

# Spool Talk

June 2022

# TRENT VALLEY QUILTER'S GUILD

Meetings are normally held on the third Wednesday of the month September through June at Brighton Community Centre, Brighton, Ontario. The doors open at 1:15 p.m. and we meet from 1:30 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. With Covid-19 concerns still present, we are currently meeting in person as well as via Zoom. A link to the meeting is emailed to all members each month.

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Be sure to keep an eye on our social media accounts as well. www.trentvalleyquiltersguild.com

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#### President's Message

#### **Rita Downhill**

It is hard to believe that June is fast approaching. Where did the first half of the year go? It has certainly been a busy six months given the start of the hybrid live/Zoom meetings in Brighton. We have faced a few challenges, but we will get there. Many of the Quilting presenters are now preferring the on-line environment. Given that many of them have invested in the equipment to support online presentations during the Covid epidemic this is very understandable. Also, it does eliminate the need to travel or stay overnight outside their homes. It is likely a given that this will be the way of the future. That does not mean to say that there will not be live presentations next year, there will and other events like silent auctions etc. Anyway, we will soon be heading into our summer break. I am sure many of you will have plans for the Summer including visits with all those family members we haven't seen in awhile.

We have been approached by other Guilds to discuss how we are coping with the move forward from the Covid situation. This will be an on-going discussion group that I hope will lead to more collaboration between our Guilds. We can always learn so much from the experience of others. I am heading this up for now, but I am looking for a Guild member who may be interested in taking this over. So please let me know if you have a burning desire to be involved  $\bigcirc$ .

We will be replacing some executive and other positions as per normal for this time of the year. Here is the list of nominees.

Executive

Treasurer ----- Diane Cichon.

Membership ----- Joan Cohrs.

Sunshine ----- Linda Cowburn.

Website ------ Sue Davies has agreed to stay on for another year.

Coordinators

E-Mail ----- Danielle Gagnon.

Xmas Placemats ----- Marie Newman /Janet Kivisto.

Please let me know if you have any interest in running for any of these positions

The new executive for 2022/23 will be approved by the membership at the June 2022 meeting and sworn in. We will also be voting on changes to the TVQG Constitution and By-laws.

Okay that is likely enough from me for this newsletter submission. I am working on 3 quilts now so that should keep me out of trouble for the next few months.

Rita.

Vice-President's Message

Nancy Wallace

Hello fellow quilters. Just a quick note to wish you enjoyment of all the beauty that the summer months have to offer us. If you are travelling, the vacation starts from the moment you go out your door, so take your time to appreciate everything that passes you by until you reach your destination. As I get older, every year seems to go by even quicker so I am learning to appreciate and treasure every thing in my life, whether I perceive those things as positive or negative. It's usually the negative things that have helped me to grow the most. I look forward to seeing you all again in September! Take care and be safe.

Nominations/Past PresidentJudy GrayNo report



Lazy Days Tote free pattern

Treasurer	Joan Cohrs
No report	

Membership

Donna Brawley

Wishing everyone a wonderful summer filled with sunshine, fun and relaxation. See you in September Donna Brawley and Donna Simpson

Quilt Show	Sarah Roberts & Team

Get your thinking hats on to figure out what part of the quilt show you would like to help with! Come September, we will start ramping up for our June, 2023 show!

Program	Sarah Roberts

June's meeting will be devoted to very important business for the Guild—the Annual General Meeting. It will be a hybrid meeting, with both in-person and Zoom attendees. Fingers crossed the internet works better than it did last month!!

Stay tuned for exciting new programs for the meetings in the fall!



Pyramid Pincushion free pattern

#### Workshop Convenor

Kathy Herron

No report

**Comfort Quilt Convenors** 

**Cathy Herrington** 

#### **Greetings from Comfort Quilts**

We have been a busy group getting quilts ready for the Ukraine refugees that are beginning to arrive in our area....and we couldn't have done it without all of your support. To date we have made contact with three families and given out 10 quilts. Our last in person get together before we break for summer will be on June 16 at the Frankford United.

Have a safe and hopefully 'Covid' free summer.....see you in September.

Cathy, Janet, Nancy and Marilyn



Beach Umbrella Table Runner free pattern

#### Website

#### Sue Davies

The website will continue to be updated during our summer break.

When you finish your 2020 or 2021 Mystery Quilt send me a photo and information about the quilt. Once a number have been received, the photos will be compiled with your name and story. It will be posted to the website under:

Members Blog Page (under Members Log In) for all the guild members to enjoy. It is always amazing how different the quilts look even though they were made with the same pattern.

Have a wonderful summer and happy stitching.

Sue Davies

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Wristband Pincushion

free pattern

Library	Judy Elliott

No report

#### **UFO/PHD**

Midge Trauzzi

The next UFO date is June 10 for those of you who have signed up. It is completely full now.

We will continue to meet over the summer. Those get togethers will be on July 8 and Aug 12 and September 9.

Midge Trauzzi

Christmas Placemats	Jane Baier
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No report

Sunshine	Darlene Blanchet
No report	

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A reminder for everyone to please lug your mug, in order to enjoy your coffee or tea from your favourite drinking vessel.

And, for those who volunteered to bring treats to share, please, just finger food, no dipping sauces.

We are looking forward to a fun end-of-the-Guild-year celebration.

Tina and June



Rainbow Bargello Cushion free pattern

#### Retreat

Pat Brinklow & team

We can hardly wait to hear all the chatter and laughter of those attending TVQG Retreat in October, only a few short months away.

Enjoy your summer, stay healthy and safe!

Your Retreat Committee

Elaine Combdon, Cheryl Lafferty, Sarah Roberts, Pat Brinklow

Reusable Market Bag free pattern





A little something extra which one of our members sent in for us all to enjoy

## Weird Things Only Quilters Do!

1. Name your sewing machine. Then talk to it while you're sewing.

2. Carry spools of thread, needles, snips in your purse. You never know when you'll need them.

- 3. See quilt patterns in bathroom tiles, carpet designs, gardens... basically everywhere!
- 4. Pet fabric. When we're in the quilt shop we like to touch and ogle before we buy it.
- 5. Make quilts with no plan. People always ask what occasion the quilt is for, but we know we're sewing because we love it.
- 6. Think a scant ¼" is a totally acceptable measurement. (We also handle 1/8" and 1/16" too!)
- 7. Save the smallest scraps. We can't throw anything out because "we might need it some day".
- 8. Yell at our kids for not cleaning their rooms but have the messiest sewing space. (If we haven't decluttered yet!)
- 9. Buy new supplies because they're in a colour you don't own. You can never have too many rotary cutters!
- 10. Spend time with your quilting friends online. You've never met them in person, but they're your BFFs!

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