



Sew & Tell

October 2024

President's Message

Happy November everyone!

With Christmas just around the corner, who's getting ready with all their holiday quilting projects? I'm excited to see what everyone is working on!

As we head into the month, let's also take a moment to remember Remembrance Day on November 11th. It's an important time to reflect and honor those who have served. If anyone is working on any special quilts or projects for the occasion, we'd love to hear about them at our next meeting.

Trendex Fabrics and Huckleberry's will be doing a presentation/sale as our program for the November 7th meeting.

We would like to start our members meeting early at **5:00pm** and hopefully have it finished by 5:45.

Trendex will start their presentation at 6:00pm followed by a sale table.

Their presentation will be somewhat similar to Northcott's telling us about the history of the company.

Also, we will **NOT** be doing show and tell this night, but will still have our two draws.

Sandra

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Santa's Sisters Hours

Friday Nov 15 Noon — 7 pm
Saturday Nov 16 10:00— 5:00 pm
Sunday Nov 17 10:00—4:00 pm

Gayle H.



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HAW 2024

Wow what a fun party. So many guilds together. Lots of fun, prizes and great food.

Big thank you to everyone who made this happen.

Next HAW 2025 will be in Campbell River, stay tuned for details and dates.



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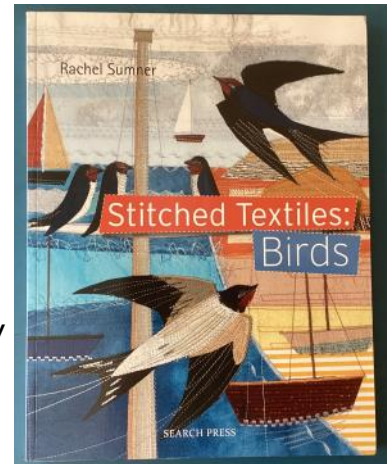
Stitched Textiles: Birds

Rachel Sumner

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Quilt Guild Library 189

A number of members have seen my puffin picture, a project in this book. I found it enjoyable to make as the instructions and photos were so clear and very easy to follow. However, although there are six projects in the book, the author is really interested in getting you to make your own picture, rather than simply copying hers.



To begin with, sort through your fabric collection, pick up scraps from the "free table" - they may find a home in your picture. A variety of threads is essential for stitching down fabric scraps and adding lots of highlighting. The addition of "found objects" may add a lot to your work, too.

Design is important, and is treated as such. The author uses a sketch book to record ideas, a scrapbook of clippings from magazines and newspapers, reference books and blank paper to sketch out the main ideas. Artwork in museums, churches and art galleries can be inspirational. Color, in both fabric and thread are as important as the design.

The background, made up of small squares and rectangles, is first assembled on a piece of interfacing. Once the final arrangement is made, the fabric pieces are stitched down using decorative stitching. Next comes the foreground which will likely contrast with the background in order to stand out. Fusible web is used for the birds etc. in this book (with templates in the back of the book if you are making one of the projects). Through the use of stitching and a variety of fabric textures plus, perhaps, dyeing your own fabric, your picture will be exclusively yours. How to display your masterpiece? Directions for mounting on canvas blocks (dollar store?) is effective. Or have it framed!

There are so many "tips" to guide you in creating a project. For example, in Project 2: Chickens, one tip is "Give a lot of care to how the legs, eyes and beaks sit. These features give a lot of the character. Try moving them around a bit and you will see the difference!"

From "Seagulls on a Boat" to "Bird Ark", this book is full of fun ideas. The three galleries of pictures throughout the book are jumping off points for more ideas. Hopefully this book will make you smile and realize you can do something with those little bits and pieces. Note, the pictures are generally about 12" x 12", so this can be small project which doesn't have to be perfect - no matching corners and 1/4" seams! Have fun!

Lois Warner

Halloween Barbie



Evergreen Hand Quilters

We are small group that does hand quilting on a large 4 board frame at the Filberg Center in Courtenay. Funds we collect are donated to the Center which provides many programs for seniors.

We receive a pieced top (no batik fabrics), batting and backing and hand quilting thread provided by the client.

Prices are based on a few factors. The first is size. Second is density of quilting. We measure the size and calculate the total area in square inches.

What this translates to is reflected in the list below. (This is between 2.5 cents to 3 cents per square inch.).

This chart gives you a **good approximation** of what you could expect to be charged.

Baby	30x40	1240 sq in	\$30-\$40
Throw	64x54	3456 sq in	\$85-\$100
Twin	70x90	6300 sq in	\$157-\$189
Double	80x90	7200 sq in	\$180-\$216
Queen	92x96	9720 sq in	\$243-\$291
King	108x110	11,880 sq in	\$297-\$356

The one thing we cannot promise is a date of completion. We quilt them in order received and are working on two quilts at once between our 5-6 members. **We are looking for new members!**

Contact Connie Watson or Raelene Robertson for more information.

Breast Cancer Bags

Our hospital needs 30 Breast Cancer bags, that our guild makes, **every 3 months!**

As Myra has stepped down, Carol Metner, Raelene Robertson, and Janis Davis have taken on this committee's mandate.

To this end, every 3 months, we will be hosting a sew day where members may make one (or more) of these kits.

Instruction if needed, will be available on these days.

These will be held on January 9, April 10 and July 10. (These are all the second Thursdays of that month).

We shall be making kits on the first Thursday of those months in preparation for these sew days.

We are hoping that several of you will accept this challenge to make these much needed and appreciated items.

Raelene

[Click here for pattern & instructions](#)

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Special Guest at our October Meeting From Comox Valley Recovery Center



We had a presentation from Comox Valley Recovery Center at our October General Meeting. The executive has approved support of this agency with quilts.



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Community Quilts

Thank you for your support of the Loonie, Toonie, Two Toonie Sale. \$537.00 was raised for Community Quilts.

There was lots of great feedback from the sale especially with the Build Your Own Jelly Roll. It was a lot of fun.

A huge thank you to the members that helped keep the tables organized.

We continue to collect quilts to distribute to our community agencies. There are quite a few kits available. We will be focusing on 3 Yard Quilt kits.

If you would like to make a quilt top with one of the kits, they are available every Thursday. We had a presentation from Comox Valley Recovery Center at our October General Meeting. The executive has approved support of this agency with quilts.

Details will be finalized before the next general meeting and presented to the membership. Thank you to everyone for all of the support of Community Quilts. Members have created some beautiful quilts that will comfort people in our community.

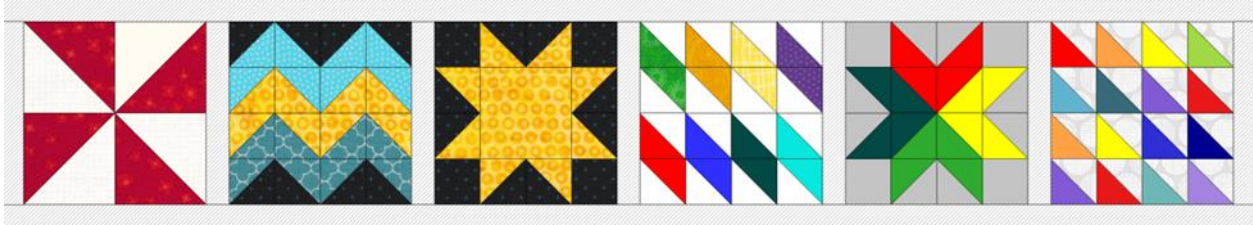
Quilt and Craft Sale

Our annual Quilt and Craft Sale took place Friday November 1st (1 - 6 pm) and Saturday November 2nd (10 am - 3 pm) at the Courtenay Lawn Bowling Club.

Lorraine

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Have you heard ???

President's Challenge this year is the " HST "

(half square triangle – one of the most common, most versatile quilt blocks).

What is your favorite layout for these ? – stars ? chevrons ? flying geese ? – or are you ready to try some new layout ? Do you have a preferred method for trimming these to size ? Sometimes, the options seem unlimited.

To Enter this year's President Challenge :

Register with Gayle Hampton – cost is \$ 5.00. If you complete your project by June, your \$ 5. is returned - --- but, if you don't – the money goes to Community Quilts

Use your scrap HST's from previous projects – or make new ones

Any size project will be accepted – as long as the main focus is HST (although you can include other blocks in your layout)

The Library has many MANY books / patterns to provide options and ideas for you.

Books can be signed out for 1 month periods – if you need to keep it longer, then please return it to ensure no one else has requested it – and then sign it out again.

To request a book – there are small post-it notes on the cupboard door – write your name on it and then stick it to the card in the sign out book

If you return a book and find a request on your sign out card – please let the person waiting know that you've returned it.

If you don't know how to sign books in / out of Library, just ask another Guild member of the process.

Diane, Jean, Susan

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Demo—Postcards by Anne McCullough



Membership

It's time to renew your membership. We have missed seeing you and look forward to another great year of sewing and friendship.

The fee of \$60 has not changed, but this year you can pay by Debit if you want, the total cost for a debit transaction will be \$61.00 to cover the fee. Please note Debit only. We will still gladly accept cash or cheques.

Please bring your membership card and we will update your sticker. The card is good at The Black Sheep for a 10% discount.

Also, please fill out a new membership sheet from the website if your contact information has changed. This information is password protected and only for our members.

We will ONLY be using the "Square" to pay by debit on meeting days. If you can't make it to the meeting it's best to mail it in to PO Box 1031 Cumberland BC V0R 1S0 see you then.

Sharon Hansen
Membership Chairman.

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Workshop Report - November

We **try** to do these demos on the **second Thursday** of each month but have needed to go on the third Thursday at times. Check the trifold board near our storage room for an updated calendar of events. These are demos only. If it is a sew along, that will be stated.

Nov 21 – Carol Metner has made several **clothesline rope bowls** etc. She has tricks up her sleeve. Come learn and share at this demo. 10 am.

Nov 23 – Anne McCullough - **Journal Covers** Workshop– Set up at 12:30. Begin at 1 pm. There is still room for more! Great gift! Supply list is on the website under the Workshop link. Sign up with Joan G or Raelene.

December – No demo

January 9 – Pat McEwen – **Floor Turtle!** 10 am. Pat will do a demo on how to make these useful floor mats and has TWO patterns! She has a few tips and may have some scrap denim for those who need it.

February 13 – Beverly Michaluk – **Cutting machines** - Demonstration. Bev has much experience using her Scan and Cut machine. Could you use one? Come learn what benefits these machines can be to quilters!

March 13 – Carol Metner – Carol used a unique **Double diamond ruler** to create a stunning embellishment in the border of the quilt that she donated to the raffle quilts at our last quilt show. Several people remarked about this feature. Come learn how it is done. If you don't have this ruler, no problem because it has been donated, and will be stored at the guild.

Members may bring guests to our workshops with a \$5 surcharge which gives the guest a temporary membership with the inherent benefits.

Breast cancer bags

Reminder - Please bring in Completed Breast cancer bags and pillows as soon as possible so we can deliver 30 to the hospital.

Raelene

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SUNSHINE

It is good to see so many quilters coming out to enjoy our Thursday sew days and business meetings. Hopefully this is an indication that we are all remaining healthy.

However, as we know, "life happens" and sometimes we all need a little CHEER.

If you know of any of your fellow quilters who are in need of a little cheer, for whatever reason, please do not hesitate to let me know.

Also, a reminder that if you know of anybody who would like assistance in getting out to a meeting, please let the executive know so we can arrange for that assistance.

Thanks, stay safe and healthy.

Beverly L.

Email : sunshine@schoolhousequilters.com

President's Challenge



Camp Homewood Quilt Retreats

SQG Retreat at Homewood 2025

RETREAT

Homewood has been booked for October 1 - 5, 2025.

We will need a minimum of 30 people.

Deposit is \$100.

Full payment will be due by 25th of June 2025.

I will pass on the 2025 prices for the different rooms as soon as Homewood lets us know.

If you have any questions, I am usually at the hall every Thursday.

I am looking forward to a Retreat in Oct. 2025, how about you?

Sign up now!

Barb M.

Debbie

Brenda

[Guest Groups • Camp Homewood](#)

Happy November Birthday



Lois	Warner	11-3
Gail	King	11-5
Joy	Nagle	11-13
Carol	Metner	11-18
Colleen	Barker	11-25

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Membership Dues 2024—2025

Time once again to submit your membership dues. We are so lucky to have the hall every Thursday from 9 to 9, not many guilds do.

Membership dues are \$60 and please fill in a NEW form with current information and submit with your payment.

Membership form can be found on the first page of our website, just scroll down, click on the link and print the form.

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Looking forward to seeing everyone at the guild.

Newsletter Advertising:

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Newsletter Deadline:

Please submit all entries for the newsletter by the **15th** of the month for inclusion in the next month's newsletter.

Submit articles to Hope (current editor) using the email:

editor@schoolhousequilters.com

Normally our guild meets every Thursday from 9:00am to 9:00pm for quilting at the Cumberland OAP Hall.

General Meeting (September to June) on the **1st** Thursday of each month at **6:30 pm**

Executive Meeting (September to June) **3rd** Thursday of each month at 1:00pm

Our Website:

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Meeting Refreshment Goodies



This revised schedule takes us into the two meetings in December and June that are "pot Luck".

Please remember to bring your own mug. Fee is by donation and recommended at \$5.00 for year (or 0.50 per cup).

New schedule for goodies donations for refreshment table at our monthly meeting is as follows:

LAST NAMES STARTING WITH

SEPT	A, B, C
OCT	D, E, F
NOV	G, H, I
DEC	ALL - POTLUCK LUNCH
JAN	J, K
FEB	L, Mc and Mac
MAR	M
APR	N, O, P, Q, R, S
MAY	T, U, V, W, X, Y, Z
JUNE	ALL - POTLUCK DINNER

Refreshments

Hello ladies,

Coffee and tea is provided at the monthly meetings for a nominal fee of \$5 per year or 50 cents a cup. We offer both caffeinated and decaffeinated options.

You may also make your own coffee or tea on the Sewing Days. Please deposit your money in the red and white money mug (in the cupboard or on the coffee table at the meetings). If anyone has any special teas they would like let us know as we will be replacing some of them soon.

We also all enjoy eating the treats brought by the members throughout the year.

We are already thinking ahead to Christmas 🎄 so if anyone would like to help with our potluck lunch, either in the kitchen or with the decorations, please let us know. It is always a wonderful affair!

See you at the November 7th meeting!

Thank you

Kathy Rankin and Colleen Barker



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Guild Member's Personal Information

If you need to contact any of our guild members, executive or committee members please go to the **Members Only** page and then to **Memberships** on our website for the most up to date list of all email, addresses and phone numbers of current guild members. Remember you will need to be a paid member to get the userid and password to enter this area.

To protect the privacy of our guild members' personal phone numbers or email addresses will not be published in the newsletter unless specifically requested by the committee member. Most committees have a guild email address that is redirected to their personal address.

If your committee does not as yet have one or you are organizing a special event please send an email to our webmaster using

webmaster@schoolhousequilters.com

to request one.

As a paid member you have received the login and password for this members only section.

For newsletters you do not need to login to the Members Only section.

They are available on the main page and you will also receive the file (pdf format) via email from our Secretary.

Personal Information Changes

Please notify the Membership Committee of any changes to your email, phone number or address.

The Membership Committee will then pass this information on to those who need the information to update email lists, and membership files.

Keep your information up to date in order to receive email regarding guild events.

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Executive & Committees 2024—2025

President	Sandra Castiglia	Treasurer	Peggy Hawkins
Vice-President	Gayle Hampton	Secretary	Marlene Hooper

Community Quilts Coordinator	Lorraine Terretta	
Hall Open & Close	Carol Metner, Judy Morrison & their teams	
HAW	Hope Rychkun & Barb Messer	
In-House Draws	Brenda Levirs	
Library	Diane Cave, Jean & Susan & Beth	
Membership	Sharon Hansen & Pat McEwen	
Newsletter	Editor—Hope Rychkun	Advertising—Hope Rychkun
Photography	Barb Messer	
Programs Part Time Facilitator	vacant	
Refreshments	Kathy Rankin & Colleen Barker	
Retreats	Barb Messer (Debbie Maxwell & Brenda Levirs)	
Sunshine	Beverly Luck	
Village of Cumberland Liaison	Diane Cave	
Website	Hope Rychkun	
Word Search Puzzle	Bev Michaluk	
Workshops	Raelene Robertson & Joan Gurney	

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Extreme Weather

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