

**September
2019**

CENTRE NEWS

**PORT STEPHENS COMMUNITY ARTS CENTRE
Cultural Close, off Shoal Bay Rd, Nelson Bay 2315**

Many thanks to all the members who have been diligent in renewing their membership.

If renewal has slipped you by, your **immediate attention** is sought to avoid the process of **cancellation** on the 1st September.

Looking forward to seeing you all at our General Meeting 11am on the 10th September, in the Westralia room and also our AGM immediately after the GM. If you could bring a plate of food for nibbles it would be appreciated. Meeting notices are in the outer office, for your information on the Board's Notice Board.

Seeking everyone's assistance with these few items,

1. Write clearly on your sales tags, for example a 5 and 3 can be mistaken if not written clearly.
2. When on duty make sure you stick the cut off section of the sales tag in the sales receipt book.
If the tag is not stuck in the receipt book finance do not know who to pay the money to.
3. Make sure both front doors are locked, if both front doors are opened during the day sometimes the latches are not pushed up and down securely.
4. When exiting the building always double or even triple check that the front door is securely locked.

Your Secretary.....Robyn

GALLERY DIRECTORS REPORT SEPTEMBER 2019

As this will be my last report as gallery Director, I would like to give a really big thank you for all the support and cooperation I have received over these last few years. It has been my second stint as Gallery manager and very enjoyable.

Our Fabulous Fakes Exhibition will be displayed on Wednesday the 11th Sept. plus an exhibition of Pastel paintings in the Annex. We are planning an opening with Devonshire tea for Friday the 13th cost \$4, this will give you the chance to vote for your favourite Fab Fake painting, we have 3 good prizes for your most favoured choice.

Opening of exhibition at 10.30, morning tea 11 am. All are welcome to come along, please add your name to sheet on painter's notice board; we need to know numbers ASAP for catering.

Thanking you, Nada Yonge



SPRING AFFAIR

SATURDAY 7TH SEPTEMBER

9.30 TO 3 PM



CAKE STALL – seeking CAKES, CAKES AND MORE CAKES if you could cook us some that would be great – they can be delivered to the Westralia Room, Friday afternoon or Saturday say 8.30am ish. We are also looking for plants and reduced items for our sale tables.

There are pink sales tags provided to all groups, make sure you put your name on these tickets. We also have white tags for goods donated to centre.

Another big day of activities has been planned this year for our Spring Affair. Everyone is encouraged to be involved.

There will be a plant stall, cake stall, small painting stall. An Art Auction will take place upstairs. Yummy food will be available through the Centre Café as well as a Barbeque Sizzle on the front lawn. A local duo will be providing musical entertainment. The Woodies will host children's woodwork classes with all materials supplied for \$15 each and the Potters will have the barn open, visitors are very welcome.

There will be lots of craft and art activities happening during the day: with a Bonsai demo at 1pm, Paper Flower making demo, a Kumihino Braiding demo, something new to see, and also a talk on making Glass items at 12 noon.

Set up of Westralia room and Manoora rooms will happen **Friday 6th September at 2 pm**. Your help would be greatly appreciated. We also need lots of helpers for the day, on Saturday. If you need any more information regarding this event please ring me on 0413656396.

So bring your friends and family along and spread the word. "Come to our Spring Fair."

Thanking you
Nada Yonge



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DESK DUTY ROSTER

Thank you to those people who have so willingly helped out on desk and also thank you to those people who were able to arrange their own replacement over the winter period. We have had a number of people away and some members have been unwell which is to be expected at this time of the year.

On the September roster there are a number of changes - these include people no longer able to do duty, new members on the roster and most importantly changes to phone numbers for some people. Copies of the September roster can be found on the noticeboard in the wrapping room.

Margaret Polack



BONSAI

Our wonderful Bonsai Exhibition will be held on the 5th, 6th & 7th October at our Arts Centre.

There will be displays, Demonstrations, and many items of interest. Special Guests will be Hugh Grant and Brenda Parker. We look forward to seeing you all there.

NEWS from the PAPER CRAFT GROUP

We are happy to welcome three new members to our group and look forward to sharing ideas with them.

The members of the Paper Craft Group are very enthusiastic about the opportunity to extend our skills by making full use of the grant from the Port Stephens Council.

During September Francine Inglis and Bernadette Holmes will be presenting a workshop introducing the technique of Slider Cards. This will be a new technique for most of us, one which we will use to make children's cards and other novelty cards. We expect to display and sell some of these cards with the multi-dimensional cards.

Another workshop is planned to begin our 2020 year of Paper Craft. This workshop will introduce us to another technique which will be applied to making other multi-dimensional cards.

Recently we were given a shelf in the circular display stand to display more of our multi-dimensional cards, boxes, games, etc. We are grateful to have this extra space as these cards cannot be displayed effectively in the standard card shelving.

Photo showing the hard work of preparing card and backgrounds ready for the Slider Workshop.

Helen McNamara, Group Leader



MONDAY MORNING CRAFT GROUP

It is so nice to see many new faces in our group. We all seem to be working on something different but many times members knowledge of other crafts help with those trying new ventures. Some of our new members have skills too and are willing to pass on to us oldies.

Faye Clifton, Team Leader

NEWS FROM THE FAIRY GARDEN

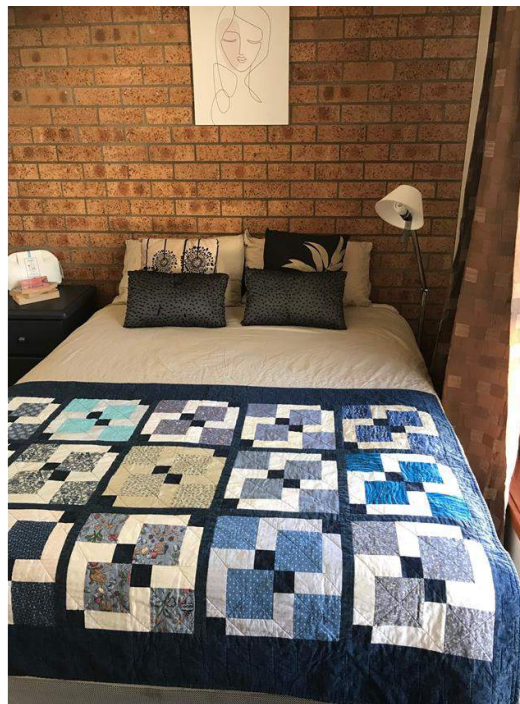
I have been delighted to receive so many lovely letters from the girls and boys who visit the Fairy Garden. During the recent school holidays we received thirty one letters and I believe that is a record for a two week period.



It makes all of the fairies and elves that live in the garden very happy when children visit and play. Some additions have been made to our garden: a wombat hole, several nests with eggs in them, some smurfs, etc. We thank the people who have made these attractions possible because the children really enjoy scrambling around the garden and discovering them. The beautiful new letter box is an attractive addition to the garden and is being well used.

We look forward to seeing many more children in our garden.

Felicity, the Fairy



Thursday Patchwork Group recently donated this beautiful bed cover to Friends with Dignity, who set up homes (sanctuaries) for people leaving domestic violence situations. Ronald McDonald Quilts are ready for donation after a short display in the Gallery.



RAFFLE RESULTS

Sea Shells won by Stuart McLean

Mosaics won by Brianna Wright

CURRENT RAFFLE

"What Lies Beneath" Painting by Helga Merchant

"Water Lillies" Collage by Milja Phillipson

To be Drawn 10th September

LOSE WEIGHT BEFORE SUMMER

JOIN THE TOMAREE SLIMMERS

We are a Self-Supporting Group.

Our Meeting cost is a minimum of \$2.00

Monthly social activity.

Two annual dinners.

We do not try to sell you products.

We feature Guest speakers throughout the year.

Weekly cash incentives for weight loss.

Weekly weigh-in.

Food and health related discussions most weeks.

Meetings run for 30 minutes only.

Meetings are every Wednesday. Starting 5.45pm.

Held at Soldiers Point Bowling Club.

Meet new people form new friendships

Just turn up or phone Colleen Sessions: 0447 559 849

Congratulations to Kay McFarland Smith the winner of last exhibitions People's Choice Award with her painting called 'Morning Light'.

Don't forget if you are on Desk Duty to encourage visitors to participate in the People Choice Award, now open to all art and craft in the Gallery