

Yarn Store Co-ordinator urgently needed

For personal reasons Viv is resigning as the Coordinator of the Yarn Store immediately after the Deloraine Craft Fair. This, of course, has a direct impact on the whole Guild. We urgently need one or two people to volunteer to take on this hugely important role.

In general the Yarn Store Officer oversees: ordering, checking the orders when they arrive, weighing and packaging, the Yarn Store display, taking selections from the yarn store out to various events and handles phone enquiries. While Viv and Glenys have spoilt us and undertaken most of this for the past few years the Committee does not expect any one person to do it all. Nor do we expect the new Yarn Store Officer to "fill Viv's shoes" – but rather to put their own stamp on the job.

Ideally the Yarn Store Officer would be in the Yarn Store at Battery Point on Thursday mornings and on the 2nd Saturday morning of each month. They would be there supported by a small team of helpers who do a variety of tasks – weighing/packaging, answering the phone, sales, and taking the yarn store to group spin days and events. The current list of suppliers is available along with what we order from them.

Can you help? Are you willing to become the Yarn Store Officer or put your name down as a helper?

If you can, please let me know as soon as possible (contact details below) – thank you.

Life Member

At Bicheno in September I was privileged to be able to present Ailsa Richard with Life Membership of the Handweavers Spinners and Dyers Guild. She has selflessly contributed in so many ways over the years and the award was very much deserved – congratulations Ailsa!

Member Contact List

I have already received quite a few lists from different groups around the state – thank you all. I hope to begin to put this together after the Hobart Show. There's still a little time to post it to me – or let me know via email that it's on its way. Send to: PO Box 163, Battery Point, 7004

International Scarf Exchange

Wangaratta Handweavers & Spinners invite you to participate in the 27th annual International Scarf Exchange, which for 2019 has as its theme "**FIBRE - FOOD FOR THE SOUL**".

The aims of the International Scarf Exchange are to preserve the skills of spinning, weaving, knitting, crochet and felting; to expand the wool craft network, and to challenge each crafter to produce their best original work. Participation in the scarf exchange involves you selecting *150gm of washed and combed fresh natural fibre (free of any contamination)* to be crafted into a scarf, shawl, bag or hat, by another participant in the exchange. In return you will be required to craft a scarf, shawl, bag or hat using fibre sent to you.

Entry forms attached or can be downloaded from http://wangweaversandspinners.com/scarf_info.html

Bothwell SpinIn 2019

The SpinIn gives you the opportunity to enter quite a few different competitions (not just the longest thread!) Entries are free of charge and open to anyone. Entries, accompanied by a completed entry form (attached), must be received by 11am, Thursday 20 February 2019. For more information go to <https://bothwellspinin.com.au/handcraft-competitions/>

Direct Transfer of Funds for Workshop Payments:

The Guild now has a direct transfer facility when registering for workshops. This means that each workshop will have a code which will need to be quoted when registering. The code will also need to be entered in the 'Description Field' when paying by direct transfer through internet banking.

(The Kay Faulkner Shibori weaving workshop flier (attached) has been amended to include the workshop code.)

The Guild Web Elf is away at the moment and unable to upload to the web site. Therefore I've attached a copy of the Workshop Registration Form to this email.

My best wishes to you all,
Margaret Miller

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