

THE CANBERRA DRAFT

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

Next Meeting **AGM – Sunday 18 March 2.00 pm**

N.B. Change from Saturday to Sunday because of fundraiser



Monique van Nieuwland will talk about the **Rijswijk Textile Biennial**, a well recognised contemporary textile event. This presentation will inspire your creative spirit! It will show works (knitting, weaving, tapestry, embroidery, sculpture) selected from artists around the world, in the 2017 exhibition held in the Netherlands.

Notice of Annual General Meeting March 18 2018 at 2.00 pm
Textileworks Maclaurin Cres Chifley

Agenda

Confirmation of the Minutes of the AGM held March 18 2017

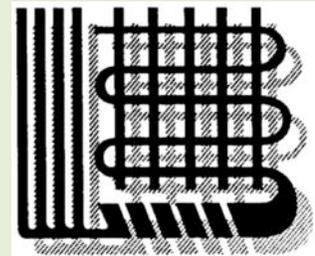
Business Arising

Reports: President's, Treasurer's

Election of President, Vice President, Secretary & Treasurer

Election of Committee

- Nomination Forms for office Bearers & Committee Members are in this issue
- Nomination Forms are to be with the Secretary 7 days before the AGM (i.e. received before Sun March 11 at 2pm)
- If your 2018 membership fees have not been received before the AGM you cannot vote



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MEETINGS IN 2018

21 April

No May meeting

16 June

Supported by



Dates for your Diary

13 March	Onions available at Chifley for people who wish to chop onions at home for fundraiser
16 March	2 - 4 pm onion-chopping at Chifley. Bring your own equipment - onions will be there
17 March	8 am - 5 pm Sausage Sizzle at Bunnings, Belconnen. Please sign up at Chifley to help with this important fundraiser if you haven't already
18 March	AGM at Textileworks, Chifley. Nomination and proxy forms in this newsletter
19 & 20 May	Textileworks Members Exhibition and sale of our work in foyer at Chifley

EQUIPMENT DONATIONS

If members wish to make donations of any equipment to the CSW, please send a photo first to the Equipment Officer. We would love to take everything, but we have limited space at Chifley. We need to know if we are able to store the item until sold. Sometimes items need lots of repairs and we cannot do this.

Thank you for your help,

Val Walker, Equipment Officer

CONTACT POINTS	
There is no phone at present	
70 Maclaurin Crescent Chifley ACT 2606	
Website:	www.canberraspinnersandweavers.org.au
Email:	canberraspinners1@bigpond.com

EQUIPMENT HIRE CHARGES

Spinning Wheels and Looms \$15 or \$20 per month

Drum carder \$15 per month

All Accessories \$5 per month

Equipment may be hired for maximum of **3 months**

Times: Tues 11am to 3.30pm and 5.30pm to 7.00pm, or contact Equipment Officer for another time.

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
Secretary	Belinda Rosee	6255 0687	Librarian	Alexis Yeadon	
Treasurer	Val Walker	6227 0022	Equipment	Val Walker	6227 0022
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Membership enquiries	Pam McDougall	6249 1881	Minute Secretary	Belinda Rosee	
Demonstration Convener	Liz Jarvis	6286 8041	Website Coordinator	Ruby Berry	rubyroseberry@live.com
Communications Officer	Alison Cone		Committee Members	Carleen Jones	



Many Hands Make New Work Project

On Sunday 18th Feb several members of CRF and CSW met at Textile Works for a few hours to exchange ideas, techniques and work. It was inspirational and fun!

This project caters for all skill levels. Participants shape what happens themselves. People will photograph what they started with and again when the piece is finished. Could be very interesting!

We exchanged work allowing the other person to transform, deconstruct or add to. Some people are still thinking, others are looking to collaborate from scratch with other maker(s). We welcome more people to partake and we could do with a few spinners, knitters and weavers.

So far we have:

- a woven scarf could become a loose jacket with added felt.
- leftovers of woven tartan cloth could be incorporated into felted cloth for a skirt?
- a piece of colourful felt could be cut up to create a woven bag
- metal weaving samples meeting garment construction ideas

It was decided that the participants will work towards a display at the time of Canberra Design Festival in November. Maybe auctioning off the results to raise some money towards improvements at Textile Works.

Take this opportunity to think outside the box and meet other makers! Bring a piece of work you are happy to donate to the cause and see transformed! Our next informal gathering will be on **Sunday 11 March 10.30-12.30 @ Textile Works**. Entrance is through the side door nearest the small carpark.

If you need more information, please email your workshop coordinator:

Bernadette Sheahan (CRF) or Monique van Nieuwland (CSW): monique.van.nieuwland@gmail.com

PRESIDENT'S JOTTINGS

It is hard to believe 2 months of 2018 have already passed, and we are gearing up for our AGM in March. The AGM will be held on **SUNDAY 18th March at 2pm in the Tenants Meeting rooms at Chifley**. Please note the change in date and time. Please consider nominating either yourself or another person to join the Committee, it is a great way to have input into how the Association is run, and the direction we should go. Canberra Spinners and Weavers is really on an upward crest as we continue to attract new members with our activities. Please consider joining the committee. There are nomination and proxy forms on the sign in table at Chifley and you will also find forms in this newsletter. These forms need to be with the Secretary, Belinda Rosee by Saturday the 10/03/18, 7 days before the election. You can leave these in the secretary's box in the shop at Chifley or scan them and email them to her at canberraspinner1@bigpond.com.

At the members meeting on Saturday I tabled the letter that has been sent to Gordon Ramsay (Arts ACT Minister) expressing our deep disappointment in the way Canberra Spinners and Weavers was treated in regard to the eviction from Kurrajong. As many of you are aware the premises are to be relet rather than being

demolished as we had been informed. This letter will be available in the February Committee Minutes once accepted by the Committee in March.

Monique also tabled a letter which has been sent to the director of the National Gallery expressing our concern that the Gallery has not seen fit to appoint a curator for the textile collection. This letter will also be in the minutes.

ACT Property have been out several times to look at the damp issue in the library and are going to install a humidity meter which can be accessed remotely. They have suggested we run a column heater on low during winter that will hopefully keep the room at a more even temperature and protect our books. The cooling in the main room is being acted upon and there is hope we can get a cooling unit installed.

The ACT Deafness Association visited our rooms to give us some ideas about the reflective noise issues in the meeting room. We need to creatively install soft furnishings on the walls and perhaps the ceiling. This will be discussed further at the Joint Accommodation Meeting on the 08/03/18. In the meantime we are asking members to weave, knit or crochet 7.5 cm squares which will be attached to sound proofing board and hung around windows and gaps in the room. The Weaving Study group are underway with Monique putting a warp on the computer loom for members to weave squares to contribute to this project. Canberra Felters are also participating with their felting skills.

On Sunday the 18/02 there was a joint activity with the CSW and the CRF - 'Many Hands Make new Work'. Unfortunately the Felters outnumbered the Spinners and Weavers. The discussion was both stimulating and creative as participants looked at repurposing work and turning it into an item that the original creator had not even dreamed about. It is hoped that by October/November that there will be many items and we could hold a joint auction with the monies going to our joint bank account. There is to be another meeting in March (see above).

Our major fundraiser for 2018 will be the Bunnings Sausage Sizzle on Saturday the 17th March from 8am -5pm. If you have not put your name on the sign-up sheet in the kitchen I urge you to do so. If you cannot help on the day there are many onions to be sliced. You can either take some onions home or join us on Friday 16th at 2pm at the rooms! Please see the separate note in the newsletter.

As I write the Canberra Show is under way. I do hope you all able to go and view the great work that our members have produced. Thank you to Val Walker and Liz Jarvis for all their hard work in getting the Textile exhibition happening. In March we are hoping to have a joint exhibition with the feltmakers in our Gallery/Foyer area displaying the prize-winning entries. At this stage tracking is to be installed in the Foyer and the main room. This will give us plenty of hanging for display purposes.

I look forward to our AGM when Monique will give us a talk on an exhibition she attended in Europe recently. Don't forget to get nominations for the Committee to the Secretary a week before the AGM.

Membership

Thank you to all who have renewed their memberships, many of which have come via the new <csw.membership@gmail.com>. Please remember to fill in your membership form each time you pay your subscription. These forms can be downloaded from our website: www.canberraspinnersandweavers.org.au and filled in on-line or printed out and filled in by hand. Direct debit details are on P.11. See the Feb Canberra Draft for more detailed instructions. The 2018 membership cards are available on the table just inside the door in the main room at Chifley, as are the receipts.

Pam McDougall, Membership Secretary

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 table in the Main Room next to the Attendance Book 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 **3.30 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.

7 March, 21 March

Enquiries leonie.andrews@inet.net.au

THURSDAY SPINNING GROUP

This group now meets **weekly** instead of fortnightly at Chifley. (There is no longer a Southside Spinning Group at Erindale). 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.

Enquiries Barbara Stanilewicz 6281 3848 or Kathleen Phillips 6298 3498

THURSDAY WEAVING STUDY GROUP

All CSW members are welcome **10 am** to **2 pm**. Bring your lunch and any show and tell, or bring along any problems with your weaving or your loom.

8 March, 5 April

Enquiries Di Adams 0407 486 356 or 6161 4825

FRIDAY RUG GROUP

The rag rug-making group also includes other construction techniques eg. crochet, knitting et al. The 'drop-in' day from **10 am** to **2 pm** is on the **2nd Friday of the month** at Chifley. Bring lunch (tea and coffee available).

9 March, 13 April

Enquiries Robin Asman 6238 3465

SUNDAY RAG RUGGERS GROUP

The group meets on the **fourth Sunday of the month** at Chifley **1.30 - 4.30 pm**. Tea and coffee available - lots of opportunities to explore the many ways of turning otherwise wasted fabric into fabulous rugs and much more.

25 March

Enquiries Maggie Whyte 0488 747 953

FRIDAY KNITTING GROUP

The group holds meetings monthly on the last Friday of the month from **10 am - 2 pm**. Bring along your knitting and crochet and any questions you may have about these traditional arts.

23 March

Enquiries Jenny Harber 6230 2429

HANDS-ON WEAVING & SPINNING (HOWS) DROP-IN/TAPESTRY WEAVING GROUP

A mixed drop-in day for weavers, spinners and knitters alike! We now meet at Chifley on the 3rd Saturday of every month from **10.00am** to **1.00pm**. All members and visitors are welcome. An opportunity to exchange ideas, assist each other with planning and solving problems. Our great library and shop are open!

The tapestry group has joined with the **HOWS Drop-in** at Chifley and meets on the 3rd Saturday of the month from **10.00 am to 1.00pm**, BYO lunch. Any newcomers for tapestry please confirm with Lisa beforehand on 6254 2040 or email molviglis@gmail.com

March 17

YASS ACTIVITIES GROUP

Meet on the 1st Wednesday of the month at the CWA Rooms in the Banjo Paterson Park, Yass, **10am to 3pm**. Bring your own lunch - tea and coffee available. All members, new members and visitors are welcome.

7 March, 4 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**

CSW WORKSHOPS 2018

Introduction to Weaving taught by Liz Perry and Belinda Rosee, is in progress when this newsletter comes out. Enrolments are coming in steadily. All workshops have places available still. Consider one of these workshop options for you, a loved one, or a friend this year!

Full workshop information and registration can be found on the CSW website:

<http://www.canberraspINNERSandweavers.org.au/workshops1.html>

18-2: Introduction to Spinning (Autumn)

Tutors: Susan Weisser, Leigh Casley

4 Monday evenings: **April 30, May 7, 14 and 21**

Fees: \$170 members, \$220 non-members

18-3: Natural Dyeing workshop: "Colours of Canberra"

Tutor: Sally Blake

Weekend: **5 and 6 May** (9.30-4.00)

Fees: \$190 members, \$220 non-members

18-4: Experimental Knitting: "Random, Feral, and Seemingly Chaotic"

Tutors: Lynne Johnson and Jenny Harber

Two Sundays: **17-24 June** (9.30-4.00)

Fees: \$150 members, \$200 non-members

18-5: TwoTie (Summer and Winter Weave) Workshop

Tutor: Kay Faulkner

Weekend: **8 and 9 June** (9.30-4.00)

Fees: \$200 members, \$240 non-members

18-6: Basketry - Random weave natural fibres: "Memory Vessels"

Tutor: Ann McMahon

Weekend: **30 June and 1 July** (9.30-4.00)

Fees: \$190 members, \$220 non-members

18-7 Spring Intro to Weaving

Tutors: Liz Perry, Belinda Rosee

Four Sundays 9.30-4.00: **July 29, August 5, 19 and Sept 2** - Fees: \$360 members, \$440 non-members

New Members

CSW welcomes the following new members: Candice Bevan, Rachel Badlan, Diane Clark, Marion Dean, Kate Marshall, Elissa Virgo, Erin Wishart, Ceilidh Dalton with Amber and Ror (family), Rebecca, Margot and Hessie Sawell (family), Rachel Bilal and Jessie Fitzpatrick (both awardees).

LIBRARY NEWS

Readers are reminded that you must be a financial member for 2018 in order to borrow from our library.

New items added in February

Many thanks to these members for their contributions to our collection!

Donated by Leonie Andrews

746.432 BRO Knitalong: celebrating the tradition of knitting together
746.432 GSC Knit knit: profiles + projects from knitting's new wave

Donated by Liz Jarvis

746.432 GAU Knitting nature: 39 designs inspired by patterns in nature

Donated by Carleen Jones

746.432 RIG Sweater design in plain English

Donated by Miriam Nauenburg

746.432 SHI Japanese knitting stitch bible

Donated by Anonymous

746.432 MCG More modern top-down knitting

Donated by Pam McDougall

Complex weavers newsletter 1996-1999 [8 of 12 issues]

Complex weavers journal 2000-2011 [33 of 36 issues]

Circulation procedure

Members may borrow from 2 (two) items to 4 (four) items; however, no more than 2 of these items may be books. In other words, *the maximum number of items that a borrower may have out at one time is 2 books and 2 magazines OR 1 book and 3 magazines OR 4 magazines.*

You may renew most items for another month but new books, magazines and DVDs should not be renewed so that others have a chance to enjoy them as well.

Please write your name and the day's date on the card and put the card in the orange box on the library desk. Returned materials should be placed in the wire basket on the desk for librarians to card and shelve. Items should NOT be borrowed from the returns basket.

Library catalogue

http://www.librarything.com/catalog/CSW_Spinners_Weavers

NOTE: Type as: <CSW [underline] Spinners [underline] Weavers>

Alexis Yeadon

cswlibrarian@gmail.com

Textile Link from *The New York Times* provided by Susan Weisser

The Woven Art of Laos

For nearly three decades, the American master weaver Carol Cassidy has been working with Laotian silk weavers on the grounds of a grand old colonial mansion in Vientiane.

<https://www.nytimes.com/2018/01/31/travel/laos-textiles-weaving-silk.html>

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!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL CSW ENTRANTS AT THE 2018 ROYAL CANBERRA SHOW

Some prize-winning entries below, by Jill Hopkins, Alison Leonard, Meike Moekel and Heidi Connell



**South Coast Southern Tablelands
Region of Black and Coloured
Sheep Association NSW Inc**



**38th ANNUAL
ROBERTSON WOOL
FESTIVAL 2018**

Saturday 21st April 2018

*School of Arts
Illawarra Highway Robertson
10am – 2.30pm*

**Top Quality Local Coloured
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Also For Sale: Spinning, Weaving and Felting
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**11.30 am Fashion Parade
Speed Knitting Competition
Refreshments available**

For further information contact:
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02 46842085
kotarb@bigpond.com

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02 48789318
kfrey@spin.net.au

CANBERRA SPINNERS AND WEAVERS INC.
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
18 MARCH 2017

Meeting opened at 3.00pm.

Attendance and apologies as per attendance book.

Minutes of previous AGM held on 19 March 2016 are now available for everyone to read.

Moved that they be accepted: Pam McDougall

Seconded: Tina Bromhead

TREASURER'S REPORT - the Financial Report for 2016, the Auditor's report and the Treasurer's Statement were presented to the members.

Moved: Miriam Nauenburg

Seconded: Liz Perry

PRESIDENT'S REPORT - the President's Report was presented.

Moved: Esther Macdonald

Seconded: Ondrae Campbell

ELECTION OF OFFICE-BEARERS AND COMMITTEE POSITIONS FOR 2017/2018

Leigh Casley as Returning Officer took the Chair.

Members were reminded that only financial members are entitled to vote. In order to continue as an association registered in the ACT office-bearers (President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer) must be elected by 31 May although an extension can be requested.

All positions were declared vacant. As there were 2 nominees for President, Jenny Hall and Carleen Jones, each spoke for 2 minutes on their vision for CSW. Voting took place by secret ballot.

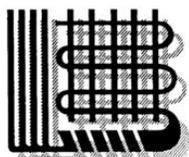
President	Jenny Hall
Vice President	Liz Perry
Secretary	Lynne Johnson
Treasurer	Val Walker

Committee members: Alison Cone, Tina Bromhead, Susan Weisser, Alexis Yeadon, Pam McDougall, Monique van Nieuwland, Liz Jarvis, Christine Gale

The outgoing Vice President thanked the outgoing committee for their hard work during the year.

The new president spoke for a couple of minutes, thanking members for her election and the coming move to our new premises at Chifley.

Meeting closed at 3.55pm.



Canberra Spinners and Weavers Inc
Nomination Form
2018 Committee Elections

Position

Nominee

Proposer Name (Block Letters) _____
 Signature _____

Secunder Name (Block Letters) _____
 Signature _____

Date: _____

Endorsement by Nominee _____

Nominations are to be delivered to

**The Secretary,
 Canberra Spinners and Weavers Incorporated**

not less than 7 days before the date fixed for the Annual General Meeting to take place
 i.e. by **2.00 pm, Sunday 11 March 2017**

Canberra Spinners and Weavers Incorporated, Rules of Association Rule 6.3.1

FORM OF APPOINTMENT OF PROXY

.....
 (full name)

.....
 (address)

being a member of Canberra Spinners & Weavers Incorporated hereby appoint

.....
 ((full name of proxy)

of.....
 (address)

being a member of that incorporated association, as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the annual general meeting to be held on the:
 Eighteenth day of March 2017
 and at any adjournment of that meeting.

* My proxy is authorised to vote in favour of/against (delete as appropriate) the resolutions (insert details).

.....
 (signature of member appointing proxy)

Date.....

* To be inserted if desired

Note: A proxy vote may not be given to a person who is not a member of CSW

Subrule 7.10.2

The Canberra Draft

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

The Editor

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“The Editor” canberraspinners1@bigpond.com

or phone 02 6288 9867

PUBLISHING DATES

Unless stated otherwise

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Direct Debit: BSB 062-908 Account No 00906522

(Please include surname in transaction description and email treasurer at CSW)

CSW Members receive a 50% discount on newsletter advertising

ADVERTISING ON THE WEBSITE

Free

Contact canberraspinners1@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.

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MEETING DATES in 2018

18 March

21 April

No meeting in May

16 June

21 July

18 August

15 September

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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March 2018

Next Committee Meeting Tuesday 13 March, 5.00 pm

Next Members Meeting Sunday 18 March, 2.00 pm

If undeliverable return to:
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