



Chainstitch

Otago Embroiderers' Guild Inc

January 2017

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Welfare	Brenda Burton

2017 Next meeting

Leith Bowling Club, 2 Duke St, Woodhaugh

NEXT MEETING Thursday 26 January 2017 at 6.45pm

THURSDAY MORNING WORKSHOP

Workshop commences 2 February 2017

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

PRESIDENT'S NOTE

Hello and Happy New Year to everyone.

I hope everyone has had a restful Christmas and some time to stitch since December. It is amazing how quickly the season passes and we are back into our usual routines.

Our first meeting for the year is approaching and I'm hoping to enjoy some of your first stitching pieces. I have one that I must have been very young when I did it. My embroidery path probably started thanks to my grandmother who stitched me a sponge bag with my name beautifully embroidered on it. I was seven at the time and although she had been dead since the 1960's, I still have that treasure.

Wanaka is fast approaching and I have been busy preparing for classes, managed to choose ones with lots of homework! As well as Wanaka to look forward to we have the Southern Regional Day and exhibition coming up on Saturday 28th October.

Please give thought to the duties list which will be available at the next meeting. Nobody is exempt. The tasks are not onerous and if everyone does one then the load is shared. Any organisation like ours survives on everyone doing a bit to help so please don't see it as a negative thing. If the list is not full we will be filling in names at random from the members list. We also expect that if for any reason you are unable to do your duty that it is your responsibility to find someone to take your place.

Since our last meeting we have sadly lost Adrienne Taylor. Adrienne attended our Thursday workshop for a long time and I would like to think gained a great deal of pleasure from both her achievements and the friendship she had there during her long illness.

If there are welfare issues that arise during the year please make a committee member aware.

I hope you all have a happy and productive year with the Guild.

Brenda



REPORT on PUNT'E N'U Workshop – Pearl Stenhouse

Knotted Embroidery Workshop



Yvette Stantion, Tutor

Our tutor, Yvette introduced us to the history of Punt'e N'u (knotted stitch.) Traditionally Punt'e N'U was used on men's shirts, particularly the collars, cuffs, and yokes.

Yvette certainly has conquered the art of this beautiful knotted work. As with most tutors Yvette came laden with goodies, linen packs, banding, scissors, threads, pendant packs, and of course books she has written several including Hardanger, Mountmellick, Ukrainian and Portuguese to name a few.

I joined 11 women whose interest in the allusive needle and thread came together to conquer the art of Sardinian Knotted Embroidery.

With 9.00am starts and putting our watches back an hour each day (only kidding) still wanting more time.

Something is seriously wrong when 12 adult women can't count to 3 (some better than others) reverse stitching and undoing knots has taken on a whole new meaning. How wonderful to have a piece of embroidery finished before it is started, (as the border was worked before any knotted work was done)

This form of embroidery was a pleasure to work counting being the hardest, the art of doing the knots was in the tension. 28ct linen was used but still hard to find horizontal thread once mastered away we went.

Thank you Yvette for your patience and perseverance with your expert help all 12 finished the 2 days on a high.

Thank you also to all 11 ladies we had a lot of fun and laughter have gone home much wiser and full of enthusiasm and lighter wallets.
A must workshop for all in the future.

Wonderful Tutor, A lovely Lady

PROGRAMME

Thursday 26 January 2017

Please bring along your **first** ever attempt/piece of stitching to the meeting.

Copies of the 2017 programme will be available.

NOTICES

WELFARE of OEG MEMBERS

For the benefit of our members in our Guild community please keep Brenda or someone on our committee informed if you are aware of people are unwell or need assistance.

ROSTER 2017

The roster will be available at the January meeting.

Please place your name and phone number on the list. Your help is really valued as it provides time for the Committee members to participate in classes, as well as continue their own stitching.

The duties for the helpers are:

Catering	Assist Barbara by helping to set up the urns, tea and coffee for morning tea and lunchtime, and tidying away at the end of the meetings.
Hostess	Greeting members with Mary and ensuring the attendance register is signed.
Library	Helping Erin and Vicki by checking books back in and placing back on shelves.
Raffles	Selling raffles, set up by Nicki.
Treasure Chest	Assisting Shelley by setting up the "treasures" and being available

SUBSCRIPTIONS 2017

Subscriptions can be paid to the Treasurer, Jane Carroll, in an envelope with your **name on it**. Forms, if needed, can be picked up from Jane.

Full annual membership	\$60 (\$55 if paid by 31 March 2017)
Country membership	\$45 (\$40 if paid by 31 March 2017)
Associate Membership	\$30 must be current member of another Guild. State associated Guild on form.
Student Membership	\$20 if aged between 13-18 years \$2/session, if aged 5-12 years

Payment method options as follows:

Cheque: made out to 'Otago Embroiderers' Guild'.

Handing in: Place into envelope with your **name on the outside**, give to Jane at the meeting.

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