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South African Quilters' Guild
Promoting Quiltmaking in South Africa



Newsletter February 2022

Light and Dark

Dear SAQG members near and far

The theme for this newsletter is **light and dark**.

Covid 19 has cast a shadow over the world and yet there have been some high-lights too, which make us reflect about the dark things and look to the brighter and lighter things.

As quilters we may be taking our first few stitches in a new project as the year 2022 begins. The world already looks and feels rather different than it did a year ago. COVID-19 and its variants are still serious concerns and many borders and economies are starting to open as the 4th wave decreases.

Our mental health and social, physical well-being and place in the world are all affected. When we reflect on this and take stock, in many cases we may have become more resilient to ups and downs and have adapted and survived.

There is light at the end of the tunnel - in-person events are returning where permitted. The old 'new normal' is giving way to something else, with caution balanced by know-how and optimism.

We can look forward to the Quilt Festival and meeting again and doing what we love – stitching on and on!

Always in stitches

Jenny

SAQG Committee Meet virtually

The SAQG Regional Representatives 'get together' on a virtual platform to discuss the activities of the guilds and groups they represent.

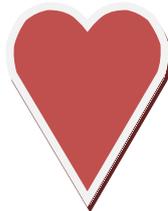


FEBRUARY is a good month to see RED, spread LOVE, share your passion
Celebrate Valentines
Make Memories.
Put love into your designs, each cut and every stitch!



Grateful thanks to

all who contributed to this Newsletter, with articles, news and information and for proofreading.



All you need is LOVE



InterNATIONAL QUILT DAY 19 MARCH 2022

How wonderful to have a day that is devoted to quilters and the art of quiltmaking!

Get out your quilts and don't be shy. **SHOW OFF** and let the world see your bright talents and creations! Connect with fellow quilters and share your love and passions.





SAQG Membership

We aim to keep our members up to date with SAQG news

Membership in 2022 is due in April

Reminder notes will be sent to the guilds and groups and individual members

January is here and gone and we are getting into the year with gusto and much energy. Hopefully this year we can continue guild work as normally as possible with as few interruptions as possible. It is so lovely to receive the Newsletters from the Guilds around the country and be able to pass on these to our SAQG Individual Members all over the world. They have been very quiet recently and I will be contacting them shortly with individual letters and reminders. The deadline for membership Fees is end of April, so we have a couple of months to make contact with our members. Hopefully, we can increase our membership in the year ahead. To all the SAQG members, keep well and happy quilting.

Gail van Rooyen Membership Secretary

Our thanks & gratitude

go to all the people who are facing the Covid -19 virus, new variants and big challenges: working in hospitals, clinics, places of safety, at schools, in care homes and serving in shops and running businesses that are open and comforting those who are recovering and or have lost loved ones.



Quilt Retreat Paternoster: 11- 13 March

This will be GHQG's celebration of International Quilting Day as the 19th falls in a long weekend in SA.

Cost: R200 EXCLUDING Accommodation and meals
Contact: Ronel Pistorius 072 476 76 78 on WhatsApp
Venue: Die Koelkamers in Paternoster
Program: Modern Improv workshop by Diana Vandeyar
Quilt exhibition. Lots of sewing, friends and fun times.
Notes: Sign up with Ronel and then book your accommodation as soon as possible as Paternoster is a very popular destination.
There will be time to explore Paternoster and take some lovely walks on the most beautiful beach!
All quilters are welcome!

Even if you feel
Like you are just a tiny
Little light on the planet
You are actually the sun
to so many people. Your
existence matters
Believe you are
significant

All stars are born in
the Dark and all
darkness dies in the
Light



Community

"A certain darkness is needed to see stars"

Are you a star in somebody else's darkness?
Take a moment to choose which star you can be
(especially in the coming winter months)

- Knit or crochet scarves for the winter
- Knit or crochet hats against the cold
- Knit or crochet a baby blanket or jacket
- Support a soup kitchen
- Support SPCA with dog or cat- food, or a warm blanket

There are so many opportunities to be a light somewhere to someone in darkness.

Make a difference one person at a time.

Annelize Keevé - Community



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Etiquette for meetings

Keep your mask on
Keep your social distance
Initiate conversations
Sanitize, stay safe
SMILE with your eyes

WASH YOUR
HANDS REGULARLY

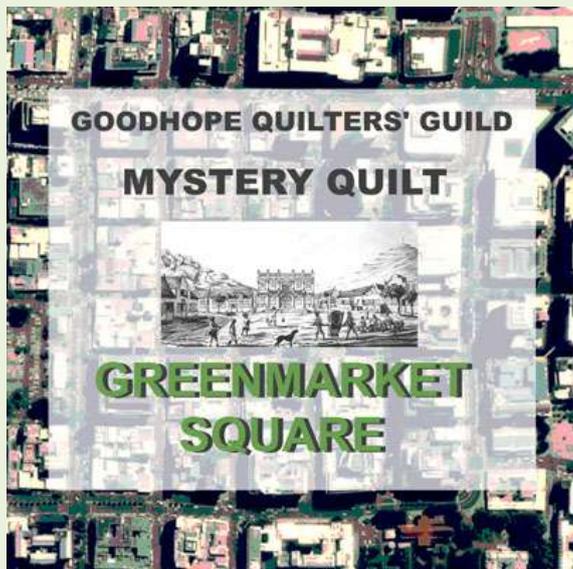


Light and dark

In quilting - light and dark are important components of design, colour value and 'workmanship'.

Every quilter employs light and dark in some way when creating and makes choices which impact the result. We use light, dark and medium to define the design. The shadow that is formed when the quilting stitches pass in and out of the 3 layers, whether densely quilted or lightly stitched, creates texture.

When we choose **Light and Dark**, light and shadow, sheer, light- weight or densely woven fabrics, we can set the mood. L&D add symbolism and allow for interpretation. Think of bright, pure and joyful, free and happy and dark - heavy, moody, defining, boundary, deep, subdued and intense.



Each Friday the next set of instructions is posted and a new part of the mystery is revealed.

Everyone is welcome to join this inspiring sewing project. Join now and catch up

You are not too far behind and can easily catch up:
<http://www.goodhopequiltersguild.org.za/mystery-block-of-the-month>

See what people have sewn already:
<https://www.facebook.com/GHQGuild>

 **The light, dark theme of this SAQG Newsletter** is an interesting one.

There is so much that can be said on this topic. Where the contrast between light and dark is at its strongest is most often the focal point of an art work. Light and dark can also be called value.

I read somewhere that 'Value does all the work and colour gets all the credit!'

If you think about it, it's true.

 Quilters throughout S Africa are mourning the loss of our very precious **Sue Prins**. Her passing could be seen as a **Dark** moment for quilting in South Africa. The **Light** in this situation is the example that she left for us; not only in her work ethic, but also in her gentle, kind yet firm way she had of dealing with people. Another light in this dark moment is her beautiful work that she has left behind. Her Celtic Knot-work quilts are definitely a bright **light** shining in the quilt world. I will personally never forget seeing a hand-pieced quilt of hers at the Kaleidoscope Quilt Festival in Bloemfontein. It had the tiniest hexagons I have ever seen and all around the hexagons were Celtic Knots perfectly stitched. It is indeed a masterpiece.

Sue, may you rest in peace. We will miss you.
Sue Cameron KZNQG

LOOK TO THE LIGHT

Keep the Shutter open to let in the light. Allow for exposure. Let the light and dark play and reveal the pattern, shapes design and colours.

Focus and enlarge or decrease and crop

Get the perfect shot!



Keep a record and take photographs of all your quilts and related items.

TIP: Name the image (rather than just the number) and **SAVE** in a special file - on your computer, on a memory-stick or phone with the name, date and details.

 When planning the colour scheme of a quilt - remember that light, bright and warm colours advance while dark, dull and cool colours tend to recede



Dark and Light: in a relationship

Longing for evening as the ferocious sun blazes down on my bleached patch of Karoo, I busy myself with the relationships of light and dark shapes on my work table – this week's blocks for Diana Vandeyar's mystery quilt.

They say light is synonymous with life. But too much light can blind you. We need the dark as well. It brings a chance to rest, heal and dream. (Science has shown you only rest properly in darkness.)

Balance between dark and light is the answer. The light explains the dark and vice versa. They are in a relationship. This is why I love the elegant sanity of Diana's dark/light blocks. As I work with them, I can't help recalling a very different scenario. I had wanted to make something easy so settled on my stash of traditional indigo blue shweshwe. It wasn't easy, it drove me crazy because the fabric was all mid-tone (and monochrome). The only contrast was in the white patterns which were often too subtle to contrast significantly with one another.

I managed to pull it off, producing a charming, calming doily look-alike with no visual challenges. But the experience put me off low contrast work.

With exceptions. Who doesn't love Kaffe Fassett's potpourri quilts? In this series, he avoids contrasts in tone and colour-value, allowing loaded hues to play off each other, blurring the geometric boundaries between blocks. The effect is delicious.

But for now I am preoccupied with the darks and lights at the two extremes of the tonal scale. Possibly ...because of the blinding brightness of day and the unfathomable dark of night, where I am here and now.

Catherine Knox
Bedford
Eastern Cape

In Memoriam – SAQG Tribute to Sue Prins

We were so sad to hear of the passing of Sue Prins and together with her family mourn the loss and remember her with love and gladness. Sue was an icon in the quilting community, was well known as a passionate quilter, kind person and was loved by colleagues and friends. She had a tremendous impact on many quilters and most of all on SAQG. In 2015 she was presented with the SAQG Pro Dedicate Award in recognition for her outstanding service and dedication to the guild. She has left a legacy to be admired and upheld. Sue we thank you and salute you.



A Master Quilter – Sue won top awards and prizes in SA and internationally in recognition for her exquisite workmanship and design. She accepted the accolades with humility and modesty. Sue wowed us with innovative design, and her love of appliqué and fine quilting awed many people.

As a Quilt Teacher – Sue had the amazing skill of passing on many stitching techniques – her favourites being appliqué and hand quilting and exact finishing, in a quiet and professional manner. Sue would reassure every student in her class and help to build their confidence, she truly shared her knowledge.

Sue had the vision to establish within the SAQG, Accreditation Courses to train teachers and judges and equip those students with the skills and knowhow to be accomplished in these fields.

As a Tutor – Sue prepared and laid out the Study Guide books, set the assignments questions for Copyright and Contracts – together with Trienie and marked this subject and kept in touch with the tutors and the students. We relied on her vast knowledge, her co-ordination skills and proofreading and her logical and firm counsel.

As a Quilt Judge - she had high standards, was a discerning, fair and compassionate commentator. As a judging tutor and mentor, she also set up the Study Guide, set questions and marked assignments, advised on categories and running smooth judging procedures. We all looked up to her and her input is and will always be valued.

Sue served on the selection panel for SAQG Hall of Fame recipients.

As a committee member – she represented her guild with dedication and as President of SAQG she was an anchor and leader from 2015 -2017. Sue led by example, was a role model to many quilters young and old, and in doing so earned the respect and love of those who came her way. We Miss You x Rest in Peace

Sincere condolences to Sue's family, husband Frans, daughters Jacqui, Judy and Nicky and grandchildren.

A message from the Prins family:

We wish to thank all the friends and fellow quilters who have already sent messages of sympathy and their memories of our wife and mom, Sue Prins. It is comforting to know that she touched so many lives by sharing her passion for quilting and by being the person she was. We miss her very dearly and it seems unfathomable that she will not be dreaming up, meticulously planning out and crafting another quilt, but she will live on through every stitch she made and through every quilter that she taught or inspired.

From Frans, Jacqui, Judy and Nicky

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For anyone wishing to send messages to mom's Facebook page, they can search for Sue Prins or click on <https://www.facebook.com/sue.prins.9> if they are unable to leave a message without being a 'friend' they can send a request and I will add them.

If there are people who are not able to send messages to the Facebook page, they can always email me too at Jacqui.conry@yahoo.com and I can share these messages with the family too.

Circle of Friends by Sue Prins

Sue loved dots and spots and circles, and thin intricate woven stems and loops. Her piecing was exact, her design ingenious, her quilting stitches were tiny and even and finishing touches were impeccable.



SAQG Youth Projects

The Quilt Club 4 Youngsters. Our Aim is to encourage sewing skills and to inspire youngsters to learn and develop a love of working with fabrics, colour and quilting

At the beginning of a new year, the Quilt Club is once again gaining momentum. Leading by example, Jacaranda Quilters Guild is embarking on the instruction of our younger generation. As part of the Guild's ongoing commitment to the introduction of quilting, Yvette Schröder will be teaching the children in the Guild at the first Friendship Meeting on 12 February 2022.

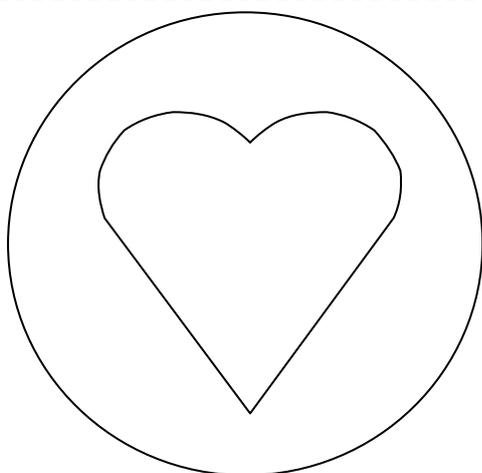
We are polishing the last few modules on the Basic Skills, the next modules will split into two different directions - one for hand sewing, the other on introducing machine sewing. This will endeavour to include both children privileged to have access to sewing machines and those without.

Please encourage the children (or grandchildren) close to you to engage in the Quilt Club for Youngsters on the SAQG website <https://www.quiltsouthafrica.co.za/quilt-club-4-youngsters>

Keep those clever fingers sewing!

All lesson plans can be downloaded. You can join the Mentors' WhatsApp group at

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/Lu3MMZJHxIhrYKxYtSb5u> or send a WhatsApp message to Danél Muller at 0824167690 to be added to the group. **Quilt Club 4 Youngsters Facebook** <https://www.facebook.com/groups/saqqc4y>



Cut 1 heart Cut 2 circles of felt Diametre 6.5cm



BROOCH - Quick & Easy project for youngsters that will encourage them to **love** sewing.

Simple steps: **cut and stitch and sew and wear.**



Brooch to wear



back of brooch

Sew some Love

YOU NEED a piece of red or pink felt - 5 x 5cm for a heart and 2 circles of contrasting colour felt - 7x7cm
Embroidery or Perle thread, a needle and pins, thimble and scissors. A button and a safety pin.

CUT and PIN Use the heart shape as a template and cut one out of the red felt. Cut 2 circles (diametre 6.5cm) from the other felt.

Position the heart on the one felt circle and pin securely.

STITCH Thread the needle with 2 -3 strands of contrasting colour thread and stitch the heart to the backing.

SEW FANCY You can do a running stitch, blanket stitch or backstitch around the edge of the shape, Neaten at the back. Sew the button into position on the heart. Place the circle with the heart onto the second circle and stitch the 2 circles together around the edge - decorate with fancy embroidery stitches.

FINISH and WEAR Then turn the work over to the back and sew the one bar of the safety pin securely to the back so that you have made a brooch. Make a few and give to your loved one to wear close to their heart.



DID YOU KNOW?



The SAQG website is a resource website where you can find information about the Guilds and Groups and quilting in SA.

www.quiltsouthafrica.co.za

What is New?

Is on our homepage



11th SAQG Travelling Exhibition

In an album in the Gallery on the SAQG website lots of quilts to admire



Look under Resources

for information on

SAQG Accredited Quilt Teachers

Contact details and area where they reside

Quilt club 4 Youngsters

Download the projects and get stitching.

QUILT JUDGES

The list of qualified quilt judges is on the SAQG website



Living things need light and dark to grow!



WE need Light and Dark to SEE
We need a little light and a little darkness to compare and reflect on in our lives. We need Eskom power or we are left in the dark.

Fibre Art Exhibition during Easter weekend in Nieu Bethesda



Visit the quaint village of Nieu Bethesda in the Karoo (off the N9 between Middelburg and Graaff Reinet) and enjoy works by top fibre artists in South Africa!

Date: Saturday, 16 and Sunday, 17 April 2022

Venue: The Sports Club, Martin Street, Nieu Bethesda

Theme: *Colour the Karoo* Artworks for sale!

Contact: Antoinette Kriel – 083 556 3043



17 April to 7 May/Mei

A candle loses none of its light by lighting another candle.

SAVE THE DATE and your money, now!

KZNQNG will be having our Quilt Retreat on 17, 18 and 19 June.

It is called Rainbow of Quilts. We have 7 wonderful teachers who will be joining us to teach classes over the weekend.



17 -19 March 2022

All welcome - All the necessary Covid protocols will be in place. It is usually held in October but we wish to showcase the work that the guild members completed during Lockdown and secondly that it does not clash with the National Festival.



You will be able to book from the 1st of April, all going according to plan. Last year's retreat was absolutely amazing and we are expecting this one to be even better.



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SAQG Teachers' Forum
Hands Up Collection



ON DISPLAY

*KZN in February 2022. Contact: Annette Lee – 082 213 8955

*Bloemfontein, Oliewenhuis Art Museum from 7 April-22 May 2022

Contact: Iessie Steenberg – 082 705 5279

<https://quiltsouthafrica.co.za/saqq-teachers-forum-hands-up-collection-2020>

Contact Antoinette Kriel teachers@quiltsouthafrica.co.za if you would like to have the 6 books with 90 hand quilts on show in your guild or group.



QUILT IN CLARENS 29 June – 2 July 2022

We are back in our winter time slot with the 17th Clarens Festival!!!! Thanks to everyone supporting the festival in less favourable conditions in 2020 and 2021 - but was fun and we were all well energized.

This year the day before classes commence each teacher will offer a free demonstration. This is a very good opportunity to know a bit more about the teachers and their skills.

We learnt from previous experience that "Festival Fever" needs to be addressed the day before all the classes commence and thus the shops will open on Wednesday, 29 June from 9:00 to 17:00. It gives everyone a good opportunity to settle in and be prepared for the next day.

The teaching team of 2022 is: Mari Strydom; Annie Du Toit; Sue Cameron and Leanne Stewart. For the first time there will be a machine Embroidery class offered by Leanne Stewart. Annette van Rensburg from Mezomode is taking care of the crocheting.

The website will be ready by mid February 2022. The Festival Class Quilts will be on display at Something Quilty in Clarens. Pop in when you are around.

Contact Alaë Gräbe on 082 5772232 or quiltinclarens@gmail.com



**Old quilts and textiles
in SA Museums**

If you know of any museums or institutions that have quilted items and quilts or textiles contact Mandy kirkdm@global.co.za with the information.

Have a tour of quilts from your armchair. Feel free to click on the link below to go to the GHQG website where the museums the committee have visited so far are listed.

<http://www.goodhopequiltersguild.org.za/museums-exhibiting-quilts>



SAQG is on Facebook

Please **LIKE** the SAQG Facebook page.

Another wonderful quilting community is growing on Facebook.

Look for **Quilting in South Africa**

This group has over 3,000 members and is a supportive community where members show their projects, ask for advice, search for specific fabrics and get help and suggestions from other members.

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/8217818846>

 **SAQG** calls on quilters to take part in the **National Quilt Competition**

Quilters can display their **diversity** and passion for quilt-making by entering the SA National Quilt Competition.

Categories encompass a variety of possibilities, styles and techniques etc.

The entries will be judged by Accredited Judges and 1st, 2nd, 3rd and HC awards and certificates given in the various categories.

Categories & Criteria and Rules & Conditions for entry are on the Festival website.

Quilt Entry closing date 22 July 2022
Final Quilt Delivery date 14 August 2022
<http://www.goodhopequiltersguild.org.za/festival2022/south-african-national-quilt-festival-competition-categories>



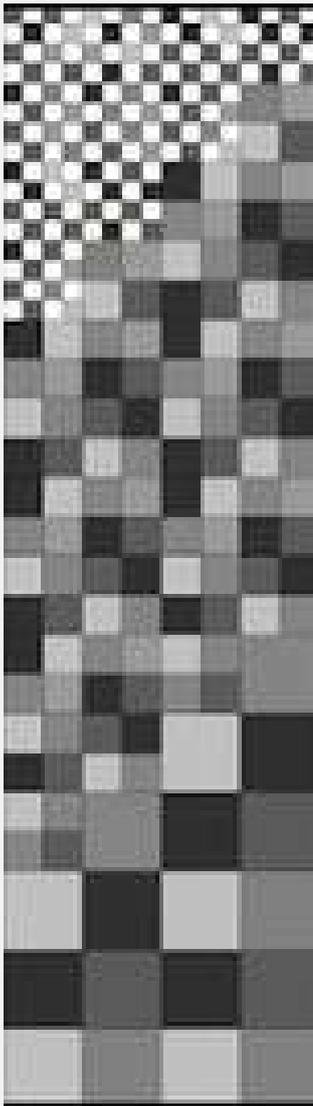
How about entering a quilt in the **FESTIVAL COMPETITION**

Here is one of the Competition categories

The Theme challenge: Diversity.

- The quilt may be any shape- with the size restriction of 1 metre i.e. the diameter (length and width) may not exceed 1 metre measurement.
- Any technique or combination of techniques can be used.
- Any materials can be used but must consist of three layers.
- The entry must be able to be hung on a wall for display. The lath, or rod or hanging mechanism must be supplied and accompany the quilt entry.
- Choose just ONE colour from the rainbow (red, orange, yellow, green, blue, indigo, violet) and make a quilt using ONLY that colour (with light and dark variants).
- The quilt must be your own design or a design derived from using elements from the public domain.
- The quilt cannot be a copy of another quilt/artwork or, made from a commercial quilt pattern.

Quilters' Bookmark



Dias Quilters' Guild Quilt Show 2022

Tuesday, 5 July - Saturday 9 July

Venue: Victoria Park Grey Primary School, 1st Ave, Walmer, Port Elizabeth

- * Judged Quilt Show, also featuring SAQG Teachers' Forum Hands Up Collection "Journey of an Artist" Fibre Art Exhibition
- * Workshops by SAQG Accredited Quilt Teachers
- * Vendors

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Many hands make light work

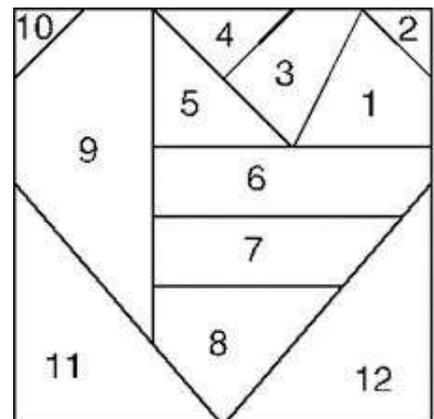


Take care of your sewing equipment
These tools help you to create, inspire and achieve your goals.

 **Heritage Quilts**

SAQG continues to keep a record of textile items and quilts. Do you have or know of anyone who has old quilts, patchwork and quilted items that could be added to the SAQG list? Please contact Mandy.

Visit the website for Heritage information
email Mandy kirkdm@global.co.za





21st SA National Quilt Festival 5-9 October 2022 in Stellenbosch

Dates; 5 – 9 October 2022

Venue: beautiful Rhenish High School in Stellenbosch

Workshops: classes and lectures given by quilt teachers

Vendors Mall: quilting supplies and shopping opportunities

Quilt Exhibition and Quilt Show:

Show-casing competition quilts, and diversity in quiltmaking, talents and colour.

Fun and friendship: Lots to see, do, experience and learn at Festival and in the historic town of Stellenbosch.

Die Nasionale Kwiltfees word deur GHQG vanaf 5 - 9 Oktober 2022 by Rhenish Hoërskool in Stellenbosch aangebied.

Please go to our website to view the relevant dates and festival news on the Diversity website home page.

<http://www.festival.quiltsouthafrica.co.za>



Quilters' Hall of Fame

Visit the SAQG official website

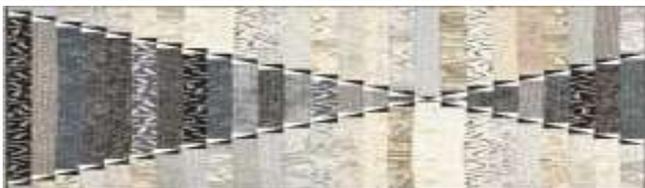
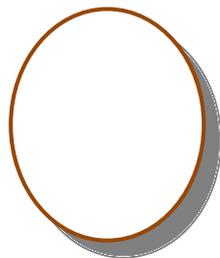
See the quilts and achievements of the inductees

www.quiltsouthafrica.co.za.

It is nominations time again and Reps are reminded to prepare and send the nominations to Elsa by 30 March 2022

*Who will be inducted
into the Hall of Fame
in 2022?*

SAQG Quilters' Hall of Fame:
Elsa Brits at elsa.brits@gmail.com



LOCKDOWN

Has kept many members of Regional Guilds and the Country Groups 'at a distance' but has certainly not stopped them from keeping in touch with each other. Being connected and sharing their passion for quilting and sewing has been an important part of 'keeping sane' and surviving the Covid 19 pandemic.

Light or Dark is not always black and white



This is always a mind field (and mine field) for new quilters to navigate their way down the various light and dark alleyways of quilting. This has been one of the avenues that, in my opinion is crucial in designing and sewing your quilts.

Learning how to use a mixture of both light and dark fabrics helps create quilts with colour combinations that please the eye.

Value is the lightness or darkness of a hue.

The relationship between Light and Dark contrast really show up the pattern and helps define design. Basic knowledge of value will also help a new quilter to become more confident in choosing colours for their quilts.

My personal 101 colour value for the "lost quilter" like me when I started quilting:

1. *Colour Value measures a Colour's Brightness or Darkness*

When you work with fabric colours, the word "value" refers to the brightness or darkness of a particular colour. The more white a colour contains, the higher its value, and the more light and airy it looks in a quilt. The more black a colour contains -the lower its value - and the richer and deeper it looks in a quilt.

2. *Colour Mixing with White and Black creates Tints and Shades and Tones*

The 24 primary and secondary colours on the colour wheel are called pure hues. Every colour on the wheel can be lightened by combining it with white or darkened by combining it with black. The resulting colour mixtures are called tints and shades.

- *Tints* are pure hues lightened with white and are always paler (higher value) than the pure colour.
- *Shades* are pure hues darkened with black and are always darker (lower value) than the pure colour.
- *Tones* are created when grey (black and white) are added to a colour. Muddying and muting the colour.

Some of the pure hues – yellow, orange, yellow-green, and green, for instance – are inherently bright. Other pure hues – red-purple, purple, and blue-purple, for instance – are naturally darker and heavier looking. This built-in value affects how the colours look when they are combined with fabrics of other colours.

I hope this little 101 has helped clear the fog and has given you a little more direction and the inspiration and courage to try new colour combinations.

Happy quilting ♥ Rosie Van Dyl

SAQG REGIONAL GUILDS *There are 11 Regional Quilting Guilds in South Africa.*



Pretoria Tshwane



Friendship meeting on

Saturday 12 February from 09:00 at Valleisig NG church

- ♥ This year we are exploring traditional quilting.
- ♥ Wear an apron and win a prize for the cutest, quilty-est, or most worn apron.

NATIONAL QUILTERS' DAY

Celebration on 19 March

at Lynnwood Trinity Church

Corrienne van Velze is planning a fun-filled

Jacaranda Sewing Derby

Get your awesome teams of four ready.

Committee provides the dessert.

Save the date: SIX HOUR WORKSHOP on 21 MAY

Laetitia Cilliers - Jacaranda Quilters' Guild Chairlady

Danél Muller - SAQG Representative

Good Hope Quilters' Guild

Meetings planned for 2022



At Edgemoed Community Hall:

12 Feb, 14 May, 13 Aug and 12 Nov

Time: Shopping 9h30

meeting 12h00 – 14h00

The library (members only) and shopping at several vendors starts at 9h30 and the official meeting at 12h00. We welcome Visitors – the fee is R80.

Depending on the level of lockdown, the regulations and protocols will apply at our meetings.

The GHQG newsletter is available on our website and full of information of interest to all quilters.

If you are interested in museums in the Western Cape, we have info about it at:

<http://www.goodhopequiltersguild.org.za/museums-exhibiting-quilts>

Find info about our vendors:

<http://www.goodhopequiltersguild.org.za/vendors>

<http://www.goodhopequiltersguild.org.za/>

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Dias Quilters' Guild

Port Elizabeth Eastern Cape



Meetings:

When: Every first Saturday of the month

Where: Victoria Park Grey Primary School,
1st Ave, Walmer, Port Elizabeth

Time: 2pm – 4pm Visitors welcome!

<https://facebook.com/groups/diasquiltersguild>

www.diasquilters.co.za

National Quilt Day Celebrations

at Skatkislap in Port Elizabeth with a group relay making quilt blocks for charity quilts!

Quilting Bee and tea as well as quilt display in the garden.

All welcome!

Contact: Sonja Gouveia (Dias Chairlady)

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Antoinette Kriel – SAQG Rep

Goue Weste Kwiltersgilde

Northwest Province Klerksdorp

Potchefstroom Carltonville



Goue Weste vergaderings vir 2022:

12Maart by Country Kwilters in Carletonville

Plek : NG Kerk Oberholzer Vleistraat

Demo: 'Use of Quilt Rulers

Vendor: Moms Quilting House

14 Mei by De Oude Molen Kwilters in Potch Museum

Spreker/demo en Vendor sal later deurgee

16-20 Mei Werkswaek in Potch Museum

Kursus - inligting volg later

Voltooing van half klaar projekte

3 September Retreat en Kwilt uitstalling in Potch Museum

Beplan 2 kursusse....inligting volg later

Spreker- inligting volg later

5-9 Oktober SAQG Nasionale Kwiltfees 'Diversity' in Stellenbosch

5 November by Quilting Bees in Klerksdorp

Venue... gaan verander, 'Lappiesmark'

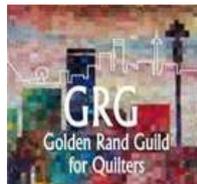
Komitee verkiesing vir 2023-2024

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Members receive a newsletter with the latest news in the guilds and groups in the region. Paul Schutte Rep for GWKG

Golden Rand Guild for Quilters



Meetings in 2022

- 12th March – Rosebank Union Church – “Jenny Liebold commemorative challenge” and **National Quilt Day**
- 23rd July – Ridge Park Sports Club - Our Chairlady's Birthday
- 19th Nov – Rosebank Union Church – Holiday Projects

We are hosting a commemorative challenge for Jenny Liebold. Jenny was one of the founding members of GRG and she sadly passed away in May 2021. She left a huge fabric stash and her close quilting friends have decided to donate some of this stash to the GRG. This will be used for prizes for “The Jenny Liebold commemorative challenge” AKA “The **Climate Change Challenge**”. We are hoping to highlight climate change and its effects on our planet. The challenge is open to GRG members only, however, if anyone would like to participate please join GRG for the 2022 quilt year. Details about the challenge are available on our Facebook page.

The quilts for this challenge will be displayed at our March meeting.

Rali Eifler Chairlady. Gail van Rooyen SAQG Rep



Being creative is not
a hobby, it's a way of life.

Outeniqua Kwiltersgilde Geelhoutboom Plaas Schuur



Lowveld Quilters' Guild



Mbombela, Nelspruit, White River,
Hazyview and other Lowveld towns

The Lowveld Quilters will get together for official meetings on 12 Feb, 9 April, 11 June and 13 August. Alternate months, March, May, July and September will be used for workshops and charity work.

From CATHIE'S PEN...

The theme of this SAQG Newsletter is LIGHT and DARK. I can remember Bruce Springsteen singing: “You can't start a fire without a spark, we're just dancing in the dark”... Let us be the spark so that no one has to dance in the dark.

Vir te lank het ons in isolasie gelewe en die ergste van alles is dat as 'n mens dit wel buite die veiligheid van jou huis gewaag het, het jy nie een glimlag gesien nie. Die wereld van gemaskerde het dan ook nog 'n verdere uitwerking van eensaamheid en afgesonderdheid gehad op die mens. Dit is tyd dat ons alles oopmaak en uitgaan, uitreik en innooi. Daarom dan die tema: **OPEN** (As ek dit in een word kan saamvat)

OPEN HEARTS – OPEN DOORS – OPEN WINDOWS

All the rain we have had this summer has beautified the surroundings, we need to get out and enjoy what there is out there; have tea with friends; go on a road trip; get inspired and create something beautiful.

2022 THEME – OPEN HEARTS – OPEN DOORS – OPEN WINDOWS

We are especially excited about the above theme which was considered particularly suitable after the COVID lockdowns and upheavals. Where people have been forced to stay at home, look inward and in a way keep their doors and windows closed the past 2 years, they are now invited to come out of their shells. Members will be asked to illustrate the theme in quilting projects with an exhibition at the end of 2022.

SURVEY

An internal member survey was conducted at the end of 2021. The 35 responses received assisted us to plan for an exciting year ahead, catering to members' wishes as far as possible. Our annual workshops will be dedicated to: Learning new techniques, a visiting teacher, small project and charity work.

Have a wonderful 2022

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Outeniqua Quilters' Guild

George Wilderness Eden District
Garden Route Southern Cape



We are looking forward to 2022

Meeting on 19 February

Meeting on 19 March

We are lucky enough to meet on a farm Geelhoutboom barn where we can display quilts and get together share and learn.

Contact: Elize Kemp - Outeniqua Chairlady
Visit our Facebook page



VAAL QUILTERS GUILD

Sasolburg Vereeniging
Van der Byl Park Free State

The Vaal committee had its first meeting on 2 Feb 2022 and announced with excitement the programme for the first half of the year.

Meeting dates are as follows:

12 March at QUILTSEW in Vereeniging
Paul Schutte will be teaching his Gaudi workshop on the 10 & 11 Feb 2022 and will be our guest speaker at the meeting
11 June at the Word of Life Church Hall
10 Sept at the Word of Life Church Hall
12 November at the Word of Life Church Hall

Member fees are R100.00 and guests pay a token R30.00 per meeting.

In April the Guild looks forward to hosting Katherine Harmer-Fox.

Elsa Brits - SAQG Rep Gwen Bartie - Chairlady.

Vaal Triangle Quilters' Guild

Our Youth ambassador, Judy Roux started with 5 children at her home and they made little fabric bunnies; some by using a machine and a little one sewing by hand.



Our project for 2022 will be to make sensory blankets for patients suffering from all form of dementia. These tactile and activity, 'fidget' quilts stimulate touch and memory.



KWA ZULU-NATAL Quilters' Guild

Durban and all KZN areas

Meeting dates are 5 March, 28 May,
27 August, 5 November 2022

Wow! It has been a really long time since we have had a KZNQG Open Day. We are so excited to get back together again and would love for any interested people to join us. Feel free to contact us should you wish to visit us if you are in the area on any of those dates. We would love to welcome you.

Our 5th March KZNQG Open Day will be our AGM. We will be honouring the late great **Jutta Faulds**. She was definitely one of the most innovative forces to be reckoned with in the wearable art world, and beyond. Sue Akerman will be our guest speaker and will be speaking about Jutta. There is no better way to honour the quilters who have paved the way for us all than to admire their work, so we will be having some of Jutta's work as our quilt display. What a treat for the eyes that will be.

Sue Cameron - Chairlady Mandy Kirk - SAQG Rep

LIGHT and DARK

COVID-19 Etiquette for Quilt Meetings

Wear a mask made of fabric (with colourful patchwork designs) that covers your nose and mouth at all times. This will bring smiles to peoples' eyes.

Keep the standard physical distance apart. Practise social distancing (have a measure tape handy to check the width of fabric) and that you stay 1.5m away.

Sanitize your hands regularly.

Rather use elbow bumps or wave with hand signals than hugs and Hi-5's.

Do not congregate with more than the desired number of people allowed at a gathering. We do want to meet but sometimes it's best to stay safe at home.

If you are not well or have tested positive or been with someone who is, please stay away and be safe.

East Coast Quilting Guild

We meet every 3rd Saturday of the month
We welcome visitors and new members



19 February. In the morning we are doing a foundation pieced heart that you can turn into a cushion or a bag or even put on an apron.

In March we are having a quilters/needlework market to promote the quilting crafts and all the various aspects. We will also be having a tea garden and display some quilts in the garden of the "tearoom".

9 April. We are bringing our guild meeting forward due to the Easter weekend. In the morning we are making a "chickadee", a machine pieced chick which you can turn into a placemat or make three to make a table runner, or make the 6 ½' one for a potholder, a mug rug or cover a small note book with a 12 ½' size.

Anne Attenborough
SAQG Representative
Rosalyn van Dyl Chairlady



ORANJE KWILTERSILDE

Free State



OKG's stars shining brightly in 2022

OKG is hitting the 2022 ground running. Our first general meeting is on Saturday 26/2/2022.

We usually meet in Altona Crescent, Bloemfontein.

The theme for our meeting is **Red Roses Quilt Day**.

26/3/2022 National Quilting day

7/4/2022 – 22/5/2022 Exhibition of SAQG Teachers -

Hands On exhibition in Oliewenhuis Art Museum

21/5/2022 General meeting

Our outreaches include knitting premature baby jerseys, neck warmers, and teddies. Our different smaller groups meet regularly usually, on a monthly basis.

FACEBOOK: Oranje Quilters Guild

Click on this Link <https://oranjequilters.blogspot.com/>

Annelize Keevé Oranje Rep

2022 Oranje Kwiltersilde Vergaderings

26	Februarie	Alg Kwartaal verg	Quiltmakers
26	Maart	Nasionale Kwilt dag	Bestuur
21	Mei	Alg Kwartaal verg	Stukkies
16	Junie	Jeugdag	Nici & Bestuur
20	Augustus	Alg Kwartaal verg	Langenhovenp arkies + Sterre
14	Oktober	Lentestikdag	Bestuur
19	November	Alg Kwartaal verg	Needles & Pins



Country Groups affiliated to SAQG **Cathie Kotzé is the Country Groups liaison** and representative for Country Groups on SAQG committee. 083 626 4431 lunafarmstay@gmail.com



We plan to keep on quilting with joy, creativity and love and care for all around us.

The year has just started. Schools are open and university students are still at home. Quilting in our group is a bit slow, but we try to keep it up and inspire each other. Our first meeting will be on 17 February. Our mission is to try and finish our Di Ford Wedding sampler quilts this year.

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OUR MEETINGS are scheduled for

17 February

2 & 3 March Quilt Retreat Groenrivier

20 April

15 June

27 June - Walking Foot Class by Iessie Steenberg

17 August

12 October - Fundraising for Cancer

16 November

Stay safe and be happy Quilt with Love



Sandveld Country Quilt Group

Bultfontein en omgewing/platteland

ALGEMENE INLIGTING 2022

PROGRAM 2022

Virtuele Jaarprojek via WhatsApp Sandveldgrp
Sandveld Sampler - weekliks word 1 blok geplaas.

Stikdae:

2 Feb – via WhatsApp Sandveldgrp – Keltiese Werk
11 Mei – via WhatsApp Sandveldgrp oetstoeltjie/tuffet
17 Aug – via WhatsApp Sandveldgrp: Groot oornag – sak
9 Nov – Bultfontein Oos-Kerksaal – Collage Quilt

Kwiltuitstalling:

7-9 September 2022 NGK Oos en Oos – Kerksaal
Uitstalling/ kursusse

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TAGS – Textile Art Group South



George Eden District
Garden Route

Our group TAGS (textile art group south) met on the 26 January 2022 at Bernina George for planning our year ahead.

Our exhibition which was to take place in the beginning of the year has been put on hold for now. We felt we needed some input in our meetings to get our mojo back after the Christmas season. We are planning some monthly technique sessions and some challenges are in the pipeline. We will have our yearly retreat and will make a group effort to attend the SAQG Quilt Festival later this year in Stellenbosch.

We reminded each other that we must have fun in what we do and not everything needs to be created for a reason except to enjoy the process and whatever the outcome and we must do "just because!"

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Golden Gate Kwiltersgilde

Eastern Free State

Bethlehem, Harrismith, Reitz



Our Guild is meeting on Friday, 11 February at the NG Kerksaal Panorama in Bethlehem. Liza of ELNA Sentrum will have a 'stalletjie' with fabrics and sewing tools etc. for sale.

We also have our annual DEURNAG that Friday night in Clarens. Alaë Grabe (of Something Quilty in Clarens and also the founder/organiser of the annual Quilt in Clarens Festival) will be our host.

We are very excited and looking forward to these events in February.

We are also busy with our Charity project for 2022:

Making fidget blankets for people with Alzheimer Dementia in our region.

Our Guild project for the year 2022 is "Sakke/Bags" from recycled fabric. There will be demonstrations of different bags at our quarterly meetings.

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Quadrille Quilters

Roodepoort & Horizon View

Meetings are held on the
first Wednesday of the month.
We have a monthly newsletter



We are hoping to make 2022 a very productive year
New members are always welcome

2nd February 2022 At Horizon Methodist Church, Cutten St
Horizonview.

Speaker: Doreen Crouse and her quilt journey.

Bring your Quilts for Show and Tell. Prizes will be given.

The highlight in April - Kathryn Harmer-Fox will be giving us a talk and 2 full-day classes.

The group is busy with a Library Challenge using a different technique each month to make Mug Rugs which will be collected and donated to a retirement village at the end of the year.

This year QQ has embarked on making Charity Lap size quilts to be donated to a Children's Home.

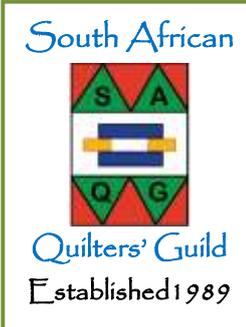
We are also in the process of embarking on a new "More Time to Quilt" cookbook and are requesting new and quick recipes from our members. This will be in digital format and at the end of the year each quilter will receive a digital copy. This project is a renewal of the one done in 2000 (hardcopy) which was used to raise funds for the NQFestival.

Chairlady Quadrille Quilters **Christa Reyerse 073 722 6396**

Be the Light in the groups of your quilting
friends, share your joy and comfort those
who experience Dark times.

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visit www.quiltsouthafrica.co.za for more on the Regional Guilds, Country Groups and much more!



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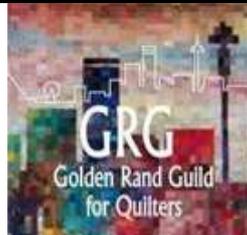
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About the South African Quilters' Guild

The Quilting & Patchwork revival in the late 1970's and 1980's resulted in many groups being formed in SA and in September 1989 the National Guild was founded - the **South African Quilters' Guild**. In 11 geographical areas in SA Regional Guilds have been established since the mid 1980's.

In SAQG, each Regional Guild is run by a committee and they have paid-up members, hold meetings, run projects and events that strive to meet the needs of their members. Each Regional Guild chooses a person to **represent** their Guild and to serve on the committee.

The SAQG Representatives are the links between the guilds that keep their members informed and up to date with quilt-related matters in the country. **The Representatives** take on the responsibilities and handle portfolios to meet the objectives of the Guild and do their job and duties voluntarily. Reps meet once a year at a committee meeting and matters needing attention in between are dealt with by email and consultation with the president and representatives.

Country Groups that meet in outlying areas and country communities can join SAQG and function as groups that are affiliated to the National Guild. Country Groups enjoy the benefits of being listed with the SAQG on the website and have regular information and communications from the Guild.

Individuals can join as members of the SAQG and also enjoy having regular information and newsletters.

When you are a paid-up member of a Regional Guild or Country Group affiliated to SAQG you have automatic SAQG membership.

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