### December 2022 Newsletter





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# **President Message**

Happy December to everyone!! This is definitely a busy time for most of us, with homemade gifts getting finished and favorite family treats being planned and made.

I hope everyone is looking forward to our December meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> at 1pm. Doors will open at 12:30. Please make sure to bring your own cutlery, plate and mug and a bag to take dirty dishes back home. Also, we would request that food items for the potluck have an ingredient card or label so that anyone with allergies can make informed decisions when selecting their lunch and please bring serving utensils for your offered dish.

During the December meeting we will be offering our members quilting fabrics that have been in our storage area from donations the Guild has received. The fabric will be set up after the potluck so members can help themselves prior to leaving.

We are living in an environment with many respiratory illnesses and ask that if you can wear a mask, please do so when possible, during group meetings this winter.

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## **Meeting Date**

Our next meeting is December 5, 2022 @ 1:00 Doors open at 12:30. It will be inperson only at the Trinity United Church

For Information on Slow Quilting, Sew Zoom and other Guild Activities check out our Website Calendar

https://www.flickr.com/people/mbgg/

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We have all been inspired by the CQA challenge trunk show that was presented by Carole McCarville at our November meeting. As a result, our Guild will be registered in the CQA Guild Member Challenge. There is information available on the CQA website and there will be some hard copies of challenge guidelines available at the December meeting for anyone who might be interested.

Just a reminder of our winter meeting guidelines. If there is a school snow day in Mahone Bay on the planned meeting day we will be switching to a Zoom meeting instead of an inperson meeting. This will be decided on the morning of the meeting and the Zoom link will be sent out to all members.

Enjoy the rest of the newsletter and Happy Holidays to everyone.

Annette

# **Membership News**

At the December meeting, bring a fat quarter that coordinates with a Christmas theme, and you are entered to win some more. You can bring as many fat quarters as you would like and will receive an entry ticket for each one that you bring. The more you bring, the better your chances of winning and increasing your stash.

Happy Quilting!

Eldora

Membership Chair

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## **Program News**

We will eat, drink (non alcoholic) and be merry at the December meeting. Bring your potluck item (hot or cold) along with your plate, cup, and utensils. Coffee, tea, and punch will be provided. There will be a gluten free table, as well. Please include a small note to display stating whether the dish contains nuts, wheat or dairy.

There will be a Christmas Ornament and Mug Rug Exchange. Please be sure and get your ticket at the door when you drop off your item. Remember they have to be handmade! These exchanges are voluntary, and you can participate in one or both.

There will be draws throughout the afternoon with a beautiful Bundle of Fabric from Woolworks in Mahone Bay as the "big" door prize.

There will not be an official game but do keep an eye out!

The Sew and Tell at the December meeting will be Christmas related. These items do not have to be new, we just thought it would be nice to see all Christmas things.

#### **Food Bank Donations**

There will be a decorated box in the entrance at the bottom of the stairs for your non-perishable donation. If you would like to give a financial donation instead, there will be an envelope at the sign in table.

This year your donations and the Guild's financial donation will be going to the Mahone Bay Area Food Bank.

Thanks to Marilyn Verburgh for offering to deliver the donations to the Food Bank.

## January Program – Going Back in Time

The program for January will be the display and sharing of antique sewing tools, sewing machines, and sewing machine parts. Perhaps you have something that belonged to your grandmother or your great grandmother you could bring along to share. Do you have a piece that you are wondering what it is or how it works? We would love to see it!

There will be a sheet to sign up and a table to display your items.

If you have any questions, please send me an email at <a href="mailto:gstryde@hotmail.com">gstryde@hotmail.com</a>

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#### "Meet the Quilter"

As promised in the November Newsletter, here are the remaining questions and answers to our October "Meet the Quilter" game.

Find someone who has a pet that is not a dog or a cat **Sheena** 

Who loves English Paper Piecing? Kristina, Sandy E. Pam W., Pina, Marilyn V, Suzette C.

Find someone who drives more than 20K to a meeting **Kellie**, **Ann P.**, **Alicia**, **Rita**, **Deanna**, **Kristina** 

Find someone who has another room other than their sewing room to store their stash Sandy E., Peggy A, Peggy L., Marilyn V., Kristina, Fiona, Johanna, Pam

Find someone who has attended our Quilt Retreat Daphne, Sandy E., Ann P., Marjorie, Jill, Peggy A., Pam W., Gail, Krista

Find a new member of the Executive Daphne, Johanna A., Eldora

Find someone with no UFOs Kellie, the janitor, Shelley

Who has travelled the United Kingdom recently? **Nina**, **Cathy D**.

Find someone who quilts in their PJs. Shelley, Marilyn V., Pam, Annette, Peggy L, Nancy K., Lynne H., Peggy L., Gail

Find someone who is willing to a trunk show of their own quilts at an upcoming meeting Sandy, Barb R., Pam Wells, Gail, Deana, Cathy D.

Find someone who has more than 3 sewing machines **Peggy A.**, **Pam W. Carole**, **Irene**, **Tara**, **Rita**, **Barb R**.

Who has a photo album of all the quilts they have made? Jill, Krista, Rita, Judy C.

Who loves a "beverage" while quilting? Donna, Gail, Mary G., Christine, Marjorie, Sandy E.

Hope you learned something about a member or two. Thanks again to all those that took part.

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## What to bring to the December Meeting

Food bank donation
Fat quarter draw
Plates/cutlery
Potluck
Ornament or mug rug
Sew & tell
Early Meeting time is 1:00 Doors open at 12:30 on December 5<sup>th</sup>.

Thanks Krista

# **Library News for December 2022**

I have another book review written (twice)! The original one didn't get saved. I thought auto save was on – always check twice has been my motto but not this time. The book is The Quilted Stash by Ralph Jarvis and Corey Follett. We, the guild executive, have decided this year to write reviews for new books and other quilting books in the guild collection. I also open this up to all members of the guild as well. Borrow a book and let the rest of us know about it. Sometimes the best recommendations come from you!

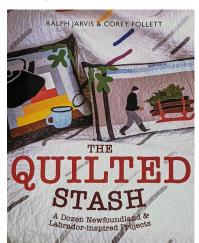
Please return books each month. New books are always in demand. The library will be opened in December for a short time. I won't be putting any books out on tables, but you may return / borrow any.

Keep safe flu season is here and COVID is still with us. Hope to see you at the potluck Judy Cooper Librarian

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## The Quilted Stash by Ralph Jarvis and Corey Follett

The Quilted Stash contains over a dozen Newfoundland and Labrador inspired



projects. The team of Jarvis and Follett have certainly captured some of the traditions of Canada's easternmost province. You will be introduced to some of the history, customs, and landscape that are unique to that part of the country. Read about "A Cuppa tea in the Woods" and then create a pillow, placemat or wall hanging with that theme. If you have ever had such an experience out in the woods, memories will soar and take you back to that special place. Perhaps you would prefer to make an animal themed quilt from the pattern, "Labrador Wild" or create a miniature quilt to hang on a clothesline as part of

the pattern "Some Day on Quilts".

Whatever you choose to do, this book has something for everyone, from traditional quilting in "Around the Island", to a hint of the modern in "Don't RDF on my Parade". The projects use a variety of techniques, including appliqué, piecing, and collage. However, the patterns can be easily adapted to suit your preference of quilting.

The patterns come with detailed instructions and are designed for a variety of skill levels. At the end of several patterns are Creativity Boosters that elaborate on a relevant design element or skill. There are also Reference Guides, cross-referenced to specific patterns, that highlight methods and techniques associated with HSTs, collage and appliqué. The book is full of colourful photos and line drawings.

For those of you who aren't that familiar with Newfoundland and Labrador heritage, history, weather ... you are in for a unique quilting journey. This book would make a great gift for yourself or a quilter on your list, especially if there are NL roots there somewhere.

Submitted by

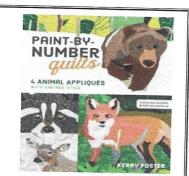
Judy Cooper, guild librarian

# **WorkshopNews**

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# Learn & Explore Two Day Zoom Workshop Paint by Number Quilting with Kerry Foster

Jan 21 & Feb 4, 2023, 12:30 – 4



Register by January 7, 2023, via email to joquilt@bellaliant.net

Members: \$35 Non-members \$55

E-transfer your payment to <a href="mbggtreasurer@gmail.com">mbggtreasurer@gmail.com</a> to reserve your spot.

Recreate a favourite photograph out of fabric using paint-by-number quilt techniques. The course focuses on ow to create the design from your chosen photo so that you can customize your quilt with your pet, wild animal, or anything you desire.

Participants will provide a photograph to the instructor by Jan 14, 2023 for approval. The approved photo will need to be enlarged prior to the class start date, Jan 21.

#### Day 1:

Work from a photograph to identify colours & shading & create your own drawing to make templates.

#### Day 2:

Make freezer paper templates from your own design, select colour placement, make swatch key, cut templates, fusing and gluing.

Machine sewing your finished project will be at your leisure on your own time after the workshop. This is a class for both the experienced and beginner quilter.

## Skill Building

Animal portraiture Turned Edge Applique

#### **Material List**

Glue Pen & refills, Small sharp scissors Freezer paper Washi tape Sharpie marker (not red) Light-box optional



#### Johanna and Pina

## **General News**

#### 2023 MBQG Quilters Yard Sale



Are you interested in participating in the Guild's 2023 Yard Sale? The date would be Saturday May 6, 2023 (usually this is the BIG yard sale day/weekend all along the South Shore) at Trinity United Church Hall (where we meet). I am just looking to get expressions of interest now and to see if there are enough people who are interested. I believe the cost in the past was \$10 per table. We would advertise with other Quilt Guilds as well as on Facebook and Instagram.

Send me an email if you are interested and I will keep a list. Signups and paying for the table will begin at the January meeting.

Barb Robson robsonbh@eastlink.ca

#### **Father Christmas**

As mentioned at the November meeting, the Guild was invited to hang a display of quilted holiday-themed wall hangings at the Mahone Bay visitor information centre as part of this year's Father Christmas festival. Unfortunately, no volunteers came forward to help coordinate this display, so the Father Christmas committee has been advised that the Guild will not be participating this year.

From Krista Garber

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## **Margaret Hennessy Library Display**

We are still waiting to hear from the library so this event is still on hold. Thanks
Bonny

# Mahone Bay Quilters Buy and Sell

I apologize for any misunderstanding with regards to this section of the Newsletter. This is for Members only and I forgot to mention that in the last Newsletter. You will be able to sell quilt related items here but not fabric, thread or finished quilted products (like boutique items). This is where you can sell sewing machines, quilt frames etc. I will try to make sure that you are aware of the deadline for the newsletter in this section of the current newsletter. The Deadline for the December Newsletter is January 28, 2023

#### The Pfaff creative icon TM



This is a sewing machine, an embroidery machine, a quilting machine.

It offers many functions and stitches, including the IDT (Integrated Dual Feed) and exclusive techniques such as the ribbon stitches and radiant stitches. The touch screen gives you easy access to numerous built-in embroidery designs. For the special techniques the machine will show you how step by step. I have lost count of the number of different stitches from Utility, Quilting, Decorative, Cross Stitch, Satin Stitch, etc. If that is not enough the machine has creative stitch design to allow you to create your own combinations. I could write a book about it but am not allowed more words. There is one drawback about this machine...it does not do the dishes. \$8000.00. This machine was the top of the line until the Icon 2 came out. It was purchased at Sew with Vision three years ago at a cost of

\$16,000 plus the tax. Now you can buy it with no tax. All feet and hoops are included, and I will add some embroidery designs. Call 902 443 3766 or joquilt@bellaliant.net.

# Next Deadline for Mahone Bay Quilt Guild Buy and Sell next Newsletter

**January 3, 2023** 

## **Newsletter News**

## **Other News**

If anyone finds an interesting article you would like to share, please forward it to me. I think we all would love to see it.

#### Quilt Canada 2023 News

By Carole McCarville (Canadian Quilters' Assn. (CQA/ACC) Executive Director)

Have your heard? Quilt Canada is coming to the Halifax Convention Centre June 7-10, 2023.

On the evening of June 7, join the Opening and Award Ceremony. Then from June 8-10, the quilt shows, merchant mall, lectures and workshops will be open for you to enjoy.

Over the coming months leading up to the conference in June I would like to share with your guild the plans for this exciting conference. To start, let me give you an overview of what to expect in June.

Did you know that all under one roof you will find the following quilting activities:

The National Juries Show- with the best quilts in Canada displayed with over \$20,000 dollars in prizes distributed amongst the 7 categories, 11 awards of excellence and 5 special awards.

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Merchant Mall – Vendors continue to sign up for space in the merchant mall. As of this date we have close to 40 vendors signed up and we anticipate more to sign up over the coming months.

Concurrent Quilt Shows – not only can you view the National Juried Show, various groups and organizations will also be exhibiting their own shows within the convention centre

The CQA/ACC Challenge Shows – The quilts in these 4 shows: Individual Member, Guild Member, Youth and TrendTex Challenges, are created following the theme and guidelines for each challenge. You will be amazed what quilters imagine when they hear of the theme for each of this shows!

Daytime Lectures – The ten daytime lectures are reasonably priced and allow you to rest your feet and learn about all kinds of quilting related topics.

Evening Keynote Lectures - Two very popular and well-known quilt teachers will join us in Halifax, Gloria Loughman from Australia and Carolyn Freidlander from the USA. Their evening presentations are not to missed.

Workshops – Twenty-seven workshops are being offered by twelve different teachers, from near and far. Some are hand work classes and others are on domestic sewing machines provided by various sewing machine companies. If you are taking a class using a machine you do not have to bring your own.

Note that quilt shows, lectures, workshops and merchant mall are available June 8-10. The hours that the convention is open are 9:30 am -6 pm on Thursday and Friday and 9:30 am to 4 pm on Saturday.

Many people ask about volunteering and we would love to have you join us and help out. General volunteer sign-up starts in March and I will bring you more information about that in January 2023.

Entry passes for the quilt shows and merchant mall are \$25 + tax online and \$30 (includes tax) at the door. Lectures and workshops are individually priced and available to be purchased on the online through the registration form. Registration for workshops and lectures will start on February 14 for CQA/ACC individual and professional members for the general public on March 1.

Save the dates and we will sea you in Halifax in June 2023 for Quilt Canada!	

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#### **NEW MEMBER SHELLEY ZWICKER**

Hello, my name is Shelley Zwicker, currently residing in Pentz NS. I recently became a member of the Mahone Bay Quilt Guild. I'm originally from Chester Basin, NS and had moved out west to follow my husband while he was in the RCMP. We have two sons, two daughters-in-law and two granddaughters.

My husband is self employed and is very active as a collision analyst and I assist in the office and his right-hand person in a salvage yard or a roadside. Sometimes my biggest help is keeping the umbrella over the camera lens while taking the photos. Lol!

I am also involved with the LaHave Fire Auxiliary, and the Atlantic Studebaker car club.

I love to make greeting cards, and I have been a Stampin' up demonstrator for the past 7 years.

I only remember my one grandmother, who could sew (she made my doll clothes) and did make a few quilts. I still have some unfinished Dresden plates samples from her, that I hope to complete into a quilt someday. My mother was also crafty and could sew clothes.

However, I didn't have any lessons from either unfortunately.

My first Christmas as a newly wed, my husband gifted me a Singer sewing machine. I started making flannel tied baby quilts, which were fun and quick to make, and I gave most of them away as shower gifts, as I am sure most people do. Many of my sewing was for crafts items like Christmas tree skirts, and many were made for family and friends.

Then my friend Suzanne, invited me to a class to make a quilt, I bought the kaleidoscope ruler, and ended up with a double sized quilt. It's a bit faded now, but I still hang it up in the living room for display occasionally.

After we moved back home to Nova Scotia, I enjoyed going to quilt shows, I started making small quilts again when my granddaughters were born. Last years Christmas gifts to the girls were double sized disappearing nine patch quilts. And matching pillowcases. They are very basic with just a stitch in the ditch to hold, I have no top stitching experience at this time.

I made a small wall hanging using a Bargello pattern, that didn't actually turn out the way I thought it would as I discovered after completion. The pattern was running horizontal, rather than vertical. It just doesn't display the wave action as I had hoped, but I love the material and it is one of my favourites.

I get inspired by the videos on you tube, after watching Jenny Doan of Missouri Star quilts, and Donna Jordan from Jordan's Fabric.

Last year I started with another disappearing nine patch pattern as I wanted to use up some material I purchased years ago, and I like this type of pattern, however after laying out the blocks I soon understood the importance of grouping the materials to use in the nine patches before final cutting and piecing and how best to lay out the blocks for balance, by the time I finished the quilt I learned a lot in the art of quilting.

I took the paper piecing bowl class last week, and really enjoyed it, if I get the time before Christmas, I hope to make a few more for gifts. Many thanks to the members in the guild that show their projects, they are truly an inspiration.

# Margaret Hennessy Library Display

We are still waiting to hear from the library so this event is still on hold. Thanks Bonnie

#### **Winners Circle**

September Fat Quarter Winner Betty Learning October Game Winner Pina (Josie) Wall November Fat Quarter Winner Krista Garber

#### Best in Sew and Tell

Our winner in our first Best in Sew and Tell Deanne Hemphill Thanks for your votes





# Game by Gail Stryde

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# **SEWING NOTIONS**

# Use the following list of words to unscramble the words by the blanks below

Sewing needles Sewing gauge Safety pins Measuring tape Marking pencils Bobbins Threads Sewing caddy Bobbin organizer Bias tape Thread organizer Fabric scissors Sewing machine Steam iron Seam ripper Pattern weights Pin cushion Sewing clips Quilting pins Tweezers Fusible adhesive Acrylic ruler Water sprayer Rotary mat Thimble Rotary cutter Threader

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