Cairns Potters Club Inc.

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President's report

Again, this year the Potters Club opened the clubhouse to the public over the last weekend in August. (See Page 3) and many of the people attending expressed interest in starting potting. Our club membership keeps growing, so we have had to offer more classes for adults and children and our clays and materials order also keeps growing, so it looks like we should have plenty of pots to sell at our Christmas Fair.

Do not forget to start making ceramic art pieces for our MELTING POT 2022 ceramics exhibition in the Cairns Art gallery in December 2022. We just need a few more sponsors and then we will get entry forms ready, however it has already been decided that entries close 30 November 2022.

Ordering clays and materials

There has been a great demand for clays and materials from club members. If you wish to order something from ClayShed then you will have to send Lone an email **lone@tpg.com.au** with your order. Next order will be sent towards the end of September.
Thanks to the members who came and helped with offloading 2 tons of clays etc., a couple of weeks ago. We will appreciate If you have placed an order, we would appreciate it if you can pick it up at the time of delivery or as soon as possible thereafter. Payment is to be made prior to you picking up your order.

Open weekend August 27 & 28 August

For many years the Cairns Potters Club has opened its doors to the public over one weekend in August, so they would get a chance to see, what we do and what we can offer them re classes etc. or perhaps buy a pot or two, as some members attending did bring some pots for sale.

This year's "Open weekend" was not attended by as many people as usual due to the drizzly weather and Cairns Festival. However, around 60 people came to visit us on Saturday and a few less on the Sunday. Thanks to the potters who came to help. Callie, Samallie and Edmund did during the weekend some wheel throwing demonstrations and helped aspiring potters make their first pots.

Despite the rainy weather we decided to go ahead with a raku firing on the Sunday and both members and visitors got a chance to glaze and fire some pots.
Also, thanks to the members who offered to help with the raku firing.

Club Members regular catch ups

Wednesday and Thursday

Let's catch up! 9:00-12:00 and 18:00-21:00 on Wednesdays and 9:00-12:00 on Thursdays. No cost involved. Get together to share skills, knowledge and tricks of the trade! Or simply come to hang out and enjoy the company of other potters. Members can practice their hand building, wheel throwing, decorating and glazing techniques and perhaps share a firing. Take the opportunity to get to know other potters and share their joy in pottery making.

WHEN YOU COME TO THE CLUBHOUSE YOU MUST BOTH SIGN IN AND OUT IN THE BOOK NEXT TO THE ENTRANCE – STUDENTS ATTENDING CLASSES MUST ALSO HAVE THEIR NAMES ENTERED IN THE BOOK – THE TEACHERS ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR THAT. IT IS AN INSURANCE REQUIREMENT.

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Clubhouse Calendar

Member Catch-up Booked for class or workshop

September Clubhouse Calender						
Sun	**Mon**	**Tue**	**Wed**	**Thu**	**Fri**	**Sat**
				1 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00 -21:00 Edmund's Class	2 - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Alison	3
4	5 - 18:30- 21:00 Adult Class by Alison	6 - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Karen	7 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00 -21:00 Member Catch Up	8 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00- 21:00 Edmund's Class	9 - 15:30- 17:00 Teen Class by Alison - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Alison	10
11	12 - 18:30- 21:00 Adult Class by Alison	13 - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Karen	14 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00 -21:00 Member Catch Up	15 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00- 21:00 Edmund's Class	16 - 15:30- 17:00 Teen Class by Alison - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Alison	17
18	19 - 18:30- 21:00 Adult Class by Alison	20 - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Karen	21 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00 -21:00 Member Catch Up	22 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00- 21:00 Edmund's Class	23 - 15:30- 17:00 Teen Class by Alison - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Alison	24
25	26 - 18:30- 21:00 Adult Class by Alison	27 - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Karen	28 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00 -21:00 Member Catch Up	29 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00- 21:00 Edmund's Class	30 - 15:30- 17:00 Teen Class by Alison - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Alison	

Classes available at the Club

- **WHEEL THROWING AND HAND BUILDING CLASSES with Alison Lacy**

  Monday nights 6.30-9pm and Friday nights 6-8.30pm (New set of 6 Friday class will starts from 9th Sep, contact Alison for Monday classes)

  The six-week classes are for anybody wanting to learn the many varied skills, from creating on the potters wheel to sculpture, glaze techniques and firing of kilns, Classes are capped at seven people to create connection.
  Cost is $265 this includes the first bag of clay. Glaze and firings are paid per piece.
  Contact Alison on 0407482858 or alilacy2622@gmail.com

- **TEEN WHEEL THROWING AND HAND BUILDING CLASSES with Alison Lacy**

  Friday nights 3:30-5pm

  The six-week classes are for teens (12-16 years old) wanting to learn the many varied skills, from creating on the potters wheel to sculpture, basic glaze techniques. Classes are capped at seven people to create connection.
  Cost is $250 this includes clay, glaze and firings.
  Contact Alison on 0407482858 or alilacy2622@gmail.com

- **WHEEL THROWING AND HAND BUILDING CLASSES with Karen Charlebois**

  Tuesday nights 6.00-8:30pm

  The six-week classes are for anybody wanting to learn the many varied skills, from creating on the potters wheel to hand-building, glaze techniques and firing of kilns, Classes are capped at seven people to create connection.
  Cost is $265 this includes the first bag of clay. Glaze and firings are paid per piece.
  Contact Karen on 0407007556 or karen.c.ceramics@bigpond.com

- **WHEEL THROWING AND HAND BUILDING CLASSES with Edmund Loo**

  Thursday nights 6.00-9pm

  The six-week classes are for anybody wanting to learn the many varied skills, from creating on the potters wheel to hand-building, glaze techniques and firing of kilns, Classes are capped at seven people to create connection.
  Cost is $265 this includes the first bag of clay. Glaze and firings are paid per piece.
  Contact Edmund on 0479140592 madebyedmund@gmail.com

FRIDAY NIGHT CLASSES

Starting 9th September
6 pm-8.30pm

Six-weeks classes for beginners to more experienced....Come and create and connect.

$265 includes the first bag of clay. Glazes and firing costs are calculated on how many pieces you create. Call Alison

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TEENS 12YR-16YR SIX-WEEK POTTERY CLASSES

Commencing Friday
12th August 2022

HAND BUILDING

WHEEL THROWING

SCULPTURE

Friday's 3.30 pm - 5 pm
Cost $250 includes all clay, glazes and firings
CONTACT ALISON 0407482858
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Wheel Throwing Class with Karen Charlebois

Come along and enjoy the beginner's class and learn the basic techniques of wheel forming.
You will design, decorate and glaze your very own pot.

This is a Six week course on Tuesday evening 6pm-8:30. During the course, you will learn to make mugs, bowls, jugs, and vases.

The Cost is $265.00 for 6 classes. Tools are provided.

Class numbers are limited to 7 people.

Bring a bath towel and wear something comfortable that you don't mind getting dirty.

Get ready to get dirty, a lot of fun and CREATE!!
You will be hooked in no time!!!

CONTACT KAREN CHARLEBOIS
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Pottery Classes

This is a six-week wheel throwing and hand-building course on Thursday Evenings at the Cairns Potters club.

The cost is $265 for classes which includes the first bag of clay.

Class numbers are limited to 7 people.

Glazes and Firing Costs are calculated on the volume and size of the work created

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Thursday Nights
6.00 PM-9.00 PM

Callie Mclean

After making clay finger puppets at afterschool care as a child, I was hooked and for 33 years I've been using clay for my sanity.
I started my studies at Canberra Potters Society back in 1989 and got my first wheel in 1990. In 2008 I completed a visual arts degree at Sydney College of Fine Arts, specialising in ceramics. By 2017 I had found my way to the Mullumbimby Potters Club, helping to fire their kilns. After a tree change in 2020, I was sole exhibitor at my "Woodspring" show at Texas Regional Gallery in 2021. Shortly thereafter I moved to Cairns and am presently focusing on mugs.
There is something I love about the intimacy of one's favourite mug. It's often a personal item. We nurse and cradle them and press our lips against them daily. Knowing my mugs are cherished by many, I guess I feel a sense of connection in this age of social distancing and I like the idea of displaced affections. My early work favoured large scale figurative sculptures, but in these chaotic times I find satisfaction and calm in making a humble mug.
You can catch me on a Wednesday or Thursday for socials and skill sharing at the club.
My Instagram is @shinyshinywant and I post messages about group firings in my @mudderator account.

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