



NEWSLETTER

June 2026

FOR THE MEMBERS OF CHILLIWACK PIECEMAKERS QUILT GUILD

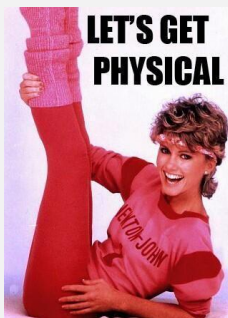
Monthly Meeting
Wed 17 June 2026

Program

6:30 start In Person -



Join us this month for our June Potluck meeting. Please bring a dish to share with the group and the place setting and cutlery you will be using. We will of course be playing a game after dinner. This month be prepared to get just a little physical and maybe even competitive during our PieceMakers Pong tournament.



Please bring back your Brown Bag Challenge, many members have not seen what you were able to create with the mystery items in the brown bag and we would like to check them out.

- Leah & Iris

Presidents Message

It's always hard to believe when another 'Guild Year' is about to be over! We had such informative and fun meetings.

I have always said that the main reason I enjoy belonging to a quilt guild as much as I do is because of the people at the meeting, the camaraderie that is enjoyed between the members who are at the meetings. Quilting is an enjoyable hobby, I don't really need to leave the house to do that, except of course to buy more fabric. However, there would be so much missing if I didn't go to a guild meeting with so many interesting ideas shared and discussed. This was really brought home to me at our last meeting when our visitor pulled out her phone to show a photo and asked the group around her, 'what's wrong with this quilt, it just doesn't seem right'. We all had lots of diverse ideas to share with her. I'll be honest my closest friends are quilters.

I was so proud to sit in front of the raffle quilts this weekend at Gwynne Vaughn Park selling our raffle tickets and asking people to spend a toonie to help us raise funds so we can make more quilts for We Care. People are astounded when we tell them our guild donates over 150 quilts a year to local charities. It was predicted that the day would be very wet, but it seems someone was looking down on us and the sun shone all day, which means people don't mind hanging around the garden, we sold over 180 tickets.

I am so looking forward to this month's meeting, I enjoy hanging out with quilters and I love potlucks!

- Lyn

Membership/Registration

A huge welcome to our newest guild member Barb S So nice to have you join our group of talented ladies. We had one guest last month Shelly L and we hope she comes out again to become one of our members.

Our May Meeting had 26 members come out to enjoy Rhonda from Quiltnut Creations speak about long arm quilting and see some of her lovely / incredible work very informative!

Our guild membership is 56 talented ladies.

Thank you as always to our two local merchants for their continued support of our guild with their monthly donation.

May Winners:
Quiltnut Creations (one M of fabric) — Sharon B
Cozy Cottons Quilting (\$10. Gift cert) — Iris Z

We are always looking for 'Buddies' for our new members ... if you feel you would like to be one of these important people please see Nancy or Darlene at the Registration Desk.

Hope to see you at our wind up ... potluck dinner meeting.

- Darlene & Nancy

Looking Forward to September

Even though we are looking forward to our June meeting, I am already thinking about our September meeting. The theme for September's program will be *'What I did on my Summer Vacation, Quilters in the Wild.'* I will be putting together a slideshow of photos submitted by members of themselves and their projects out and about over summer vacation. For example, maybe you take your EPP project to the lake and sit out and enjoy the weather while doing some hand sewing. Have a friend or family member take a photo of you doing this and send it to me by email. Maybe you are travelling across Canada or overseas this summer and visit a local quilt shop, send a photo of yourself at the shop and it will be part of the slide show. The possibilities are endless. Here are just a few examples from my own collection.

My floppy hat in Cabo San Lucas, a visit to Liberty in London, and finally Shepherd's Bush area of London where we stayed a few years ago. I had no idea there were 6 fabric stores all right across the road from our hotel or did I?



We Care

We Care has been very grateful for all the quilts that we have received this past year with 11 quilts at the May meeting! We had 2 Sew days and look forward to seeing all the quilts that might still be in the works come back to us for distribution. We are all thankful for the ladies who donate their time, talents and of course fabric to make all the quilts we receive. As you know we always have batting and backing available to our members who make our We Care quilts and often have fabric available to put quilts together! As we wind down and enjoy our June

New Mini Project

Since our guild will be celebrating thirty years and we have our show this fall, we would hope that you will make a placemat for our 30th year. They will be registered for the show using the on-line entry form that will come out in May. We will display all the placemats at the quilt show. This placemat can be kept by you or donated for the Meals on Wheel program in Chilliwack after the quilt show. Hope to see lots of participation and many placemats.



- Iris

Fat Quarter Draw

This month's colour is Florals.



Potluck celebration, please know that each quilt gifted is well received by our charitable organizations! We can't distribute without your generosity and kindness! So... as you are visiting with family and friends over the summer, I hope you manage to mention our upcoming Quilt Show in October (yes, it's really not that far away) and maybe sell them a ticket or two!

Remember to pick up or arrange to get your raffle tickets for our 2 fabulous quilts because as you know our **We Care budget** depends on ticket sales and our Quilt show proceeds!

We will be drawing for 2 prizes at the June meeting from all the ladies who have handed in quilts! **Yes**, ladies it is important when you label to add your initials or your Guild number so we can keep track of your gifts and it makes you eligible for our year-end prizes!

You can always arrange to have quilt batting & backing from Leah M and We Care labels are available at the meetings and Cozy Cottons Quilt Shop. Completed quilts can be dropped at Cozy Cottons over the summer we have a clear bin marked for us! Please email the We Care if you have any questions, comments or perhaps an idea for a Quilt Sew Day block idea!

Quilts were delivered to the Chilliwack Hospice (15), Meadow Rose Society (10), and Ann Davis (10) this past month!



If you are interested in being part of the Committee, please let one of us know so we can include you in any planning for the upcoming Guild year! Many hands make light work!

- Your We Care Committee - Bev, Leah, Linda & Trish

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Days for Girls

Days for Girls Updates from Team Coordinator Sandy S:

Our next day will have a different format as Sandy would like to get some components ready to put together for kit packing! Friday June 26th @ 10:00 – 3:00 pm (NO MACHINES NEEDED) Bring a lunch! Coffee & tea is available! Come and check it out stay for the whole time or just awhile. This is a perfect opportunity to get acquainted with Days for Girls!



Westgate Apartments – 8955 Edward Street Chilliwack – Amenities Room off to the right side of the main entrance. This building is behind the Hospital area with plenty of parking!

Quilt Show 2026

October 23 and 24, 2026

Volunteer Sign-up Sheet

The Volunteer Sign-up sheet will be at the meeting, please come to see me and sign up to help with the quilt show. There are many times and jobs available, and your help is very much appreciated.



Show Advertising

Please feel free to take posters from the meeting to put up in your community areas to advertise the quilt show. Leah will have them at the table with the raffle tickets. We are thrilled to be able to share that we are going to be setting up a display in the window at The Bookman in Chilliwack in late September or early October to advertise for our show. More details to follow on this, I may be looking for

Quilt Show Challenge Project

Iris is overseeing the challenge for the quilt show, read all about her terrific idea.



Theme: What Chilliwack means to me.

Size: Perimeter of finished piece must not be larger than 24" square no matter what shape you choose. So total perimeter 96".

Your small quilt must have three layers; top, batting and backing. Will require a hanging sleeve as well.

You can use any method: example traditional blocks, improv, collage, paper piecing, appliqué whatever you desire. Examples ideas are the mountains, the river, the farms, 1881 and so on.

They will be registered for the show using the on-line entry form that will come out in May.

Consider joining in on this challenge as it will be interesting to see the quilts and it should be a lot of fun.

- Iris

some helpers to set up this display or loan us a quilt to display.

Raffle Quilt Basket Collection

We are looking for lots more donations for the baskets. Please raid your sewing room and look for items or fabric you can donate to the raffle baskets. This collection will continue right up to our October meeting, but getting a head start on the sorting is always helpful so please don't leave your donation to the last minute.



Look for a drop off box on the table where the door prizes and fat quarters are collected. Pretty much anything goes, fat quarters (lots of lots of those are needed) and gently used sewing items that quilters might use. If there are items brought in and they cannot be used, they will be sold on the boutique table, so nothing goes to waste. Our vendors also contribute generously to make these even more win worthy. The ticket selling takes place during the two days of the quilt show and always draws in over \$1000 dollars. Please be generous. This is what they look like when they are bundled up.

Boutique Table

As at past shows we encourage members to donate items to the boutique sale table. They can be items you no longer want or newly made items large or small. You can also donate fabric as fat quarters, half metres, or larger pieces. Please do not include fabric scraps.

Items can be donated with 100% of the sale going to the guild or sold on consignment. The guild will retain 20% of all consignment items.



So, it is not too early to start making some small items for the table or to go through your quilts to see if there are any you want to sell.

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All items are to be priced by you and delivered on the Friday of the show.

Books and magazines will also be collected to be placed on a free table.

Raffle Tickets for the Two Quilts

The tickets will be available again at the June meeting ready for distribution. It is hoped that each member will sell one or more books of tickets (10 in a book \$2.00 each), but there is no pressure if you don't like doing that sort of thing. We had a great day selling tickets at the Gwynne Vaughan Park Sale and are hoping to be able to have 2 nights to sell at the Casino, the first is in June.

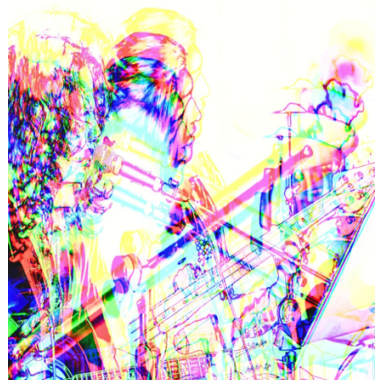


Registering Your Quilts

All items will be entered with the on-line form as we have done for the last two quilt shows. These items include - quilts all sizes, challenge project, placemats, bags/totes, made by children, Deep Dive and anything else we think of. The form will be sent via email to you from the guild address in May and a few other times before the Sept 30 deadline in case you need it. We will need approximately 125 – 150 quilts along with the other items for on the table displays.

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