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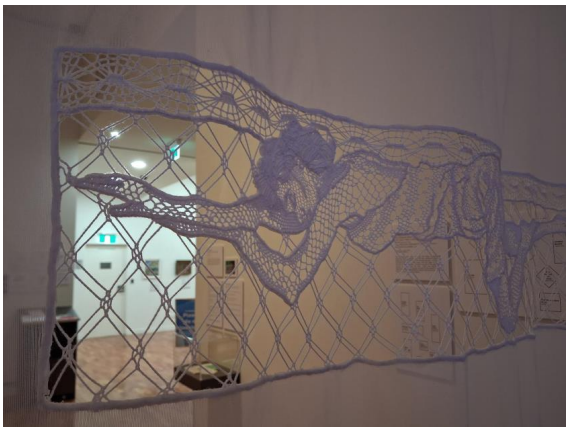

NEWS

From the Committee

Dear Members

Welcome to the March edition of Lace E News. We look forward to the Sydney meeting at Linnwood House this Sunday, 5th April from 10am. Please bring show and tell, your lunch and a cuppa.

Once again, it has been a busy period for some members submitting lace to shows and competitions. Congratulations to the recent lace entries and winners for the Maitland Show. Soon it'll be the Sydney Royal and upcoming Hawksbury Show. It is very exciting to see lace being displayed to so many audiences.

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

Welcome to Autumn, cooler days with less humidity, I hope. After a long and very hot summer it is nice to be able to sleep at night and take time for a walk.

Along with the change in the weather, it is the end of daylight saving for another year.
The Branch is planning on demonstrating at the Lions Heart of Craft and Arts day to be held on Sunday 26 April 2026 from 10.00am to 4.00pm at the Berowra District Hall, corner of Berowra Waters Road and Crowley Road, Berowra. If you can demonstrate please contact me via laceguildnsw@gmail.com

The April meeting falls on the end of daylight saving and Easter Sunday this year. Please remember to put the clock back.

Don't forget to bring something for show and tell. Something related to lace old or unusual.
I look forward to seeing at the April Lace Day at Linnwood.

Elizabeth

April Lace Day Show and Tell

Our next meeting falls on Easter Sunday in April.

Because of that holiday, we may not have a large attendance, but want to make sure that the meeting is going to be an interesting day. In order for that to happen, **we need your help!!**

What are we doing? Show and Tell!

Bring for show and tell, any of the following items:
· Any interesting tools which you use in your lacemaking.
· Any old items of clothing that you own, that are either entirely made of lace or have quite a significant amount of lace on them.
· Anything to do with lace which you think others may find interesting.
· Any old patterns for making lace.

Come and share your secret treasures.

Bequest from Jean Charnock

The NSW Committee has been advised that the late Jean Charnock has left a bequest of $5,000 for the use of the NSW branch of the Australian Lace Guild.
The committee would like to use this bequest for the benefit of all NSW members. Suggestions to date have included a travelling tutor, book of patterns, grants to attend the annual conference, and a series of lace cards.

The committee is calling for suggestions from the membership as to how this bequest can be best used. Suggestions can be sent to laceguildnsw@gmail.com

Wanted: Committee Members

August meeting is the AGM. This year a number of the current committee are not standing. The following positions will become vacant:

- President
- Treasurer, and
- Committee member.

If you are interested in any of these positions, please contact a committee member to find out what is involved.

National Grants

The Australian Lace magazine and website includes information about the grants available through the NAC. This information includes what the grant can be used for and the closing date for applications.

Online Classes by The Lace Museum

Bedfordshire Daisy Bookmark with Louise West

Course Description: This daisy bookmark is designed for practice at adding and throwing out pairs of bobbins, and also includes techniques of starting a trail in both directions, plaits, picots, cloth stitch areas starting on a horizontal line of pins, cloth stitch with vertical and horizontal veins, and a few leaf tallies. It is a pattern that gently gives you practice at these techniques, which are particularly useful to build experience when starting with floral techniques.
Level: Intermediate
Prerequisite: Lace makers must be confident in geometric Beds lace and ready to start floral with adding/throwing of pairs.
Dates: 3 Tuesdays – May 26, June 2, 9, 2026
Times: 7:00 pm – 9:30 pm AEST
Registration Fee: $100 US (~$146 AU)
Kit Description: The kit is a laser-cut, ready-to-work pricking with the pattern sheet. $15 US (~$22 AU)
Students Must Provide: Approximately 60 pairs of bobbins (finca 60 or equivalent). Because of the putting in and throwing out, bobbins should be wound with more thread on one of each pair, enabling the reuse of bobbins more quickly.
https://thelacemuseum.org/virtual-education/

Lace Member Updates

Isa was at the Meraki Lace exhibition recently and we're thankful she has shared some photos for those of us who may not be able to attend in person.

Molly and Sue brought some of their work to the Epping group. Very clever ladies.