

July 2023

South of the River Potters' Club Newsletter

COMING EVENTS:

- Monthly Meeting Next Meeting Wednesday August 16th 6.15pm at Karlup Studio.
- Friendship Group For club members only. Wednesday afternoons. Between 2 - 4pm at Karlup Studio
- Empty Bowls: Sunday August 21st. Christ Church Grammar School
- CAAWA Members' Selective Exhibition – September 16th – October 1st. Moores Building, Fremantle.
- Glorious Mud Selective Exhibition October 6th – 16th
- MCAA Art Awards exhibition August 18th –September 3rd
- York Art and Craft Awards. September 2023.

July Meeting

Members glazed work is now being stored on the shelves in the library/office area. Please check regularly that your work has been fired and ready to pick up. Due to limited storage space inside the storeroom please check your work regularly and move to the shelves in the kiln room for bisque and glaze firings. Remember to collect finished glazed work from the shelves in the library/office area.

A reminder that members are asked to be vigilant when exiting from the toilet as the door sometimes does not close and lock properly. Within a short period of time the door will lock. Double check the door.

New scales have been purchased for weighing pots when submitting them for firing. There is a separate scale for bisque (\$5 per kg) and another set of scales for glaze firing (\$7.50 per kg). Please complete the spreadsheet and payment slips with all your details and deposit funds into the kiln account to cover your firing costs.

Just a reminder that there are concerns with glazed work being doubled dipped and pots are covered with too much glaze which is resulting in the glaze running off the pots and onto the kiln shelves during firing. The kiln technician has recommended that if pots need to be double dipped that members only double dip the rims. If members are unsure about glazing please ask for advice before glazing pots. Please remember to wipe all glaze from the base of your pots and the lower edge near the base so the glaze does not adhere your pot to the kiln shelf during a glaze firing. Club glazes can only be used by members who have paid the \$30 fee for glazes.

A new heat gun has been purchased. Please make sure it is cool before returning to its case with all the attachments.

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Contact Numbers

Members please note that on the inside of the kiln room door there are contact numbers to call if you have problems at the studio. Graham Longhurst is available to call if there are issues with your alarm code.

HEALTH and SAFETY

Members please be aware that due to Health and Safety precautions no dry sanding of work is permitted inside the studio area. If work needs to be sanded use wet sanding on the outside of the studio on the lawn area and please wear a mask to protect your own health.

Ceramic Classes Term 3 2023

A list of classes has been launched on the Club website for Term 3 2023. Classes commenced on July 24th and will operate till September 22nd.

Recycled Clay for Sale



Tracey-Lee van den Bergh and Barbara Wheater have worked very hard on a new initiative – recycled clay will be sold at \$3 per 2kg bag in the studio.

Members can record their purchases of the bags of clay in the register associated with the clay.

Payment can be made directly to the Bank account with the bag #, word "recycle" and your name. SOUTH OF THE RIVER POTTERS CLUB INC.

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Volunteers are still needed for assisting with the recycling of clay. If you can help please contact Barbara Wheater (b.wheater45@gmail.com)

Empty Bowls Event (Sun August 20th)

The Empty Bowls fundraising event for Food Bank is happening again in August. The South of the River Potters' Club has been a long-time supporter of the Empty Bowls project.

The standard of bowls being donated in past years has been very high and many guests at the lunch event in August have bought several extra bowls to take home and treasure.

The big bonus for our club is that we get to have a stall at the Empty Bowls event at Christ Church Grammar School. This has been quite successful in the past and it is great exposure for the club.

Members who have donated to the empty bowls event can sell small items on the day (**not bowls**). Work can be delivered to the club on Wednesday 16th August. Complete an itemised list and label pots with your name and the price of each piece.

Place your work in a box and leave on the table in the library area at the club.



Support the event and attend the function with friends, buy a bowl and fill with delicious soup and enjoy the social atmosphere.

Friendship Group

Wednesday afternoons between 2-4pm. Members are welcome to work together, exchange ideas and enjoy each other's company for a couple of hours.

Please bring your own clay. Contact Robyn for more information on (0420809144). Or please just drop into the studio on Wednesday afternoon.

This is a great way for new members to get to know each other and find out more about the club. Please note that this regular event is for members only.

Glorious Mud Exhibition (October 6th)

Judy MacCallum is asking for members to start organising their work for the exhibition. The theme for the exhibition is "Evolution". Judy will send out further details in the coming weeks. Start thinking about how you can help. Exhibition dates -6-16th October 2023

Club Rules and Guidelines for the Studio

A copy of the revised rules and guidelines has been emailed to all members. Please read and follow the guidelines when using the studio.

NEXT MEETING

Wednesday 16/8/2023
6.15pm at Karlup Studio.
All members are welcome to attend.

A day without pottery is a day wasted.
Create your own totem.



