

President's Message

Hello Everyone,

I hope you're all doing well and enjoying this weather. I know I am as it's finally cooling down and means less migraines. I've averaged 1 a day for the past three weeks. Thanks to the barometric pressures.

In the last e-cast, I failed to say that more information about the re-opening will be sent out closer to the 9th of September. The responses from the members have been great. Thank you ladies.

There's been lots of discussions between the CRI and myself with regards to the hall so that all runs smoothly. I'm very much looking forward to seeing those doors opening again.

Till then, take care and enjoy the rest of the summer.

Your President, Diane

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SUSIE SINGER'S SUMMER

Hi Everyone,

I hope you have all had a great summer. With this darn COVID still hanging around, we have still had to be careful about travel. I hope everyone has had their vaccines, which makes it somewhat safer to be around other folks that have also had their shots.

So happy to hear that the Guild will be able to meet again. It's been a l-o-n-g time since we have all been together, and hopefully you have somehow been able to keep up connections with other members. A BIG thanks to Hope and all those who submitted photos, articles and recipes, etc., and making it possible for the Newsletter to be sent out to give us a good idea of what some of us have been up to.

I didn't go far this summer. I did some sewing inside (my new table is so comfortable!). Then, I spent a few days in the back yard. It was wonderful to be out in the fresh air!



I came back inside when the weather got hot, but I'm hoping I can go back out again soon.

`Til Next Time, Happy Sewing!

Susie

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November Quilt and Craft Sale

It is looking promising for our guild to reconvene this fall once again! While many have continued to quilt up a storm, it will be good to see one another in person to share what we've all been up to.

We have booked the Courtenay Lawn Bowling Clubhouse for our (hopefully) annual Quilt and Craft Sale on Friday and Saturday, November 5th and 6th. Our previous sale before Covid hit was very successful, so we plan to follow the same format.

We know that many of you participate in crafts other than quilting. We have a fairly large space all to ourselves so are encouraging you to include any other craft items you make in our sale.

While we do like to have a significant Christmas presence, it is not restricted to that; many people like to pick up birthday and other gifts as well. We love to have quilts for sale, but smaller pieces are our best sellers.

Just a reminder... this is a 'guild members' sale, so it is not appropriate to be selling things that your friends, spouses, business partners etc., have made.

We do hope that many of you will choose to participate this year.

If you are interested, please contact Anne McCullough (<u>aemccul@gmail.com</u>) or Jan Hill (<u>janpeterhill@yahoo.ca</u>) and we will pass on the details to you.

Happy quilting; looking forward to seeing you all soon!

Anne & Jan

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Library News



I would like to thank everyone who got our overdue books back to me. The "Round Up " is just about complete. After another audit of the library I have some sad news to report on some Books "Missing in Action"! I am once again asking everyone to double check their shelves & piles for the following books that seem to have walked off the shelves card and all.

#117 Beaded Embellishment
#151 A Candle on the Coast
#371 501 Rotary Cut Quilt Blocks
#461 Needle Felting
#579 The Magic Brush
627 Modern Baby

Thank you all in advance for your double checking and Thank you Diane Cave for putting in your time to help me with this audit.

Anne



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Newsletter Advertising:

To advertise in the newsletter please contact Sandy MacDonell for rates. Submit advertising by the **15th** of the month for inclusion in the next month.

nlads@schoolhousequilters.com

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

Meetings before COVID

Guild Meetings before COVID-19

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

No meetings until the OAP hall opens for our use.

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QUILTS OF VALOUR

On August 16th I had the honour and pleasure of presenting a Quilt of Valour to 97 year old Phillip Jeffries who is a WWII veteran. Thanks to Peggy Holmes who pieced & quilted Mr. Jeffries QOV.

I am in need of Quilts of Valour, particularly for men. I have batting, backing and a volunteer long-armer. So, I would really appreciate some tops. They do not need to be any specific fabrics or colors.

For more information, please contact Nerissa Thomas or check out the website www.quiltsofvalour.ca

Thanks!



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"MATERIAL GIRLS"

Some of you may have heard that I have started a "new Guild". Definitely NOT true!!

A small group of us (mostly Community Quilters) met, as safely as we could, during COVID. Sometimes we were outside (i.e. Marina Park) and in the winter, we held ZOOM "meetings". We continued to make & distribute charity quilts throughout the Community.

We decided we would like to continue to meet even once the Guild re-opened. So, "Material Girls" has been created as an opportunity for us to get together to socialize and enjoy time sewing, knitting, crocheting, etc., or just visiting. It's a drop-in afternoon twice a month with no obligation to "join".

This group is in no way intended to replace, demean, or take away from the CV Schoolhouse Quilters Guild. Several ladies in the Guild belong to "satellite or bee" groups outside of the Guild. We hope that you can enjoy both opportunities to spend time with like-minded friends. Anyone is welcome to join us. For more information, please contact me.

Nerissa



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CAMP HOMEWOOD RETREAT UPDATE

Unfortunately we will not be attending Camp Homewood for our usual fall retreat. It seems that Camp Homewood is undertaking a \$1.1 million kitchen expansion.

The renovation will require them to shut down the kitchen this fall which means they are cancelling all guest group bookings until January 2022.

They stated that the project is long overdue and they believe that this is the time to get it done, quoting "expanding our kitchen now will enhance our ability to provide quality food service to you and our other guests for decades to come".

Camp Homewood anticipates they will be ready to receive guests again by January 17, 2022.

Let's hope all goes according to that timeline as our next retreat is scheduled for

February 9-13, 2022.

Mark that in your calendars if you are interested.

Registration anticipated to open the beginning of December.

Your Retreat Coordinators

Beverly Luck Terry Vadeboncoeur Janis Davis





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Member Activities

Two new babies in our family this summer and a summer wedding. I made two baby quilts first for great niece and a not yet arrived grand baby. Then made a set of placemats for the newlyweds. Also acquired a new puppy. Her name is Tica (Tee-ka).

Regards, Gayle Hampton









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Dates to remember in 2021

| Labour Day | Sept 6th |
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| Thanksgiving Day | Oct 11th |
| Halloween | Oct 31st |
| Remembrance Day | Nov 11th |
| Christmas Day | Dec 25th |





Our guild member Sandi Lloyd-Harasym

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Member Activities

Florence has been busy quilting a beautiful Growth Chart for her neighbours grand-daughter.



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Member Activities

Anita has been busy with quilts for her granddaughters



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Member Activities

More from Anita quilt in a day that will take a bit longer



Barb Messer has been busy with more kittens

I have not been doing any sewing. We had our 44th Anniversary on the 6th of Aug. went out for a wonderful dinner at the Blackbird Schnitzel House in Qualicum. Taking care of out latest Foster kitty, Poppy and her 7 babies. So adorable! Barb.



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Membership News

Hello Everyone,

I hope all are well and ready to get back to the Guild. We have to think about getting our membership fees paid and getting back to it.

You can mail your fees to the Guild at PO Box 1031 Cumberland, BC V0R 1S0 or You can bring them to the Guild Days in September.

I will be at the Guild Thursdays thru September to collect your cheques/Cash. Your receipt will be handed out at our first Guild meeting in October.

The stickers for our membership cards will be attached to your receipt. If you need a new card it will cost you \$1.00.

I am really glad to be seeing all of you in the coming weeks.

Carol Metner Membership Chairman



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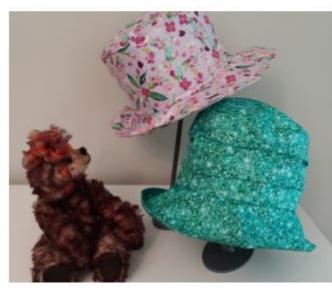
More Member Activities

Eva has been busy



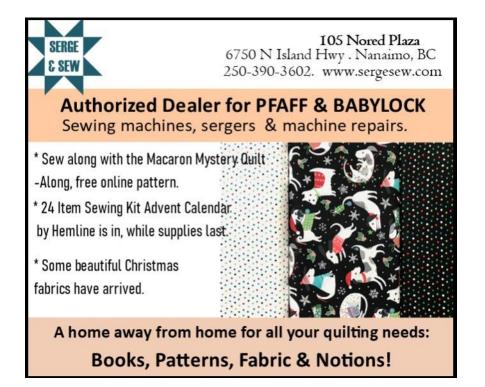
Freckles has joined Eva Hansen in her sewing room this year. It's been a year for making 'smaller' projects....bears, sun hats and water resistant rain hats! It's important to keep your head covered and hidden from the sun, and the rain....well, we won't go there yet! Not until fall!

Not sure that Freckles's head wrap will do much good for sun or rain!





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Something of interest from **Barb** Bocking

"New textile artwork is on display in the Clubhouse lobby for August and September. Come check out the vibrant quilted pieces from artist Netta Brown on your next visit to the Resort.

Netta is a Victoria-based quilter known for modern quilt designs and saturated colour. Check out more of her work on Instagram @mycolourqueue."

The Clubhouse is open to the public daily from 06:30 to 10:00 pm and there is no charge.

Barb

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What's NEW This Fall at Huckleberry's

We will be celebrating our 27th Birthday this Fall

- make sure you are on our email list so you don't miss out or follow us on Facebook & Instagram!
- Check us out on our YouTube Channel
 YouTube
- Search Huckleberry's Fabrics Inc on any of these platforms
- Come see our selection of the Beautiful Bernina Horn Sewing Tables

NEW! Bernina 770 Upgrade, 770 PLUS, 790 & 880 Crystal Edition

Contact us for more info:

Toll Free: 1(877)339-4049 or (250) 339-4059 email: huckleberrys@shaw.ca We are located at: 1930 Ryan Road East, Comox, BC V9M 4C9

Have you seen the wonderful online demos that Huckleberry's staff have been doing? If you missed them check them out here.

All their videos are on their YouTube channel

Most people may already know this – but just in case

Huckleberry's have been doing some you-tube videos – some a demos of a new product or ruler – some are just tours of the store – for anyone who might be missing just the visual of shopping

This is link to the latest 'store tour' – it is February of course no doubt there will be a March one but not sure when

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=kEIYh_SRgr0

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SUNSHINE

Another month has rolled on with some summer like weather and the feeling that things are getting better. Hang onto that feeling because it will be awhile yet before we can get that summer feeling.

If we all do our part things will get back to what we looked at for normal.

If you have information that you think someone would benefit from our best wishes please let me know.

Be safe.

Please continue to let me know when you hear of a time when a need is there, without your input I cannot do my job.

Thank you. Florence

Email me at:

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School House Thread Orders

Did you know that the guild has access to a thread supply?

A Canadian company, CanSew, has been supplying us with Cone threads at wholesale prices.

Ardythe Crawford has been providing this service, usually once yearly, for the past 15 years. The guild would like to thank Ardythe for this service as she is retiring. Marlene Hooper has offered to take over for Ardythe.

If you have ordered thread before then you know the process. If not here is some information.

Two types of thread are available – 100% cotton and 100% polyester. The spools hold 6000 yards of thread. The colour choices for the cotton thread are a bit limited with only 33. The polyester has more of a colour selection with over 100. A colour chart is available for your choices. Arrange with Marlene to view the colour chart.



You can contact Marlene at her e-mail (available from the membership list), to place your order. To best reduce costs – she will wait until there are at least 10 orders before the order is placed. The wholesale cost per spool usually varies between \$30 -\$35 per spool for cotton thread and \$25 - \$30 for polyester thread.

A mandatory deposit of \$30 per spool for cotton thread and \$25 per spool for polyester thread will be required for the order. The final cost may vary – depending on the updated costs during these Covid times and the cost of shipping.

The delivery time is usually a few days – if the thread is in stock in Vancouver. Otherwise, the thread comes from Montreal and takes about a week.

Usually, Ardythe would bring the thread to the guild on Thursdays. Currently the thread pick up will have to be arranged between the purchaser and Marlene who lives in Courtenay, close to the Driftwood Mall.

Let Marlene know if you are interested.

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Please wish everyone a Happy Birthday



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| Valerie | Fawcett | 9-3 |
| Cheryl | MacLeod | 9-3 |
| Irene | Miller | 9-6 |
| Gail | Kirkoski | 9-6 |
| Sharon | Latham | 9-6 |
| Margaret | Yells | 9-7 |
| Christene | Evanochko | 9-9 |
| Alexis | Pearson | 9-9 |
| Peggy | Hawkins | 9-16 |
| Karen | Caswell | 9-17 |
| Gwen | Nickason | 9-17 |
| Anne | McCullough | 9-23 |
| Jen | Fraser | 9-24 |
| Gladi | Lyall | 9-26 |
| Sharon | Hansen | 9-28 |
| Gladys | Schmidt | 9-28 |

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The new Guild Facebook group page is up and running. When you click the link (or copy and paste it), you will be asked to join. Then you will be added to the group. This allows the group to be a closed group to just our guild membership. Why the new group page? This new group will be attached to a guild account rather than a personal page. It has quite a few benefits - it will allow all group members to post their own pictures, interact with other group members and can allow us to have video calls with each other.

https://www.facebook.com/groups/813194142640864

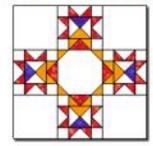
If you have difficulty joining the group ask Tracy Richards or Hope Rychkun for help. You can find their email in the Members Only section of our website <u>www.schoolhousequilters.com</u>

Let's have some fun sharing ideas, quilts and more. Only guild members will be allowed in this group.

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Block of the Month Block 8 County Fair

This makes a 12" block!...lots of small pieces to this one, so it may not be the best choice for beginners, but just take it slow and you'll see it can be done.



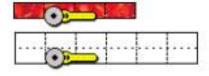
** Supplies List **

| Colour 1 | Colour 1 needs: one 3" x 18" strip AND one 1-1/2" x 10" strip |
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| Colour 2 | Colour 2 needs: one 3-1/4" square |
| Colour 3 | Colour 3 needs: one 1-1/2" x 18" strip AND one 3-1/4" square |
| Colour 4 | Colour 4 needs: one 3" x 12" strip AND one 4-1/2" x 22-1/2" strip AND two 3-1/4" squares AND one 3" x 15" strip |

** Preparing the Pieces and Sewing the Block **

| Start by marking and cutting the Colour 1 3" x 18" strip into twenty- four 1-1/2" squares |
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| Then mark and cut the Colour 3 1-1/2" x 18" strip into twelve 1-1/2" squares |
| Now mark and cut the Colour 4 3" x 12" strip into sixteen 1-1/2" squares |
| Next mark and cut the Colour 4 4-1/2" x 22-1/2" strip into five 4-1/2" squares |
| Then cut the Colour 2, 3 and 4 3-1/4" squares I half on both diagonals to get four quarter square triangles from each square |

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Lastly cut the Colour 1 1-1/2" x 10" strip into four 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangles, and the Colour 4 3" x 15" strip into twelve 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangles...

Place a Colour 1 1-1/2" square right sides together and outside edges aligned with a Colour 4 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" rectangle. on the back of the small square drawn in the diagonal in the direction shown at left. Sew ON this diagonal line.



Trim off the excess seam allowance pressing the remainder towards the corner triangle. Repeat this with another Colour 1 square on the other end of the rectangle. Trim this unit back to measure 1-1/2" x 2-1/2" if needed. Make twelve Colour 1/Colour 4 flying geese units like this.

Then make four Colour 3/Colour 1 units in the same manner, using Colour 1 rectangles and Colour 3 squares...

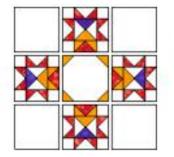
In the same manner as with the flying geese units, sew Colour 3 squares to the four corner of ONE of the Colour 4 4-1/2" squares to make the block's center unit.

Trim this back to measure 4-1/2" if needed ...

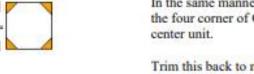


Sew the quarter square triangles together as shown at left to make four Quarter Squares, always using the standard scant 1/4" seam, and pressing to the darker sides.

Now sew the blocks side units by piecing four of the units shown at left



Then piece the block! Lay out all your units as shown at left. Sew three horizontal rows, pressing the seams of the top and bottom rows to the center, and the middle row seam to the outsides. Sew the rows together, and this County Fair is open to the Public!



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Member Activities

Claudette has been busy

This is this month's block which was easy. Thanks.

The second is a Kaffe Fasset quilt along called Gather No Moss which is featured on Facebook . I am wondering if any other schoolhouse quilters have joined. This is my first block. I am using my favourite colours which are really loud, all flowers more or less. There are four colour ways but I chose my own fabrics. Hope it turns out well. It is my challenge for this year.

Claudette





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Lots of Block of the Month Examples

Judy Flynn

Block 7



Block 8



Sheila's Block 7



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More Block of the Month Examples

Well I followed the instructions well enough, but this block sure is finicky! So some of my angles are off. I think the writing should be spaced out a bit for each step. And a beginner would probably have difficulty but should be able to muddle through once the star blocks are done.

Kathy Rankin



Clare has been busy with BOM 8

Here is my County Fair BOM 8. I really enjoyed doing this block! It was fiddly, but a good lesson in cutting and sewing accuracy! I've watched so many sewing and guilting videos over the last year and a half on YouTube, it was an attractive block to practice. I was also happy to find the same colours in my stash. I'll add some borders and finish it as a cushion cover.



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Member BLOCK of the Month

Clare made some modifications to turn this into a cushion cover.

The measurements are as follows:

The cornerstones were constructed with four 1-1/2 inch squares made into a four patch that finished as a 2-1/2 inch square.

As for the sashing, it is all 2-1/2 inches wide. The first sashing was cut 12-1/2 inches long. A sash was added to two opposite sides of the block. The cornerstones added to the ends of the remaining two sash pieces and sewn to the unsashed sides of the block.

The outer border is also cut 2-1/2 inches wide. The side pieces measure 16 inches, top and bottom pieces are 20-1/2 inches long.

The finished cover is 20-1/2 inches square, which gives me allowance if I need to trim it for the cushion pad.



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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 section.

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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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