



# Chainstitch

Otago Embroiderers' Guild Inc

**October 2017**

## COMMITTEE for 2017

<b>President</b>	<b>Brenda Burton</b>
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Raffles	Nicky Van de Jagt
Treasure Chest	Shelley Scoular
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Welfare	Brenda Burton

### **ROSTER**

Catering	Robyn Ashton, Barbara Smith
Hostess	Julie Dawkin
Library	Margaret Stevens
Treasure Chest	Colleen Kelly

## NEXT MEETING

Leith Bowling Club, 2 Duke St, Woodhaugh  
**Thursday 26 October - Library at 6.45pm - Meeting at 7.15pm**

## THURSDAY MORNING WORKSHOP

**Senior Citizens Rooms, Lower Octagon 9.30am – 11.45am**  
Cost: \$1 tea Full membership is required to attend workshop.

## PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Hello everyone from a bus trip in Germany.

I had two interesting days in Guangzhou on the way here, walking the streets with a friend and even having a Chinese massage, a first for me! Today we are heading to Hamburg where I will be able to catch up with friends briefly, then on to Munich followed by a visit to the Black Forest. Friday 6 October I go to Ireland. WIFI is marvellous, I have been able to email while on the bus!

I hope you all had a successful Saturday meeting and I bet there was a lot of enthusiasm for the release of the Wanaka programme. I'm sure those of you who are planning to go will have no problem choosing from the classes offered.

Coming up before that, of course is the Southern Regional Exhibition and I hope you have managed to complete a piece for that. Unfortunately I won't be home in time to attend the opening but Mary will I'm sure, fill my shoes perfectly, as Vice President.

The children's classes have been amazing again this year, with such a variation each Saturday and lots of learning and encouragement from very willing tutors. Thank you to Gaynor, Kath and Liz, Martine and Meg, and Belinda. Thanks also to Jenny whose project was not able to be taught due to the cancellation because of the weather, we hope to be able to have your class next year.

If you have any ideas re the programme for next year please let the committee know.

The AGM is also approaching, please consider helping on the committee.

I will update you on my travels briefly for next Chainstitch, in the meantime, happy stitching.

Brenda



Hello everyone

The seasons are changing and all our lovely spring plants are beginning to flower which means warmer days are just around the corner. Our next meeting is an evening meeting on the 26th October.

The Southern Regional Embroiderers' Exhibition needs to be our focus this month especially if you have a piece of embroidery that fits the criteria for entry. The closing date for entries is October 6<sup>th</sup>. Stitchers from Otago and Southland will be present which gives us a great opportunity to mix with other like-minded people. The merchant stalls are wonderful to browse through as are the displays from each guild. On top of that there will be a speaker and morning and afternoon tea. So make sure you mark Saturday 28th October on your calendar.

The exhibition at the H D Skinner Annex opens on Sunday 29th October from 10am to 4pm, and finishes on Saturday 4th November. I know that if any of you have time to make a Christmas decoration for the tree it would be greatly appreciated as would a contribution for the pamper pack which to be raffled.

It is very important that our tutors are thanked for the preparation, time and energy they put into running our Saturday classes during the year. We have all enjoyed a wide variety of interesting and challenging opportunities to learn new skills and this would not happen if it were not for them. So, thank you, to you all.

And once again can I ask you to think about making yourselves available for the Guild Committee. Forms will be available for nomination at the next meeting.

Happy stitching

Mary Flaherty

Vice President



# SOUTHERN REGIONAL DAY

The following is the proposed schedule for the Southern Regional Meeting Day

## Saturday 28 October

9.00am	Retail starts
10.00am	Morning tea <i>Guild displays to be set up</i>
10.30am	Welcome address/meeting/reports <i>Guild displays being judged</i>
11.30am	Guest Speaker
12.00noon	Prize presentation
12.30	Lunch and retail
1.30pm	Raffles drawn
2.00-3.30pm	Guild Exhibition open for viewing at HD Skinner Annex, Museum Reserve  <i>Open to all Guild members and guests</i>
4.00pm	Retail closes

**Sunday 29 October - Saturday 4 November - Exhibition open to the public**

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## RAFFLES Southern Regional Day and Exhibition

**We are still collecting items for the raffles. Items can be brought to the Thursday 26 October OEG meeting.**

If you are not attending the above meeting and have items for the raffles you can deliver your items to: Jane Carroll, 12 Byron Street, Mornington, Dunedin. Phone 027 411 7394



### ***Embroidered decorations for the Christmas tree***

Decorations - no larger than **10 cm square** on a **cream/ecru background**.  
Fabric Luano or similar.



### ***Pamper Pack***

If you prefer to give a gold coin donation towards this raffle we can purchase the items. Your contributions can be placed in the box for the raffle at the meeting.

**Thank you for your support**



# SOUTHERN REGIONAL EXHIBITION

Hosted by Otago Embroiderers' Guild

H.D. Skinner Annex, Otago Museum, 361 Great King Street, Dunedin

Sunday 29 October – Saturday 4 November 2017

## Categories:

Ivy Pollard Award	Paua and Pearls
Miss Moran Award	New Zealand Themed Embroidered Bag (Traditional)
Miniature	Kiwiana theme (max. size of 15cm x 15cm excluding frame)
Contemporary	A walk through a New Zealand garden
3 Dimensional	New Zealand Native Creepy Crawlies (max. size 30x30x30cms)
Open	Anything Goes!
Children's	Own Choice

## There will also be awards for:

Judges - Best in Show, First time Entrant and Viewer's Choice

## PROGRAMME

**THURSDAY 26 October**

**Stitch Station**

## NOTICES

### Project Group

The group meets the second Thursday of each month for two and a half hours. We finish with supper. Most members are working on their Strawberry Thief but some have finished and are working on their own projects. Our last meeting for the year is on the 14th December. The group has indicated they would like to continue next year as they have enjoyed working with others on their embroideries. New members are always welcome. Please phone Mary Flaherty 027 640 5064 or 03 477 9513.

## Simply Sewing for Sudan - Save the Children Sewing Sale

**Sunday 15 October 10.00am – 2 pm Blind Foundation Hall, 458 Hillside Road, Dunedin**

If you have items you no longer need e.g. fabric, buttons, beads, wool, threads, zips, needles or patterns you may like to donate to this very worthy cause.

For collection please contact Shellah 477 974 or Anne 476 1253 or Liz 455 4401

## Of interest

“To create useful and beautiful embroideries seems to be inherent around the globe, and practised since time immemorial.

The study of embroidery is limitless, there is always another forgotten technique to research, and re-introduce, and new methods to master.

Improve drawing skills, and study Master painters to see how they composed their work and used colour. To become more observant of the familiar. To care for precious textiles. To make statements both religious and social. These aspects are my interest.

Of all the arts and crafts, embroidery is surely the richest in tradition, the most fascinating in its history and development.”

*Gay Eaton*

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