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Picture taken at the 2024 Quilt Christmas sale

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Next Meeting

June 12, 2025 at
7 pm @ Baker Centre.

President's Letter

It is mostly spring here in YK. Great Slave Lake has less ice on it every day, the one constant when the weather is changing nearly daily.

Donna MacDonald has sent out AGM packages to the membership. There will be a short AGM at the beginning of the June meeting. As our terms are two years and offset so we don't have a completely new executive, there are two positions needing to be filled. (I plan on continuing with the executive.) Executive members meet in person as the new executive, then monthly for about an hour, in person or by Zoom, to plan our next meeting as well as the events of the season. Members at large are valuable and new members are always welcome. Please consider helping to keep our guild growing in membership and activities.

The time has come for the Luck of the Drawz challenge reveal. Back in November Debbie



Sunday, June 15, 2025

President's Letter (continued)

Gillard offered two large stock pots with options for quilt styles. One stock pot had four categories - Traditional, Modern, Scrappy and Non Quilt but Quilted item, while the second pot offered Randomizers - a variety of blocks, techniques, fabrics, or utilizing a quilted item. Quilters have had six long/short months to work on their randomly chosen project types. Your project MUST be completed for the meeting. I can't wait to see what you very imaginative quilters have produced. There will be stories, viewing and voting at the meeting. There is a Viewers' Choice award as well as category awards.

During the last two quilting years Christine Holland and Leslie Thomas have offered Blocks of the Month which can be made by guild members. Thank you to all the members who have contributed blocks! We now have enough blocks to make several quilt tops. Saturday, May 31 was the day to get together and sew these blocks together and piece backings as necessary. A huge Thank you

to Cindy, Emelda, Amanda and Teresa for helping me put blocks together for 3 more quilts as well as pieced backing for 2 of them. Carole Bachand has donated two tops needing backings. Once we have tops and backings to match, the guild has batting, and we will be looking for quilters willing to quilt the tops and bind them. Any quilters wishing to help out can contact me at lbromley2011@gmail.com.

As this is the end of my two year term, I need to thank my amazing executive for their support and organization skills. Thank you Donna MacDonald, Treasurer and keeper of the guild knowledge; Leslie Thomas, Vice President, newsletter editor for 6 years and block of the month contributor; Ilia Daniel, Secretary and the young one with more on-line contact experience than I would ever try. So many more quilters have helped throughout my two years, Linda Whitford, Christmas Sale organizer; Hazel Wainwright, Retreat organizer; Cindy Taylor, Membership Co-ordinator and communications; Charlotte Babicki, Library keeper; to name a few, and everyone who generously donated to the Snack table. Thank You!!!

Stay calm, stay cool and quilt on!

Leslie Bromley
President

May's Mystery Bag Draw Winner

No Photo
Available

Congratulations
To
Linda W.



Guild Retreat May 2025

A big thank you to all those who were at the YK Quilters' retreat. Everyone had a great time socializing and sewing. Lots of projects to admire and ideas to share. Dot was the lucky winner of our strip game.

Thanks to Linda for our Make 'n Take; everyone went home with a pattern weight.

A special thank you to Kathryn, Linda and Sandi for the delicious dinner on Saturday, to Linda and Leslie B. for bringing a truckload of tables and other equipment to share and Alecia and Donna for coordinating with the city and Ski Club.

Thank you also to all participants for pitching in to do dishes, help with meal prep and clean up at the end.

It was much appreciated.

**Let's do it again in October. Dates are October 17-19, 2025.
Same time, same place.**

Monthly Quilt Blocks

I want to thank all of the quilters that have provided blocks for the Sharing Gifts program. All your help has made the last two quilting seasons for the Block of the Month a success. Although there is still more blocks and work to do, we are in a much better position to provide for the Sharing Gifts program.

If you are unfamiliar with the Sharing Gifts program, please review the policy on our website at <https://ykquiltersguild.ca/about-us-1> (the link to the Sharing Gifts Policy is at the bottom of the Supporting Sharing Gifts page).

A separate email has been sent to the membership with the Block of the Month listing with pictures, if you are inspired to complete some more blocks. If you have blocks completed, please reach out to Leslie Bromley at lbromley2011@gmail.com or myself Leslie06thomas@gmail.com.

Thanks,
Leslie T.

May Show and Tell



Note: Some photos of the May meeting Show and Tell are placed in the blank spaces of this newsletter.



FOR SALE

Pfaff Powerquilter 16.0

This is a sit-down mid-arm straight-stitch quilting machine with a 36" table. No stitch regulator. Bobbin winder included.

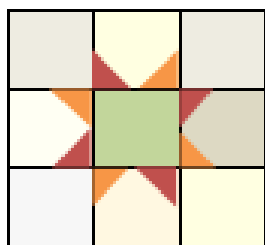
Ideal for a confident free-motion quilter who wants more throat space for maneuvering large quilts. 16" throat space (from needle to base) and about 8" in height.

Purchased in 2014. Serviced May 2025. Asking \$2500.

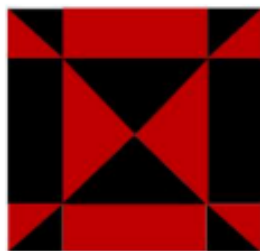
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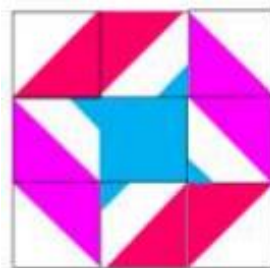
Blocks of the Month in Pictures



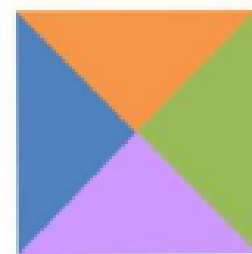
Beginners Square Star
Nov. 2023



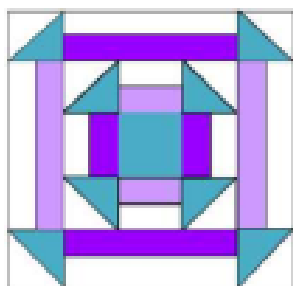
Turn Style
Dec. 2023



Side Kick
Jan. 2024



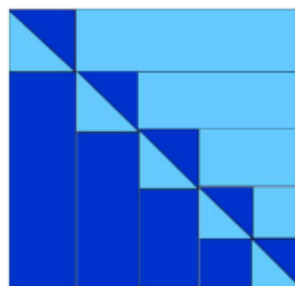
Easy Hourglass
Feb. 2024



Double Churn Dash
Mar. 2024



Two Step
Apr. 2024



Rick Rack
May 2024



Building Blocks
Sep. 2024



Twin Sisters
Oct. 2024



Hidden Wells
Nov. 2024



Strip Block
Dec. 2024



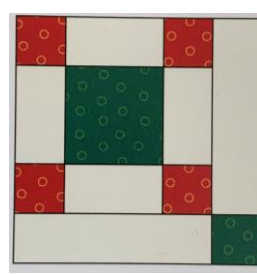
Woven Block
Jan. 2025



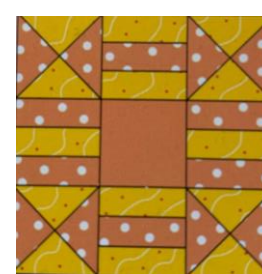
Double X, No. 1
Feb. 2025



To Use Up the Pieces
Mar. 2025



Children's Delight
Apr. 2025



London Roads
May 2025

Refer to the monthly newsletter for construction information, block size, and recommended colour options.

Block of the Month Listing

Date	Block Name	Block Size	Number needed	Number Finished	Notes
Nov 2023	Beginners Square Star	14"	20 squares 4 x 5 squares 54" x 67.5"	23	Enough squares
Dec 2023	Turn Style Block	13"	25 squares 5 x 5 squares 62.5" x 62.5"	25	Top completed
Jan 2024	Side Kick	12.5"	30 squares 5 x 6 squares	13	
Feb 2024	Easy Hourglass	6.25"	120 squares 10 x 12 squares 57.5" x 69"	121	Enough squares
Mar 2024	Double Churn Dash	20.5"	12 squares 3 x 4 squares 60" x 60"	9	
April 2024	Two Step Quilt Block	9"	48 squares 6 x 8 squares	36 + 16	Enough squares
May 2024	Rick Rack Block	10.5"	42 squares 6 x 7 squares 60" x 70"	8	
Sept 2024	Building Blocks	9.5"	48 squares 6 x 8 squares 54" x 72"	33	Enough squares
Oct 2024	Twin Sisters Block	10"	48 squares 6 x 8 squares 57" x 66.5"	16	
Nov 2024	Hidden Wells Block	11"	42 squares 6 x 7 squares 63" x 73.5"	15	
Dec 2024	Strip Block	10 ½"	42 squares 6 x 7 squares 60" x 70"	27	
Jan 2025	Woven Block	10 ½"	42 squares 6 x 7 squares	21	
Feb 2025	Double X, No. 1	12.5"	30 squares 5 x 6 squares	25	
Mar 2025	To Use Up the Pieces	12 ¾"	30 squares 5 x 6 squares	16	
Apr 2025	Children's Delight	10 ½"	42 squares 6 x 7 squares	11	
May 2025	London Roads	9 ½"	48 squares 6 x 8 squares 54" x 72"	4	

Recipe Corner



We all struggle when preparing meals for our families while we have been spending the day quilting. Your problem is solved here in our new QUILTER'S RECIPE CORNER!! Each month we will give you a quick, tasty and healthy option so you can spend more time working on your projects and not in the kitchen! If you have a recipe that you use that's quick to prepare, please send it to us at quiltingyk@gmail.com. We would love to use it in our Corner.

Canadian Coleslaw – The Best!

No Photo Available

Provided by Linda Whitford

You will need:

1 pound bag (450g) Coleslaw mix
1 tsp. celery seed
½ c. vegetable oil
½ c. sugar
¼ c. vinegar
½ tsp. salt
½ tsp. dry mustard
1 small onion, quartered

Directions:

1. In a large mixing bowl, toss coleslaw mix and celery seed.
2. Place remaining ingredients in a blender. Cover and process till combined and onion is pureed. (will be creamy)
3. Pour over coleslaw mix, toss, cover and refrigerate for at least 3 hours.

Note: This recipe was used for the past retreat.



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Please send articles, news, favorite quilt websites, tips, and other quilt related items for the newsletter to:

leslie06thomas@gmail.com

With the subject "For the Newsletter"

Deadline for submissions is the 3rd Thursday of the month by 7:00 p.m.

Draws at the guild meeting

The following draws take place at each Guild meeting:

Mystery Bag
\$2 each
Members only

Door Prizes
Free
Members & Guests

Guest Policy

Guests are welcome to join us at any meeting. If a guest returns for a second or subsequent meeting, there is a \$5 charge per visit. For details, please see the full policy on the website.

Members Giveaway Table

More and more Guild members are purging their stashes and offering items to Guild Members at the meetings. We will be setting up a table in the outer hallway for any items you would like other members to treasure.

Meeting Etiquette

Please be courteous when someone has the floor and refrain from other conversations.

Executive for 2024-2025

quiltingyk@gmail.com

President	Leslie Bromley
Vice President	Leslie Thomas
Secretary	Ilia Daniel
Treasurer	Donna MacDonald

With Help From

Cindy Taylor (Membership), Charlotte Babicki (Librarian), Debbie Gillard (Web Site), and Leslie Thomas (Newsletter) and Linda Whitford on our social media pages.



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