

Issue #15 | March 2021

Announcement

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

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



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Image credit: Festival of Lace

Dear Members,

Welcome to the fifteenth edition to isoLACE, the ALG NSW Branch's coronavirus update.

If your Lace Group intends on 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, lace makers continue to maintain contact through social media: NSW Branch Facebook Group, TikTok and Instagram. Queanbeyan have also resumed their meetings at the Queanbeyan Roos Club, subject to NSW Government Public Health Orders restricting numbers at mass public gatherings. Currently, meetings are limited to 20 attendees. Contact Stefanie for more information qbnlacemakers@gmail.com.

Linnwood Lace Day – Sunday 4 April 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.



The Powerhouse Museum Lace Study Centre volunteers are cordially invited to participate in weekly online textile briefings via Zoom or telephone, 10.30am each Tuesday. PHM Volunteers (Mon-Fri) have a Zoom meeting from 9.30am each day and 12noon Friday for Weekend Volunteers. Contact the Volunteer Centre for more details. Volunteers are likely to begin demonstrating lace to the public again starting in the first week of April.

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>

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.

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

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



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

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

It's time to start supporting our Agricultural shows again. The Hawkesbury show entries close 6th April. If you bring your entry to the Linnwood lace day on Sunday 4th April, we can deliver entries to the show and arrange collection.

The Schedule is available online:

They have categories for bobbin lace, tatting, knitting, crochet etc. If you wish to enter but are unable to go online, please give Sheila a call and she will try to assist you.



Contact number for Sheila: 0435 537 210

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

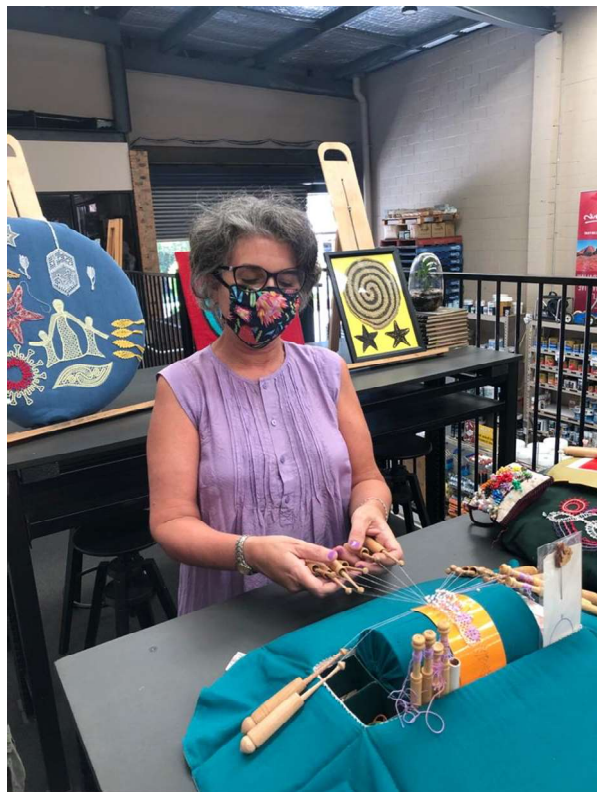
Archivist: Isabel Navarro Marote

isoLACE editors: Lisa Halden, Stefanie Flowers & Maggie Hensel-Brown



Isabel at the Art Passage

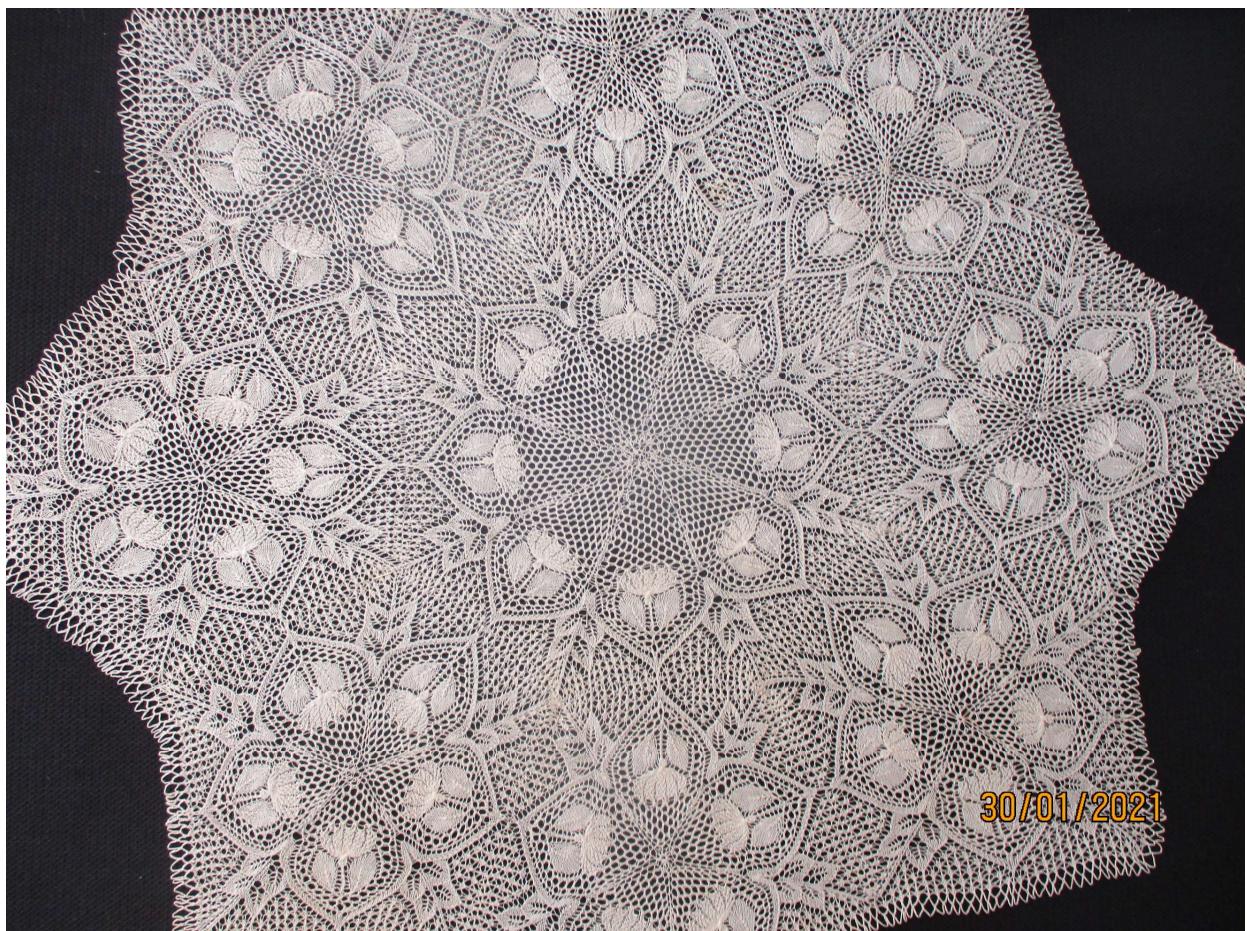
The display looked great for the weekend workshop.



Festival of Lace | 30 January to 4 March

Recently, Gallery76, Embroiderers' Guild NSW and the Australian Lace Guild hosted the festival of lace. We are sharing some photos here.





Neil Keats | Making lace bobbins

Neil Keats writes:

Here is my "history" of making bobbins. I am 89 and have been woodturning for 60 years, a member of Woodturners of the Hunter since 1983 and making lace bobbins for the last 25 years. As I came across a different variety of bobbin, I turned a sample copy of it. I wound up with 42 patterns of Midlands bobbins, the most popular variety.

Unfortunately, in 2010 the Essential Tremor struck me, and my doctor prescribed a pill that suppressed the shaking of my hands and I could continue my woodturning.

In March last year heart problems meant changing medications and since then the tremor has worsened until now, I can't do woodturning or sign my name.

I am arranging for another member of the Woodturners to fill any orders for bobbins from lace makers. When all arrangements are finalised I will send you a further email with the details.

Yours sincerely, Neil Keats.



Neil Keats at the Newcastle Show

Lace from Vicky Taylor

Here is an image of some of my lace using the 's Gravenmoer half stitch and distorted grids. Two of the pieces have some embroidery included and one has paper strips included. The larger pieces were made with linen thread and the smaller two were made with a variegated silk rayon thread.

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What's up?

Please refer to the website for the What's up segment: <http://www.lacemaking.com.au/whats-up--important-links.html>

