

**MERRY CHRISTMAS
BEST WISHES FOR 2021**



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- **Less than 250 words**

Management Committee Meetings— Monday @ 10 am
December 14th, January 11th, February 8th

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Presidents Report

What a strange year we have had, hopefully moving on to better things next year.

The Gift Gallery has re-opened with its new, fresher look with some new members selling in there.

Members are encouraged to think about promoting their talent and putting in their products for sale. Volunteers are always made welcome too, remember it is only for 4 hours.

Please support our **Christmas raffle** as it is our only fund raiser for the year. Who would not want to win \$2000 just before Christmas?

Only \$2 a ticket or \$10 for a book of 5

Porcelain Painters are leaving us after 32 years as a group. We thank them for their support and wish them well in the future.

The management committee thank all groups for their support during this difficult year.

**We Wish all Members a Joyous Christmas
And A
Safe and Healthy New Year**

Trish Thomas
President Caloundra Arts Centre Association

Potters

Greetings everyone,

We continue to meet, weekly. The attendance fluctuates, depending on personal circumstances. Some members continue to observe COVID protocols as they have family members who are vulnerable, so we do not see them as often. We miss their cheerful contribution and creative skills and look forward to the time when we can share our creativity with them again.

In this quarter, we have seen some remarkable pieces come through. There have been a few workshops.

Recently, Vicki ran a “large item sculpture” class. A number of members took up the challenge and continue to work on these pieces. Others have completed their sculptures and are in the process of drying, before firing. Well done all those who took part.



Lyndy ran a glazing workshop. She pointed out the necessary observations which must be considered when undertaking the glazing

process. We are all learning from each other, and we value the skills and knowledge of our more experienced members who generously share their suggestions with us newbies.



The potters wheels are used regularly by some very clever people. As their work comes through, we encourage one another, by admiring and critiquing our works. It is worlds within worlds with much to learn and experiment with.

The kilns have been running hot. Our very dedicated kiln-masters spend many hours carefully bringing our works into fruition. We are all so very grateful for their time, their expertise and commitment. We thank each one of you.

Due to COVID restrictions, CACA did not have an Arts Festival this year, however we made a financial donation to CACA to help with the ongoing operations of the facility. We are all hopeful that next year we will be able to join with the other groups at CACA and celebrate with an Arts Fair.

As this year closes, we would like to extend our best wishes to all our members and their families. May you enjoy good health, happy festive times and contentment in your creative journey.

Happy Christmas and all the very best for 2021.

Hard Pressed Printers

Well it is hard to believe that it is time to write up another newsletter. The printing group have had a couple of activity days within this time.

Our wonderful printer, Barbi Hemming, introduced us to a printing process called Cyanotype. It is a 170-year-old photographic printing process that produces prints in a distinctive cyan-blue print.

We had the most wonderful day and the results were fantastic. A huge thank you to Barbi. We are all very hooked on this type of printing, and since then, have produced prints on paper and material.

We had yet another activity day with our wonderful Barbi Hemming, and she showed us how to do Japanese book binding. Again, it was such fun and have been making notebooks using our prints to put on the covers.

Our last activity day will be middle Dec where we will be making Xmas cards/tags using each others lino cut and etchings depicting the Xmas theme.

Our Xmas break lunch will be at the centre this year in early December and then a break till middle of January 2021.

**We wish everyone a Very Happy Xmas
And
looking forward to a Safer and Happier 2021.**



Lace Makers

Despite the problems 2020 has presented, our ladies have managed to produce some extraordinary pieces of lace, whilst working at home. As restrictions have eased Maureen has been able to photograph some of this beautiful work and would like to share this with you all. Included are a few examples for you to enjoy.

Forthcoming Events:

1. 21 Nov 2020 - Host the General Meeting of the Queensland Branch of the Lace Guild.
2. Easter 2021 - Paper and Thread Exhibition.

It only remains to wish you all a very **Happy Christmas**, looking forward to a **better** year ahead.



Thursday/Friday Art Group

Well, it has been a tough year, yet the Thursday / Friday Art Group continue to thrive. Although all our members did not feel comfortable returning to the Sturgess room to continue working there. The group still managed to sign up six new members in the past few months. Dividing the group into four sessions has allowed for smaller groups working at the same time, and feedback from the groups is that the atmosphere is congenial and supportive. The smaller groups make it easier to socialise.

The T/FAG management team has been meeting monthly since July and are trying hard to make improvements for the group – including writing up all of the volunteer roles so anyone can understand the workload and nominate themselves into the position at the next AGM. We are also doing some pre-planning for next year... so stay tuned!

A number of the members are communicating and sending through information on external workshops and exhibitions they hear about with the other members. This is a positive that our members are sharing with each other.

We are now looking forward to our Christmas lunch in December – at a new venue – the bright and cheery Parklands tavern, where we are being spoiled in a cosy function room, a 4 course meal, bonbons and lots of social sharing.

Thanks to Sue Lawton, we will have lovely Christmas centrepieces which will be given as a lucky door prize to six of our members. It is a touching thank you to those members who have been so patient and understanding this year.

We hope all CACA groups have a wonderful Christmas break and that next year will bring less COVID concerns and more creativity for everyone!

Embroiderers

Hello everyone from Caloundra Embroiderers. Here we are in spring with the Embroiderers enjoying this creative time of the year.



We have just had our work on display in the Foyer. We called it "A Trip Down Memory Lane" showing pieces of work representing both workshops completed over the years as well as pieces simply and beautifully created by members.

One of our lovely members, Joan Roberts has tendered several pieces of Hardanger to be sold on behalf of Embroiderers in the recently reopened Gallery. This is certainly a place to find delightful gifts for others or ourselves.

A large percentage of our members are currently enjoying a workshop with Jenny Clouston. They are all working very diligently, and the pieces are progressing well. Jenny is a wonderful tutor. We also have a photo of a “work-in-progress” for you to see and will be able to show you some photos next edition. Watch this space!



Hopefully 2021 will see us offering some different workshops for members. Some of these are being considered with a time frame to be offered in the New Year.

We are looking forward to our Christmas lunch on 3rd December at #3 Bar & Grill.

We trust everyone has a happy and healthy break over summer and we look forward to seeing you all back in February 2021.

Quilters

It is good to see more members returning each week, we had 50 members attending last Friday which was good to see. Lots of excellent show and tell as members have been spending more time at home.

The monthly sit and sew run by Judith on a Saturday or Sunday continues to be popular and this last weekend it happened over Saturday and Sunday.

We have once again booked Meals on Wheels for our Christmas lunch on site. We had a good meal with them last year and Deb our charity convener has suggested we make table mats for meals on wheels to give as a gift to all their clients at Christmas, 350 in all! Well as usual our ladies are rallying round and as of last Friday, we already had over half completed despite the short notice. They are piling in every week so hopefully we will have enough by Christmas.

Night Owls are having their Christmas dinner at Three Bar and Grill.

To continue our charity support we were finally able to have a raffle this year for 2 quilts (see pictures) made by our members. All proceeds from this raffle will go to Legacy.

Thank you to those who were able to sell tickets.



Andromeda Art Group

AAG is offered to predominantly 'established' artists who will come together in KINGFISHER to practice their recognised or emergent fine art talent, compare notes, 'take tea' occasionally, to enjoy and avidly support the fabulous creative community base that CACA truly is – a hard-won repository of wisdom, of creative endeavour and a veritable cornucopia of around 600 talented people who thrive in each other's unfettered company.

THAT innate respect and collegiate warmth is the 'juice' of this Fine Art Group -- let it be ever thus, mes amis.

So, already there is a low frequency 'buzz' – already there is the promise of select workshops, of VIP bus tours to distant Galleries, to explore exhibitions, to visit art supplies caches, and to take a day here and there – at the beach or up over the escarpment - to savour Nature's Gifts and paint 'Plein Air' - like there is no tomorrow.

And the occasional innovative 'Courtyard Lunch', of course!

'Andromeda Art Group' has arrived. A cautious-COVID-ten artists may now gather all morning and for some, all afternoon on Mondays only, to grow in confidence, experience and excellence -- AAG's, or aka "Andy's", journey will be long and pleasurable, fruitful and explorative, not encumbered at all by earthly admin 'fluff', and **serve its Mother CACA well -- on on.**

'**Andromeda**' was the name of a beautiful Ethiopian (Phoenician) Powerful Princess (a PPP). That stunningly elegant Royal became infatuated with a Proud Powerful Potent Prince (a PPPP), far away, in another grand civilisation. The pair courted – not easy then, not an 'on-line romp' in the ether, either. Finally, Andromeda accepted Grecian Prince Perseus' proposal of Marriage. Sighhhh! They then dabbled awesomely in Mediterranean high-end real estate and select lines of high-end commodities for export/import.

This we (sort of) know. Real, yet so symbolic for us, is that PPP's name.

That momentous bilateral connection occurred in documented in tomes that record Early Times of the ‘Career of Mankind’, in that mysterious region many know as ‘The Cradle of Civilisation’, give or take a 1000 miles or so . Historians were never born to be precise! (So, I hear).

Now, fast forward some 3507 earthly carbon-dated years, to when the Galaxy of all Galaxies was discovered, in 964 by a Persian astronomer. That nebula was named Andromeda in 1764. An untidy astronomer saw a glint or two, far far away in the inky blackness of the outer Ectosphere, high above the Stratosphere. It was probably that messy astronomer ‘Charles Messier’ who named that huge heavenly body – ‘Andromeda’ – after the Princess (yes, the PPP). So beautiful and scintillating and powerful an image it was, to his enraptured Astronomer’s eye. Its “science-based tag” is ‘Messier 31’ Or ‘M31’. A stunning nebula.

It was indeed a Galaxy of Note – a galaxy of a trillion plus stars (I wonder who counted them to arrive at that convenient total) – shining in Harmony and Serenity , in perfect Synchronicity with its like-imaged twinkling constituents, as though suspended in perpetuity on a deepest black, double-woven misty velvet shroud, that One might have imagined, was so close to ---- Heaven.

(Here endeth the short glassy intro-dissertation based on possible Truth and adventurous Embellishments, designed to gather your attention!



The Happy Yarners

Three months on and Happy Yarners are in full swing again. It is lovely to see we have new member interest, enlarging our group.

Some amazing work has been done by Graham and the ladies. From **Grahams** wall hanging to **Carols** unicorn head. Now that THE Season is coming up so fast, we have **Julie** and **Sue** knitting up a Nativity Set, with **Linda** trying to help put some of it together – bumble fingers me. Christmas stocking already made by Carol to hang by the chimney.

Squares for next years charity blankets are already on the go, along with **Lorna's** miniature beanies, and crochet sea-shell coasters - which would look good on any table. Lacey Circles are in abundance for **Anne W** and **Trish** to put together for their projects of Eastern Jewels Rugs. Gorgeous.

Jo-Anne and **Patti** have been busy with cardigans, and Patti's broom stick crochet. **Dianna** with her hats that we are happy to see her proudly display.

Ann B has runners on the go and **Robyn** is going great guns with her baby blanket. **Carolyn** is putting up teapot cosies, squares for the blankets and a few other pretty things.

Welcome back **Liz**, good to see you again with your lovely works.

We are a "happy family" group.

Our final message for the year is for everyone everywhere to have as Happy a Christmas as you can make it in these cut-off times. Hold loved ones in your arms or hearts whatever the case must be.

Keep staying safe and well.
WE ARE GETTING THROUGH THIS

See you all in 2021.

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