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## **The News—Liddelow Homestead Arts & Crafts Club Inc.**

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## **A WORD FROM YOUR PRESIDENT**

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### **President's Report**

I must say that this years Exhibition was a fantastic success, bigger than last year and attended by many more visitors. Everyone I talk to is telling me that the atmosphere over the weekend was positive and friendly with members along with their family and friends having a good time.

On Friday night the Deputy Mayor Mr. Adam Hort opened the Exhibition with a speech outlining the importance of the Arts to the City of Gosnells and their wish to continue support for associations like ours. The formalities were followed by some light food and drinks prepared and served by some members and their family , a big thanks to all who helped.

Thanks must go to our main sponsor the City of Gosnells from whom we were given a grant to cover the cost of the Exhibition relieving the financial strain of running this event. A very special thanks must go to the Black Chooks who performed on the Sunday, I have heard nothing but good comments, thanks to Pat Gee one of our members for organising the band.

From the setup to the clean up at the end of the weekend, I was pleased to see how many people put in the time to help making the weekend all that better. For those members and family members who worked hard to set up the shops ready for the weekend thank you very much. Thanks to the ladies who arranged the flowers through the club. To the ladies who served morning and afternoon teas, the men who ran the BBQ, all those who worked as stewards or manned the craft shops, the Christmas room and raffle table without your help the weekend could have been very much different so a VERY BIG THANK YOU to all of you.

I believe that this has been our most successful Exhibition with craft sales both from the exhibits and the shops being significant, the Christmas room had an extraordinary result. Morning and afternoon teas and the BBQ also had good takings. The special stand set up selling plants to raise money for the replacement kiln did extremely well raising a significant amount, well done to Jenny, Tracey and friends.

Lastly the effort put in by the club as a whole just shows that if we all work together our club can be a perfect place to come and promote the arts and crafts that we all so obviously enjoy. All this works better when we are around happy friendly people.

**Dave Barrett**

**President**



FOR YOUR INFORMATION

IMPORTANT DATES 2023

- ◆ *Open Day*
- ◆ *Saturday 16th March 2024*
- ◆ *Annual Spring Exhibition Saturday 23rd – Sunday 24h November*

*. You can Direct Debit all your fees making it handy and so convenient!*

*Our details are-*

*Bendigo Bank*

*BSB No - 633 000*

*Acc No – 155 42815*

**Deadline for the MARCH edition article submissions – February 26th.**

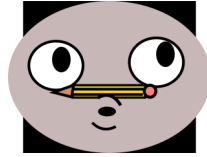
***Please email or lodge your articles in person at the office by then. Have your say, noteworthy, newsworthy, special interest, club related, upcoming events.***

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ALL POWER & PLUG -IN APPLIANCES THAT YOU USE ARE OFF.**

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## ***FROM THE OFFICE***



It has been a very busy and productive year. I would like to thank everyone who has assisted me throughout the year and wish all members a Happy Xmas and a safe 2024

Admin

## ***MONDAY PATCHWORK***

We have had a regular attendance throughout the year with 21 ladies in our group, and very recently Valda has been able to rejoin our group. We all enjoy each others company, as well as enjoying different projects we are working on.

We are winding up our year on 11th December, having a Xmas lunch together.

I wish everyone a healthy and very happy Xmas and new year, and look forward to starting up again 2024.

**Jeanette Goodwin**

**Group Leader**

## **VALE**

### **DOROTHY BURKE**

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to Dorothy our Tuesday evening and Saturday afternoon mosaic teacher.

Dorothy came to the club 10 years ago to discuss starting up a mosaic class. As this was a new craft it was suggested that she come along to our March Open Day and set up a display.

Well, what an eye catching display which was set up on the veranda and front lawn, this created a lot of interest from the public. Dorothy's first workshop consisted of 5 people, this then expanded in the following weeks and formed the Tuesday evening class.

As the years have gone by the mosaic art has formed a great drawcard for Open Days and the Spring Exhibition, always adding a bit of sparkle.

Interest has gathered for this craft and a new Saturday afternoon group has formed in recent time. The mosaics groups, now boast roughly 30 members and have been a great addition to the club.

As was mentioned at our Opening Night Dorothy was actively involved in local community work and other mosaic groups.

Dorothy's teaching, information sharing and hard work showed greatly at this years exhibition. You have done her proud, and with the information learned will have creative skills forever.

Dorothy's life was a life well lived, you will be missed by all that you touched.

## ***NEWS FROM THE SHED***

Well that's the Exhibition over for this year, time to start on next years Exhibition????

Good to see some Christmas items in the shop if we start in September next year we can have some more.

Maybe we will run a quarterly project to produce items for the shop or the Christmas room, could be interesting.

Thanks to Chris, Roger, Robin and Jim for your time over the weekend.

The woodturners last session is on Thursday the 14th Dec with our wind up on the Saturday 16th December in the Judith Watson Room, hope to see you there.

Keep turning,

**Dave Barrett**

**Group leader Woodturners**



## **CREATIVE STICHES**

Hi Everyone, well it's that time of the year again. We had a lot of interest over the weekend with all the Friendship Quilts. Most people thought it was a great idea that all the ladies in Creative Stitches made a quilt with their friends and they contributed to each others quilt. It was great that people showed an interest in what was happening the club. Well done ladies

Well Xmas is just around the corner, so Merry Xmas everyone and a Happy New Year. Stay safe and we will see you all next year

**Cherryl Wood**

**Group Leader**



## **FRIDAY PATCHWORK**

Here we are and another year is nearly over.

It was great to see the quilts from both groups at the exhibition. Thank you to the ladies who set them up.

We have our morning tea break up on the 15th December where we will have a representative from Wanslea come to join us.

They are given quilts made by our group throughout the year as well as Xmas presents for the children which are donated by the group.

Have a great Xmas and see you all in 2024





## **SOFT CRAFT MACHINE EMBROIDERY**

It's been a great year for the club and a bit of a learning exercise for me taking over as group leader. However, I'm enjoying more of the club and what goes on with all the work.

We have two new members joining the group after the new year break and we look forward to more exciting work when we work towards the next Exhibition .

Welcome back to Anne Gant back from her operation.

Wishing everyone a Happy and safe year

**Marie Spicca**

## **WEDNESDAY POTTERS**

After all the excitement of the Exhibition it's good to get back to our room, making and finishing our items. Glad to hear the Exhibition was a success. A lot of people work hard behind the scenes to make it so.

Thanks to Gary and Nic for all the firing they have done this year and in making the glazes, a vital part of the process.

It's good to see the continued interest and enthusiasm of our group. There is always so much to learn and put into practice with pottery, it's never dull.

Wishing everyone a good rest over the holidays and a time of re-creating your energies.

**On behalf of the Wednesday group.**

**Evelyn Hunter.**



## **THURSDAY AM POTTERS**

I wish to extend and big thank you to our group members for all the hard work they have put in this year.

Helping man the pottery shop on our Open Day in March.

Working, promoting and selling their wares at Thornlie Square Shopping Centre in March and August.

We participated in the City of Gosnells Art Award Roster, which gained a financial return for the club.

Our ladies priced, set up and were on roster Saturday and Sunday in the Christmas Room over the exhibition.

Our ladies have enjoyed our Thursday gatherings, sharing our ups and downs, passing on pottery skills and in general enjoying the mornings. You contributed greatly with the pieces entered in the Exhibition and we look forward to our group returning in 2024.

Thank you to Jenny Hamilton and Tracy Lyon from the committee for spending all the hours and hard work in gaining grants and donations for the kiln. A JOB WELL DONE.

Lastly it goes without saying that we would be never be able to achieve what we do without the capable hands of Gary and his buddy Nic. These two men have done their best to maintain our ailing kilns. Gary we are grateful that you are always doing your best to see that our work gets fired, it has been a hard slog this year. We would be lost without you both.

Thank you Barb for ordering and keeping tabs on the clay sales ( you're a champion).

We look forward to 2024 and what masterpieces we'll create.

**Lyn Barrett**  
**Team Leader**



## ***SHOP NEWS***

Thank you Dot, Donna (Pottery) and Christine Douglas (Art) for setting up the Christmas Room on the Thursday prior to the Exhibition. Thanks go to Geoff (Office) and Penny (Patchwork) who manned the Christmas room on opening night, followed by Belinda and Dot (pottery) on the Saturday and Sunday. To all members who donated hand made goods, what a wonderful achievement as this raised over \$900 for the club. This is a record. Any donations that were not sold over the exhibition, will be kept for sale on the March Open Day.

To all members contributing by putting new work into the shops for the exhibition, you have done a great job and the sales reflected the hard work you have put in.

PLEASE REMEMBER 20% commission goes to the club on the sale price of your items, so please price them accordingly. As we have an Open Day on Saturday 16th March we would like some new items to put into the shops please. Please collect any items that have been in the shops for more than 6 months and change them for some new work.

Thank you to all who support the shops, you are our continuous fundraisers for the club.

## ***FRIDAY POTTERY***

This year we had 12 members, though due to illness and other commitments our weekly average of attendance was around 8.

During the year we took a group train excursion to the Guildford Pottery and were lucky enough to get a tour of their facilities and came back thankful for the facilities we have. It was interesting to see what other potters create.

As a group we are grateful to Gary and Nik for their efforts to keep the old kilns firing. It's been a challenging year for them. Thanks also for their creation of the glazes. Special thanks to Jenny, Tracy and Sandra who are working extremely hard trying to obtain grants and funds raising to enable the purchase of a new kiln. Your efforts are appreciated.

It's been a difficult year trying to keep up the supply of clays. There has been a shortage of supplies and like most commodities the prices keep increasing. Systems have been put in place to keep a better track of the Club's clay supplies. Seem to be working so far.

The Spring Exhibition was very successful. It is amazing to see the outstanding development of the Members crafts. Each exhibition exceeds the one before.

Thanks to the current and previous committees. Your efforts to keep the Club operating efficiently are appreciated.

Wishing all Liddelow Members a very joyous festive season. See you all in the New Year for another year of creating masterpieces

**Barb King**

**Team Leader**

## ***THURSDAY ART***

As the year draws to a close, we reflect on the busy, productive year the Group has had.

The Group continues to increase in number with a wait list in operation

During the year we had demonstrations and workshops from three visitors. When these demonstrations take place our numbers swell even more than usual as members from other groups are invited along. This is an incentive for interaction between groups.

Our group always participates at Thornlie Square.

Sales are almost always made, and a lot of interest is generated from the public. A good promotion for the club.

Our members put in a lot of hard work for the presentation of art pieces and in the instillation for the Annual Exhibition. This was a fitting end to a very interesting and fulfilling year. We were extremely pleased with the sales at this years exhibition when 13 paintings were sold this being the largest number in recent history.

We are finishing up a little earlier this year with our Xmas Wind up Lunch on 7th December and we plan to resume early in January.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to everyone.



A little old lady answered a knock on the door one day; to be confronted by a well-dressed young man carrying a vacuum cleaner.

'Good morning,' said the young man.

'If I could take a couple minutes of your time. I would like to demonstrate the very latest in high-powered vacuum cleaners...

'Go away!' said the old lady. 'I'm broke and haven't got any money!' and she proceeded to close the door.

Quick as a flash, the young man wedged his foot in the door and pushed it wide open...

"Don't be too hasty!" he said. "Not until you have at least seen my demonstration.."

And with that, he emptied a bucket of horse manure onto her hallway carpet.

"Now; if this vacuum cleaner does not remove all traces of this horse manure from your carpet, Madam, I will personally eat the remainder."

The old lady stepped back and said, "Well let me get you a fork, because Western power cut off my electricity this morning

## ***A WORD FROM OUR TREASURER***

We have had some financial challenges this year and have come through with enthusiasm and energy! We have had tremendous support for the Bunnings BBQ held to raise funds for the Kiln Fund with 18 members devoting time and effort to help on the day. The Net Profit from the BBQ was \$1391.889 with an additional \$162 given to us in donations making a total of \$1553.89.

We also had a good support network for the holding of the Exhibition this year and made a Net Profit of \$2,188.88 plus the Grant of \$2500 makes a total of \$4688.88. Certainly, the Grant from the City of Gosnells to pay for some of the expenses such as catering, advertising and the Prize money has help us hold a wonderful event this year.

Thank you to everyone who has gone above and beyond to help hold and support these events and make the Club a wonderful inclusive place to be!

Thanks to Jenny Hamilton who raised \$1332.15 on the Kiln Fund stall she set up at our recent Exhibition. Thank you to all the people who donated plants and items to sell which will go towards the purchase of a new kiln for 1/3 of our members next year.

Anyone wanting to donate to the Kiln Account to purchase a new kiln next year can direct deposit to:

BSB 633 000

Acct: 210318630

If you put your name on the Reference of the deposit (over \$10) , I'll buy you a coffee!!!!

Merry Christmas!

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