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WELCOME

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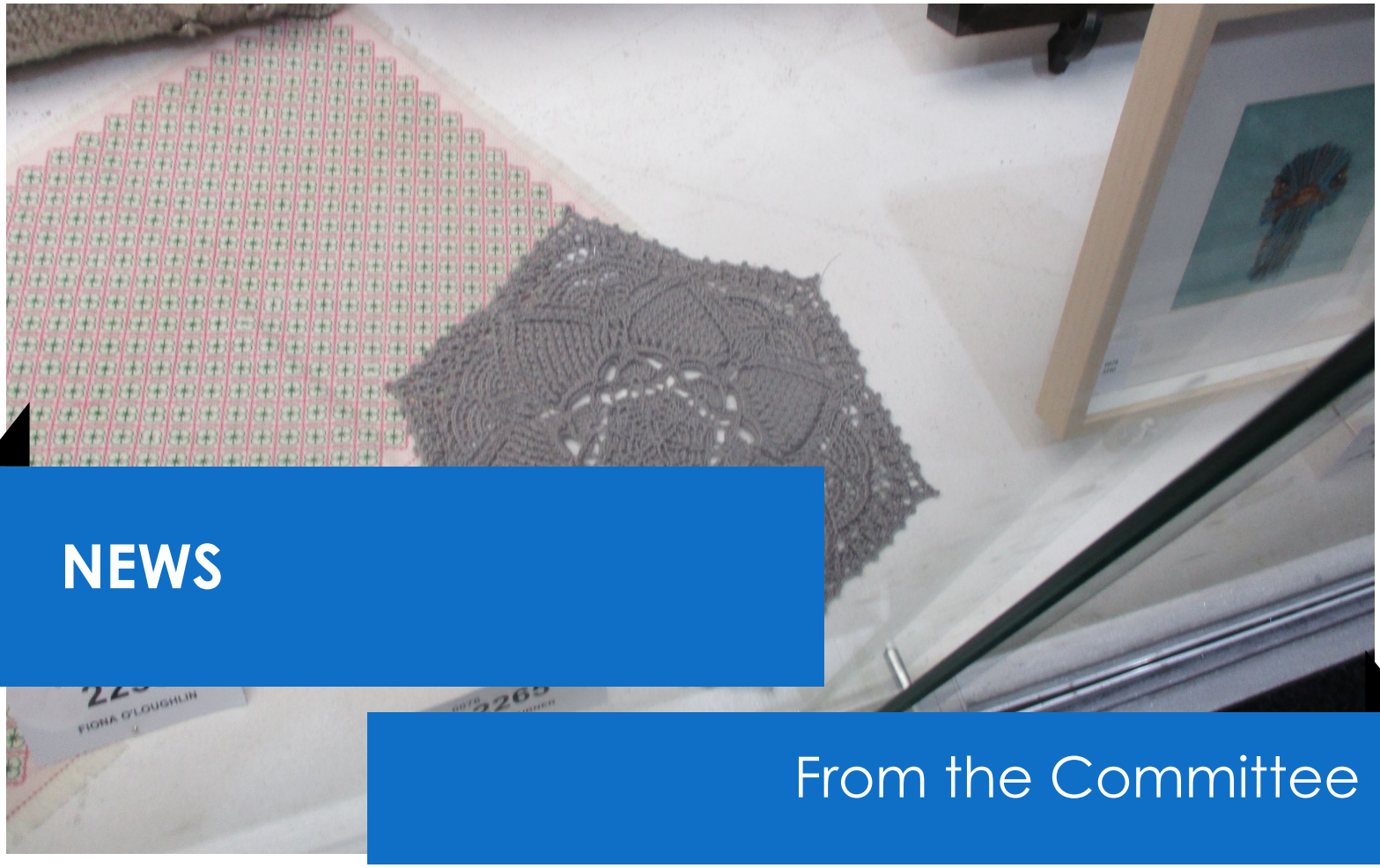

NEWS

From the Committee

Dear Members

Welcome to the May edition of Lace E News. We are looking forward to meeting at Sydney Lace day on Sunday, 1st June from 10am at Linnwood House. Please remember to bring your lunch and a cup to enjoy tea and coffee. Please bring $10 for entry. We have some exciting updates to share along with a tambour lace workshop run by Anne.

Please get in touch with the committee if you have anything you'd like to share for our future newsletters by emailing: laceguildnsw@gmail.com

Thank you,
NSW Branch Committee

From the President

As the days are shortening, I hope you are staying warm and finding time to make lace.
Here in Bathurst the first of the winter frosts and minus degree mornings have begun. With the frost comes warm clear days perfect for sitting on the patio and making lace.

Linnwood Lace Day
Our next Lace Day at Linnwood House is Sunday 2nd June starting at 10.00a.m. and finishing at 3.00p.m. There will be a Tambour taster workshop by Anne Kintominas. If you are interested, please email your expression of interest to: laceguildnsw@gmail.com
Lucky door prizes will again be from the books from the Trading Table.

Awards
Entries for the Jenny Rees Award for an individual lacemaker who has significantly contributed to lace making are due in writing by the 7 June 2024. Suggestions/submissions should be sent to the Gmail address.
The aim of the award is to recognise a lacemaker who has supported lacemakers, promoted lace, assisted groups, or otherwise helped the promotion of lacemaking.

Biennial Lace Competition 2024
The NSW Biennial Lace Competition entries are due to be submitted at the August AGM. Voting is by the members on the day, with the winner being the people's choice. Any form of lace can be entered.

Moving The Needle Conference
Embroiderer's Guild Conference "Moving The Needle" is on 23 June 2024, with the associated exhibition on at the Embroiderers Guild headquarters at Concord West from 1 June 2024 to 29 July 2024. Details can be found on the NSW Embroiderer's Guild website.
https://www.embroiderersguildnsw.org.au/

NSW Display "Wheels" at National Conference
Lace for the display can be dropped off at the NSW AGM or brought to the conference. The NSW President will collect the lace wheels at the NSW AGM and return the lace at the December meeting at Linnwood.
If you need to post your lace, please use the gmail address and details of where to post the lace will be supplied.

Requirements for Tambour Lace Taster Workshop
The requirements for the workshop are:
Hands free hoop, either a plain hoop with a weight or any other means to hold the hoop to the table, very fine crochet hook, no bigger than 1.5mm or tambour hook
thread that will work with the hook.
Anne will bring a range of bits of tulle, bridal and net for you to try.

Proposed changes to the Articles of Association

The National Committee is considering a change to the Articles of Association to remove the requirement that two (2) members of the committee reside in the same state.

This requirement was to allow cheques to be able to be signed without having to send them interstate. With the advent of electronic banking, that still requires 2 members to authorise payments, and the removal of cheques this provision is no longer required.

Articles of Association – proposed changes

	Schedule of Amendments 2025 Articles of Association – Australian Lace Guild	**Amendments to the Articles of Association (in the version approved by AS IC dates 29 April 1996 and including the amendments approved on 25 September 2021)**	
Clause	**Current clause**	**Proposed new clause**	**Why are we proposing the change**
8.2	**Directors Qualification** In order to be elected as Directors, the Directors shall be Members of the Company. The Director who is elected President, and at least one other Director holding the office of either Vice President, Treasurer or Secretary, must reside in the same state of Australia. Directors may otherwise be drawn from the membership of any state of Australia.	**Directors Qualification** In order to be elected as Directors, the Directors shall be Members of the Company. Directors may be drawn from the membership of any state or territory of Australia.	With almost all communications being undertaken electronically there is no need for the President and one other elected official to reside in the same state or territory. This provision continues to place a burden on the state where the President resides which is no longer necessary.
18.1	**Office** The Office may be located in any Australian state or territory, to be determined at an annual general meeting.	**Office** The Office may be located in any Australian state or territory, to be determined at an annual general meeting.	With the proposed change to Article 8.2 there is no need to reference the residential state or territory of the President and other elected officials.

	Pursuant to Article 8.2, the President and at least one other elected official (Vice President, Treasurer or secretary) must be from the same state or territory, with other Directorship positions drawn from the membership of any state or territory.		

Please respond to this proposal to the NSW Committee so that the committee can form a response to the National committee.

The National AGM 2025

The NAC has confirmed that this year's AGM will be available online. The AGM Notice and information of how to request online access will be available soon via the website: https://australianlaceguild.com.au/notice-of-annual-general-meeting/

Membership Forms and other Forms
As the cost of adding inserts to Australian Lace increases and more members elect to receive their magazine electronically the Guild website has been redesigned to include a member only section that contains the current magazine, an incomplete archive of previous issues, all the forms members may need, along with meeting minutes. Forms (including membership and conference registration) are also available via a central button on the homepage which directs users to: https://australianlaceguild.com.au/welcome-to-the-australian-lace-guild/forms/
Forms are also located on the relevant pages of the website.

Membership forms will be available on the website from 1 July. We are attempting to keep our income and expenditures in the same financial year, so we have a better handle on our finances.

Sydney Royal Easter Show

Congratulations for your lace entries at the show! They have showcased many skills, creativity and technique. Here are a few photos:

July Lace Retreat at Galong

The NSW Branch are holding a lace retreat from Thursday 17 July to Sunday 20 July 2025 at St Clements' at Galong in central NSW.

The retreat is an opportunity for members to come and make lace in a supportive environment. No formal workshops are planned, and the days will be like social lace days at the National conference.

The cost is $165 per day which includes all meals, accommodation, and use of rooms for lace making. If travelling by public transport, pick up is from Harden Railway Station. There is plenty of parking at the former convent.

Galong is located near Harden and is a reasonable drive from Canberra, Wagga Wagga, Bathurst, and Orange.

The maximum number for the retreat is 15.

Contact Pauline Garland for more details and to book a place at laceguildnsw@gmail.com

Special guest at Epping!

The Broward MP, Julian Lesser, called in to meet constituents at the Epping group, where, of course, he was given a crash course in bobbin lace making.