



Kingston Heirloom Quilters' Newsletter

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A Quilting Year in Review.

It's hard to believe we're at the end of another quilting year. It was a busy year for sure, but we also found time to catch our breath and make some important decisions for the group.

When we started in the fall of 2025, my goal was to have the hexagon quilt on the frame by January. As I write this, the gold, rust and green sampler quilt is very close to having the quilting finished, hopefully at the next meeting! A special thanks to Gail Jennings who kept us moving along when progress slowed. The thing I remember best was all the laughing that we heard around the frame as it was being quilted. We are well on course to having the quilt bound and ready to go for our show. Hopefully the hexagon quilt will be up in the fall.

At our meetings, quilts were brought in various stages, and everyone loved the Show and Tell. Mary showed us her circle quilt as it progressed and shared with us how things from the dollar store can be used in quilting. Simone showed us her beautiful selection of bags and was a big help in finishing some projects that we inherited. I hosted a workshop on drafting patterns and Simone one on different ways of making bias tape. Every meeting continued work on the baby quilts as well. A special thanks to all those who worked on the baby quilts. Help came from many of our members including Bernice in Perth.

There was a great stash sale in the fall from Joan Legros, who was a member of The Kingston Heirloom Quilters and The Cataraqui Embroidery Guild. A day to set up, three days of sales where all types of sewers, embroiderers and dressmakers picked up fabrics, embroidery supplies and books. Some purchases



were going to help with school supplies. A few of Joan's quilt tops were finished and brought in for Show and Tell. Well done, ladies! There was a second stash that was also donated to the group in the spring. Once again, people stepped up and took unfinished work. I suspect that some of these will turn up in the fall Show and Tell.

Some of the ladies did a show and sale at the Normandy Retirement Home in the spring. We were pleased to meet two former members who had been involved in the group in the 80's and 90's. It was a good day, and we received wonderful comments on the two quilts used as backdrops.

Hope everyone is looking forward to our next quilting year (promises to be a busy one) with our show in the fall.

Mary Ann McA

Baby Quilt Report

Nine baby quilts and three knitted baby blankets were donated to the hospital since the last newsletter in May. Thank you, Mary Anne, for machine quilting each one. Thanks to everyone who helps with this community project. I appreciate your work.

Keep quilting,

Peggy



For Sale



(Image from internet)
Janome Sewing machine 2030 DCG.
It's quite new.
Contact Bernice



May 4th Meeting

A collection of Vivian's work.





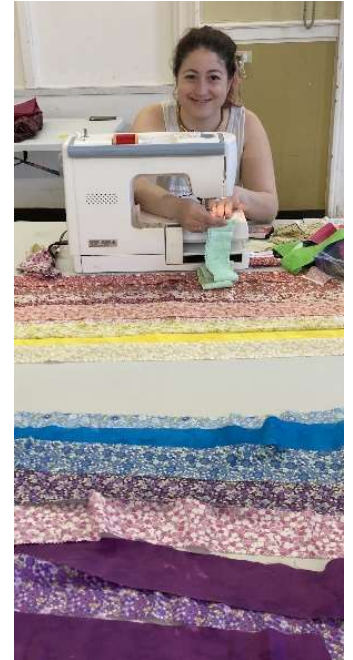
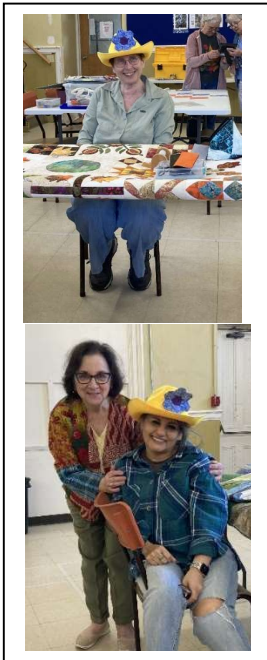
Mary Ann's hand pieced and quilted quilt was six years in the making



On a visit to the Ontario Science Center Karen was given this sample weaving after watching the demonstration of the Jacquard Loom. Karen used a double-fold bias binding on the top and two sides and included a sleeve for hanging so she could display and remember the enjoyment of learning how the piece was made. Finished measurement: 46 inches x 7 inches.



May 19th Meeting



June 2nd Meeting



L: Star Gazing quilt made by Halima in October 2025 as a gift to friends.

R: Vivian stitched on Dobby cloth which is made on a specific loom using a weaving technique which dates back to the 1840's.



L: Simone started this quilt for her 70th birthday and finished before her 74th! **M:** Showing detail
R: A baby quilt made by Simone.

Potluck Luncheon



June 16th Meeting



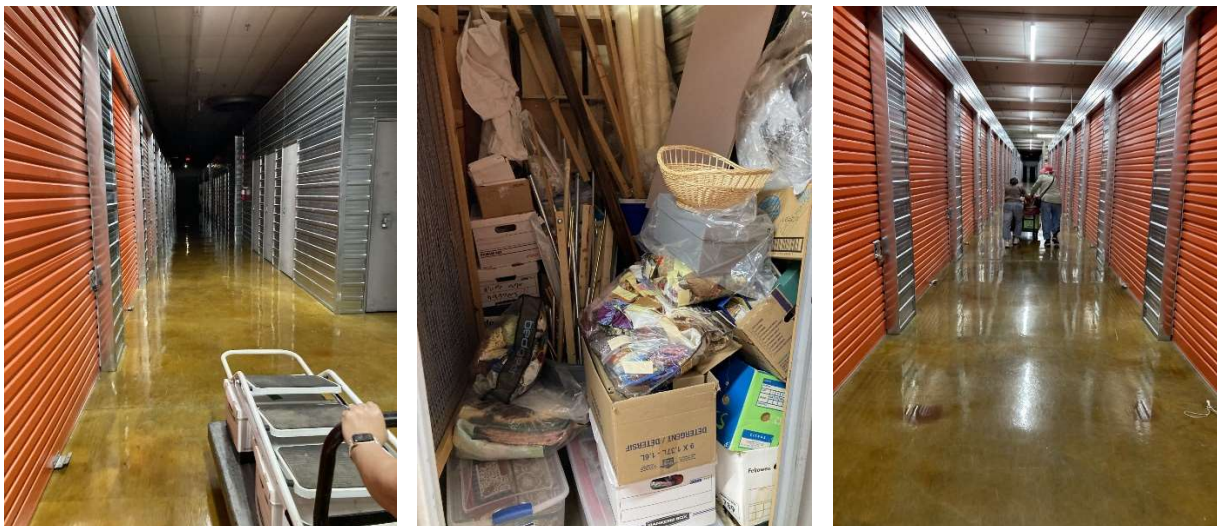
Above L: Mary Ann R: Diane

Left: Halima

Below L: Halima R: Lyn



A Visit to the Storage Locker



A rummage and decluttering took place at the storage locker. The picture above is the before, but such was the hurry to leave there is no after shot. Only caught a glimpse of two suspects guilty of racing in the hallway towards the exit! But I give you my word it did look better when we left! Lol

"Quilt Week Yokohama 2000", where the Canadian Quilt, "Maples Leaves in Autumn" by the Kingston Heirloom Quilters was chosen to be featured on their souvenir pins.



A reminder that there are interesting things to learn about KHQ on our website. When I came across this pin, I had no idea of the story behind it until I was directed to read about the quilt *Maple Leaves in Autumn* listed under International Round Robin Group Quilts on the webpage. Joyce



Dominique Erhmann [Dominique Ehrmann – Fiber Artist, artiste textile](#)

New use for an old machine, luminokinetic works from objects "that have lived" by Florent Veilleux

Quilts of Valour - Canada Society

What's New for 2026

HUG BLOCK PATTERNS

There are 2 new 9 1/2" **Hug Blocks** patterns created for 2026. They are both a tribute to Lezley Zwaal, the founder of Quilts of Valour Canada, who passed away in 2025. Every quilt, made with love, respect and gratitude carries forward Lezley's dedication and passion in the honoring of our CAF Veterans.

1. **Founder's Block**
2. **Woven Heart**

To get the free instructions for either of these Hug Blocks go to www.quiltsofvalour.ca/hug-block-patterns

Block A

Block B

If you are looking for something larger, then check out this 15 1/2" **block and quilt pattern** called **Opposites Attract**. Using 20 blocks, you will end up with a finished quilt which should be 60" x 75", a perfect size for a Quilt of Valour. For this free info go to www.quiltsofvalour.ca/free-pattern-download

Fragments by Jodi Miller

New as well is this beautiful 32" x 43" panel called **Fragments** by Jodi Miller, priced at \$25. You need to pre-order this panel with an expected arrival of June 2026. To check out this panel go to www.quiltsofvalour.ca/online-store/Fragments

Our online store features patterns and Northcott fabrics in the "O Canada" line for purchase. **All items in the online store include taxes and shipping (across Canada) in the price shown.**

THANK YOU

to all the WCQG members who have donated blocks, sewn on binding, donated quilt tops (flimsies) and finished quilts in the past year for QOV. Since 2009, we have presented over 27,000 quilts to Canadian Armed Forces service people (both male & female, currently serving & retired). These quilts not only honour their service but in many cases help in the healing process of the trauma they have suffered with visible and invisible injuries.

Grow your skills with us!

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Upcoming Textile Events



LAYERED LANDSCAPE
responding to where we live
Bear Epp – Pam Mayhew – Andrea Piller – Bay Woodyard
June 20 – August 2 | Wellington Heritage Museum

Prince Edward County Quilters' Guild presents
A Stitch In Time
QUILT SHOW
July 11th - 12th, 2026 • 10am - 4pm
\$ 10 ADMISSION
FREE Parking • kids under 12: FREE ADMISSION • Wheelchair accessible
Raffle quilt: Dream Bigger (approx 99" X 103")

More than 250 Contemporary, Traditional and Art Quilts, Raffle Quilt Draw, Judged Section, Demos, Guided Tours, Vendor Mall, Scissor Sharpener and Members' Boutique

FREE Parking • kids under 12: FREE ADMISSION • Wheelchair accessible

Wellington and District Community Centre
LeHigh Arena, 111 Belleville Street, Wellington, ON

f @QuiltsInTheCounty



For more info: pecquilt.weebly.com

FESTIVAL DE LA FIBRE FESTIVAL
TWIST
7-8-9 AOÛT.AUGUST 2026 PRÉSENTÉ PAR/PRESENTED BY Desjardins

Workshops begin on the 5th and many are bilingual. Saint-André-Avellin. 14th year.

[Festival Activities – 2026 Edition – Festival de la fibre Twist](#)

Plan to join us September 17 - 20, 2026 for the 194th Kingston Fall Fair.

[Homecraft - Adult & Youth — Kingston Fall Fair](#)

1. **All exhibitors must be a current member of the Kingston & District Agricultural Society for a fee of \$5.00 per year. Membership is free for exhibitors 17 yrs and under as of January 1, 2026.**

O.A.A.S. HAND QUILTED AND MACHINE QUILTS CHAMPIONSHIP QUILT COMPETITIONS

Enter your Quilt in the 2026 Kingston Fall Fair and be eligible for one of the O.A.A.S. Quilt Competitions. The Grand Champions will be selected from the available quilts in Section 1-5. The winners will compete at the District Level in October 2026. The District Winners will compete at the Provincial Level in February 2027 at the OAAS Annual Convention held in Toronto. ***PLEASE DO NOT DISPLAY QUILTER'S NAME.**

O.A.A.S. Prize Money \$500.00 - Winner keeps their quilt

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"Yoga for Quilters" offers gentle classes, using pillows, straps, yoga blocks or big books, all from the comfort of your home. If it is raining, snowing, or hot outside, we don't care! Come stretch and relax with me.

Wednesdays 9-10:15am Enjoy Gentle Yoga.

Fridays 9-10am Enjoy Chair Yoga.

You are encouraged to move within the range of motion of your body and with your breath. These classes will help you become more aware of what's going on in your body and mind, ending with a full relaxation, bringing more energy to your body for the day ahead, preparing you for important tasks, like quilting. Enjoy the company of fellow quilters before and after class. For more details and to register, visit yogaforquilters.ca or talk with Donna.

Certified Yoga instructor: Donna Hamilton, yogaforquilters@gmail.com

Have a happy and safe summer!