

THE CANBERRA DRAFT

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

Next Meeting – Saturday 18 February 2.00 pm

Speaker: Tracy Martens will speak to us about her research in the Atacama Desert in Chile where she has studied over 3,000 fibre artefacts including fishing nets, funerary wrappings, spindles, whorls and baskets



Note from President

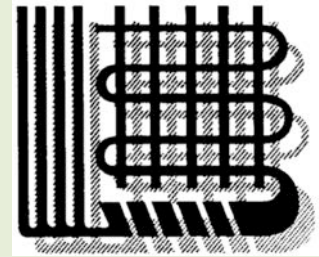
Dear Members,

Happy New Year. This is going to be a very busy year for Canberra Spinners and Weavers. We hope to move to Chifley during the 2nd quarter of the year, but are still negotiating with the ACT property group. The move will require a lot of work and we shall be requesting help from members. The rooms, which are in the Chifley Community Hub, are larger than our current space. Although we shall no longer be paying electricity or water bills the rent is higher, hence we will be sharing with Canberra Region Feltmakers. There is also more security out of hours and there is full disabled access.

We also have the exhibitions at the TAC and CMAG. We have been awarded a grant for the TAC exhibition which covers hire of the gallery and curator's fees. Meredith Hinchliffe will be contacting group convenors to arrange times to visit the various groups.

Also a reminder that this is my penultimate note as I am not eligible to stand for president at the March AGM. Please if you are thinking of contributing to the running of the association get in touch with any committee member.

Jenny



ISSUE 1/FEBRUARY
2017

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

Greenhills Report

Activities

2018 Calendar

Direct Deposit Details

Workshop News

Library News

November meeting
minutes

Membership Form

MEETINGS

March 18 **AGM**

NO MEETING IN APRIL

May 20

Committee Meetings are held at 12 pm on General Meeting Days

OFFICE BEARERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS 2015 – 2016

President	Jenny Harber	6230 2429	Shop Manager	Susan Weisser	6231 9211
Vice President	Susan Weisser	6231 9211	Workshop Convener	Monique van Nieuwland	6248 6958
Secretary	Jennifer Hall	6249 1942	Librarian	Alexis Yeadon	
Treasurer	Val Walker	6227 0022	Equipment	Val Walker	6227 0022
Newsletter Editor	Tina Bromhead	6288 9867	Meeting Convener	Jill Hopkins	6258 5238
Membership enquiries	Pam McDougall	6249 1881	Minute Secretary		
Demonstration Convener	Liz Jarvis	6286 8041	Website Coordinator	Ruby Berry	rubyroseberry@live.com

CONTACT POINTS

Guild Phone/Fax (02) 6247 1048
PO Box 622, Dickson ACT, 2602
Website: www.canberraspINNERSandweavers.org.au
Email: canberraspINNERS1@bigpond.com

EQUIPMENT HIRE CHARGES

Spinning Wheels and Looms \$15 per month

All Accessories \$5 per month

All items have a hire period of **3 months only**

Equipment may be hired during the following times-

Tuesdays 12.30pm to 1.30pm and 6pm to 7pm,
or ring Val Walker 6227 0022 for another time.

LOOMS and **SPINNING WHEELS** for sale at Kurrajong. Some need TLC.

WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Canberra Spinners & Weavers congratulates three 2016 CSW Award recipients from the ANU School of Art: Christine Appleby, Jessica Ashcroft and Jennifer Barrington, and welcomes them as members. Also welcome to the following people who joined in the second half of 2016 and in 2017: Roz Barker, Alison Cone, Charlotte Copeland, Claire Davis, Alix Dossetor, Kate Harrison, Tania Koen, Kerensa McElroy, Janet Meaney, Meike Moekel, Maria Ng, Ann Parkinson, Ann Porter, Savina Radosavlievic, Katerina Simpson, Robyn Stokes, Lia Trevisan and Fiona Tito Wheatland.

Dates for your Diary

24 – 26 February	Royal Canberra Show: www.canberrashow.org.au/craft
18 – 23 March	Grampians Texture 2017 at Halls Gap Victoria: www.grampianarts.com.au
8 – 12 April	ContextART – 5 days of textile-based workshops at Korowal School, Hazelbrook in the Blue Mountains - enrolments are now open at contextart.com.au
31 October	CSW Historical Exhibition opens at Canberra Museum and Gallery
3 – 26 November	CSW Exhibition of Work at Tuggeranong Arts Centre

Report from Greenhills 2016



Our annual retreat at Greenhills in November last year lived up to its splendid reputation. It was obvious that 2016 was a very creative and productive year for participants, as shown at the parade and display. The works in progress during the weekend also attested to the energy and enthusiasm that so many brought with them. There was teaching and learning going on both formally and informally much of the time and it was encouraging to note how willing the more experienced attendees were to share skills with those wanting to try new activities.

Just as important was the chance to renew friendships and make new ones. There was a really strong representation from regional folk as well as Canberrans and several new members signed up. Overall a very good time was had by all and we have had much positive feedback and messages of appreciation.

Appreciation was especially paid to Helen Hamilton, founder of the annual retreat, who is stepping aside from the central coordinating role that she has so splendidly carried out from the days of the first retreat at Birrigai in 1991. She will continue in a mentoring role as Jeannie McLellan and her team start planning and preparing for Greenhills 2017. Our booking of the venue for the second weekend in November has been secured. The weekend will be overlapped by two of CSW's 50th year events – the historic display at the Canberra Museum and Gallery and the members' exhibition at the Tuggeranong Arts Centre. With this in mind we are planning to make it possible for Greenhills' attendees, especially those coming from regional centres, to attend these events. We may also have some 50th Greenhills specials to mark the occasion. Watch this space!

Our Activities

When people attend Kurrajong 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 Kurrajong on the corner of Angas and Sherbrooke Streets, Ainslie. 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.

1 February Carleen Jones 9 Warramoo Crescent Narabundah
15 February Jeannie McLennan 4/63 Pearson St Holder 6104 9372
1 March TBA
 Enquiries leonie.andrews@iinet.net.au

THURSDAY SPINNING GROUP

This group meets fortnightly at Kurrajong. 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.

2 February
16 February
2 March 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**

9 February
23 February 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 9 February 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 Kurrajong and it's still a great opportunity to practise hooky or proggy skills. Bring lunch (tea and coffee available).

10 February Enquiries Robin Asman 6238 3465

SATURDAY TAPESTRY WEAVING GROUP

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

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

FRIDAY KNITTING GROUP

The group holds meetings monthly at Kurrajong on the last Friday of the month. No meeting in December.

24 February

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.

1 February

1 March

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!

4 February

4 March

2018 CALENDAR

We are still looking for two more weaver/spinner teams to produce woven cloth samples for our 2018 celebratory calendar. Previous calendars are now in the National Library collection. It requires weaving a long scarf that can be cut up into 10x10cm pieces. The weaver would need to set up a warp for:

30cm (12") wide - 4m long, or

40cm (16") wide - 3m long

If you are interested in spinning or weaving for the calendar send an email to:

monique.van.nieuwland@gmail.com

REMINDER**PAYMENTS BY DIRECT DEBIT**

Payments for membership, workshops, retreats etc may be made by direct debit to CSW Inc., Commonwealth Bank of Australia, BSB 062-908 Account No 00906522. Please include your surname on Recipients Statement and also notify the Treasurer by phone: 02 6227 0022 or email: awalker@pcug.org.au that this payment has been made and if it is for Membership.

Don't forget to complete a Membership Form and send it to the Membership Secretary.

Thank you,

Val Walker

Treasurer

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 canberraspinner1@bigpond.com to ask for the change!

2017 WORKSHOP NEWS

We have an exciting line up of workshops for this year. Try something new and/or further develop your skills!

Intro to and Refresh Tapestry Weaving with Dimity Kidston (max 8 people)

Beginner (intro) and intermediate level (design own project)

3 Days: 19 March, 2 and 30 April (10.00am-2.30pm)

Intro to Weaving with Monique van Nieuwland (max 8 people)

Learn to weaving on a four shaft loom, sampling and personal project(s)

4 Days: 12 and 26 March, 2 and 30 April (9.30am-4.00pm)

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

Learn the fine art of spinning. Dates to be confirmed

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

Dyeing your own Yarns with Helen Rippin (max 12 people)

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

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

Advanced and fancy spinning 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)

Double Knitting with Rosemary and Linda Eberhard (number to be confirmed)

1 Day: date to be confirmed (time to be confirmed:10.00am-1pm)

Andean Band Weaving 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.

2 Days: weekend 29-30 July (max 8 people)

and if there is enough interest:

3 Days: in following week between 1-4 August (max 8 people)

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

LIBRARY NEWS

REMINDER: you must be a financial member for 2017 in order to borrow materials from the library.

All items borrowed in 2016 are now OVERDUE. Your cooperation in returning these materials as soon as possible is appreciated.

Library catalogue: http://www.librarything.com/catalog/csw_spinners_weavers

Alexis Yeadon

cswlibrarian@gmail.com

CANBERRA SPINNERS AND WEAVERS MEMBERS' MEETING

Date: 19 November 2016, meeting opened 12.05pm

Present: Members as per attendance register

Committee business:

Jenny Harber advised that a new meeting format is to be introduced, with speaker first followed by show and tell, then committee business relating to exhibitions, demonstrations and workshops. There will be a bring and buy table for donated items under \$10 with all proceeds to CSW. The raffle will be dispensed with. Committee minutes, after their acceptance, will continue to be placed on the noticeboard. Members may submit written requests to the committee to consider specific questions under 'Other Business' at the following committee meeting.

The demonstration convenor is seeking volunteers for the Braidwood Quilt Event next weekend.

General Business:

Key dates as follows:

TAC	3 Nov 2017 – 25 Nov 2017
CMAG	31 Oct 2017 – 18 Mar 2018
Greenhills	10-12 Nov 2017

An open day is suggested for 24-26 Nov 2017 to coincide with the exhibitions, another open day may be possible to coincide with Wool Day.

Greenhills Report:

Presented by Lynne Johnson. Helen Hamilton will retire from running the event although will provide mentoring/assistance to new coordinators. Greater use will be made of the website to publicise the event, and the event may be extended by one day with a special bus trip to the CSW exhibitions for participants.

Planning day:

Jenny Harber advised the above meeting changes. Liz Perry gave a brief overview of the development of the Strategic plan and the operational plans being undertaken by the planning day participants. We are seeking members input to the vision and the values of CSW – see attached ideas sheet.

Accommodation:

Jenny Hall gave an update and estimated timeframe on the proposed move to Chifley. We are waiting on confirmation of a number of points from Canberra Region Feltmakers and ACT Property Group, and it is likely we will accept this offer of premises and share the space with the Feltmakers. Jenny discussed the joint venture and shared rental proposal, usage of the rooms, purchase of shipping containers and their decoration, possible upgrades to the space eg painting, lighting, opportunities for joint drop in days and members access to each organisation's shop. Other matters mentioned included golden box, use of kitchen facilities, in-kind assistance for moving from Kurrajong, parking and disabled access.

Calendar:

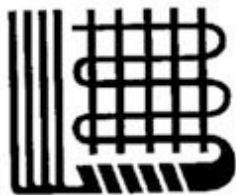
Weavers and spinners can pair up for this project, the weaver will choose their warp and pattern and the spinner will spin a weft, allowing both weavers and spinners to participate. The calendars will be for sale at our exhibitions next year.

Giving tree:

Leigh Casley suggested the charity to receive our donation this year to be Share the Dignity, a charity providing essential personal items to homeless women (sharethedignity.com.au).

Meeting closed at 3.05pm.

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



Canberra
Spinners &
Weavers
Incorporated

MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION/RENEWAL

YEAR

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

POST CODE _____

EMAIL – needed for receiving newsletter _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

Include my details in the membership contact list: YES NO

I agree to abide by the Rules of the Canberra Spinners & Weavers Association Inc.

Date _____ Signature _____

JOINING FEE (See Note 1)

New Member & Rejoining or unfinancial former member _____ \$10 _____

MEMBERSHIP TYPE (See Notes 2 & 3) - 1st January to 31st December annually

Ordinary _____	\$75 _____
Full-time Student _____	\$55 _____
Family _____	\$90 _____
Country – beyond 50 km radius from Civic GPO _____	\$55 _____
Newsletter only _____	\$50 _____
Concession/Pensioner (Full/part age, CES disability No.....)/80 years or over _____	\$55 _____
TOTAL AMOUNT	\$ _____

HOW ARE YOU PAYING FOR YOUR MEMBERSHIP? CASH CHEQUE EFTPOS CREDIT CARD

For **Payment by Card**:

Name on Card:

Card No:

Expiry Date:

Signature

If you require a receipt please provide a stamped, self-addressed envelope.

Notes

1. *Joining fee is paid by New Members and those who rejoin after being unfinancial (“fails to renew membership of the Association by 31st March in each calendar year”)*
2. *If next year is paid by 31st December of the current year, a discount of \$5 will apply.*
3. *If joining after 30th June and prior to 1st November of the current year, Annual Subscription is 50% of that listed above.*

PLEASE POST YOUR COMPLETED FORM TO: Canberra Spinners and Weavers, PO Box 622 Dickson, ACT 2602, or visit our premises ‘Kurrajong’ at the corner of Angas & Sherbrooke Sts Ainslie, UBD map reference 49, K8

The Canberra Draft

Contributions, advertisements and other items for the next and succeeding issues of the Canberra Draft should be sent to:

The Editor Phone 02 6247 1048

Canberra Draft

PO Box 622

DICKSON ACT 2602

“The Editor” canberraspinnners1@bigpond.com or

placed in the Editor’s Box at Kurrajong

PUBLISHING DATES

Unless stated otherwise

Issue March 2017

Final Cut Off Wednesday 22 February 2017 except for the minutes

ADVERTISING IN THE NEWSLETTER

\$5 for 1/2 A4 page ad

Payment must accompany advertisement.

Cheques/Money

Orders payable to Canberra Spinners and Weavers Inc.

CS&W Members receive a 50% discount only on newsletter advertising

ADVERTISING ON THE WEBSITE

Members - Free

\$10 for non-members to advertise on **website only** or an extra \$5 if advertising in newsletter as well.

Contact canberraspinnners1@bigpond.com

Please ensure that the description of the item you are advertising corresponds with the actual condition of the item being offered for sale. The Canberra Spinners and Weavers Inc. does not accept any responsibility for any misleading advertising.

CS&W Guild Rooms at ‘Kurrajong’

on a battleaxe block at the corner of

Sherbrooke and Angas Streets, Ainslie 2602

Ph/Fax 02 6247 1048

canberraspinnners1@bigpond.com

Written, produced and published by The Canberra Spinners & Weavers **Incorporated**, ‘Kurrajong’, (Cnr Angas & Sherbrooke St) Ainslie ACT 2601 Phone 02 6247 1048

Printed by Officeworks

MEETING DATES

18 February

18 March

No Meeting in April

20 May

17 June

15 July

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.

The Canberra Draft

February 2017

at Kurrajong

Next Committee Meeting Saturday 18 March, 12.00 pm

Annual General Meeting Saturday 18 March, 2.00 pm

If undeliverable return to:

Canberra Spinners & Weavers Inc.

PO BOX 622, Dickson, ACT, 2602

CANBERRA DRAFT 1/2017

Please
place
stamp here

If you change your email address please EMAIL your new ADDRESS to canberraspinner1@bigpond.com to the Newsletter Administrator