Cairns Potters Club Inc.

February 2023 Newsletter

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Art Work by Geoff Riley

Melting Pot 2022 Cairns Potters Club Non-Acquisitive Award Winner

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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Pottery is getting very popular, and the club has already this year accepted many new members. Our MELTING POT 2022 exhibition went well and showed how talented the potters are in FNQ.

As you can see from this newsletter many pottery classes have already been planned in the clubhouse, so we have a busy time ahead.

The club's next big activity is the Annual General meeting (see page 3) which will take place 18 March 2023, so please come along.

MELTING POT 2022 Exhibition

Thanks to all the potters who took part in the exhibition and to the members who helped setting up and taking down the display.

Many visitors complemented us for the great display and 726 people filled in the" Public choice Award", which indicates that many more people visited the exhibition.

All of the 68 exhibits did get some votes from the public – the 5 highest votes went to

1.	Lone White	Flower blossom form	45 votes
2.	Luisa Manea	Jasmine	42 votes
3.	Richard Knuckey	Water Dragon	41 votes
4.	Callie McLean	PTSD Medicine	39 votes
5.	Sharon Weller	My Everlasting Bloom	35 votes

Eleven of the exhibition pieces were sold mostly to tourists, who also indicated that the display was great.

CONGRATULATIONS

At the Cairns Art Society annual exhibition which is on display at the Cairns Art Gallery until Sunday 12 February the winner for the 3D Section was **Sam Matthews** and **Louise Manea**'s ceramic artworks were highly commended, so please find time to visit the exhibition.

FOR INFORMATION

Australia Day Award

MEDAL (OAM) OF THE ORDER OF AUSTRALIA IN THE GENERAL DIVISION

Mrs. **Lone Vittrup White** Whitfield QLD 4870

For service to the creative arts as a ceramist

IMPORTANT NOTICE

Cairns Potters Club -Annual General Meeting Saturday 18 March 2023 at 2pm

Please come to the AGM and support the Club. It will also be an opportunity for you to meet other members and share ideas about the future of the club. You are of course more than welcome to nominate for a position on the Management Committee.
Afternoon refreshments will be served.

- AGENDA -

- APOLOGIES
- MINUTES OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2022
- PRESIDENT'S REPORT
- TREASURER'S REPORT
- AUDITOR'S REPORT
- CALL FOR NOMINATION FOR COMMITTEE POSITIONS
- APPOINTMENT OF AUDITOR
- GENERAL BUSINESS.

List of Positions: President, Vice-President, Secretary, Treasurer, Publicity Officer, Librarian, Minutes Officer, Kiln Officer, Glaze Officer, Clay Officer, Maintenance Officer, Website Manager, Newsletter Officer, General Committee at least 3
(All must be a financial member)

NOMINATION FOR 2023 COMMITTEE: (Please write in print)

I, _____ hereby nominate _____

For the position of _____

My nomination is seconded by _____

Nominator _____ Signature _____

Seconder _____ Signature _____

Nominee _____ Signature _____

PROXY FORM (as stated in Constitution)

I, _____ of _____

Being a member of the above-mentioned Club, hereby appoint _____

My nomination is seconded by _____

of _____ Or failing him/her _____

of _____ as my proxy to vote for me on my behalf at the Annual General Meeting of the Club, to be held on 18 March 2023

On at any adjournment, therefore.

Signed _____ Day of _____ 2023

Signature _____

KILN FIRING DEPOSIT

As you may all be aware the club has started a new system re firing of members pots in the club kilns.

If a potter does not want to hire and use a whole kiln, but only wishes to have a few pots included in either a bisque or glaze firing in one of the club kilns, then they must pay the club a deposit of $ 20 or more and will then be given a kiln firing number. When they have a number, then they can place their works on the shelves for pots to be fired and either put their allocated number on the bottom of their pots or place beneath the pots a paper with their number and if having used club glazes the amount in $ used.

The person in charge of the firing needs to let Lone know how much they have charged the potters for the firing, and she will deduct it from their deposit and let them know how much the firing cost them. When you deposit $ 20 or more by sending the amount to the Cairns Potters Club bank account. Account Name: Cairns Potters Club Inc - Account Number: 119552826 -BSB: 633-108 then you must mention that it is for “Kiln deposit”.

WELCOME TO 2023 AND A FAREWELL TO EDMUND LOO

We are planning for all our new and existing members an informal get together on Saturday 25 February around noon and a farewell to Edmund Loo, who since he arrived in Cairns last year has given the club tremendous support and helped many club members with info re how to make their clay pieces and firing their works. The club will provide a sausage sizzle and members can bring other tasty food for us to share and perhaps a drink.

It will be a chance for old and new members to get to know each other and share their joy of playing with clay and for potters to say goodbye to Edmund. Please let us know if you can attend. Additionally, please bring your own chair.

MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

Have you renewed your membership? In the beginning of each year, you must renew your membership. When you renew it, you will need to fill in the membership form and complete the payment as well. You can submit your application electronically from the following link. https://cairnspottersclub.com/membership/ or print out and fill in PDF form and return to us. Printed copies are also available at the clubhouse. When you pay the membership fee by bank transfer, please state "MEMBERSHIP" in the reference section.

Clays and Materials Order

The Cairns Potters Club sent its last order to ClayShed on 15 January – and it is finally on the way to Cairns, so if there are no more road closures etc., we can expect it in a week or two. We did order a fair bit of extra clays this time, so the club will let you know, when the transport company can deliver the order.

If you want to order any clays or materials from ClayShed, then please send Lone White an email lone@tpg.com.au with your order, as we will be sending another order to ClayShed towards the end of February.

Classes available at the Club

- **WHEEL THROWING AND HAND BUILDING CLASSES with Dianne Thompson**

  Monday nights 5:30 - 8:30pm

  ※ New set of 6 classes commence from 27 February 2023

  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 $280 this includes the first bag of clay. Glaze and firings are paid per piece.
  Contact Di on 0405227633 di.thompson110@gmail.com

- **WHEEL THROWING SHORT COURSE with Karen Charlebois**

  Tuesday nights 6:00 - 8.30pm

  ※ New set of 6 classes commence from 21 February 2023

  The essential skills required to make simple pots. Clay is provided for the first class and purchased thereafter. Glaze and firings are paid per piece. Class limits six participants.
  Cost is $280.
  Contact Karen on 0407007556 or karen.c.ceramics@bigpond.com

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

  Friday nights 6:00 - 8.30pm

  ※ New set of 6 classes commence from 24 February 2023

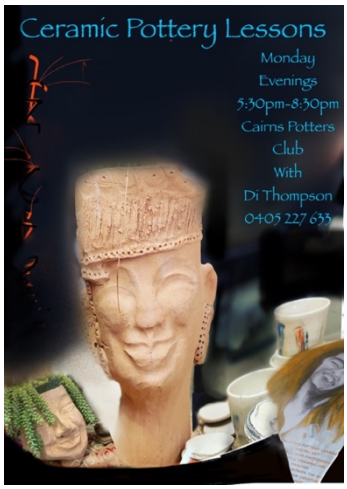
  The six-week classes are for anybody wanting to learn the many varied skills, from creating on the potters wheel to sculpture, glaze techniques and firing of kilns, Classes are capped at seven people to create connection.
  Cost is $280 this includes the first bag of clay. Glaze and firings are paid per piece.
  Contact Alison on 0407482858 or alilacy2622@gmail.com

- **Clay for Play with Karen Charlebois**

  Saturday morning 10:00 – 12:00pm

  ※ New set of 4 classes commence from 11 February 2023

  Limit 8 participants. All materials provided. Cost is $40 per session. Glaze and firings are paid per piece.
  Contact Karen on 0407007556 or karen.c.ceramics@bigpond.com



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.

Clubhouse Calendar

Member Catch-up Booked for class or workshop

February Clubhouse Calender						
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00 -21:00 Member Catch Up	2 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00- 21:00 Edmund's Class	3 - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Alison	4
5	6	7	8 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00 -21:00 Member Catch Up	9 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00- 21:00 Edmund's Class	10 - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Alison	11 - Karen's Clay Play 10:00-12:00
12	13	14	15 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00 -21:00 Member Catch Up	16 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up	17 - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Alison	18 - Karen's Clay Play 10:00-12:00
19	20	21 - 18:30 - 20:30 Karen's Class	22 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00 -21:00 Member Catch Up	23 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up	24 - 18:00- 20:30 Adult Class by Alison	25 - Karen's Clay Play 10:00-12:00 Get together & Farewell Edmundo Starting around noon
26	27 - 17:30 - 20:30 Di's Class	28 - 18:30 - 20:30 Karen's Class	28 - 9:00 -12:00 Member Catch Up - 18:00 -21:00 Member Catch Up			

*When the clubhouse is booked for classes, please refrain from visiting casually.

Committee Members

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Committee Members:	Alison Lacy, Tom Britton, Tammy Parsons, Sue Wilson		

Geoff Riley

My pottery journey began 4 ½ years ago after attending a Club Open weekend and Raku firing. It quickly grew from a hobby/interest to a passion. Within 6 months I had purchased my wheel then a little later a kiln. I make both functional ware and ornamental pots, predominantly on the wheel. I am interested in the different processes that provide varying finishes to a piece after it has been made. I am currently exploring crystalline glazes as this suit my meticulous nature and the equipment I have. In the future I would like to explore using a gas kiln as there are processes and colour opportunities not available using an electric kiln. By far the best part of beginning potting is the friendships that would otherwise not have happened. I have found my tribe.
Happy potting,
Geoff.

from

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