



# isoLACE

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## *Announcement*

Our next Lace Day at Linnwood is on Sunday, 3<sup>rd</sup> April. We look forward to seeing you there.

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Dear Members,

Welcome to the 27th edition of isoLACE, the ALG NSW Branch's coronavirus update.

We look forward to meeting in person again very soon for April Lace Day. We're also looking forward to the tatting display by Stephanie.

Lacemaking at the Powerhouse Museum will start again in 2022. The Powerhouse Museum is offering free entry to the museum; proof of vaccination required and wearing a mask is compulsory. Lacemaking is demonstrated daily 10am to 1pm, resuming in 2022 from Saturday 8th January, on Level 4 in the Textiles Centre. Social lace days and lace workshops will resume when a venue becomes available.

Unfortunately, the OIDFA Congress has been cancelled this year (more information visit: <https://www.oidfa.com/cong.html.en>). However, the Lace Dress Project will go ahead, and you can still join in (<https://nelg.us/Project-Lace-Dress>).

We would like to highlight that the Agricultural shows in 2022 dates are:

- Hawkesbury show 6-8 May (entries close 19 April or 25 April online)
- Dubbo 27-29 May (entries close 13 May)

We encourage you to consider entering your lace.

Spaces Make Lace in Uralla has received some amazing publicity and made it on the news. You can refer to the video on our [Facebook page](#). Thanks to Rosemary, Vicki and New England Lace Group for their contribution to making the exhibition a success.

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 Lace meetings have restarted for fully vaccinated members. Please contact if you would like to join in on Skype or the in-person meetings [qbnlacemakers@gmail.com](mailto:qbnlacemakers@gmail.com).

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. We encourage you to email us [lacguildnsw@gmail.com](mailto:lacguildnsw@gmail.com).

NSW Branch Committee



## Calendar of Events | Linnwood Lace Days 2022



3 April 2022 | Lace Day @ Linnwood. Stephanie Packham will put on a tatting display in April.

26 June | International Lace Day – come on let's get out there and make lace!

### Lace Workshop with Lindy de Wijn | 1pm to 4pm | 28 May

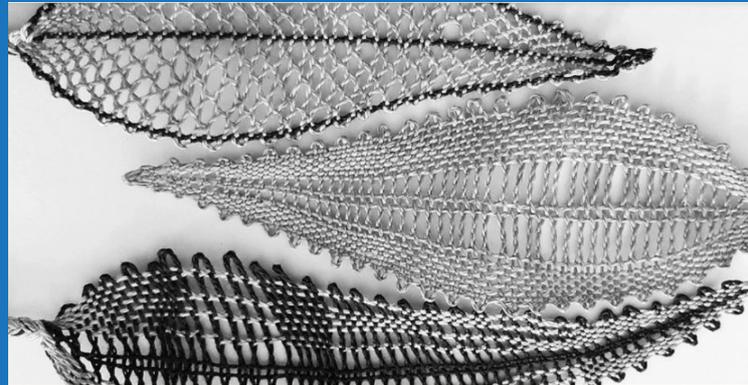
In this workshop, artist Lindy de Wijn, with the support of the NSW lacer community, will use the Powerhouse Textile Centre as a backdrop to highlight the rhythm and beauty of bobbin lace. Inspired by current Powerhouse exhibition Eucalyptusdom, each participant will create their own bobbin lace eucalypt leaf, while learning movements in lace as well as simple lace techniques to form unique leaf designs.

Lindy de Wijn is a contemporary lace maker with a Masters in Public Art, who is drawn to the Australian landscape and eucalypts in her designs. Lindy has used these forms to connect community, space, and lace, and create a dialogue about lace as a living textile.



Please refer to the website for tickets:

<https://events.humanitix.com/lace-workshop-with-lindy-de-wijn>



### NSW Lace Display

We are heading into Winter but, Spring is just around the corner, and, with that in mind, we would like NSW members to dust off their bobbins/shuttles/needles/hooks, and make one or many butterflies or flowers, for the NSW display which, fingers crossed, will happen later in the year.

They will then be used as a special gift for one of our members - more info in future months. The brief includes any type of lace bobbin, tatted, crochet, knitted, needle. Any colour or size and can be 2D or 3D.

Barbara shares photos a snowdrop flower made at Rose St School of Lace! And she has made another two to assemble on one stem.



## *Lace Guild | New South Wales Branch Commemorative Award*

The Commemorative Award is a Biennial Award created in 2000 in memory of members who have made a significant contribution to the Guild and who are no longer with us.

Initially, on alternate occasions new and experienced lace makers were invited to submit lace of any type and in any form, from a bookmark to a bedspread for competition.

The winner will be decided by popular vote at the Annual General Meeting. This year, due to circumstances, all lace makers will be eligible to enter. You may enter any type of lace (not necessarily recently made) and any article of any size.

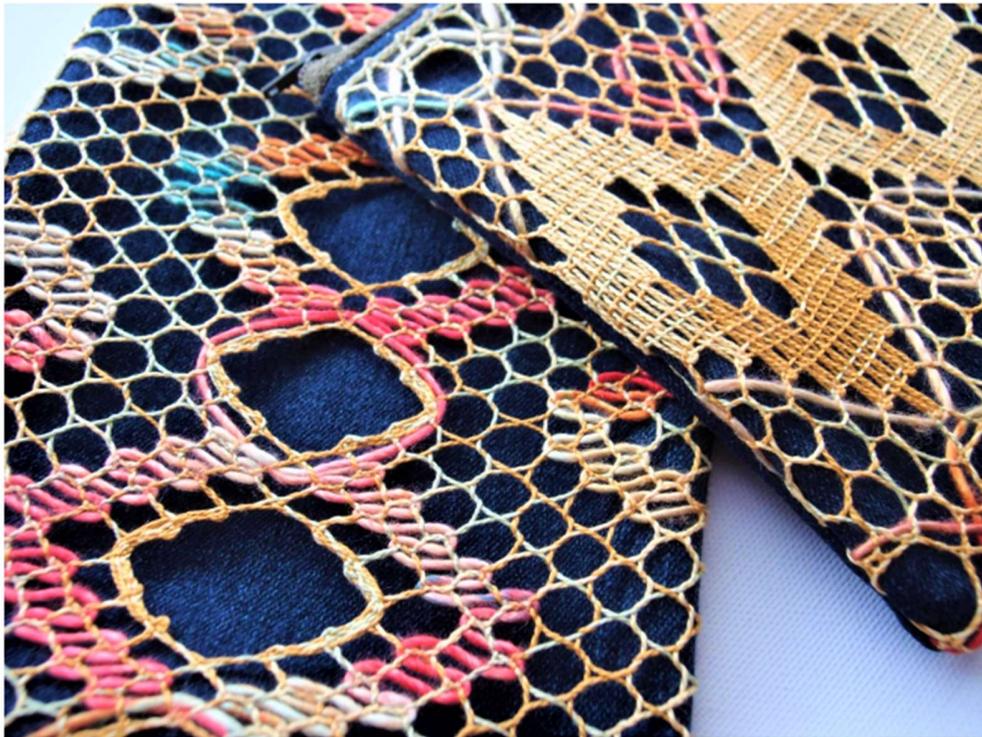
The Award was usually held in even years, but, due to matters mostly beyond our control, there has been a lapse over recent years. This is an opportunity to showcase the work being done by members and for entrants to have the chance to win a worthwhile prize if successful.

This competition is to be held at the August A.G.M and the winner will be decided by popular vote. Entries need to be brought along to the A.G.M. in August (no entry form, no entry fee).

Don't think you are not good enough! It is not necessarily the best made piece of lace which wins this award but the piece which has the most popular appeal!!

## *Traditional Czech Tulle Lace*

**Self-help Group, Lace Day Afternoons, June & August 2022**



An untutored, self-help group will look at traditional Czech tulle lace on the afternoons of Lace Days in June and August. The group will run in the Main Dining Room, 1-2pm. June Lace Day will be getting started; while August Lace Day will be a show-and-tell discussion about personal progress.

Lacemakers will work at their own pace on one of two small projects (or both), helping each other get to the finish line. A coloured lace is suitable for anyone with some Torchon experience. A more advanced white lace pattern is suitable for those with some Bucks Point experience, or for anyone with Torchon experience wanting to try something different.

Photos, prickings, working diagrams are available on the internet. Search for the website is <https://bobbinlacee.eu>. Go to the 'Learning Materials' webpage and search the nation handbooks: 'Czech Republic'.

Photocopies will be available on the day, but you will provide your own pillow, thread, and bobbins.

If there is sufficient interest, future self-help groups will look at Spanish Hinojosa and French coloured leaves, which are part of the OI DFA project.

My preparation for the self-help group sessions on Czech tulle lace at June and August Lace Days is going well. Working very large has felt like throwing rope around horses!



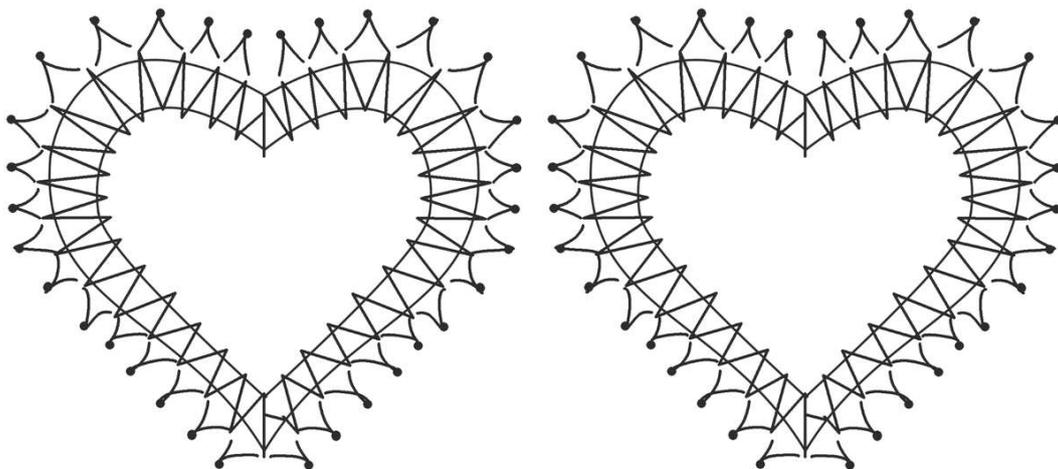
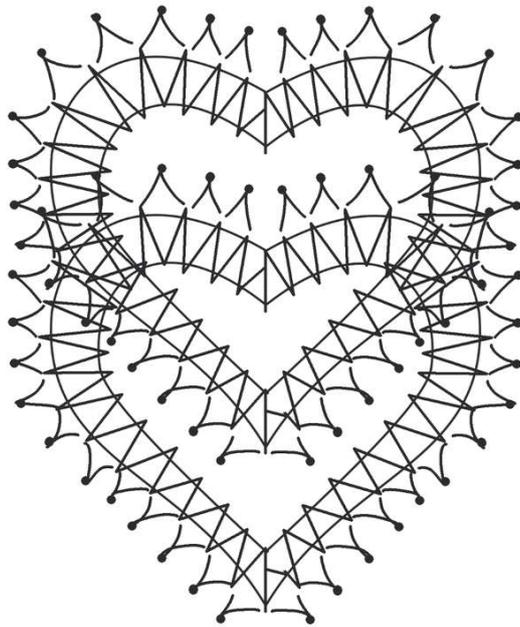
For further information, contact Rod Byatt at [rodbyatt@hotmail.com](mailto:rodbyatt@hotmail.com).

## Hearts for Ukraine

Pattern by Malgorzata Szpila



# Our heart goes out to Ukraine



## *Linnwood demonstrations*

From Sheila

Norma has been demonstrating at the Linnwood Open Days for several years. I finally got to join her for the first open day in a long while. I gather the event was smaller than normally, no barbeque nor classic cars. However, folks in attendance seemed to have a nice time - and it had stopped raining.



## Novelties and fun topics

- Rauma lace sweater everyone is talking about can be found here: [Ravelry: Rauma pattern by Tarmo Thorström and Katrina Salo](#)



- Tarmo Thorstrom's 3D lace face, made on a lace pillow in bobbin lace: [Pitsireliefin nyplääminen \(kzlife.info\)](#)
- So how do lacemakers choose their wine? Look for a lace collar on the label of course.



- Great idea for lacemakers with spare wheels on their vehicles.



## Queanbeyan celebrates 5 years



Would you believe it's been 5 years already? We celebrated by wearing a piece of lace to lunch at the Club. From left to right Stef, Ann, Leonie and Lynne

## What's up?

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

