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April 2021

South of the River Potters' Club Newsletter

COMING EVENTS:

- **MOCHA DIFFUSION WORKSHOP**
Wednesday April 28th 10am. \$5
- May Meeting – Wednesday 12th
- City of Melville Art Awards Exhibition October 22nd (Call for entries September 9-12)
- Glorious Mud Exhibition October 15th – 24th

CAAWA SELECTIVE EXHIBITION



Open every day 10-4 until May 2nd (From Tuesday after lockdown)
EarlyWork Gallery 330 South Terrace, Fremantle (in the old biscuit factory building)

Several SORPC members are exhibiting in the show including Sandy Robertson, Felicity Bodycoat and Clive Eger. The opening night drew a huge crowd with visitors spilling out onto South Terrace. The variety and quality of the pots on show is amazing – make sure to catch the exhibition!

<http://sorpottersclub.com>

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ATWELL GALLERY SHOP **NOT** CLOSING

The new Gallery Manager at Atwell Gallery, Brenda Ellen, has arrived and is full of enthusiasm and lots of ideas for energising the gallery environment. She is very keen to re-open the gallery shop and make it more visible to visitors so that it will be a more effective outlet for our creative endeavours. Stay tuned to learn more about Brenda's plans and when it might all happen.

MOCHA DIFFUSION WORKSHOP

Because there was such a poor response to the plans to have this workshop on the weekend, it has been re-scheduled for Wednesday morning.

Mocha diffusion is a highly decorative technique with a long history in traditional British pottery. **Barbara Reeve** and **Eve Gellatly** will conduct a demonstration workshop to show you the tricks and techniques involved in this fascinating process and guide you to try the technique with some of your own pots. Come along and share in the wealth of skills and experience that we have within our membership.

The demo/workshop is on Wednesday April 28th at 10am in Room 1. A fee of \$5 covers materials supplied. Please bring along a couple of leather hard (unfired) pots to have a go with decoration. Cups should have a foot that will assist with gripping the pot upside down when dipping it into the slip.

RSVP to Chris S Rogers ASAP so we have an idea of numbers. <creativesculptures@outlook.com> and check out the videos below to see how exciting this technique can be.



Pots by Chris Rogers

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ynSOt6RjSA4>

<https://mymodernmet.com/wp/wp-content/uploads/archive/PiIUT5aDmoUHNjNpIAe-KevinKowalski3.gif>



Pots by Eve Gellatly

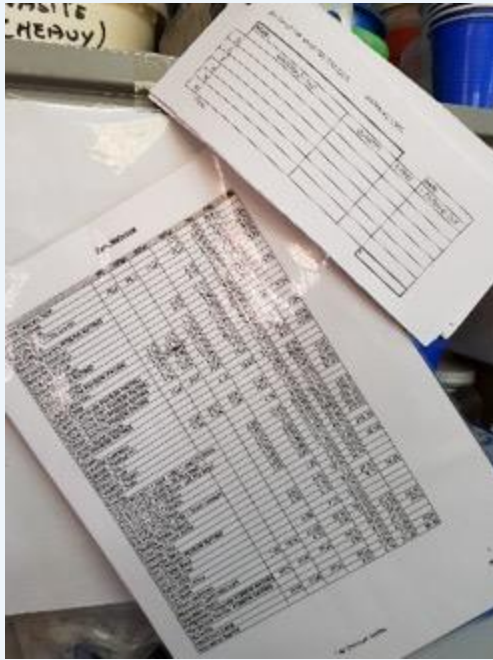
LIBRARY

The new Club librarian, Tracy-Lee, has been working hard to sort out and tidy up the library and create an online catalogue. The library has a wide range of reference books, several of which are out of print and hard to find classics. So, dip in and use this wonderful Club resource.

Check out the library catalogue on the Club website – www.sorpottersclub.com/library



GLAZE MATERIALS



There is a comprehensive collection of glaze materials in the work shed which are available to members wishing to make up glazes. Treasurer Peggy has produced a price list for the glaze materials and has also printed a charging form which you can fill out with the materials used and the amount owing for the quantity used. Please fill out the form when making your glazes and send the money to Peggy by EFTPOS identified with your name and 'glaze'. The forms should be left in the ziplock bag hanging with the price list.

KINTSUGI

Members often ask about the Japanese art of lovingly repairing broken pots and giving them new life and meaning. This article published recently in the Guardian is a beautifully written homage to the philosophy and technique of kintsugi – a highly recommended read.

<https://www.theguardian.com/lifeandstyle/2021/apr/10/kintsugi-helped-me-to-understand-my-brothers-death>



PROJECT SUNDOWNER

The first 'Project Sundowner' was held on Friday – just sneaking it in before the lockdown! The idea is for members to gather to do some work on a project, exchange ideas, have a 'squiz' at what other people are doing and enjoy a glass of wine or whatever. The Potato Van is strategically located outside Atwell House on Friday evenings and their food is great. To cover the cost of hiring the room (Room 2/3) we will be contributing \$50 for a term or \$7 for one session.

There are also plans to have periodic demonstration / workshops at the sundowners.

This week's get together was great fun and we all got some really good work done and enjoyed a nice glass of red. Please give it a go – come along and meet your fellow members.



Next Meeting:

- **Wednesday May 12th at 10am**

**Project Sundowner – each Friday 3.00-6.00
Room 2/3**