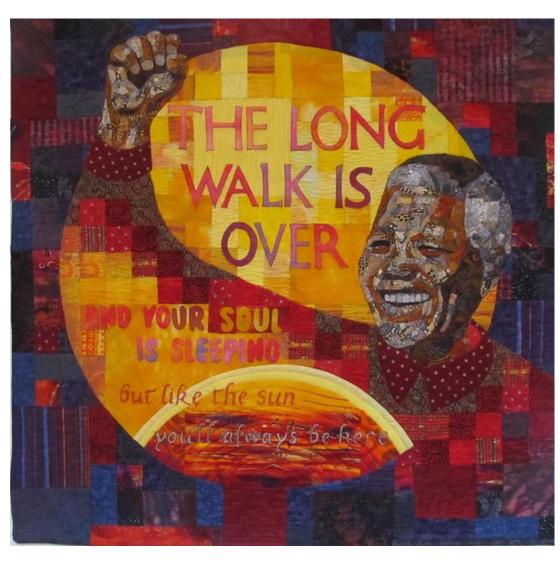


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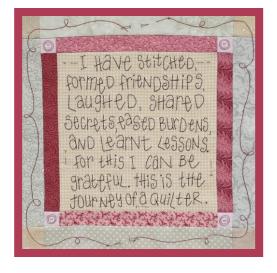
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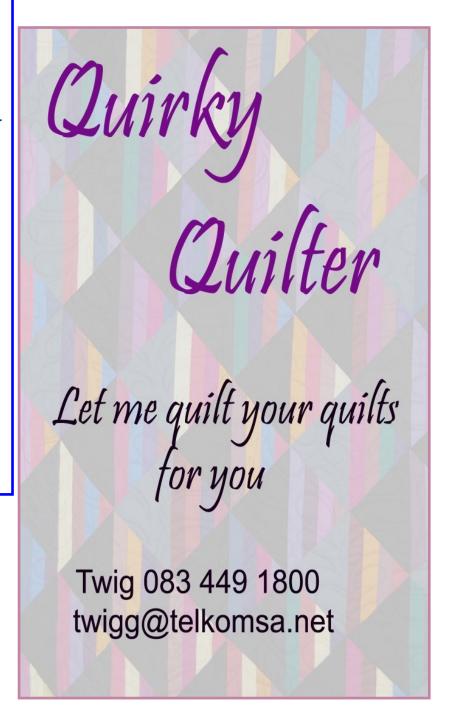
EDITOR'S NOTE

May 2015 be a worthwhile year for all members and their families and friends.



Be well and sew well....Judy





Cover Quilt

By Shelia Welwyn, Cape Town

Seen at IQC in July 2014. Also found in the book: 'Conscience of the Human Spirit: The Life of Nelson Mandela'. This is a collection of over 80 small quilts made by quilters in South Africa and USA to honour Nelson Mandela. The collection is currently touring USA and will be housed in the Michigan State University Museum.

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FROM THE HOT SEAT

There are few real certainties in life and CHANGE is one of them. This year has already been proof of that.

We were all saddened by the loss of Glenda Kirkirides. Her contribution to quilting in KZN and South Africa has been enormous. Most of us were regular customers of Amafu Fabrics. The quilt show at our next Open Day is a tribute to Glenda and Amafu Fabrics.

We have also had to say goodbye to Sew Many Things quilt shop. We will miss them and their cheerful welcome to customers. Our heartfelt thanks and best wishes go to Penny and Vanessa, as they go forward into another phase of their lives.

Life sometimes throws us some curved balls! It is not easy, but we all know - when life gives you scraps, make a quilt! Many of us have taken that quite literally in difficult times and have found solace and comfort in doing just that.

Our fellow quilters become our support group. Quilters make wonderful friends, as I'm sure you have discovered.

But this year is also full of promise and new beginnings.

For many of us, our first QUILT FESTIVAL was a life-changing experience. We have the SA National quilt festival right here on our doorstep in July. There is a wonderful range of classes and lectures to choose from, so



Silk Ice Cream by Pauline

go ahead and book if you haven't already done so. Remember - if you snooze, you lose. Classes are filling up so be sure to book your space.

The highlight will be the QUILT SHOW of course. I have had some sneak previews of works-in-progress and we are in for a treat! There is some fantastic work going on out there. If you need help/advice with your entries, please come and visit me at Bernina Kloof, on Tuesdays or Fridays, or phone me at home.

It's hard to explain to others this love affair we have with quilts, fabric, colour and texture. But it often fills our lives (and our cupboards!) There is no time to be bored and I can't think of anything else I would rather do!

So -

STAY CALM and KEEP QUILTING!
Pauline



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As you know if you are a member of KZNQG you are automatically a member of SAQG. Many quilters have asked what SAQG does for the guilds. It ensures that there is a Festival every 2 years and that these Festivals are run according to Rules and Regulations as set out and updated regularly. It has trained the Judges and makes sure that all Festival judging is of a high standard. Last year the Teachers Accreditation course was offered and this too was a course of a very high standard. There were 6 Tutors with Sue Prins as the Head coordinator. It was well received by the students and the many positive emails from them confirm this.

SAQG also has a website which is updated regularly and we get many questions and

queries in diverse fields of quilting.

I appeal to the Guild Chairladies to encourage their guilds to pay R10 per member for those who do not belong to KZNQ. This can be done by depositing the money directly into the SAQG ABSA savings account. Account Number 9033893214. Please remember to put your name and guild name as reference. You then will also need to email the list of the members you are paying for to Lesley Lancaster: lesley@tucweb.co.za. Please pay this by the beginning of April 2015 Please do not hesitate to give me a call if you have any questions or talk to me at the meeting on 28th Feb

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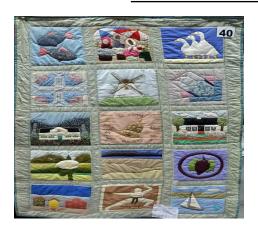




Ouma's old hexagon quilt owned by Debbie Becker



Viewers choice by Rose Stanley:1988



Rosemary Hurter 1987



Two beauties from 70's and 80's



Contrasts 1990



Kraal Dreams by Odette Tolksdorf; 1986



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NOTICE OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

In accordance with the Constitution members are hereby given due notice of the

KZNQG ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To be held on Saturday 28th February 2015 at 12H00

Venue: Durban Girls High School

Members are reminded that subscriptions are due at or before the A.G.M.

NOMINATION FORM KZNQG COMMITTEE 2015

Name of person nominated:	
Nominated by:	
Signature of acceptance of nomination:	

QUILTS FOR SALE AT FESTIVAL

KZNQG IS HAVING A TABLE AT THE FESTIVAL AND, AMONGST OTHER THINGS, WILL BE SELLING QUILTS. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUILTS FOR SALE, AT THE FESTIVAL, THEN PLEASE CONTACT ME, LYN GONZAGA. MY EMAIL ADDRESS IS lyngon@telkomsa.net. I WILL NEED TO KNOW YOUR NAME, THE NAME OF THE QUILT, THE SIZE, (IN CM AND WHETHER IT IS A SINGLE BED, ETC). ALSO THE PRICE (REMEMBER TO ADD ON 10% WHICH KZNQG WILL TAKE FOR HANDLING CHARGE). I WILL ALSO NEED YOUR BANK DETAILS. I WILL THEN MAKE A SIGN WHICH WILL BE PINNED TO YOUR QUILT. WE WILL TAKE THE MONEY, AND REIMBURSE YOU LATER.

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I'll die if I don't have it.

I'm leaving it to my heirs.

It's my therapy - cheaper and healthier than a shrink or drugs.

I will never ever see this same fabric again. (Actually that one is usually true!)

It's my reward for not buying a new sewing machine.

Why do I need justification? I WANT IT!

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Spotlight On.... Rayna Gillman

Rayna Gillman isn't just a quilter; she's a fabric artist. The gifted United States-based creative has a natural eye for colour, line and design that reflects in her rare ability to craft masterpieces of hue and form. She's daring enough to set aside the rules, to relinquish any dependence on patterns or quilting squares, and instead to create free-form works from the heart that sing with emotion and raw artistic energy. For her, the joy is very much in the process, and it's easy to see her passion and delight in the final product.

Accordingly, her striking, one-of-a-kind creations have captured the attention of multiple galleries in America and are currently on display in exhibition spaces across the country. Similarly, they have also made their way into private collections in Europe, where they continue to inspire and enchant viewers

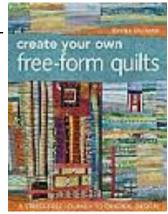


But what makes Rayna Gillman an extra special individual is that she's adept at not just creating, but at coaching, educating and mentoring too. Nominated for the Teacher of the Year Award by *Professional Quilter* magazine in 2010, this lovely lady is skilled at sharing her knowledge and experience and at passing on her intuitive feel for aesthetics to students. She has taught at venues from the UK to Canada and published a number of best-selling books that contain endless wisdom and advice.

Those fortunate enough to learn under her are pushed to step outside of their comfort zones, to let go of fears and mental constraints and to really take their quilts to the next level. The emphasis is on play, spontaneity, experimentation and unbridled fun, and the result almost always surprises its creators. Needless to say, it's a true honour to host Rayna Gillman as one of the teachers and lecturers featuring at the 2015 South African National Quilt Festival. She'll be

travelling a long way to present a series of classes on everything from how to trust your instincts when it comes to colour to how to create imaginative free-form landscapes and 'dreamscapes'. And no doubt, she'll help all those who register for her tutorials to discover the fabric artist deep down inside themselves too.

Rayna Gillman will be hosting the following classes at the festival - click on the course name for more information about each session and for access to the booking form (see overleaf).



Friday, 3 July	Rayna Gillman	<u>Fearless Colour</u>
Saturday, 4 July	Rayna Gillman	Endless Design
Sunday, 5 and Mon-		
day, 6 July		
Class No: 313	Rayna Gillman	Streetscapes, Landscapes and Dreamscapes (2-day workshop)
Tuesday, 7 July		
Class No: 513	Rayna Gillman	Cinderella Quilts: Reinventing the UFO
Sunday, 5 July	Rayna Gillman	Working in a Series (1-hour lunchtime lecture)

* Written By: Dayle Kavonic





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Invites you to enter a quilt competition to celebrate National Quilt Day, March 2015.

Our theme is **Celebrating our Centenary.**

Make a quilt using blocks or designs that are 100 years old. You may use present day fabrics for your quilt. The quilts may be any size. This will be a judged competition.

Name and Surname:	_
Address:	_
Contact number:	_
Quilt Title:	— F
Quilt Size:	For more informationContact
Quilts to be handed in at the Museum (PMB) or to Marlene Turner by 28 th February 2015	Marline Turner Cell: 083 327 4881 email:- marline@iafrica.com

NB. Quilts for this exhibition cannot be submitted for the Festival as the Idates overlap.

Entry form must PLEASE be on the back of the quilt or it will not be exhibited.

KZNQG OPEN DAY PROGRAMME: 28 February 2015

VENUE: Durban Girls' High School, Glenwood; Corner Manning (Lena Arense Rd)/Penzance Rd

9.-12 Quilt Exhibition: A Tribute to Glenda and Amafu Fabric (see below)

9-12 Demonstrations: May-gene Terblanche (Making HANGING SLEEVES)

Sue Cameron

Cheryl Bauermeister

12h00 AGM (Chairlady: Pauline Law)

Speaker 1: Twig: Presentation on Festival Classes

Speaker 2 : Rosalie Dace : Quilting Bucket List:!!!

Subtitled: Quilting Conferences, Conventions, Competitions and Shows you definitely want to add to *your* Bucket List! Info and pictures of exciting places in America, Australia and New Zealand to share with KZNQG members.

Amafu Fabric Quilts Display:

If you have a quilt that you made entirely or partially of Amafu fabrics, please submit it to hang at this meeting.

Collection Points: Please deposit by 19th Feb latest.

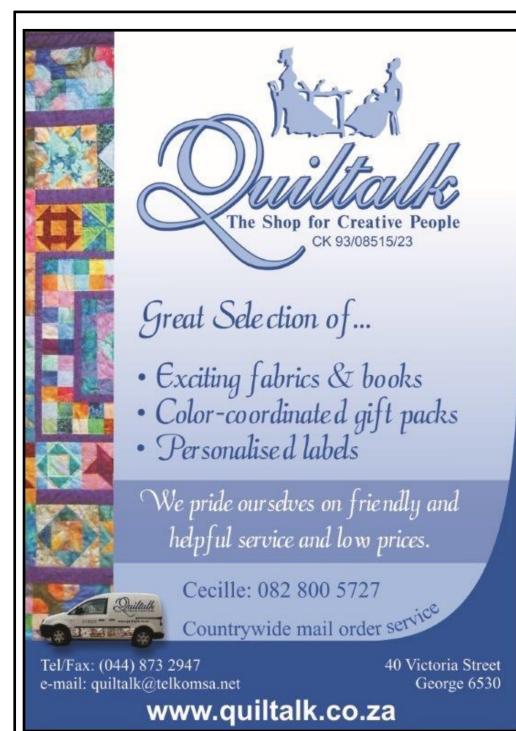
- * PMB area to Marline Turner.
- * South Coast area to Heather Walker (083 4925 319)
- * Dbn North and North Coast to BERNINA Durban North
- * Highway area to Bernina Kloof will be the drop off point.

Please ensure that your Name and Tel number are on the back or they will not be exhibited

Raffle Winners

Teapot Raffle - won by Rosemary Hurter Gardening Raffle - won by Tiiu Excell Heart Quilt Raffle - won by Sally Burge.





WHAT TO SAY TO THE QUILTER
YOU LOVE!

- 1. I love your use of color.
- 2. What divine fabric choices.
- 3. Isn't that fabric collection great?
- 4. Let's hang it front and center!
- 5. Can I hang this one in my office?
- 6. Let me take a photo with my iphone to share with friends.
- 7. Wow, your quilting skills rock!
- 8. Great work of art! I'm so proud.
- 9. Let's just curl up under this beauty!
- 10. Truly so glad you took up quilting.
- 11. I think this is the best one yet.
- 12. Let's go out and buy more fabric!

Any of these statements will keep you out of the doghouse!

Wish Upon A Quilt

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DIVISION D - PATCHWORK AND QUILTING

For Section Programme see Page 8

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Gift vouchers sponsored by the following:-

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KZN Quilters - Voucher for Best Exhibit - Innovative Large/Small

KZN Quilters - Voucher for Best Exhibit - Crazy Patchwork

Elna voucher - Judges choice

St Matthews - Voucher for Best Exhibit - Miniature

Midlands Quilters voucher - group quilt

NOTES FOR EXHIBITORS.

- There is no limit to number of entries entered by exhibitor.
- Both hand and machine work accepted. (b)
- All Quilts to have sleeves and if laths are provided these must be clearly marked with the
- All Quilts are to be made with 3 layers and quilted through all 3 layers.
- All names to be covered (e)
- All work to be completed since last Royal show. (f)

Class

- Traditional (pieced and/or applique) Large:
- Traditional (pieced and/or appliqué) Small: no side longer than 150cms
- 113. Innovative Large:
- Innovative Small: no side longer than 150cms
- Wholecloth Quilt:
- 116. Miniature no block must be more than 10cms and should be a scaled down version of a large quilt - no side to be longer than 60cm.
- Wearable Art all garments should be wearable
- 118. Crazy patchwork

Group

- 119. A guilt worked on by 4 or more people.
- 120. Quilt worked on by 2 people
- 121. Quilt using domestic machine
- 122. Quilt using long arm machine
- 123. Homemade quilt
- 124. Household Article

Closing date for entry forms - 30th April. Exhibits to be handed in by - 14th May. Exhibits to be collected - 10th & 11th June 8:30am - 3:00pm Please refer to regulations on pages 6-8

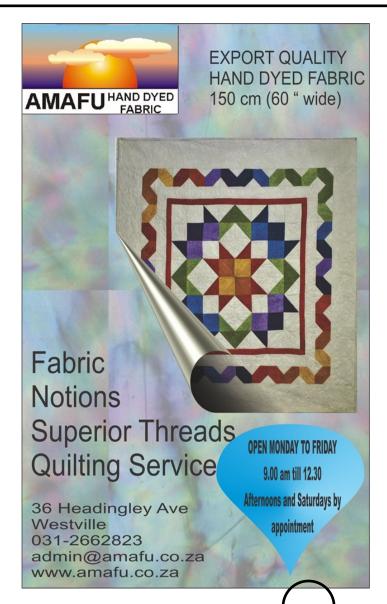
Please make sure you

- get your entry forms in by 30th April
- Get your quilts to the showground by the 14th May
- Entry forms obtainable at the Registration Desk as you enter at the AGM OR phone Judy 031 267 1073
- Each guild to organise their own entries, delivery and collection.









Persistence

Nothing in the world can take the place of persistence. Talent will not; nothing is more common than unsuccessful people with talent. Genius will not; unrewarded genius is almost a proverb. Education will not; the world is full of educated derelicts. Persistence and determination alone are omnipotent. The slogan Press On! has solved and always will solve the problems of the human race."

- Calvin Coolidge

COMMUNITY OUTREACH in Durban by Faith Phipson (Tollgate)

There are many successful community projects which are ongoing in KZN by KZNQG members. When looking for a project for Festival 2015 Community Projects, I chose the Open Air School as there was no record of quilting projects having been taught there. Open Air School is a school for physically handicapped children. These are young people who overcome obstacles daily just to get to school.

To begin with, the class was well run, by Mr Madhlala, who was actually employed at the school as a security guard. However, when Mr Madhlala left, the running of the class became very difficult. I was very fortunate to acquire the help of BJ (also from

Tollgate Guild) in 2014. She was a tremendous source of encouragement and strength.

We have had 13 students come through the classes. Some rely on teamwork to operate a sewing machine, one guiding the fabric and the other pressing the machine foot pedal. One has gone on to use a sewing machine to earn a living and another, who is wheelchair bound, has been employed full time as an assistant receptionist.

It has been a privilege to work with these students and I feel my life has been greatly enriched by my contact with them. The class will go on with a new teacher in 2015.



Class Group photo; These blocks were put together as a result of the Youth Quilt Block Challenge run in 2014.

These blocks will be on display at the AGM



Ranitse, a vibrant young man who is a double leg amputee. He is a ray of sunshine and a master of the sewing machine, hand-pressing the pedal.



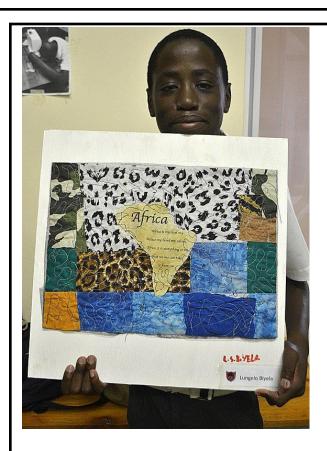
Zwele made a block representing his favourite team.



Lindo with a block depicting a house which would bring his family together.



Penelope, who is visually impaired, with a block showing a young woman in traditional dress.



Lungelo: with is very beautiful map of Africa. He is a very proud African.



Siphelele: also a double leg amputee. This picture represents a three point basketball defence move which changed his game.



Daniel: His block is of the South African flag. He is very proud of Ranitse who is going on to represent SA in the Paralympics, paracycling.



Kadiso: Her block is of a beer pot, which features strongly in the African culture.





Strip Quilt Workshop 4: From Traditional to Free Motion Machine Appliqué with Phil Fisher

This is the fourth in a series of workshops where we focus on a number of techniques. They can be learned individually or all put together to make a Strip Quilt at the end.

In this workshop you will work through the various techniques of machine applique starting with the traditional satin stitch, blanket stitch and fly stitch and then work on the free motion options which will open up a whole new world of possibilities to you.

Workshop Cost R120

Date: 14th March2015

Place: Glenwood Presbyterian Church

Glenwood, Durban

More information and booking on

https://v1.bookwhen.com/kzngg-ga

Note that we have increased the cost to <u>R120</u> this year; still excellent value for a whole day workshop.

FAREWELL TO GLENDA KIRIRIDIS

It is with great sadness that we say
Farewell to one of our local Quilting
Stars. We have lost her to cancer well
before her time and the quilting world is
the poorer for her passing.

Glenda was probably known by most of you. She started AMAFU over 20 years ago - a fabric studio where she, her chemist husband Al and her staff produce hand-dyed fabric of amazing colours. It was begun as Glenda could not find the array of colours that she needed for her quilts. Al created the colours, and Glenda started a business. She also devised stunning ethnic designs which were screen-printed onto fabric, and which are popular overseas.

Glenda also taught quilting and made beautiful quilts to display Amafu fabric. How many KZNQG members have not said: I need to go to Glenda's to get some fabric?

Glenda was feisty, even fiery, but she was also very kind and generous with her skills and fabric. She was superb with colour and always willing to spend time helping customers select exactly the correct shade. She contributed much to the world of quilting in KZN, in other centres of the country and indeed overseas, as Amafu exported its fabric to several other countries. Glenda's husband Al has described how she taught underprivileged lades how to sew at churches in Westville, helped Maureen



Whitfield with training sewers and donating fabric in Dududu and also helped set up vegetable garden schemes at schools in Valley of 1000 Hills. She also donated quilts to the needy, particularly in Old Age Homes. Several of the members of KZ NQG will have been helped by Glenda when they started quilting. She was always willing to help beginners, ever on the look-out for new recruits for the guilds she attended.

Glenda was a very creative person, and her passion for quilting never died. Her own style of quilting was increasingly tending towards 'art quilting'. However she still made traditional designs to display Amafu fabrics in the studio. Glenda was also a very good cook and overseas travel was a passion of hers. She and Al had in recent years been to Antarctica and to the Arctic Circle, to the northern lights.

We think of Glenda's family - Al, her two sons and daughter-in-law, her granddaughter, and wish them strength as they mourn their loss. She has left a huge gap in the quilting fraternity and will long be remembered.

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Festival News

by Twig (Chairlady)

We, KZN Quilters' Guild, are proud to be hosting the 18th South African National Quilt Festival in July this year.

It is an opportunity for us all to enjoy quilting at its height, as well as to promote quilting to the wider public. There is so much to see, do and learn!

In order to stage an event of this size, the Festival committee convened 4 years ago, and has been working to this end since then.

As we near the time of Festival (only 5 months to go!), we are asking

you to volunteer your help in various ways. It can be one shift, two shifts or more. Any / all help will be most welcome!

(Besides volunteering yourself, you can also recruit husbands, sons, friends)

To this end, there will be an information desk at the KZNQG Open Day on 28 Feb where you can learn more on where/how/when help is required, as well as volunteer your services.

For latest Festival information and to book your accommodation and classes, visit

http://festival.quiltsouthafrica.co.za/

If you are unable to attend the meeting, please go to https://v1.bookwhen.com/2015festhelp where you can sign up. We need you!

Quilters' Calendar 2015

February 28 KZNQG Open day and AGM

Bring Msunduzi contributions and give them

to Marline Turner

March 13-20 Quilt Display at KLOOF Library

To celebrate World Quilt Day and

To promote the Festival to non-quilters

30 April Closing date for Royal Show entries

14 May Closing date for Royal show quilt deliveries

29 May— Royal Show, Pietermaritzburg

7 June

30th May KZNQG Open Day

July 3-7 SOUTH AFRICAN NATIONAL QUILT FESTIVAL

See you there

Contributions to KZNQG Newsletter

OPEN DAY DATES Dates REPORTS DUE

28th February 3rd February

30th MAY 9th MAY

5th SEPTEMBER 14 AUGUST

31st OCTOBER 10th October

Guild News

Midlands Quilters

It's hard to believe that we are experiencing a drought in parts of KZN, when Hilton and surrounds are lush and green, positively mushy and damp in shady areas.

Our first meeting for the year was very well attended - an animated gathering of friends, old and new, all bitten by the same bug! Helen and Twig were there too with the glorious colours and designs of Kaffe Fassett's fabrics. Festival Fever is tangible and we are looking forward to attending lectures, classes and being inspired by the work of our quilting family.

The theme for the Sunday Tribune Garden Show, which is held at the Showgrounds in Pietermaritzburg from 24 - 27 September, is Symphony of Spring! What an exciting and appropriate theme - this is the year for colourful and "happy" quilts!

Our Chairlady's Challenge has been issued! We had to bring 1/2m of an "ugly"



fabric (100% cotton though), to our meeting, which was then passed on, cut up and passed on again and again - we stood in a huge circle whilst doing this! In the end we landed up with a fat $\frac{1}{4}$, fat 1/8th and two fat 1/16th's, all of which have to be used to make a quilt, adding as many other fabrics as we wish, or not, but ALL of the fabric we received HAS to be used!! Watch this space - we are sure to create some very interesting quilts! These will be judged by Marline Turner at our August meeting, in time for display at The Garden Show. You're all invited to The Garden Show:)

We look forward to a particularly interesting quilting year.

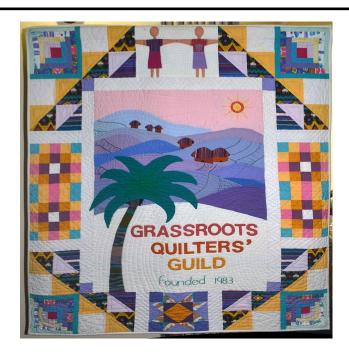
The members of our Guild would love to meet and share with you. Please join us at a meeting, held every 3rd Thursday of the month, 9 for 9:30, at the Methodist Church hall in Hilton.

Grassroots Quilters Guild

At our October 2014 meeting, we had a workshop to finish off the twinchies which we are making for the goodie bags. Deadline date for these to be in is our February meeting, and we are hoping to have enough to put two into each goodie bag.

At our November meeting, we had our Xmas party. Thank you once again to all the ladies who brought the most delicious food. We also finalised Jane's Magical Mystery challenge. This whole challenge was organised and run by Jane Zietsman, and I know that it was a lot of work. She handed out envelopes with the name of a movie, song, and book title. We had to pay R10 each. We then went home and made A4's relating to At our November the theme. meeting, all the A4s were displayed and all members had to guess what It was hilarious, and the title was. we all had a lot of fun. It was wonderful to see how inventive the ladies were. All these A4s were donated to LLLS.

With the festival looming, all of our members are busily making Artist Trading Cards which will be used as consolation prizes on the Tombola at the Festival. We are also feverishly



working on our Group Quilt which will be entered into the Festival competition. It's looking good.

At our January meeting, Twig gave us a PowerPoint presentation on the teachers at the Festival. It was great and has inspired us to book for more classes.

This year we have lots of exciting speakers in store for the guild members and I have planned a few challenges as well,

although the ladies don't yet know about these, and I will wait until after the festival, to give everyone a chance to come back down to earth.

Keep quilting.

LYN GONZAGA



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QUEENSBURGH QUILTERS

We started 2015 with our annual pilgrimage to Val Madsen's beach cottage at Zinkwazi. What an uplifting way to start the year - a whole weekend of quilting, knitting, crocheting, scrapbooking, reading And only one meal to prepare the entire time! It's no wonder we look forward to this escape every year after the madness and rushing around of Christmas. A huge amount of work was done and I personally

tacked a project which I had been putting off for





years. Thank goodness for kind friends who are always there to help. Some people worked on their festival quilts - most of us have a project on the go to enter at the Festival.

We are holding our AGM early in February and new office

bearers will be elected. So this will be my last Chairlady's Guild News.

Lorette Kerr





RICHMOND COUNTRY QUILTERS

Richmond Country Quilters hosted a lovely quilt exhibition called Summer Breeze at Blackwood Nursery near Richmond at the end of November. Our ladies made beautiful quilts and our display was bright and colourful. We had a vintage display which was a lovely addition to our exhibition. Our ladies worked together to make a beautiful hexagon quilt which we raffled and Lynn Hope won. Everyone worked hard to make our exhibition successful. Well done, Ladies.

We ended our year with our annual Christmas lunch where we celebrated our 25 year anniversary and each member received a mug rug made by our committee depicting our anniversary.

It was a lovely end to a hard working year. We look forward to an exciting 2015 of lots of quilting and happy memories.

Lauren and Barrie (Co-chairladies)





Quilting@Home, Ixopo:

Our January meeting marked the 10th Anniversary of this small Guild. It began at the home of Clare Smith, meetings to be held on a Saturday to accommodate those working ladies who could not attend the nearest Quilt Group which was Richmond Country Quilters.

After a couple of years the venue changed to the home of Denise Muldal and it became an all day affair beginning with morning tea, followed by lunch and for those who could stay,



afternoon tea! Plenty of talking as you can imagine but also plenty of learning! Members soon started attending NQG,



Izotsha and entered a Group Quilt each year at the Royal Show.

Membership has remained at about a dozen ladies, several have moved away over the years but have kept in touch.... Sadly Ixopo has seen the demise of many organisations but the Quilters are as strong as ever!

This beautiful Quilters cake was made by Maureen Woodburn to mark the special occasion. You can see the decorations have been influenced by traditional quilt blocks! Traveling over farm roads resulted in a couple of glitches! Clare was given the honour of cutting the cake, watched by a new member, Liz Sim.

We look forward to many more happy years of quilting in Ixopo.

TOLLGATE QUILTERS GUILD

It is already February 2015 and oh how the year is already flying by. We are all stall at the Festival and we are looking quilting madly (on our Festival entries, I hope!!)

It was with great sadness that we heard of the passing of our beloved member, Glenda Kirkiridis, on Christmas day after a very short and intense battle with cancer. Glenda will be so missed in our guild for her friendship, her wonderful knowledge, her amazing advice on colour and all things guilting, and the beautiful fabrics that she and her team produce. Our hearts go out to Al, Nic and her family on their tremendous loss. Al has assured us that Amafu will continue although under another team and the good news is that it will still be locally produced. Please continue to support Al at this time. Amafu is still open for business. He loves (and misses) the visits.

Tollgate members celebrated the festive season with a sit down, bring and share dinner at their last meeting of the year in November 2014. A good time was had by all. Our first meeting of the year was January where we had workshops on Artists Trading Cards (ATC's), Fabric postcards and Card embellishment given by Beth Barkus and Phil Fisher. I for one went home and made a whole lot of the ATC's and had such fun.

Tollgate is in charge of the Tombola for more of the ATC's- $(2\frac{1}{2}in \times 3\frac{1}{2}in)$, and Fabric postcards (4in x 6in) as prizes as well as our LLL's. We would love some help in achieving our targets.

Only 5 months to the Festival - wow I had better get going on my quilts!!! Can't waitll

Mary Chapman



VILLAGE QUILTERS, KLOOF

Our first meeting of the year was very busy, with happy reunions after a hectic holiday season. Visitors were aplenty and new members were recruited!

At the front of our meeting hung "Baya's Door", one of Lyn Simpson's most loved quilts, made up almost entirely of Glenda's Fabric, which was a fitting tribute to two of our quilters who have gone on to stitch in higher places. We do miss you both.

In line with the theme of the New Year, our new chairlady, Jane Zietsman, had issued a challenge to make LLLs using DOORS as a subject

Fourteen folk took the challenge, and it was most interesting to see their interpretations. In fact "DOORS" is going to be our inspiration for 2015, opening new doors and discovering new things, places, ideas; the list is endless.

Ginny Koumantarakis was our first guest speaker for the year. She had spent a week studying the architecture of the Chartre Cathedral in France. Her slides were amazing! Even



those of us whose knowledge of maths, and especially geometry was very shaky, were intrigued by the information she unveiled to us.

We are "all systems go" regarding the Festival and most of us are hard at work on our festival quilts. We anticipate a very productive year, having fun doing what we love best - patchwork and quilting.

Brenda Morris

Calling all IZOTSHA LOVERS

Skogheim has offered quilters a

GETAWAY WEEKEND for quilters just to quilt: NO CLASSES.

DATE: 11th - 13th September

SLEEPING: 50 rooms with 3 people sharing

SEWING ROOMS: 2 rooms for machine sewing, upstairs lounge

for hand sewing.

*10/15minute devotions with us each day.

Cost: R850 FOR EARLY PAYMENT which includes accommodation, all meals, teas, electricity and a gratuity; Payment made direct to Skogheim by end of June 2015. Cancellation will mean finding a replacement OR your payment will be a donation to this non-profit organisation.

*Should we not meet these numbers by this date Vereker will have to re negotiate

*A copy of your payment confirmation must please be forwarded to Vereker, with details of who you wish to share with and if you will be doing machine or hand work, in order for her to plan the rooms. No registration fee, no table hire fee and no gift when you arrive. It will be just a chill out and SEW weekend.

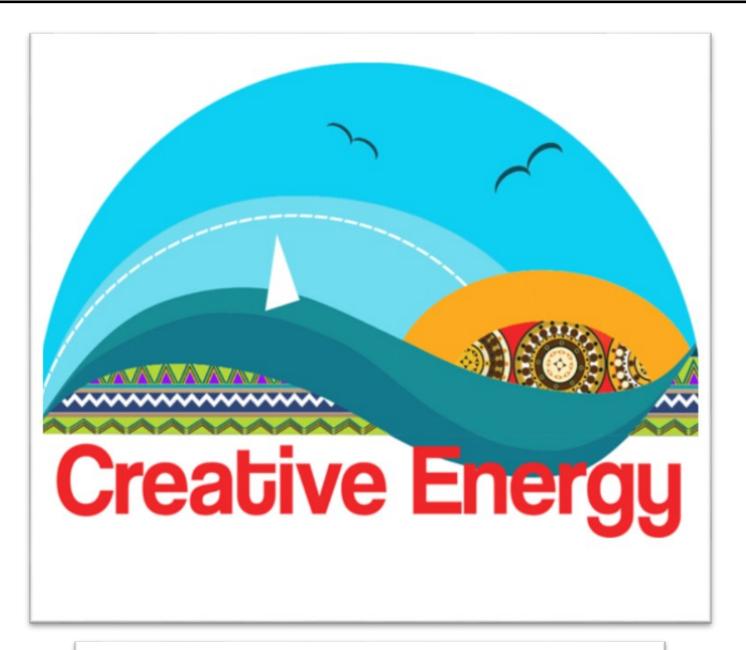
*Should you be interested in attending this weekend, please email me, your details and I will forward you the costs and banking details by mid-February; First come, first served.

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KZNQG Guild Chairladies February 2015

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Balito/Salt Rock	Sheffield Night Owls	Jeanne Miller	032 482 0190	083 255 9173	jmillerconstruct@gmail.com	1 Saturday/month		Various homes
Dundee	Love2Patch Quilters Guild	Marilie Bruyns		071 603 6083	blombruy ns@yahoo.com	quarterly	2 - 4 pm	NG Moedergemeente, Dundee
Durban	KZNQG	Pauline Law	031 208 3615		paulineannelaw@gmail.com	Quarterly	9-pm	Durban Girl's High School
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Durban North	Quilters-by-the-Sea	Sandy Wood		082 068 9459	sandywood21@gmail.com	1 st Wednesday	9:30am	North Dbn Lion's Den
Glenwood	Tollgate	Phil Fisher	031 266 6602		fisher2000@worldonline.co.za	3 rd Tuesday	7-9pm	Frere Rd Presbyterian Church
Hillcrest	Sew Wot	Sue Cameron	031 783 4194		ashsue@iafrica.com	4 th Tuesday	7-9:30pm	Sew Many Things
Hilton	Midlands	Jane Renton	033 262 1682		jane@rietvleilandscapes.co.za	3 rd Thursday	41894	Hilton Methodist Hall
Howick	Meander	Lindy Briscoe	033 330 8117		nomajuba@telkomsa.net	Last Thursday	1:45 – 4pm	At Luke's Hall Howick
odoxI	Quilting@Home	Clare Smith	033 343 2999		awhsmith@telkomsa.net	1 st Saturday	10am -3pm	Muldal's home
Kloof	Kloof Country	Lynn Freshwater		082 496 6860	lynn.fresh@yahoo.com	1 st Tuesday	41894	Veteran Car Club, Village Rd
Kloof	Village Quilters	Jane Zietsman	031 767 1685	083 7788182	isabel@icon.co.za	2 nd Monday	9:30=12	Methodist Church, Kloof
Margate	Hibiscus	Margi Anderson	039 315 1767	083 409 5094	margiemtnloaded.co.za	4 th Tuesday		Village of Happiness, Margate
PMB	St Matthews	Marline Turner	033 396 3009	083 327 4881	marline@iafrica.com	Last Tuesday	2:30-4pm	St Matthews Church
PMB	Truro Quilters	Asha Soni	083 391 3072		Asha.soni@gmail.com	1 st Tuesday	9am	Truro Community Hall
Queensburgh	Queensburgh Quilters	Lorette Kerr	031 464 2017		lolkerr@gmail.com	1 st Monday		Various Homes
2000	or Hin O wat and Dag made	Lauren Walsh		083 799 1853	mycountrystudio@gmail.com	4 th Wednesday		Richmond Bowling Club
	Merinona Coantry Canters	Barrie Buttigieg	033 2124389	074 889 2390	buttigieg.barrie5@gmail.com			
Scottburgh	Pleasure Time	Heather Walker	039 976 0358	083 492 5319	<u>heathal@telkomsa.net</u>	3 rd Wednesday	2pm	Dutch Ref Church Scottburgh
Underberg	Underberg Patchwork Guild	Anita Turton	033 701 1711		<u>anita.turton@telkomsa.net</u>	4th Thursday		Underberg
Westville	Grassroots	Lyn Gonzaga	031 764 5045	083 463 7729	<u>lyngon@telkomsa.net</u>	4 th Wednesday	9.30-12	Westville Library



July 2015

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Dates: Classes: 3 to 7 July 2015

Exhibition: 3 to 6 July 2015

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