

Pinetree Modern Minutes for May 6, 2021 ZOOM Meeting

1. We welcomed 12 members to our Zoom meeting and received regrets from Margaret G. who is working on the census and Zelda D. who has a part time job.
2. Recently we learned of Gillian W's death this spring. Memories of Gillian included that she was incredibly talented...her mind was always active...she never backed down from a challenge despite poor health...she loved the creative times at Fibreworks in Gravenhurst...she had courage to try new things...her Steam Punk quilt for her grandson showed her creativity and organization...she was a quiet private woman who will be missed.
3. We had hoped to meet outside this month to share bags of crumb pieces amongst the group. Due to the lockdown this couldn't happen, but there were a number of laughs about the process so far. Wendy B found it frustrating, Pam said it is a nightmare, Sandi said it is not easy and requires a mathematical mind. She tried a piece and will cut it into smaller pieces and resew. Mary R. stitched up many bits into half square triangles for a quilt and has lots more to share. The consensus from many was that Sheila has created a monster!
4. Wendy W. presented our program about <http://www.worldofwearableart.com> an international extravaganza of wearable art pieces on display annually in Wellington, New Zealand. It was started by Dame Suzie Moncreith in 1987 as she wanted art to be taken off walls and put onto humans. It has grown to over 60,000 visitors annually, is a juried show, and has an interesting gift shop as well as antique cars on display at the site. WOW is like a Cirque du Soleil fashion show. This year it will be held Sept 30-October 17.

Wendy also told us of a number of quilt shops in New Zealand, how modern and up to date they were, and that many specialized in kits geared to tourists. As well they have a wonderful selection of wool and knit garments.

- <http://www.quiltshops.co.nz>
- <http://www.quilterslane.co.nz>
- <https://www.applebasketquilts.co.nz/>
- <https://wendysquiltsandmore.blogspot.com/>

5. Next month will end the fourth year of our group. Wendy and Mary told the guild of our desire to start this group at the June 2017 pot luck, 22 signed up showing interest, our first meeting was held at Mary's home that July, and in August we met at Wendy's home. September 2017 we started meeting at Bracebridge United Church. For our June program this year we will walk down memory lane as we prepare to start our fifth year together, and ask you to share what you have learned, what you have enjoyed and how you have grown in quilting. Send any photos to Sheila.

6. **Block of the Month:** Thank you to Halina for this month's block. Sheila, Wendy, Sandi and Halina showed their blocks. Wendy B was surprised she had so few stripes in her stash.

We have done 18 blocks in our BOM.

Lynda presented the free, foundation pieced Rainbow Block from the American Quilters Society.

<http://www.aqsblog.com/free-block-pattern-rainbow>

She sent it out as a separate pdf mailing to each of us.

In June Wendy W will present wonky 'something'.

7. Share Modern:

Pam has been working on a knitted sampler and has completed the 19th of 20 blocks.

Mary M showed a market bag.

Lynda did a One Zebra Two Zebra quilt using strips and BOM colours.

Halina showed her Kaffe Fassett quilt from 'Shots + Stripes' book, which has grown to 100'x100' and a Misty Pines quilt kit from 2012 to which she added laser cut trees and moose.

Carol used the crumb construction in a green and rose bag.

Sandi made new verandah cushions using <http://www.modafabrics.com> free Chicken Scratch Sweetfire Road pattern. She has quilted the Porsche quilt using the three logo colours of thread and is pleased with the result.

Ardith has made a lap quilt called 'Rhythm in Blues' and asked the group for suggestions re quilting and quilting thread colour.

Sheila used a layer cake called 'Animal Crackers' to create Elizabeth Hartman's animal quilt for the baby of a friend of her son. She also made new placemats, a table runner, and napkins.

Apologies if I missed anyone, please let me or Sheila know.

8. Further Discussion:

Several are interested in making the Sorrento Hat, a free pattern at elbetextiles.com.au and we ended our meeting with desires to get outside to garden or stay inside to sew.

Our next meeting, by Zoom, will be Thursday June 3 at 1:00.

Submitted by Mary McFarlane