

THE CANBERRA DRAFT

Newsletter of the Canberra Spinners and Weavers, Inc. (ABN 43 710 683 995)

Next Meeting – Saturday 20 May 2.00 pm

Speaker: Ondrae Campbell will talk to us about a natural dyeing course she attended while on holiday in Italy last year

Chief Minister's Canberra Gold Award

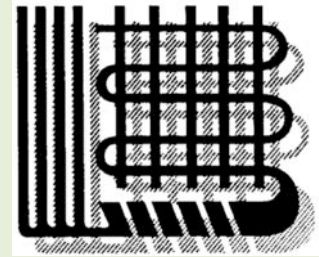
CSW was honoured with the Canberra Gold Award for 50 years of commitment to the ACT. This award celebrates the dedication of groups and individuals during Canberra's birthday festivities. Nine CSW members attended the ceremony at the Hellenic Club.



Monique van Nieuwland, Miriam Nauenburg, Barbara Stanilewicz, Liz Perry, Fay Skyring, Helen Hamilton, Susan Weisser, Pam McDougall and Jenny Hall

PRESIDENT'S JOTTINGS

Thank you to all members who attended the AGM on the 18/03. It was very gratifying to see so many familiar and new faces. I am sure you would agree we were treated to a wonderful presentation by Monique van Nieuwland on the 15th International Triennial Tapestry exhibition in Lodz, Poland in 2016. This is the longest running continuous contemporary textiles exhibition in the world, having started in 1972! The creativity and craftsmanship was amazing, and to think Monique from CSW was asked to exhibit in this prestigious event truly marks us as being a significant organisation in the wider textiles community.



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NO MEETING IN APRIL

Committee Meetings are held at 5 pm the Tuesday before Members Meeting

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As the incoming President for 2017, I wish to acknowledge the outgoing committee's hard work. The past year has seen a lot of change, and driving CSW has at times been bumpy. Jenny Harber, Val Walker, Susan Weisser, Jill Hopkins along with the other members have given tirelessly of their time, energy and skills. I acknowledge that over the past 50 years there have been many people who have had the vision of making CSW what it is today. Our members' efforts were awarded with a Chief Minister's **Canberra Gold Award** at an afternoon tea on the 15/03/17.

Congratulations to all the members elected to the new committee. I look forward to working with you all as we settle into our new premises.

Moving to the Chifley Hub has resulted in CSW looking for a partnership to defray some of our rental costs. It is therefore with the Canberra Region Feltmakers that we have signed a 'memorandum of understanding' which will guide both associations in managing all issues regarding sharing the accommodation. As part of this agreement we have formed a Joint Accommodation Committee (JAG). This group, consisting of the 2 presidents, the 2 treasurers and the 2 workshop convenors with an independent secretary to record minutes, will manage all issues regarding the accommodation. If you have any problems or notice things that need repair would you please send an email or write to our Secretary, Lynne Johnson, who will take the issue to the committee meeting for discussion.

There will be some change in the way things are done, but I hope that we will strive to keep the business side of CSW transparent for all the membership. Our Strategic Plan will be completed by mid-year and this will guide our operations. Already our monthly Saturday meetings are showing better attendance, and I hope that you are enjoying coming together to share friendship and ideas whilst learning something new. Mark your diaries now, to attend Chifley on Saturday 20th May at 2pm when Ondrae Campbell is going to give a talk on 'Dyeing in Italy'. We are planning to make this meeting very special as our welcome to Chifley. This month there is no meeting due to Easter.

This year is going to be very busy with our curated exhibition at Tuggeranong Arts Centre in November and the historical exhibition at CMAG. Weavers and spinners are already busy making yarn and cloth to be made into calendars for 2018. These calendars will be sold during the exhibitions, as a fundraiser for the association. Meredith Hinchliffe, our curator, is meeting with the various groups to discuss contributions to the exhibition. Whilst you are busy creating a masterpiece for the exhibition, there will be several opportunities during the year to sell your wonderful items, so please keep working as we will need things to sell on these stalls.

In the May 'Draft' I hope I will be able to let you know how the structure of the committee will operate. We are hoping to have possibly 4 sub-committees, which will be responsible for some of the organisational running of the association. These committees will be looking for people who want to become more involved with the CSW. You won't have to be on the main committee, but every offer of assistance will be welcomed, and lightens the load along the way.

As part of our Strategic Plan, the committee has devised a survey for our membership. This will be circulated in the next couple of months. I encourage you to take a few minutes from your spinning or weaving to complete this. Please do not be shy in exposing your talents. We need a diversity of skills, interests and knowledge to keep the CSW forging ahead. The survey will be using 'survey monkey' and is easy to complete and return.

Have a happy and peaceful Easter break and enjoy the cooler weather. I look forward to meeting up on Saturday 20th May for our 'celebration afternoon tea'.

Jenny Hall

DEMONSTRATIONS

Please contact Liz Jarvis Phone: 6286 8041 Email: lizziejay360@hotmail.com if you are able demonstrate or take part in any of the following events:

- Saturday 22 April 10am-3pm: **National Trust Heritage Festival Open Day** at Gungahlin Homestead
- Sunday 30 April 9.30am – 4pm: **Majura Bush Festival** – includes traditional bush skills such as whip making and sheep shearing, old farm machinery, animal nursery and pony rides at a farm on Old Majura Road near the airport.
- Saturday May 6 10am-2pm: **Curtin Fair**: organised by the Curtin Residents' Association to celebrate autumn. We will be spinning/busking (no singing required!) at Curtin shops to raise funds for Canberra Spinners & Weavers.
- Sunday 7 May 9am – 4pm: **Apple Day Fleece to Garment** at Tallong, NSW

OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2017 – 2018

President	Jenny Hall	6249 1942	Shop Manager	Susan Weisser	6231 9211
Vice President	Liz Perry	6259 1990	Workshop Convener	Monique van Nieuwland	6248 6958
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EQUIPMENT HIRE CHARGES

Spinning Wheels and Looms \$15 or \$20 per month
 All Accessories \$5 per month
 Equipment may be hired for maximum of **3 months**
 Equipment may be hired during the following times-
 Tuesdays 11am to 2pm and 5pm to 7.30pm,
 or contact Equipment Officer for another time.

LOOMS and **SPINNING WHEELS** for sale at Chifley (some need TLC) – contact **CSW Equipment Officer**

Do you wish to receive your Canberra Draft in living colour? Then be sure to ask to have it sent to you by email. Email us at canberraspinners1@bigpond.com to ask for the change!

ROYAL CANBERRA SHOW 2017



CONGRATULATIONS to all Winners

Class	Winner	Award	Winner
850	1 st Alison Leonard	Special Challenge Champion	Alison Leonard
852	1 st Griffyn Davies		
853	2 nd Griffyn Davies	Champion Spinning	Carleen Jones
855	1 st Carleen Jones	Champion Handknitting	Carleen Jones
	2 nd Heidi Connell	Champion Weaving	Alison Leonard
856	1 st Jill Hopkins		
857	1 st Carleen Jones		
	2 nd Jacque Ingarfield	Overall Champion	Carleen Jones
	3 rd Heidi Connell	Overall Reserve Champion	Alison Leonard
859	1 st Carleen Jones		
861	2 nd Griffyn Davies	Val Sturesteps Award	Carleen Jones
863	1 st Jacque Ingarfield	Robbie Beard Award	Jill Hopkins
865	2 nd Heidi Connell	Pauline Lynga Award	Alison Leonard
870	1 st Linda Eberhardt	Presidents Award	Linda Everhardt
	2 nd Linda Everhardt	Spindleside Award	Griffyn Davies
873	1 st Jill Hopkins		
876	1 st Alison Leonard		

Our Activities

When people attend our rooms at Chifley they are to pay an Attendance Fee of \$3.00 into the 'Golden Box' on the far wall on the right of doorway to the passage, to cover the cost of tea, coffee and to help cover the rental of our premises.

TUESDAY DROP-IN DAY

The library and the shop are open during the day. We meet every Tuesday from **10 am to 2 pm** at Chifley. Bring your own lunch; tea and coffee will be available.

TUESDAY EVENING DROP-IN

All facilities available **5.30 - 8.30 pm** or **7 pm** if no one turns up; library, shop sales, return and hire of equipment, tea, coffee and pleasant company. Phone enquiries and any information given for basic spinning and weaving.

Enquiries Val Walker 6227 0022

WEDNESDAY EVENING SPINNING GROUP

Meets alternate Wednesdays in our homes starting at **7 pm**. If your daily routine is keeping you away from your spinning come and try our evening group. We are always happy to see new faces at our get-togethers.

12 April

26 April

Enquiries leonie.andrews@iinet.net.au

THURSDAY SPINNING GROUP

This group meets fortnightly at Chifley. We gather around **10 am** and leave by **2.30 pm**. Everyone is most welcome to join us - please bring your own lunch, tea and coffee are available.

13 April

27 April

Enquiries Barbara Stanilewicz 6281 3848

SOUTHSIDE SPINNING GROUP

This group meets at the **Erindale Library** every second Thursday (alternate to group above) from **1 pm to 3 pm**

6 April

20 April

Enquiries: Kathleen Phillips 6298 3498 or Betty Hudson 6231 2669

THURSDAY WEAVING STUDY GROUP

All CSW members are welcome. Bring your lunch and any show and tell or bring along any problems with your weaving or your loom.

Thursday 6 April

Enquiries Miriam Nauenburg 5100 7441

FRIDAY RUG GROUP

The rag rug-making group is expanding its scope to include other construction techniques eg. crochet, knitting et al. The 'drop-in' day is still the **2nd Friday of the month** at Chifley and it's still a great opportunity to practise hooky or proppy skills. Bring lunch (tea and coffee available).

14 April

Enquiries Robin Asman 6238 3465

SATURDAY TAPESTRY WEAVING GROUP

We meet on the second Saturday of each month at Chifley, from **10.00 am to 1.00pm**, BYO lunch. Any newcomers please confirm with Lisa beforehand.

8 April

Enquiries Lisa Molvig 6254 2040 or email molviglisa@gmail.com

FRIDAY KNITTING GROUP

The group holds meetings monthly on the last Friday of the month.

28 April

Enquiries Jenny Harber 6230 2429

YASS ACTIVITIES GROUP

Meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the CWA Rooms in the Banjo Paterson Park, Yass, from **10.00am to 3.00pm**- Bring your own lunch- Tea and Coffee available. All members, new members and visitors are welcome.

5 April

Enquiries Lynne Clarke 6226 2205

BUNGENDORE SPINNING

A group generally meets at the School of Arts building on Wednesdays from 10am. Please confirm with Fran on **6238 1559**

HANDS-ON WEAVING & SATURDAY DROP-IN

A mixed drop-in day for weavers, spinners and knitters alike! We meet from **10.00am to 2.30pm** on the 1st Saturday of every month (except January). All members and visitors welcome. An opportunity to exchange ideas, assist each other with planning and solving problems. Our great library and shop are open!

6 May

WORKSHOP NEWS**Advanced and Fancy spinning** (17-3) with Jill Pettifer (max 12 people)

Fun way to learn to spin fancy specialty yarns such as boucle, core, knob, etc

1 Day: 4 June (10.00am-4.30pm)

Cost: CSW member \$90 + \$10, Full fee \$110 + \$10

Dyeing your own Yarns(17-4) with Helen Rippin (6 - 12 participants)

Introduction to dyeing your own yarns, mixing colours, in a way that can be repeated.

1 Day: 10 June (9.30am-4.00pm)

Cost: CSW member \$90 + \$10, Full fee \$110 + \$10

Intro to Spinning(17-5) with Susan Weisser and Leigh Casley (max 6 people)

Learn the fine art of spinning. NOTE: Dates to be confirmed

4 Monday nights: 1st (7-9pm), 2nd, 3rd and 4th night (7-10pm)

Cost: CSW member \$170, Full fee \$220 (+ hire of equipment)

Andean Pebble Weaving(17-6 and 17-7) with Laverne Waddington

Weaving designs and patterns inspired by Andean band weaving. Warps are prepared for you.

Basic weaving experience required. Back strap weaving seated on a chair.

17-6: weekend 29-30 July (5 - 8 participants)

Cost: CSW member \$200 + \$10, Full fee \$240 + \$10

and

17-7: 3 Day weekdays 1 – 3 August (5 - 8 participant)

Cost: CSW member \$290 + \$10, Full fee \$350 + \$10

Double Knitting(17-8) with Rosemary and Linda Eberhardt (4 – 8 participants)

10.00am-1pm 1 Day NOTE: Date to be confirmed

For expressions of interest and/or more detailed information send an email to: csw.workshops@gmail.com

Do you have any suggestions to help raise money for the Canberra Spinners & Weavers guild? If so please let a committee member know!

LIBRARY NEWS

The library will be closed until the inventory has been completed. Your cooperation in returning all materials as soon as possible would be appreciated. Thanks in advance for your patience with this process!

A very loud shout out and sincere THANK YOU to those who packed up the library: Ondrae Campbell, Fran Higham, Rika K-Marumo, Carolyn Sakkara and Janet Tayler-Henry.

Alexis Yeadon

cswlibrarian@gmail.com

Presidents Report for 2016

In February 2016 ACT Property Group let us know that 'Kurrajong' was being considered for government use. We were told we would have vacate the premises and they would help us find alternative accommodation. This led us to set up an accommodation sub-committee to make decisions concerning our relocation. This committee has found new accommodation, which we will be sharing with the Canberra Region Feltmakers. The ACT Property Group agreed to us subletting to CRF.

This year CSW also celebrated its 50th birthday. To celebrate this milestone we made submissions to Canberra Galleries for Exhibitions next year. Two of these submissions were accepted. We have an historical exhibition at Canberra Museum and Gallery planned from 31 October 2017 until 18 March 2018 and a members' exhibition, '50 years Looking Forward', at the Tuggeranong Arts Centre from 2 to 25 November 2017. We also applied for grants to cover the costs of these exhibitions and were awarded one to cover the members' exhibition at TAC.

With all this activity coming up in 2017 we decided to hold a planning day on 22 October 2017. This was facilitated by Adelin Chin, an Arts Advocate, who had previously given advice to the accommodation sub-committee. This led to the development of a strategic plan for the association. Thank you to all who participated in a very full day and all the work that followed.

Apart from these activities CSW participated in all its normal activities. As usual February saw us at the Royal Canberra Show where, thanks to Val Walker and Liz Jarvis, we won the award for the best demonstration. Congratulations to all winners.

On 14 April we hosted a Visitors Day. This was very successful with visitors coming from Yass, Goulburn and Cooma. Thanks to everyone who helped with the catering.

Instead of an exhibition in May this year we held a Display and Sale at our premises in Ainslie. Thanks to a wonderful team led by Lynne Johnson this was extremely successful.

In July we demonstrated at the Creative Fibre day at the Kingston Markets.

In November the Greenhills retreat was very successful. There was a lot of 'show and tell' for inspiration as well as all the mini workshops.

We held our end of year party on November 15.

There were various workshops including beginner spinning and beginner weaving courses, a double weave workshop and two kumihimo workshops.

During the year we had a variety of speakers at our meetings - Dimity Kidston a tapestry weaver, Vera Delova a textile artist, Marianna Ortega a visiting tapestry weaver from Mexico, Helen Cox from CRF, Di Ballantyne from the Embroiderers' Guild, Meredith Hinchliffe curator of our exhibitions, Monique van Nieuwland, and Ann McMahon from Basketry Group.

The various groups continued meeting throughout the year. Thank you to all the co-ordinators.

I would also like to thank all those people who contributed to the smooth running of CSW, particularly everyone on the committee, and everyone who participated in any of the events. Congratulations to Monique who had work in the 15th International Triennial of Tapestry at Lodz, Poland.

TREASURERS REPORT

I am pleased to present the 2016 report of the finances of the Canberra Spinners and Weavers Inc. My thanks are extended to the many members who have assisted during the year in the collection of Guild funds on my behalf.

Our Shop has continued to be well supported and once again shows a profit. Thanks is extended to Susan and her team of helpers for their stirring efforts during the year especially at our retreat at Greenhills.

In 2016 our expenses have increased but not greatly. Our Workshops were well attended this year. Thanks to our Workshop Convener, Monique van Nieuwland. Our income from these were \$3081.17

Swathe was a success, our income was \$1373.09. Greenhills once again was prosperous and thank you goes to everyone who have contributed to our grocery supplies.

Financially, we are holding our own this year but moving to Chifley will be a big challenge to financially keep our heads above water.

Further information of our Expenditure are attached.

Val Walker
Treasurer

18th March 2017.

Canberra Spinners and Weavers [CSW] and Canberra Region Feltmakers [CRF] @ the Chifley Hub

HOW TO GET HERE



Find us in the Chifley Health and Well Being Hub

70 Maclaurin Cres CHIFLEY 2606

BY BUS: Catch the 21 or 22 bus from Woden – more details on:

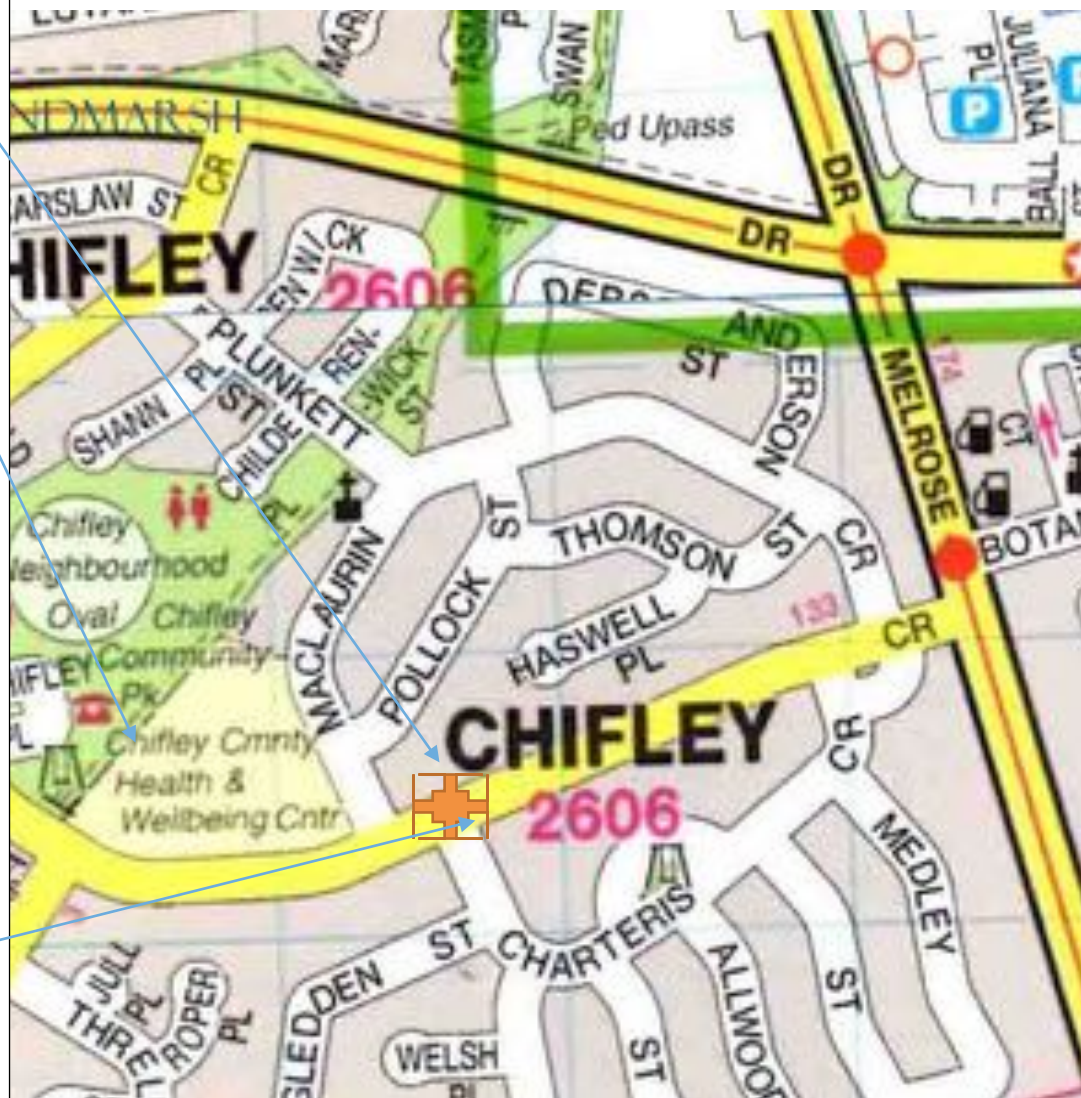
<https://www.transport.act.ov.au/routes-and-timetables/timetables/routes-by-suburb#C>

The 21 bus is more direct, just 5-6 minutes from Woden. The 22 takes 15-16 minutes. Closest stop is at the Chifley Shops – check out the shops and take a pleasant walk to the hub from there.

BY CAR: Take the second right into Maclaurin Cres from Melrose Drive and note that Eggleston Cres is closed to traffic from Hindmarsh Drive while traffic lights are being installed.

PARKING at the HUB: There are two car parks – both off Maclaurin Cres. The upper one has several Disabled parking spaces. The lower one is larger. Parking is also available on Maclaurin Cres from 9.30am - 2.30pm and after 4.00pm during school hours and freely at other times.

BRINGING IN EQUIPMENT: If help is needed getting equipment into the Hub, bring it to the ramp in the upper car park and request assistance from your activity coordinator. Contact Lynne Johnson 0417 665 861 or Bernadette Sheahan 0420 526 061 for assistance with other access or security issues at the Hub.



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Cheques/Money

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MEETING DATES

Hostesses

No Meeting in April

20 May

Barbara Cairns & Helen Thirkell

17 June

15 July

19 August

16 September

21 October

CS&W MEMBERSHIP FEES

Joining Fee (new & re-joining) \$10.00

Ordinary \$75.00

Family \$90.00,

Newsletter only \$50.00

Full Time Students \$55.00

Country – beyond 50 km radius from Civic GPO \$55.00

Centrelink Concession & CES Disability Pensioners (number required) and **80 years and over** \$55.00

The Joining Fee is paid by new members and past members who were not financial in the previous year.

New members joining between 1 July and 31 October pay 50% of Fee.

Members paying on or before 31 Dec of the current year, receive a \$5.00 discount. This applies to each category of membership.

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April 2017

Special Committee Meeting Tuesday 2 May, 5.00 pm
Regular Committee Meeting Tuesday 16 May, 5.00 pm

Next Members Meeting Saturday 20 May, 2.00 pm

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