Seymour Quilters Guild Newsletter September, 2025



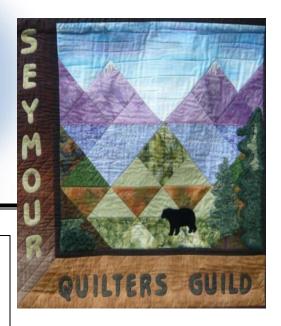
NEXT MEETING: September 17, 2025

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The Seymour Quilters Guild is a registered, non-profit group regulated by the BC Societies Act.

Purposes of the Guild are:

- To bring learning experience and inspiration to its members by way of workshops, demonstrations for the public, show and tell, speakers, and other programs.
- 2. To provide a service to the community by the creation of quilts for those in need.



PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Wendy W.



A quick reminder that our meeting on Wednesday, September 17, starts at 11am instead of 12 noon!

Get yourself back into the swing of the guild, please spend some time reading the newsletter! See you Wednesday!

Wendy

Checklist for September 17 Meeting

BRING:

- Your Name Tag and your cup
- Missing Library book returns
- Your unwanted fabric stash for free table
- ❖ Your summer projects for Show & Tell
- ❖ Charming Bag, if you made one in the past, for Show & Tell



BOARD MEMBERS 2025/26

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Wendy W.

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Marilyn C.

COMMITTEES

Programme/Workshops

Diane M, Susanne D, MaryElise C.

Community Quilts Linda F,

Connie, Janet, Trudy, Anne O'B.

CQA Representative

Roni W.

Have Quilts, Will Travel

Placed on hold.

Library

Sonja S, Barb McG, Anne W, Kim D, Lesley A, Anita J, Ellis S, Chelan McD, Tanith L.

Sunshine

Janet M-R.

Newsletter Sonia B.

https://seymourquiltersguild.ca/

Quilts of Valour

Suzanne P, Carolann F.

Free Table

Roni W, Jo-Anne S.

Refreshments

Leslie C, Patricia H, Barbara B.

Website Judy S.

https://seymourquiltersguild.ca/

Next Board Meeting

Wed., October 1 @ 10:00 am

Details will be emailed two days prior to meeting.

SEYMOUR QUILTERS' GUILD will meet at 12:00 noon on the **Third Wednesday** of the month, except for July and August, at **Gloria Dei Church Hall**, 1110 Gladwin Dr., Nth Vanc.

NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING Wed., October 15 @ 11 am

FROM THE BOARD

MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATES: Third Wednesday of the month (except in December) at Gloria Dei Church Hall. Mark your calendar.

September 17 October 15

November 19

December 10

(Xmas Luncheon)

SOSAH: Held on second Wednesday of the month **via Zoom**, all members are invited to participate. Zoom info will be emailed two days before meeting.

There is **no** SOSAH planned for October 8, due to Challenge Bag Workshop.

Next SOSAH: November 12

ATTACHMENTS TO THIS NEWSLETTER:

- Agenda, Member Meeting September 17
- Minutes of June 18 Member Meeting submitted for Approval
- Updated Membership List Sept. 2025
 (Please let Membership Com. know of any changes to your status)
- Photos of June Luncheon and Summer Sew Day.
 Please Note: This attachment is only available with this newsletter and will not appear on our website due to privacy issues.

REPORTS

MEMBERSHIP Arlene T. and Elaine A.

We're back! We hope all our members are well, and looking forward to reconnecting and getting inspired.

There were 38 members in attendance at our delicious and entertaining June luncheon meeting. The three door prizes were all donated travel sewing organizers.

The winners were:

- Glennis Wilkinson
- Joanne Salmon
- Nancy Moore

Congratulations! We hope you were able to put them to good use during the summer.

We have a new member joining us this month. Eleanor is a former member of the guild, so some of you may remember her. We welcome her (back)!

Over the summer another person has been added to our wait list, so the list remains at seven people.

Just a reminder to some of you about our guild attendance requirement. Members must attend a minimum of three general meetings each calendar year or their membership can be terminated. Just saying

If there is a temporary circumstance that precludes you from attending the required number of meetings this year, but you expect to be able to come back in the not-too-distant future, please consider applying for a Leave of Absence. There is a form on the website. Your reasons will be kept confidential. We value our members who have helped to build this special guild and don't want to lose anyone due to one of life's "blips". Feel free to contact anyone of the executive if you're unsure.

An updated members' list is included with this newsletter. Please let us know of any changes.

Looking forward to testing our facial recognition when you check in!

Arlene T. and Elaine A.

SUNSHINE CO-ORDINATOR Janet M-R.

I want to remind members that I am the resource and conduit to send a note of reassurance, or simply to be remembered that our Guild cherishes every member, no matter what!

It's a privilege to send out the cards, so please continue to keep me informed of our members who would appreciate a "hello" or a thank you or well wishes.

The Sunshine Lady, Janet

COMMUNITY QUILTS Línda F, Connie, Janet, Trudy, Anne O'B

We are always greeted with such warmth and enthusiasm at the Hope Centre. Janet M/R and I presented them with 7 of your quilts and I know they would love to have more. If you are thinking of making a larger quilt, there are a number of places that are very appreciative receiving them, including the Hope Centre.

Thanks to Sonia B. we have a new idea for a small sewing project: a carry-all bag for people using a walker. We'll show it to you at the up-coming meeting.



A note from Janet:

"This morning Linda and I met up with Rose at the Hope Centre and delivered quilts to her unit. She was so grateful and in awe of the quilts from our Guild.

With all the work that everyone does, and then to donate them for Linda to decide where they will go, I am just so happy to be part of it all. So, kudos to those who generously donate their time and talent to create beautiful quilts that will put a smile on someone's face who will appreciate it probably for years to come."

Linda

LIBRARY Sonja S, Barb McG, et al.

Thanks to the skill and speed of six amazing volunteers (Lesley A, Carol C, Tanith L, Barb M, Donna H and Anne R) we got our annual inventory completed in record time. We have an amazing collection of 337 books. If you are ever feeling the need for inspiration, just drop by the collection before our meetings.

Unfortunately, seven of our books are missing. Could you please look around your sewing room, under your bed, in your UFO cupboard and see if you have any of these titles. We would like to reunite them with their friends.

The missing titles are:

Lark Books..... Pretty Little Cozies

Judy B. Dales......Curves in Motion: Quilt Designs & Techniques

Pam Bono Designs...... Quick Rotary Cutter Quilts

Karen M. Burns...... Rock Solid: 13 Stunning Quilts made with Kona Cotton

Thanks for your help.

Sonja

FREE TABLE Roní & Jo-Anne

Don't forget to check and see if your treasure has been snapped up – unfortunately, it won't get a 2nd chance.

Looking forward to seeing everyone. Cheers, Jo-Anne and Roni

REFRESHMENTS Leslie C, Patricia H & Barbara B.

Welcome back everyone!

We would like to thank Diane L, Suzanne P, Leslie C & Diane M for bringing treats to our September meeting!

Reminder: Tea & Coffee \$1.00 Refills are free!

Please remember to bring your own mug!

Reminder: Borrowing crockery or cutlery from the Church is Not Permitted.

The guild has a few mugs in the kitchen if you accidentally forget yours!

Your Refreshment Team

Quilts of Valour Suzanne, Carolann



To me, September is more like the new year than January - a change of season and a time for a new start. Carolann and I had great intentions to bring, to the guild members, our plans for the next group QofV quilt. Unfortunately, for both of us, life just got in the way over the summer and we struggled to find time to work together on the quilt design.

At the October meeting, we are planning on finally sharing, with all of you, the instructions for our Canadiana version of the Exploding Heart (thanks to Carolann's skill of pattern drafting). We hope that you will all agree that the wait will be worth it.

Carolann and Suzanne

PROGRAMME/WORKSHOPS COMMITTEE Marilyn, Diane, Susanne, MaryElise



PROGRAMME

Summer is drawing to a close, the weather is still warm, and we have planned a few quilting projects for Fall for you. Enjoy!

18 JUNE – LUNCHEON:

Everyone had a good time at the luncheon in June. The game from Diane was a success and members are in the process of passing around their pieces. I wonder if there will be pieces passed around at meetings. Please keep your finished pieces and bring them to the NOVEMBER meeting.

6 JULY - ON ZOOM:

Members who are taking the quilted vest or jacket workshop met via Zoom with Lynda Gowling, the facilitator for the workshop. Questions about patterns, muslins, and pieced layers were answered.

16 JULY - SUMMER SEW TOGETHER DAY:

What fun! 13 of our members came and sewed, and visited. Quilted garments were discussed. There were demos, a draw, and excellent food.

Please bring items you started, worked on, or finished to show at the September meeting.

At the Summer Sew Together Day interest was expressed in doing the Charming Bag as a workshop where we work together through the pattern from Fibre Expressions in Halfmoon Bay. We have picked a date and will offer a sign up at the September meeting and on our webpage. More information under **Workshops**.

10 SEPTEMBER - TWO ZOOMs:

- ✓ SOSAH DAY 10:00 am 12:30 pm on Zoom. We talked about or lives over the summer and especially what we have been quilting.
- ✓ QUILTED JACKET OR VEST WORKSHOP PARTICIPANTS 1:00 to 2:00 pm There was a Zoom call with Lynda Gowling for members doing the quilted jacket or vest. The meeting discussed preparations so far and expectations for the workshop on October 8.



PROGRAMME/WORKSHOPS COMMITTEE Marilyn, Diane, Susanne, Mary Elise

PROGRAMME (cont'd)



17 SEPTEMBER - GENERAL MEETING:

- ✓ MYSTERY QUILT Diane M will present Part One of a mystery quilt. After the meeting the directions will be posted on the guild website.
- ✓ MAGAZINE CHALLENGE MaryElise C will explain this challenge.
- ✓ SIGN UP SHEET FOR CHARMING BAG WORKSHOP available. Members can also register on our website. *If you made this bag in the past and still have it please bring it to show at the meeting.
- ✓ SPEAKER Local quilter, Arita Rai, will give a trunk show.

 From Arita "I have been quilting for 30+ years. I learned to quilt at night school and at my local fabric shop, making quilt blocks using paper templates made of cereal boxes. I moved to the Lower Mainland in early 1990s and joined the Fraser Valley Guild where I continued to learn and improve my quilting skills. I am a member of the Vancouver Modern Quilt since the first meeting in June 2010 and this year I joined the Ladner Quilt Guild which is where I live. I love making scrappy and improv quilts and have taught how to make kawandi quilts at local guilds and shops. I have had a few quilts shown at CQA and QuiltCon."
- ❖ Note to Quilted jacket or Vest Workshop Group Please meet Marilyn for a short meeting after the presentation. We can discuss how things are going and the workshop.

15 OCTOBER - GENERAL MEETING:

- ✓ MYSTERY QUILT Diane M will present Part Two of the mystery quilt.
- ✓ MAGAZINE CHALLENGE update from MaryElise C.
- ✓ BLOCK WITH SUSANNE Susanne D will present a quilt block as the first in a Block of the Month activity.
- ✓ SPEAKER Barb Cherniwchan of Coach House Designs will do a trunk show and will speak on her design process. (Link to website https://coachhousedesigns.ca/pages/our-story)

WORKSHOPS

8 OCTOBER — WORKSHOP: (No SOSAH this month)

- ✓ Making a quilted jacket or vest with Lynda Gowling.
- ✓ This workshop is full with 14 members participating.
- ✓ 9am to 3:30 pm at Gloria Dei. Doors open at 8:30 for setup. Please let Marilyn know if you can help with set up. (mcleven6@gmail.com)
- ✓ Coffee and tea will be available and if you would like to bring snacks to share they would be welcome.
- ✓ Please bring your name tag.

PROGRAMME/WORKSHOPS COMMITTEE Marilyn, Diane, Susanne, Mary Elise

WORKSHOPS (cont'd)



22 OCTOBER – WORKSHOP: Charming Bag Workshop

This large bag is versatile and fun to make. The pattern is available from Fibre Expressions in Halfmoon Bay. If you do not have a pattern we can order as a group as noted on the sign-up sheet. There is *Soft and Stable* in the supply list and it will also be noted on the sign up.

Date: 22 October 2025 Time: 9:00 to 3:30

Place: Gloria Dei Hall, 1110 Gladwin Dr. NV

Cost: \$20 plus pattern and supplies. Minimum 13 participants.

Pattern cost: \$13.65, that is \$12.99 +GST

Soft and Stable interfacing: The cost will be close to \$35 and we will source it once we know the workshop will go ahead.

Charming Bag
New & Improved

A very versatile bag!
The use of Soft & Stable as berting easies the bag stand up nicely.

12 NOVEMBER - SOSAH Day on Zoom @ 10:30 am – 12 noon.

CQA Roni



CQA - https://canadianquilter.com/

Hi Everyone: Welcome back! Hope you each had a wonderful summer creating memories to take into the fall.

CQA is already planning next year's Quilt Canada: June 17 - 20 RBC Convention Centre, Winnipeg Entries for Quilt Canada must be submitted January 5 - February 16.

Trend Tex is also setting its challenge - Confluence. Kits are now available for members to purchase.

An interesting article on by Lois Tifflin regarding a historical mystery. Apparently during the depression era, you could write to Eaton's or SIMPSON's and ask for fabric scraps which they would supply free. They also started to offer for sale bundles of fabric specifically for quilt patches. Research should be interesting.

Also, here's the line-up for Fall Webinars:

- ✓ September 17, Carole Gold. National juried Show
- ✓ October 15, Viktoria Brave. Self-Creation Through Quilting
- ✓ November 12, Sue Sherman. The How's and Why's of Quilted & Carved
- ✓ December 10, Luana Ruben. International Quilt Trends.

That's all I have for this month, Happy Quilting! Cheers, Roni