



The Wellington Embroiderers' Guild Inc

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October Meeting – Wednesday 9 October 2019

The Loaves and Fishes Hall, St Paul's Cathedral, Hill Street. Hall opens at 7.00pm; meeting begins at 7.30pm. Tea and coffee available after the hall opens at 7.00pm.

Various members will be demonstrating their versions of the **fobs** at the October meeting. Bring stitching along to stitch fobs or stitching of your choice.

The **theme** this month is Traditional Work so please bring examples of traditional work whether it is cutwork, counted, drawn thread etc.



Fobs collected at September meeting

Treasurer Role

As expressed at the AGM in May, I have been happy to continue on as treasurer for a second year but I am unable to continue beyond that due to family and study commitments. It would be good to start passing this role over to someone else before the year ends in March and I am happy to show them the ropes!

The role includes managing the bank accounts, paying the bills (all online), banking the cash, recording transactions and putting together the accounts. Also the role looks after recording the membership details and clearing the post box.

There is no great difficulty in any of this and made even easier the more time there is to hand it over.

If this interests you, please let me know via the treasurer email Weg.tres@gmail.com and we can get together and plan the handover.

Sara Keppel

Botanical Dye Exhibition and Workshops



Following on from our August meeting, Barbara Wheeler will be running a **Botanical Dying Workshop** for Wellington Embroiderers' Guild on Sunday 6 October at the Karori Arts Centre at a cost of \$50 for members and \$80 for non-members. There are still a few places left, so email the guild at wembroidersg@gmail.com if you are interested.

For more information see flyer sent out earlier this month.

Please note this is a different workshop than held for members of the public at Otari Bush in September as Barbara will be dyeing silk threads in four dyebaths

Photo by Barbara Wheeler

Maker Faire

We have decided to go ahead with a stand at the Makers Faire as it a great opportunity to introduce children to stitch and also potentially recruit parents as new members. We will be hosting a stand on Sunday 20 October from 10 – 4pm at Shed 6, TSB Bank Arena.

We need volunteers to help set up, work with the children teaching them a basic stitch using the kits we've put together or demo your own work in progress. Helpers are required so if you are available please let us know at the guild meeting or email the guild email address.

We also want to display work which will appeal to a diverse audience. If you have any pieces to display or would like to volunteer at the event please contact Anne Whitehead, via the guild email address..

September Meeting

Our September Speaker was Tina Downes who spoke about her project replicating the original All Black rugby jerseys with Massey University. They reproduced three jerseys from the tours in 1884, 1905 and 1924. The original 1884 jersey they had was brown wool with a gold fern embroidered on it. Their research discovered it was originally blue but the dye had altered to brown over the years. Photos of the team members, who were all from Otago, also showed there were variations in the ferns hand embroidered by the wives and girlfriends of players.

The iconic 1905 jersey, was made of wool and linen and was the first black jersey for the national team.

Finding a 1924 jersey to replicate proved more difficult as the NZ players used them as farm jerseys on their return.

The talk was also a history of woollen mills in NZ and in particular of the Manawatu region. For further info on the project:

https://www.massey.ac.nz/massey/about-massey/news/article.cfm?mnarticle_uuid=1B1C2AFC-A0D1-F2F9-1B0B-EC682E8B332C



Raffle

Christmas is coming so it's raffle time. We've had a couple of Items donated for the raffle table however further donations are more than welcome. Got a spare fob? Or a piece of work that others may love in their home? Bring it along for the table. Tickets will be \$ and the money raised will be used to subsidise membership for refugees who are into stitch but unable to afford our membership fee.

Newsletter for November

The cutoff for the November newsletter has been brought forward to 25 October. Could you please send your content fully written appear before this date. Could someone going to the dyeing workshop, volunteer to write about it please.

2019 – 2020 Exhibitions, Events and Workdays

6 October 2019 WEG Botanical Dye Workshop with Barbara Wheeler

10am-3pm Karori Arts Centre \$50 for members \$80 non members

12 October 2019 Kapiti Guild Friendship Day

20 October Maker Faire 10 – 4pm at Shed 6, TSB Bank Arena.

13 and 14 November 2019 Kapiti Guild is hosting a 2 day Wessex Embroidery workshop taught by Julie Clemmett. Cost \$90

15 March 2020 WEG Regional Workday

27 – 29 March 2020 Great Escape 2020 Orewa – paper and on-line catalogues are available.

www.embroiderersgreatestescape.com

10 – 16 July 2020 Vision 2020 – Biennial Conference to be held in Masterton

New Guild Group Drop in Stitch in

A reminder about the new Drop in Stitch in group. This will be held at Wellington Museum on the first Saturday of the month from 10am to 4pm. Pop in with your stitching for an hour or several. Whether you are a beginner or experienced, all are welcome. Next stitch- in **5 October**.

Guild Groups

You and your friends are always welcome at these Guild groups

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| Drop in Stitch in Contact: TBC | 10am - 4pm Wellington Museum First Saturday of the month. Ask at Reception when you arrive for directions. Tea and coffee will be available from the kitchen (which is opposite the room). |
| Johnsonville Stitch-in Contact: Marie Trethowen 237-6344 | 1.30-4.30pm at Johnsonville Community Centre (third Saturday of the month). Gold coin koha for afternoon tea. Please bring a piece of work for show and tell. |
| Lower Hutt Stitch-in Contact: Lynn Newman 566-1561 | 1.00pm-4.00pm (second Saturday of the month) at the Hutt Art Centre, cnr Huia and Myrtle Sts. Cost \$6. |
| 1st TEG First Thursday Exhibition Group Contact: Louise Day 568-8088 | On the first Thursday of the month we visit an exhibition and meet for lunch beforehand at a nearby cafe. An email is sent out to members the weekend before the first Thursday of the month. |

Committee

Anne Whitehead Ph. 476 7227 (President)

Sara Keppel (Treasurer)

Judy Wright (Committee member)

Caroline O'Reilly (Committee member)

Almoner: Joan Adam hjadam@xtra.co.nz If you know of anyone needing congratulations or a kind word

Marie Cassino (Secretary)

Mary Trounson (Newsletter Editor)

Judy Johnson (Committee member)

Sally Ross (Committee member)

2019 Meetings

| Meeting Date | Theme Display | Newsletter Deadline |
|--------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 9 October | Traditional Stitching | 27 September |
| 13 November | Christmas | 25 October |
| 11 December | Viewers' Choice | 29 November |

New Work September



Eluned F, Child's Quilt, by Wendy Williams Designs.



Joan A – 4 teddies, 1 angel



Mary T – Needlepoint Fantail (StitchSmith design) and Paper Pieced Cushion Cunning Mr Fox (TartanKiwi Design)



Rhiannon McK, Seminole patchwork Quilt, colours chosen by Alaric.

All Photos by Marie Cassino
unless otherwise specified