

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD

QUILTERS' QUILL

April 2021

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"The Executive will work together as a team to support and encourage new quilters, challenge and draw upon experienced quilters and provide warmth and comfort to those in need." As your Executive Committee, we are designing some things to meet the above goal.

SUBMISSION DEADLINE

Items for Quilters' Quill should be submitted by the Monday of two weeks before the Guild Meeting. Please email or call Joanne Kavanagh 345-2269.

mail to: kavanagh@tbaytel.net

MEETING AGENDA

April 19, 2021 NOTE - meeting will begin promptly at 7:00 pm

(zoom will open at 6:00 pm).

To be held over Zoom – link will be sent in the email with this Quill

1. Welcome
2. Program
3. Show and Tell
4. Break (Breakout Rooms)
5. Acceptance of Agenda
6. Acceptance of Minutes
7. Business Arising from Minutes
8. Executive Reports
9. Council Reports
10. New Business
11. Door Prizes / Adjournment

PRESIDENT'S CORNER

April Showers bring May flowers. As I write this, we are in day two of seven of forecasted rain. So, I am working on some flower postcards in the spirit of things.

We have just entered another stay-at-home order. When I think back to the first time we were locked down, we all laughed and said our stashes would keep us busy. How many of you have even put a dent in theirs? If you have finished some UFO's, send photos along to Marina to show us all.

The weather is getting nicer so we can get outside more. There are some virtual sew days planned. Many of our members have received the vaccine with more coming every day. There is hope on the horizon. Take care everyone,

Cathy

Next Meeting: **May 17, 2021**



TBQG 40TH ANNIVERSARY

If anyone has any pictures, slides, magazine articles, etc. from the past 40 years of the Guild could you let me know by mid-May. I don't actually want the items right now I just want to know what's out there. I'll contact you in the future to get them and you'll get them back if they aren't digital files.

I have several CD's from past shows in the since Ingo and I took the pics for a few years, I know Jackie Black was given a bunch of old slides. If at all possible, it would be nice if these items were in digital form. I do have a friend who can scan in slides, but I don't want to burden him with too many. So, if you have a magazine article then please scan it and send me the jpg.

I will be preparing a look back at the past 40 years for our Anniversary Celebration. Thanks

Cindy (ccockell@tbaytel.net)

VIRTUAL SEW DAYS

We will be continuing our Virtual Sew Days in 2021. I hope you will join us from your sewing room. There is no program, just log on - the rest is up to whatever you want to do – come and go at your leisure.

Next Dates: Wednesday, April 28 @ 1 to 4 pm

Saturday, May 8 @ 10 am to 4 pm

Wednesday, May 19 @ 1 to 4 pm

Please send an email to president.tbqg@gmail.com to register.

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Guild Calendar of Events

April—June 2021

Date	Time	Event Description
April 18, 2021	10:00—16:00	Virtual Sew Day—10am-4pm—Registration Required
April 19, 2021	19:00	Guild Meeting
April 28, 2021	13:00—16:00	Virtual Sew Day—1pm-4pm—Registration Required
May 1, 2021		Sew Sisters Swap – Mail Deadline
May 1, 2021	10:00—16:00	Walking Foot Class with Cindy Cockell (Virtual)
May 1, 2021	15:00-16:00	Program Office Hour 3-4pm
May 3, 2021	19:00	Executive Meeting
May 8, 2021	10:00—16:00	Virtual Sew Day—10am-4pm—Registration Required
May 17, 2021	19:00	Guild Meeting
May 18, 2021		Jo Avery Virtual Workshop (October) Registration Opens
May 19, 2021	13:00—16:00	Virtual Sew Day—1pm-4pm—Registration Required
May 22, 2021		Global Quilt Connection Showcase for members
May 23, 2021		Global Quilt Connection Showcase for members
May 30, 2021	10:00—16:00	Virtual Sew Day—10am-4pm—Registration Required
June 7, 2021	19:00	Executive and Council Meeting
June 21, 2021	19:00	Guild Meeting

WALKING FOOT QUILTING CLASS

Instructor: Cindy Cockell (ccockell@tbaytel.net)

Date/Time: Saturday, May 1st from 10am to 4pm via zoom

Sign up cut off date: April 22, 2021

To register Email: Laura Cooke vp.tbqg@gmail.com

Cost: \$35

Are you afraid to quilt your own quilts because free motion quilting is hard to master, and you have tension problems? Then come and try walking foot quilting. With walking foot quilting your machine controls the tension so it's a great starting place. There are a lot of patterns you can do with this method to make your quilts look great.

We will be stitching on practice samples not an actual quilt so no worries. I will show approximately 10 different patterns and variations on each. There will be ideas for quilting borders, HST's, patchwork blocks and all over quilting. If time permits, we can also try adding some simple FMQ designs between walking foot quilting lines for those who know how to FMQ.

Since I can't do the demonstrations in person like I usually do, I will record them and play the videos during the class. Then you will practice for a while. There are handouts to accompany the class. This will be the first zoom class I teach so this will be a new experience on the teaching side.

If you have any questions, feel free to email me and I'll try to answer them. Once Laura determines there is enough people signed up to hold the class, I will send out the supply list and pre-class preparation. There is approximately 1 hour preparation for the class to get your practice sandwiches ready.

Cindy Cockell



TBQG Sisterhood Swap – Spring 2021

By now everyone has registered and have their group and pattern information. Just a reminder that the blocks must be made and mailed by May 1, 2021. The finished block should be ready for Show and Tell at the June meeting. The Swap Committee is looking forward to seeing all the lovely creations.

Ellen Lang



MEALS ON WHEELS PLACEMATS

If you need a quick and easy quilting project, consider making a placemat to donate. For inspiration, check out the link from the right-hand side of the guild homepage under Community Service to the page devoted to our placemat patterns and information. You might also consider making a donation placemat to practice the skills that you developed by paper-piecing your Sisterhood blocks or attending the Traditional and Curvy workshop. Let us know if you know of any organization or facility that would appreciate a donation of some of our placemats.

Contact Doris (dorisd@tbaytel.net) if you need labels for placemats that you are making with your own fabrics or have any questions about the placemats or patterns. We are looking forward to a time when we can again distribute our kits!

Doris Dungan and Judy Murphy

ADVERTISING ON SOCIAL MEDIA

We would like to offer a \$5/month Add-On to our current advertising prices. The \$5/month fee will include 1 social media post per month (on both the public Facebook group and Instagram). All advertisements must include all/any necessary information as they will NOT be edited in any way before publishing. If any advertisement does not adhere to our code of conduct, the executive committee can refuse an ad. All advertisements can be sent to the secretary.tbqg@gmail.com for review. If you have any questions please do not hesitate to ask!

Marina

SEW DAYS

The Coliseum Building is now being used by the Thunder Bay Health Unit until the end of August so it looks like Sew Days will be cancelled until next fall. I will let you know if anything changes.

Ellen Lang ellen_lang@tbaytel.net

<http://thunderbayquilters.org/>

NORTHCOTT 2021 CHALLENGE

I hope you are all working at finishing your challenge quilts so we have a beautiful wall to display at the Thunder Bay Museum. In case you are short on your challenge fabric I still have some fat eighths left. They can be purchased for \$5. Payment will be cash or etransfer only to Ellen Lang. You can call me at 623-2307 or by email at ellen_lang@tbaytel.net if you are interested to arrange payment and coordinate pickup. This year there will only be participation prizes so everyone wins!!

The challenge quilts will be displayed as part of the Grand Nations Crossroads Fibre Arts exhibition at the Thunder Bay Museum from July 13 – Sept 17, 2021. **The quilts will be hung on dowels so each quilt will require a hanging sleeve.** The hanging sleeve is basically a tube that is the length of your quilt and will fit your thumb. Both top and bottom of the hanging sleeve will need to be sewn to the top back of the quilt. **You also must label your quilt on the back only** – not on the front. Your label must include your name.

A few reminders about the challenge:

1. Create a wall hanging or quilt that can be hung. The quilt must be quilted & bound.
2. Maximum dimensions 36" x 36".
3. Must use all 3 challenge fabrics provided in the front of the quilt, not including the binding.
4. The 3 challenge fabrics must be prominent in the quilt.
5. Participants are encouraged to create an original design.
6. Only use 3 additional fabrics to create your original design.
7. A hanging sleeve is required on the back to accommodate a dowel. See above for description.
8. A label (on the back of the quilt) with your name.
9. Deadline for submission has changed to end of May 2021. Drop off location will be announced next month.

Submitted by Ellen Lang



Northcott 2021
Challenge

REFLECTIONS

- \$5 for a Fat Eighth Set
- Open to all members of the Thunder Bay Quilters Guild
- For full rules and requirements please see the TBQG website or Facebook
- Contact Ellen Lang if you're interested in participating

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Program 2020/2021

APRIL 2021 UPDATE



This month we'll be sending you the final assembly instructions for the Quilt a Long and spending some time talking about binding. We hope you've enjoyed the QAL and can't wait to see finished quilt tops or whatever else you might have made with the blocks.

Feel free to reach out to us by email at
Program.tbqg@gmail.com

[Adrienne Lopes](#) and [Mary Catharine Kennedy](#)

QUILT-A-LONG

Layout & Assembly

Now's the time to take the stack of blocks you've made over the year into a finished quilt top. You have all of April and May to make sure that you qualify for the QAL Prizes.

APRIL PROGRAM

Binding

As the last step of a quilt there are a lot of ways to go about binding. We're going to explore the basics and a few simple ways you can add something extra to your quilt at the very end.

EXTRAS!

With this Month's Program

This month we're sending you recipes for Maple Baked Oatmeal and Individual Meat Pies. Fill up your freezer for days when you want to sew and not cook.

What's Planned for May?

Brenda Gael Smith
Of Serendipity Quilts
Guest Lecture

What's Planned for June?

Rose Parr—Sew Smart
Guest Lecture
...and QAL Prizes!



We are here to help you and to answer questions!

Program Office Hours

May 1st, 2021

3 - 4 PM on Zoom

Link will be sent to members by email with a reminder.

Tools and Extras

You can bind your quilt with a needle, thread and strips of fabric but here are some of the tools we mention in this month's program. Check your local quilt store, if they don't have it they may be able to bring it in for you.

Sew Fine Thread Gloss— <https://sewfine.ca/>

This Canadian thread wax helps keep your thread in order when hand binding. It comes in lots of fun scents as well as unscented. The website has a handy list of stockists so you can see if a local to you shop has some.

Wonder Clips -

This Clover product is great for both machine and hand binding. Once you have them you'll find lots of other great uses for them but you can also look for other versions made by different manufacturers.

Tutorials

Prairie Points on Craftsy

<https://www.craftsy.com/post/prairie-point-binding/#>

Quilt Facing Tutorial on Cotton & Bourbon

<https://www.cottonandbourbon.com/tutorials/quilt-facing-tutorial>

Single Fold Binding by JayBird Quilts

<http://www.jaybirdquilts.com/2014/07/single-fold-binding-tutorial.html>

Big Stitch Binding by Kitchen Table Quilting

<http://www.kitchentablequilting.com/2017/03/big-stitch-binding-tutorial.html>

Big Stitch Binding Variations by Patchwork and Poodles

<https://patchworkandpoodles.com/big-stitch-binding-variations/>



Fussy Cut Motif on Binding by Patchwork and Poodles

<https://patchworkandpoodles.com/fussy-cut-binding-motif-a-tutorial/>



How to Add Pom Pom Trim to a Pillow

By In Color Order

<https://www.incolororder.com/2020/09/how-to-add-pom-pom-trim-to-pillow.html>

Inspiration



If you're stuck for binding ideas Instagram is a great place to gather some inspiration and see what other quilters are trying out.

Quilt-a-Long

We have designed a Quilt-a-Long and both of us made our quilts with different fabrics to show you the possibilities with this pattern.

Patterns for this month will be provided to members by email after the meeting.

We encourage you to join in the fun!

Pick your fabrics and post your choices on Facebook or drop into our Office Hours Zoom Meeting to discuss your choices. We'd love to see your plans.

Final Quilt Size is planned to be 50 x 68 inches.

SAMPLE QUILTS FOR THE 2020/2021 QAL



Mary-Catharine's Sample Quilt

The blue and white sample quilt was created with a random selection of blue and white fabrics. It has a scrappy background with many different white and cream fabrics.



Adrienne's Sample Quilt

The multicolour sample quilt was created with a selection of fat quarters chosen to match a specific focus fabric. The background is Kona Navy.

FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR COLOUR AND FABRIC SELECTIONS PLEASE WATCH THE VIDEOS PROVIDED ON THE MEMBERS FACEBOOK PAGE

THUNDER BAY QUILT GUILD
DETAILS & REGISTRATION TO COME IN MAY



DANDELION CLOCK WITH JO AVERY

JOIN US ON OCTOBER 30, 2021.
A VIRTUAL CLASS | 9AM TO 2PM

Explore Jo's Freehand Foundation Piecing technique in this skills based workshop. We will be drawing up our own Dandelion Clock on a foundation fabric before foundation piecing and then tackling wonky improv curves.

QUILT BEE

Hello everyone!

I'd like to encourage everyone to consider working on at least one charity quilt over the coming months.

- I have several kits for quilt top assembly.
- I have backing and batting and tops if you'd like to practice your quilting.
- I have at least one small quilt sandwich that has been spray basted and ready for quilting.
- I have quilts that need binding.

And.... I have bundles of fabrics that would be great to assemble into a Linda's Quilt. I've finished mine and another member has finished one. They are beautiful! I will try to show it at the meeting.

Contact Adrienne at alopes@tbaytel.net to arrange a pick up or drop off of a kit or item for finishing.



Thank you, Adrienne Lopes

LIBRARY REPORT

Two books have been purchased to add to the Library.

1. **Quilt Modern Curves and Bold Stripes** by Heather Black and Daisy Aschehoug. The former author is the instructor for the Traditional and Curvy Workshop held April 10th and 11th.
2. **Modern Quilt Bible** by Elizabeth Betts contains over 100 techniques and design ideas for the modern quilter. (A very beautifully illustrated book, all in colour). A lovely gift for a beginner quilter. It is all in there!!!

One book and 2 very effective magazines have been donated. The book is called "**Contemporary Classics in Plaids and Stripes**" by Becky Goldsmith & Linda Jenkins (9 Projects from Piece O'Cake Designs).

Magazines are by Fons & Porter titled "**Kids Quilts Summer 2010**" included in this magazine is a T-shirt Quilt and **Baby Quilts Fall 2010** with 16 Fun Projects for Babies & Toddlers, CD included.

Submitted by Maria Watson Library Chairperson.

THUNDER BAY QUILTERS' GUILD MERCHANDISE



Guild merchandise will be for sale will be for sale this year.

Pins cost \$5.00

Name tag kits cost \$5.00

Guild bags cost \$20.00

If you want to purchase any of these items, please email Marg Marks at mjmarks@tbaytel.net



CHRISTMAS CHEER TEDDY BEAR COMMITTEE



COMFORT QUILTS

Greetings,

In the past month, we have collected 45 fidgets and three bed quilts.

Facilities in town are still in need of bed quilts, fidgets and other comfort quilts.

If you have finished quilts or quilt tops or would like to finish quilting some quilts, please let us know.

Quilted 12 1/2 inch squares are also being collected. Jackie Black will create bed quilts and other comfort quilts with the quilted squares using the hinge method. Instructions for that method are available on the website.

Thanks,

Recommended Quilt Sizes

Neo Natal	36" x 36"
Crib	34 to 36" x 36"
Wheel Chair	36" x 48"
Nap Quilt	40" x 55 - 60"
Bed	63 to 65" x 80"
Dignity	72" x 84"

Pat Inch and Florence Poster



SHOW AND TELL DECEMBER



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Long Arm Quilting Machine Rental

Get your quilt done in less time than it takes to cook a turkey!



MILLIE—Long Arm Quilting Machine on
12 Ft. Frame with Quilt Path System
(26" throat space)



GEORGE — Table Top Long Arm
Quilting Machine (22" throat space)

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