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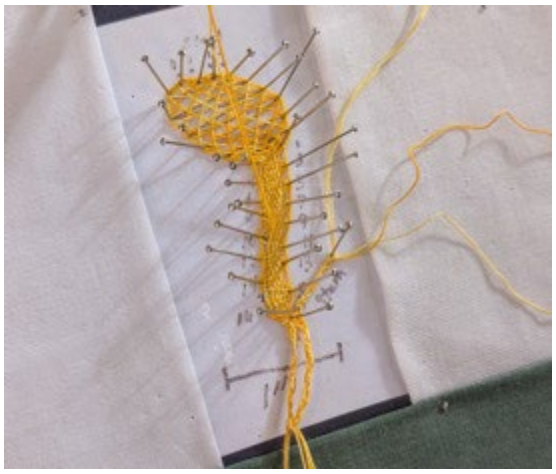

WELCOME

Our 31st edition of Lace_E News - the ALG NSW Branch's monthly newsletter.

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NEWS

From the Committee

Dear Members

Welcome to the June edition of Lace E News. We hope you are keeping warm during the winter and staying indoors with lots of lace projects.

We had a wonderful meeting in July with lots of lace to show and tell along with workshops in bobbin lace and tambour embroidery/lace. We're also sharing some wins from Alice for her bobbin lace – congratulations!

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

I hope you are safe and not affected by flooding that is happening around the state this week. Once again Bathurst missed out on most of the rain, leaving the area very dry and cold as we head into Winter. It seems strange that while much of NSW is affected by very wet conditions, we in Bathurst are starting to think about water saving and worrying about drought.
Save safe and listen to the weather warnings.

Elizabeth

DONATED LACE

At our April lace day at Linnwood a lady appeared with a stack of old laces which had belonged to her grandmother or great grandmother. As she had no further use for them, she came to the Lace Day and donated them. They were free to anyone to take. So, I did! - lots of small scraps - some purchased lace and other pieces were hand made.

The lace needed lots of love and care so I brought it home and laundered it carefully and started planning how I would use it. I wanted to make a lovely bag in a crazy patchwork style with 100% of the donated lace. So, I am working through laying down the lace and hand sewing a lot of decorating. The piece will be decorated with buttons, ribbons and beads - in fact anything which would look nice as well as some embroidery in few areas. Then I will give the finished bag to the lady who so generously donated the lace so that she has some memories of her granny's lace.

Nominations for the Jenny Rees Award

Nominations are now open for the Jenny Rees Award. The Award is for a member of the NSW Branch of the Australian Lace Guild for their service to the Branch and/or lacemaking.
Entries for the award close on Tuesday, July 15.
All entries are to be in writing and emailed to laceguildnsw@gmail.com

NSW Display at 2025 National AGM: The Sheep - a Flock or a Mob?

This is a reminder that the theme for the NSW display at the National AGM in September is sheep. The photo shows some of the sheep on display at the June Lace Day at Linnwood. The deadline for contributions has been extended to the August Lace Day and while most of the flock so far have been made in conventional "sheep-ish" colours, at least one has had an encounter with a whole lot of coloured paint and our single black sheep has since gained a couple of companions. The lace for the sheep may be in any colour, lace style or thread that you fancy. It is a great opportunity to test out a ground or other thread/pattern idea on a small scale and contribute to the NSW display at the same time. The lace needs to be 8cm x 10cm - no smaller and preferably not much larger. All lace will be returned to the contributor (or retained in a stash for future group displays if the maker doesn't want it back).

Lace Marathon 2025

Barbara enjoyed the Lace Marathon and had an amazing set-up with five lace pillows for the lace projects! There is a wide variety of laces from Brugge, Binche, Idrija, Contemporary, Tatting and Nicole Gammie's Torchon session as well. There were lots to do! This Lace Marathon was fantastic.

Members Lace and Updates

Margaret completed this lace from Alice's pattern.

Elizabeth showed us her very fine crochet. She does some great work and workshops from her Woodford studio.

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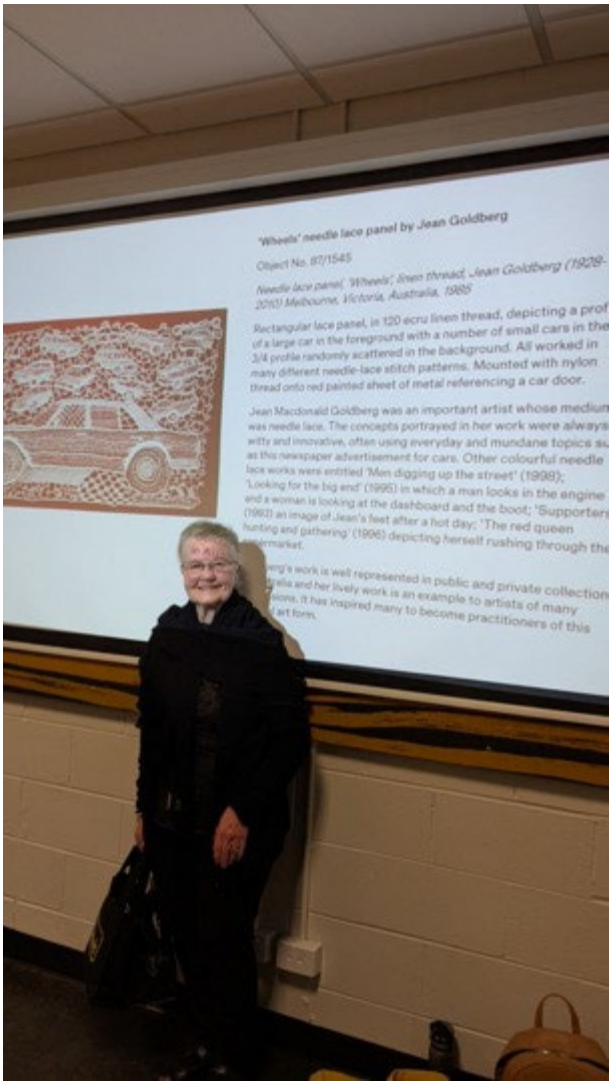
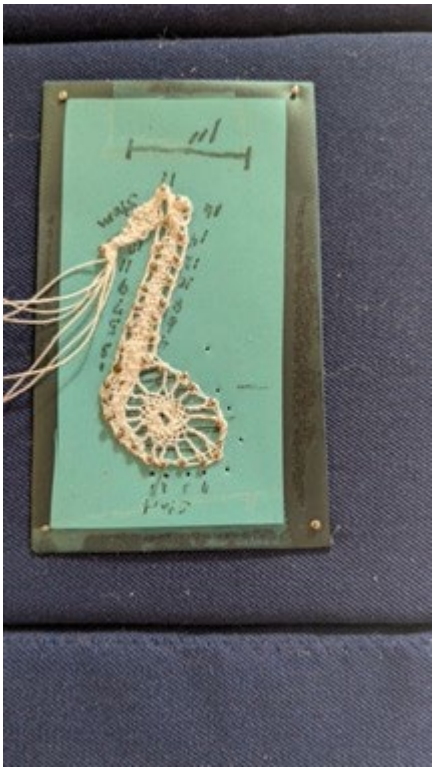
Kumihimo display by Ann

Isa held a second workshop at the Castle Hill venue. She was assisted by a lovely long time guild member and powerhouse volunteer. Great to see Edna



Isa also presented a wonderful workshop.



What a lovely, donated piece of 3D lace.

More winning entries from shows!

HAWKESBURY SHOW

2025 Hawkesbury Show
Hawkesbury Show
Alice Vokac
Class 16382
Article made entirely of Bobbin Lace in -
Traditional
1st Prize