holding the sometimes very heavy quilts, and later folding them to allow me to quickly pack up. Thank you to our new President who gave me a little extra time in a very busy agenda and then helped me get the collection to my car!*

*It is my sincere delight to belong to Mahone Bay Quilters Guild.*

### October Program

A lot of time has passed since the last "Meet the New Members" tea. This year we decided to not only introduce our new members but to hold an event so that we have an opportunity to get to know all members.

This event will be the program for October and will be held **prior** to the meeting, starting at **6pm** and run for approximately 45 minutes. During this time, all members are invited to participate in the "Meet the Quilters" game where members mingle, share refreshments, meet new members, and renew old friendships. The "Meet the Quilters" game is meant to be fun and interactive. There will be draws for prizes and hopefully lots of chatter and laughter. Light refreshments will be served.

Come and enjoy a fun-filled program. You will be surprised at the information you gather from the members.

**Remember to wear your Name Tags and bring a pen.**

Hope to see you there.

**November Program** – have you been wondering about Quilt Canada? Well, you won't want to miss November's meeting as Carole McCarville, CQA/ACC Executive Director will be giving us a trunk show and giving us details about Quilt Canada Halifax. More details in the November newsletter.

### December Meeting

Thanks to the few people who provided their feedback on my questions in the September newsletter.

This year we will have a Christmas Ornament Exchange and a Mug Rug Exchange. Both exchanges are optional.

When you bring in your homemade Christmas ornament and/or mug rug (Christmas or one for use all year round) you will be given a number for each exchange. Numbers will be drawn to determine the order of choosing for each exchange. Items need to be homemade but not necessarily quilted or made by a member.

More information to follow in the November Newsletter.

If you have any questions or suggestions for programs, please contact me

## Membership News

### Life Members

Oops I missed Ann Phelan's comments about Isabel.

From Ann Phelan

Isabel is a quilter extraordinaire. Her work is perfect in every way, from colour choices, hand & machine stitching and hand quilting. She is willing and excited to try new and often challenging patterns, always with great success.

Most important is Isabel's sharing of her quilts by donations to Mahone Bay Charity Quilts, IWK Neo Natal baby quilts, Linus Project, etc. She often makes in excess of 40 baby quilts for IWK, our local children's hospital.

Isabel's was an elementary school teacher with much of her career in western Canada. She is always willing to teach/share information with those around her.

We are fortunate to have Isabel as a member and mentor in Mahone Bay Quilt Guild.

### Meet one of our New Members Kellie Skelhorn

Kelly joined us in June 2022. She has zoomed into at least one Slow quilting. She shared with us two of her beautiful quilts at the show and helped take the show down. She has already been a great addition to the guild.

My quilting addiction began this year, in January 2022 at age 57, with the loss of our beloved fur baby, Gus. Gus was a Bichon Frise who required grooming about every six weeks. His last groomer would send him home with a feather in his ear and a new bandana. I saved all his bandanas. We said goodbye to dear sweet Gus on December 21<sup>st</sup>, 2021.



I had been thinking that I would make a quilt from his bandanas. In my state of overwhelming grief, now was the time. I had never quilted before, but I needed to learn. Now. And fast. I watched a YouTube video on quilting for beginners. Ok, that seemed easy enough. I must make squares. I dug out all Gus's bandanas, washed them up, and my stress level began.

They weren't the same size. Some were distorted in shape. How was I going to do this? My husband encouraged me to just sew them together. It will be beautiful. I had a vision in my mind and couldn't start without a plan.

Then I took a Sunday afternoon hands on class for quilting for beginners. It was a 3-hour class, and we made a tiny 4 x 4 quilt. Combined with YouTube, it was enough to get me started!

I started with mixing and matching the bandanas. I tried to find a way that I could put them all together, even in their distorted and mixed matched sizes. Nope, couldn't do it.

Then I tried sorted them by sizes. Yes! There were enough similar sizes that I could start to see my way through. I'm still a devastated mamma, and everything about this had to be perfect to honor Gus.

I'm ready. Long story short, I dug out my sewing machine and manual, relearned how to thread my machine, and how to wind a bobbin.

I grabbed all the little bandanas and started sewing them in pairs, on the diagonal, to make my squares. I cut each of the blocks into the biggest square I could make. Some of them were a little wonky shaped from being tied in a knot around Gus's neck, but I got a square out of each of them. Different sized squares, but squares, nonetheless.

I added borders around some of the squares to make them the same size. I personalized the quilt a bit by taking a couple of pictures of Gus and his paw prints to a graphic design store. We put the pictures of Gus and his paw prints on some of the blocks.

It's a whole other story to tell you about my experience trying to quilt it! I will skip that part and get right to the part where late Sunday evening it was complete. I absolutely loved it.



I'm addicted!



# Workshop News – Johanna Alford and Josie (Pina) Wall

## Workshop News

### WORKSHOP DATE

**November 19, 2022, 10am to 3pm**

**Beginner English Paper Piecing (EPP)**

### FROM THE WORKSHOP COMMITTEE

As you are aware Pina, and I took on the job of workshop at the meeting on September 12. We are really trying to get up to speed while I am helping with the show as well. We are on it!

There was already a Workshop by Suzette Conrad planned for November 19,2022 on beginner English Paper Piecing. Hold the date and watch for further information.

Pina and I are working on workshops for the New Year. Stay tuned!! We are also hard at work on the EQ. We will let you know once we have more information. We will be working around Quilt Canada which is running in June of 2023.

## Items of Interest

### Save the dates

The Retreat is May 9-12, 2023. Pricing options are expected by mid-October. Stay tuned!

### Important Dates

Remember to check our wonderful new Website for the Calendar. The Communications Committee work hard to keep it updated with all our important dates and changes to scheduled events. Our Slow Quilting Dates and other important Guild activities can be found on the calendar. The Slow Quilting dates are set for October 3, 17, 31, Nov 14, 28 and Dec 12, 2023. Everyone is welcome.

## For Sale

Husqvarna Topaz 50 - \$1800.00  
Like new, just serviced beautiful machine.  
2 years old minimal use. I got it from a friend when his mother passed, she bought it new and only used for about 6 months. I bought it for a second machine but as I'm used to Brother this is too different and I find I won't use it.

- Colour touch screen
- one of the largest embroidery hoops available
- sewnet.ca availabilities



- Deluxe buttonhole foot
- Easy help Button
- Software easily updated via internet
- Many classes on youtube
- bobbin thread notifications

Three embroidery hoops 360x200,  
120x120, 80x80  
\$3500-4900.00 New  
Any questions please contact me at [aliciaanderson101@hotmail.com](mailto:aliciaanderson101@hotmail.com)

## Fat Quarter Draw September 12, 2022

Betty Learning was the winner of the fat quarter draw at the meeting September 12. Congrats Betty.

## Best in Sew and Tell

Though the year I would like to set up for a Best in Show and Tell. We will use the Flickr Album <https://www.flickr.com/people/mbqg/> to pick our favorite from the previous sew and tell and there will be a prize for the quilt with the most votes. You can vote by sending me your vote via email to [mbqgnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:mbqgnewsletter@gmail.com). We will begin in November.

## Margaret Hennigar Library Display

The Guild has been asked to provide another display of quilts for January and February 2023 at the Margaret Hennigar Library in Bridgewater. In order to do so, we will need someone to assume coordination of this display. The volunteer will receive offers of quilts for display from members and arrange a drop off/collection time for quilts. The quilts should be installed on or about January 3, 2023 and removed on or about February 27, 2023. The library has all the hanging equipment needed and printed labels will be made available. A small stepladder (at the library) is needed to reach the top of the hanging chains. Photos of the display should be taken for the newsletter when it is complete. At the end of the display period, the volunteer arranges to return the quilts to their owners.

If you are interested in fulfilling this role for the Guild, please contact Annette at [afralic100@gmail.com](mailto:afralic100@gmail.com)

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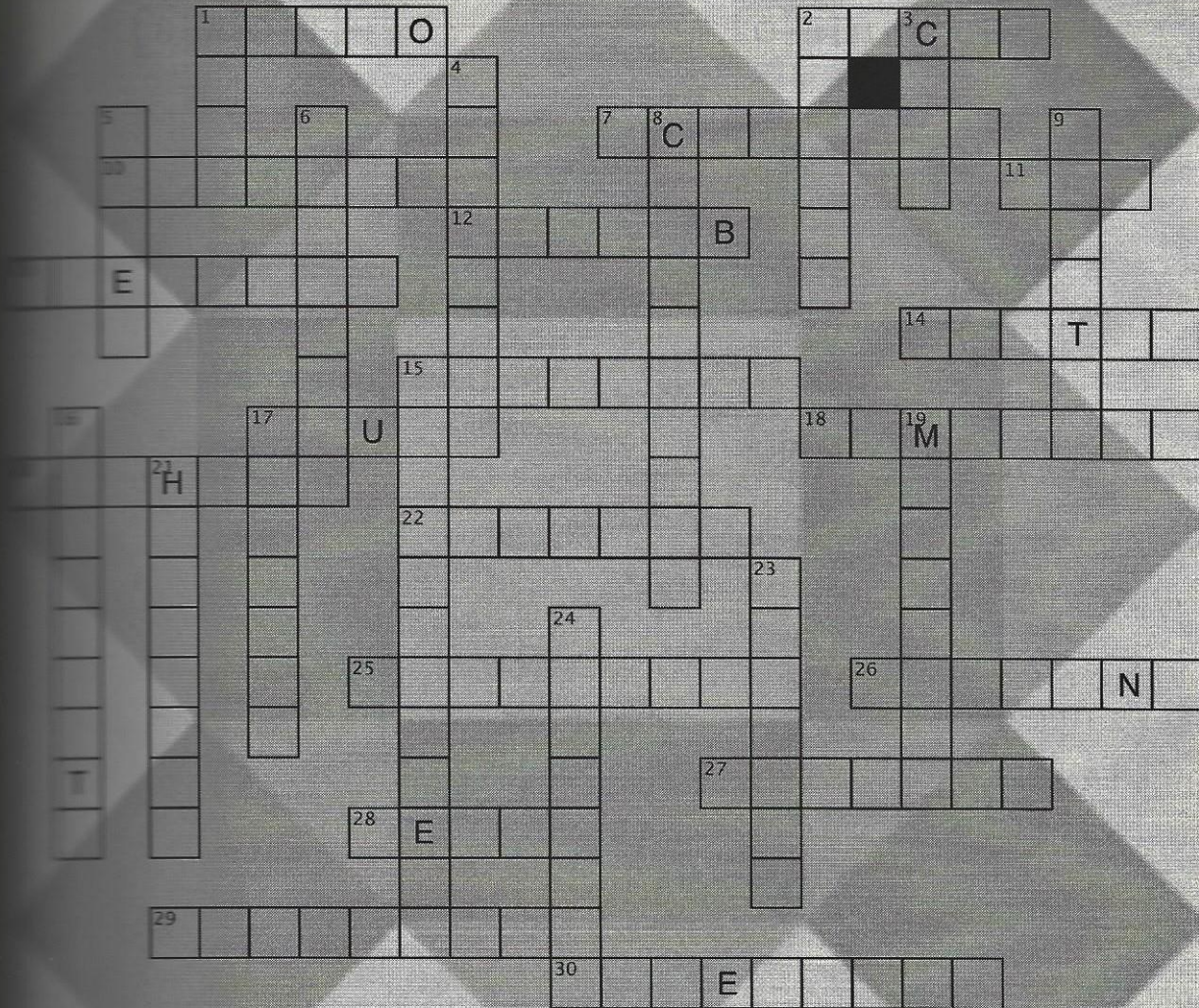
## Gail's Games

### October:

Jan asked if I would provide a game every so often for the Newsletter. Here is my first one. I have a prize for the 1<sup>st</sup> person to send me the correct completed puzzle. My email address is [gstryde@hotmail.com](mailto:gstryde@hotmail.com) Get your thinking caps on! Have Fun!

# Last Names of Famous Quilters - #1

Fill in the Missing Letters Using the Words Below the Puzzle



Jenkins

Beyer

Bonesteel

Chiaverini

Lefelhocz

Berlo

Hicks

Hampton

McCannon

Anderson

Day

Bryerfallert

Bonsib

Dietrich

Dunton

Goldsmith

Brackens

Laury

Cummings

Lacroix

Cochran

England

Mathieson

Mazloomi

Hopkins

Budd

Hunter

Hartwell

Crow

Benberry

James

Donnell

Brackman

Kimbrell