

Monthly

# isoLACE

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## *Announcement*

Subject to any last-minute changes concerning numbers allowed at Linnwood House, February Lace Day will go ahead.

If you are attending, please could you notify Pauline Garland:



Phone: 0413 538 485 or



Email: [polly3009@optusnet.com.au](mailto:polly3009@optusnet.com.au)

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Dear Members,

Welcome to the thirteenth edition to isoLace, the ALG NSW Branch's coronavirus update.

If your Lace Group intends is recommencing face-to-face meetings in leisure centres, public libraries, Registered Clubs and other venues, again subject to social distancing measures currently in place, let us know so we can let beginner lace makers know. We continue to field calls from people interested in starting lace in their local area. As events unfold, keep an eye on the NSW Guild website and the NSW Guild Facebook page.

While some Lace Groups, such as Queanbeyan and Cooma, continue to meet regularly online using Skype (contact Stefanie if you want to join in), lace makers continue to maintain contact through social media: NSW Branch Facebook Group, TikTok and Instagram.

While the Powerhouse Museum Ultimo has been re-opened to the public, the Lace Study Centre remains closed because it is staffed by volunteers. Lace Study Centre volunteers meet weekly online. The volunteer program at the museum will remain virtual for the time being.

A gentle reminder please to forward your correct, current email address to the national Membership Secretary - contact details in Australian Lace.

Heartfelt thanks to all those contributing work to isoLACE. If you are making lace, we'd love to hear from you. Send photos of your work-in-progress or finished lace (along with details of threads, dimensions and the lace designer, where possible) or your lace making gear or lace setup at home or lace book reviews to possible

As of our December AGM we are in need of new committee members namely President, Treasurer and Demonstration Co-ordinator - please volunteer if possible. These roles need to be filled to keep the NSW branch running.

NSW Branch Committee

## *Linnwood Lace Day – Sunday 7 February NSW Branch Meeting*

Doors will open at 10am.

Please note that no crockery or cutlery will be available. No sharing of pens, eating utensils, food, lace items or lace gear.

## *Checklist for Members attending Linnwood*

Please bring:

- ☐ \$10 note for the Door Entry
- ☐ Overdue library books and magazines
- ☐ Cup, tea/coffee, sugar, snacks, food, plate spoon, knife and fork
- ☐ Lace gear
- ☐ Personal hand sanitizer and face mask





## *Cottons and Bobbins Lace Supplies*

If you require supplies for your lace making, Rochelle at Cottons and Bobbins has them covered, plus craft and lighting. Many other craft-related items are available.

Give her a call on 02 6374 2696 or email [cottonsandbobbins@lacemakingsupplies.com.au](mailto:cottonsandbobbins@lacemakingsupplies.com.au)



Visit the website:

<http://www.lacemakingsupplies.com.au/>

## *Calendar of Events*

### **Linwood Lace Days 2021**

Subject to change at any time and dependent on changing NSW Government Public Health Orders restricting numbers at mass public gatherings. Doors open from 10am.

4 April (Easter Sunday) 10am-4pm

Barbara Ballantyne, Talk about Mary Card

6 June 10am-4pm

Robyn Cocks, “Methods of 3D Tatting” display

1 August 10am-4pm

AGM

3 October 10am-4pm

Isabel Navarro Marote, Christmas Lace

## *Update on committee members and request for positions to be filled*

**President: Vacant**

Vice President: Sheila Bowditch

Secretary: Maggie

**Treasurer: Vacant**

Workshop coordinator: Pauline Garland

**Demonstration Co-ordinator: Vacant**

Librarian: Christine Johnson

Archivist: Isabel Navarro Marote

isoLACE editors: Lisa Halden, Stefanie

Flower & Maggie Hensel-Brown



## Royal Easter Show | Lace Entries Close 29th January 2020

We have been asked to provide installation as per 2020. We intend to do installation but not demonstrate during the show at this stage.



See the website for details:

<https://www.rasnw.com.au/sydney-royal-competitions/competitions/arts--craft/key-dates--schedule/>

Please keep producing bookmarks for the triennial competition theme 'Waltzing Matilda' (see photo of current collection). Also work on own entry.



Also looking for lace for the NSW display theme 'spring' so: birds, butterflies and bees etc (see Alice's hexagon photo).

## Neil Keats will sell his remaining stock of bobbins at the Newcastle Show

Neil Keats is retiring from making lace bobbins. We would like to thank him for his past contributions and coming to Lace Days from Newcastle.

He will be selling his remaining stock at the Newcastle show March 5,6 and 7 as part of the Woodturners of the Hunter.



Newcastle Show website:

<https://www.newcastleshows.com.au/>

There seems to be another chap called Peter who is interested in making bobbins if folk wish to buy them. Please contact Sheila for more information.

The 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary bobbins Neil made us for a collector's item for the future is featured below.





## Bobbin Lace Demonstration and Workshop

### The Nook

Demonstration 23 JAN 2021 1pm-3pm  
Free of charge – Meet the artist



Lace banner panel for Festival of Lace 2021, designed by Lindy de Wijn and Vicki Taylor made by Isabel. Length 2 meters.



Workshop: The fishes  
30 JAN 2021 9am-12 midday

Cost: \$30 per person

All materials and morning tea provided

No experience required - All levels

Minimum age: 6 years old or able to use pins

Contact: Isabel, uws\_isabel@hotmail.com



Sponsored by Australian Lace Guild (NSW)  
<http://www.lacemaking.com.au/>

The Nook in the Art Passage. 1/206 Box Road, Miranda (NSW), 2228, Australia.  
(Inside Crockers Paint And Wallpaper)  
<https://www.facebook.com/the.art.passage/>

Artist Web Gallery, Blog and Instagram  
<https://geoffhargravesartist.com/new-gallery->  
<https://geoffhargravesartist.com/blog>  
[https://www.instagram.com/isabel\\_lacemaker/](https://www.instagram.com/isabel_lacemaker/)

## Festival of Lace | 30 January to 4 March

Exhibition, Conference, Workshops, Taster Classes and more proudly presented by Gallery76, Embroiderers' Guild NSW with Australian Lace Guild.



For more information and bookings, please visit:

<https://www.embroiderersguildnsw.org.au/events/festival-of-lace-2021>

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# Festival of Lace

30 JAN | 4 MAR 2021

EXHIBITION | CONFERENCE  
EXHIBITION OPENING: SATURDAY 30 JAN 4PM

WORKSHOPS | TASTER CLASSES

- MACHINE LACE AND SHADOW WORK | JANE THEAU | \$120 | FEB 11
- LEAVES OF LACE | VICKI TAYLOR & LINDY DE WIJN | \$75 | FEB 19
- PRINCESS LACE | ANNETTE MELDRUM | \$220 | FEB 13 & 14
- BEGINNERS LACE TASTERS | BARBARA STOKES | \$30  
FEB 18 PM / FEB 27 AM

City of Canada Bay

PH: (02) 9743 2501 | E: INFO@EMBROIDERERSGUILDNSW.ORG.AU | IG: GALLERY76\_QUEENST



## *Jennifer Fisher Scholarship*

In 1994 Jennie Fisher made a generous donation to the ALG to be set up a scholarship fund, to be awarded once in a three-year cycle. A commitment was made by the NAC that all donations would be matched by the Guild and that interest earned on the fund would be added to the principal. After a further donation from Jennie, the fund was considered healthy enough for a useful scholarship to be awarded for the first time in 2003.

### **Aim**

The aim of this scholarship is to assist a lacemaker to conduct research or study or other lace-related activity in a way that will ultimately benefit the wider lacemaking community. Suitable activities include (but are not limited to) travel, attending a lacemaking conference or course of study, or publication of a lacemaking book.

### **How to Enter**

The next Jennifer Fisher Scholarship will be available in 2021, and if awarded will need to be used within two years of receiving it.



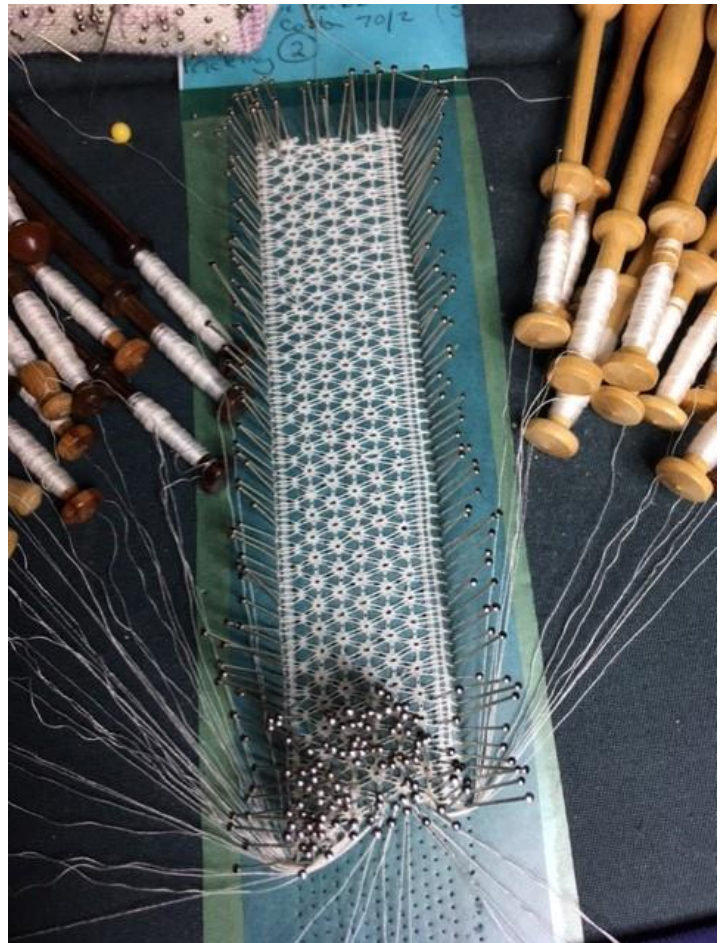
For more information, please refer to the website: <https://australianlaceguild.com.au/membership/grants/>

## *Binche Linen Stitch Snowflake with Hole*

This is from Syllabus 1 first samples, Anne-Marie Verbeke-Billiet using Egyptian cotton 70/2.

My tension is a bit irregular!

Barbara Stokes



## What's up?

### NSW Branch news

Contact Pauline Garland (em: polly3009@optusnet.com.au) if you are interested in learning crochet lace online using Zoom.

The NSW Embroiderers' Guild will hold the Festival of Lace till February 2021 between 30 Jan to 7 March 2021. The exhibition opening is Sat 30 Jan at 5pm; the Lace Conference Weekend is Sat 20/Sun 21 Feb 2021. Lectures and workshops are scheduled. All existing tickets will be automatically transferred to the new date; refunds are on offer but buying back tickets might be difficult because the events are likely be sold out well in advance.

ALG NSW, Website and weblog: <http://www.lacemaking.com.au/sydney.html>

ALG NSW, Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/NswBranchAustralianLaceGuild/>

ALG NSW, Facebook group: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/AusLaceGuildNSW/>

ALG NSW, Instagram: [www.instagram.com/nsw\\_lace\\_guild](http://www.instagram.com/nsw_lace_guild)

Queanbeyan Lace Makers, Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/QBNlacemakers/>

Jervis Bay Lacemakers, Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/209562546974533>

### Powerhouse Museum Ultimo

Powerhouse Museum Lace Study Centre volunteers are cordially invited to participate in weekly online textile briefings via Zoom or telephone, 10.30am each Tuesday. Volunteers are able to meet in person at Monthly Museum Visits. Contact the Volunteer Centre for more details.

Powerhouse Museum podcasts, including textiles: <https://www.buzzsprout.com/1183688>

Powerhouse Museum Collection Conversation, showcasing lace:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qqbe4Db2yTc&feature=youtu.be>

### Social media

Bobbin Lace Downunder, Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1010713895962787/>

Bobbin Lace Makers, Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/bobbinlacemakers/>

Needle Lace Australia, Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/489032435165805/>

Lace8 lace design software, Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Lace8Users/>

ALG Victorian Branch Lace Collection to view 119 items of lace online at:

[https://victoriancollections.net.au/organisations/australian-lace-guild---victorian-branch?fbclid=IwAR3ki4Yi0UJEDMY4rCfhwry9fK2qK\\_g2twTQR-6u5-acAxCTrf2XS--mvjs#collection-records](https://victoriancollections.net.au/organisations/australian-lace-guild---victorian-branch?fbclid=IwAR3ki4Yi0UJEDMY4rCfhwry9fK2qK_g2twTQR-6u5-acAxCTrf2XS--mvjs#collection-records)

A Facebook dedicated to helping lacemakers and bobbin collectors identify (mainly UK) bobbin makers:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/lacebobbinsfindthemaker>

Facebook, Lace Guild Lockdown: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/888608224958952>

### Overseas news

Follow the OI DFA Congress website at [oidfa2020.org](http://oidfa2020.org)

The next Congress dates are as follows: Congress: 30 July –1 August 2021; Workshops: 26 –29 July 2021; Tour: 2–5 August 2021.

Kantcentrum Bruges has published sixteen free weekly lace online challenges in a variety of lace styles (Torchon, Bruges Flower, needle lace, etc.). Participants have forwarded their work to Bruges for an exhibition there. Details on Facebook at A P-lace Together: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/299120214389826/>



An exciting new contest has been announced by the Kantcentrum, Flanders Lace with a Contemporary Look. You have until March 1st to create a contemporary work of Flanders Lace with no limitation as to materials, color or measurement. Details can be found here: <https://www.kantcentrum.eu/en/competition-flanders-lace>

Hotel de la Dentelle/The Lace Centre in Brioude, France, has posted a bookmark pattern in 50/2 thread (useful if you want practice with dropping in/out colour) on their Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/hoteldeladentellebrioude/>  
See the Heart Challenge 2020 and four spider patterns by Maribel Albert (also her tote bag pattern) for Bolilleras magazine on the international Lace Day (5 July 2020) Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/InternationalLaceDay/>

### **Online lace resources: suppliers, patterns, learning**

Jenny Brandis (WA) has YouTube videos, lace patterns (including her Pattern-of-the-Month) from Etsy: <http://www.brandis.com.au/>

For the latest from Textile Support (including a series of podcasts with lace makers called TextileStories - Jane Atkinson, Maggie Hensel-Brown among others; Viking knitting and working with wire), see: <https://www.textilesupport.net/textile-tours> DFZ2021 Symposium and Lace Camp will be conducted online in October 2021.

Covid-19 Global Quilt, drawing on contributions of virtual squares from textile artists around the world: [@covid19quilt](https://www.instagram.com/covid19quilt) on Instagram.

Traders and suppliers in the UK (and elsewhere) are selling online - a seller trades online over a 24-hour period via Facebook Lace Suppliers Spotlight: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/lacesuppliersspotlight>

Free patterns, free craft books, free resources, free makers library, free knitting patterns, free crochet patterns, free embroidery patterns, free lace patterns: <https://www.antiquepatternlibrary.org/html/warm/bobbin.htm>

One of many press articles devoted to the lace collars of the late Justice Ruth Bader Ginsburg – hear, from a lacemaker who made one of them: <https://www.teenvogue.com/story/elena-kanagy-loux-ruth-bader-ginsburg-lace-collar?fbclid=IwAR169InaI-XudDJEg6730kaEfYNNFdGSv6vm2ZLFXtH1ggE4BeUZWYO5B0A>

<https://thelacemuseum.org/workshops.html> for all manner of paid lace workshops online.

Lace face masks and downloadable pdf patterns - Etsy shop: <https://www.etsy.com/uk/shop/MarikamiLace>

