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President's Report - October 2014

Jacqui Hensley from the Albury Art Gallery spoke at our October meeting about the expansion and refurbishment of the Albury Art Gallery which is due to be completed in July next year. She also spoke about a woven wall hanging that was made some years ago by many of our guild members; sadly most of them if not all have passed away. The wall hanging used to be displayed in the stairwell, but has not been on display since 2008. From the photograph we saw it looked spectacular. Jacqui assured us it was being stored correctly and safely and that there are plans for it to go back on periodic display in a manner that will show it off to its best advantage, yet still be protected from damage so it will be around for many years to come.

Members of our guild and Tumut Guild enjoyed a weekend away at Yerong Creek in September. By all accounts all had an enjoyable time. Thank you to Christine for all plotting and planning that is necessary to make such an event happen.

We have been a bit light on members attending our meetings lately, I am only too aware that "things" happen to keep us away, both good and not so good. Please keep in touch as we need new ideas and different views to keep us all inspired and creative.

Heather.

[Editor's note: There is no Presidents Report for September. Either the internet ate it or stuff happened!]

End of Year ...

With 2014 rapidly drawing to a close, and the inevitable Christmas parties and holiday commitments, we hope as many of you as possible join us for our last few Workdays and especially our last 2014 Meetings. Our own Christmas Luncheon venue is yet to be decided, and plans for 2015 are already underway. Your input is important!

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November 12th Kylie

December 10th Heather



Show and Tell – September 2014

Pam has knitted colourful squares with mitred corners into a single bed quilt. She is working on a pleated log cabin fabric quilt. Well done Pam.

Faye has knited some beanies.

Vicki is knitting poppy flowers. It is a work in progress and we are looking forward to seeing the finished flowers.

Kathy showed a collection of silk threads suitable for a weaving project, and a sample of “muga silk”.

Kylie showed silk yarn to be dyed and some commercial yarns. These are for a weaving project.

Debbie showed a knitted cable jumper.

Heather showed a scarf woven on a rigid heddle loom with a warp of commercial yarn and a weft of handspun wool. A gift for her nephew. Well done Heather. She also showed a crochet scarf of handspun yarn.

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Faye showed a hessian bag with embellishment of crochet woollen flowers.

Kathy had samples of felting from “On Line” Felting Course. The samples displayed a great range of colour, texture, design and embellishment. Fibres used were wool, silk and alpaca. Well done Kathy.

Pam is knitting a cardigan.

Debbie has completed a knitted white Aran Jumper and Child's Jumper.

Heather knitted a vest with a lace pattern, yarn merino/silk blend. Pair of socks and samples of drop spindle yarn.

Name Tags

Kathy has contacted Kaye Robinson, and name tags are still available. Cost \$6.00 for the normal pin broach style, or \$8.00 for one with a magnetic clasp. If members need a badge, please contact Kathy (kathyw@albury.net.au or via post to the Guild PO Box address) by 12 November.

Aurora Australias – Ikat Weaving

Jacqui Hensley from the Albury Art Gallery, gave a talk before the start of the October meeting, about an article of Guild's weaving, that was presented to the Council, years ago. Jacqui writes:

Dear Ruth, Heather, Debbie and members

Thank you for the opportunity this morning to talk about the ikat weaving, and to meet you all.

The piece in the collection is a wool, mohair and silk "Aurora Australis" single ikat weaving and measures 5060mm x 3500mm. The woven wall hanging was launched at Albury Regional Art Centre March 25 1988.

I'm really pleased that you are open to how we can present the work in the new space and we would like to consider some options and come back to you after Christmas with ideas.

Also have some thought about how the gallery workshop space may be used for QEII dying workshops or projects.... We'll talk about this in our upcoming programming meetings and the team may already have some ideas or projects that may interest you.

To find out more about the gallery please go to <http://www.alburycity.nsw.gov.au/leisure-and-culture/albury-regional-art-gallery/gallery-redevelopment>

There's a link to the online newsletter to keep you all up to date on the construction and upcoming opportunities <http://www.alburycity.nsw.gov.au/leisure-and-culture/albury-regional-art-gallery/gallery-redevelopment/subscribe-to-redevelopment-updates>

Thank you again for the cup of tea and some time in the sun!

regards

Jacqui Hemsley

Report on Yerong Creek Weekend September 2014

Some of our members along with our friends from the Tumut Group enjoyed a relaxing weekend at Hanericka Farmstay at Yerong Creek. The weather was kind to us providing lots of sunshine and blue skies.



We were all busy spinning yarns, some fibre and some sharing of yarns with our ideas on projects. Some worked on their knitting, felting, carding and stitching, and enjoyed the atmosphere of the farm. On Sunday at the morning tea break, the owners daughters entertained us with a display of Irish Dancing, whilst we had our coffee and scones.

Our hostess found her spinning wheel and after some general maintenance on the wheel it was back to working order. We look forward to seeing a bobbin of spun wool on our return next year.

Thank you to all who attended the weekend for your support and making it a success.

Christine Meng



Fibre Sandwich and Scrumbling

Our September Workshop was a lot of fibery-fun, with all sorts of contributions to the pool. Everyone went away with a colourful bag of goodies. Now we wait to see what becomes of them all!

The scrumbling (lovely word!) session is often described as "not as easy as it looks", and frequently takes on a life of it's own. Good fun all the same.



For Sale

A number of Spinning wheels are available for sale.
All in good condition with accessories. Priced from \$120 - \$125 each.

Two basic Ashford Spinning wheels are being sold by
Mal Goldie 60232593 malcolmgoldie@tpg.com.au

One Ashford is being sold by Elizabeth Crapp 0400264440.

One Ashford is being sold by Janet. Phone 0419 495474 for details.

Lisa has this cute little wheel (pictured) for sale at \$120.00.
Phone 60213998.



Fibre Suppliers for Spinning

Karoa Fibres (Corowa)

Email: karoa@ipstarmail.com.au

Phone: 02 6035 1727 Mob: 0427 302 209 / 0427 334 611

Fairfield Finns

1275 Bacchus Marsh Road, Bullengarook, Vic, 3437

Ph: 0345 289 428 Mob: 0407 884 446

Bendigo Woollen Mills

4 Lansell St. Bendigo 3550

Ph: 03 54424600

Tarndwarncourt Polwarth Wool (Wendy and David Dennis)

41 Roseneath Rd. Warncoort, Vic, 3243

Ph: 03 5233 6241

First Edition Fibres and Yarns

16-18 Charles St. Euroa.

PO Box 201 Euroa Vic. 3666

Ph: 03 57 95 3578

Locally made



Wooden spindles

\$15.00 each,
contact Heather
02 60 246579

For the Diary:

November 12 th , 2014	Gotland Sheep Open Day at Granite Haven Llamas. For more info visit: granitehavenllamas.com.au/OpenDay.html
March 14 th to 19 th , 2015	Grampians Fibre Forum

Workshops, Work Days and Meeting Days:

Wednesday 5 th November, 2014	<i>ROOMS CLOSED for Albury Show</i>
Wednesday 12 th November, 2014	<i>Meeting</i>
Wednesday 26 th November, 2014	<i>Christmas Lunch. Venue to be advised.</i>
Wednesday 3 rd December, 2104	<i>Casual Workday</i>
Wednesday 10 th December, 2014	<i>Last meeting for the 2014 year. A Shared Christmas Lunch at the Rooms.</i>
Wednesday 4 th February, 2015	<i>Return. Casual Workday</i>