



January 2023

South of the River Potters' Club Newsletter

## COMING EVENTS:

- **SORPC Annual General Meeting: Saturday, February 25<sup>th</sup> 4pm**
- City of Melville Open Studios April 23<sup>rd</sup> at Karlup and Atwell House



QR code - Link to Club website

MCAA new website:  
[melvillearts.com.au](http://melvillearts.com.au)

## KARLUP STUDIO UPDATES

All air conditioning is now working manually. The controller in each area or room can be turned on and off manually – just don't forget to turn it off when you leave the building.

There is a double exhaust fan switch in the Wet Room, marked for the Kiln Room and for the Wet Room. The Kiln Exhaust switch **MUST NEVER** be touched – it is only to be used by the kiln technician and other authorised kiln operators.

Kiln Room modifications will soon be made so that there is a temperature sensor on the fans and a fume hood to better capture heat and fumes from the kilns.

The spray booth is now located outside the kiln room on the verandah and an additional wedging table has been refurbished.

Several members have donated glaze materials to the Club and these are currently being catalogued and sorted by Elaine Bradley. Particular thanks go to Eve Gellatly for her generous donation which includes a large quantity of excellent stains and underglazes.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM will be held on Saturday February 25<sup>th</sup> at 4pm followed by a Sundowner. All members are encouraged to attend and to consider taking on a role in the administration and day-to-day running of the Club and the Karlup studio. With so many new members we have a

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great pool of talent, so how about putting up your hand to offer some help? It's a great way to get to know your fellow members and contribute to your Club. More details will be sent out by the Secretary closer to the date.

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## WORKSHOPS AND CLASSES

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A number of workshops and classes were held in the last part of 2022 and workshops, demonstrations and classes are underway for the first Term of 2023.



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## TEAPOT CHALLENGE

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Come and join your fellow Club members in the fun and challenges of making teapots as a group project.

Over the next six weeks Club members will be creating teapots which will be shared in an exhibition at the end of that time. You can come to Karlup to work alongside other members or work on your project at home. Members will be at Karlup on the usual Club Days – Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays (mostly mornings) to share ideas and have creative fun together.

The current date suggested for the group display/exhibition is Sunday, March 12<sup>th</sup>. Bring along your teapot, even if it is still a work in progress – greenware, bisque or glazed.

The project was suggested by Ling Zhuo who is coordinating the arrangements – 0411 443 896. Ling also coordinates a Club WhatsApp group. Send her an SMS if you wish to be added to that chat group.



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## OPEN STUDIOS

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The City of Melville Open Studios event will take place on Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup>. Karlup will be open to showcase our Club and members are encouraged to come along so that visitors can see us at work. We will also be offering pots for sale, so start planning your stock list!

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## LIBRARY

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Our Librarian, Tracy-Lee, wants your suggestions for new books to add to the Club library. If you have seen any recent book reviews or heard of any 'must have' ceramics books that we don't yet have, get in touch with Tracy-Lee and let her know. Meanwhile, don't forget to check out the library next time you are at Karlup – it's a fantastic collection that includes several out-of-print classics and a huge collection of ceramics magazines.



## CLASSES AND WORKSHOPS

Places are still available for most classes beginning shortly – check them out and tell your friends!

Ceramics Classes - Term 1 2023	
Presented by South of the River Potters Club@ at Karlup Ceramics Studio Atwell House 586 Canning Highway, Alfred Cove More information and bookings at: <a href="http://www.sorpottersclub.com/classes">www.sorpottersclub.com/classes</a>	
<b>Robyn Varpins</b>	<b>Exploring Clay</b> - 8 weeks Mondays - 10 to 12 noon - February 6th to April 4th Robyn is a well known sculpturist who will lead you through therapeutic aspects of playing with clay, using a wide variety of clay techniques while developing creative expression Cost- 320 (SORPC members \$288)
<b>Robert Hawes</b>	<b>Wheel-work and Hand building</b> - 8 weeks Mondays - <u>Time</u> 6 to 9 pm February 6th to April 4th Robert will cater for all levels of wheel throwing as well as some handwork. Join a fun class with an experienced potter. Cost -\$396 (SORPC members \$357)
<b>Sandy Robertson</b>	<b>Children 9 to 15 years</b> - 8 weeks Tuesdays - <u>Time</u> 4:15 to 5:45 February 7th to March 28th Sandy is experienced, fun potter who loves working with children. This course will give an introduction to wheel work as well as hand built creations Cost- \$352
<b>Robert Hawes</b>	<b>Wheel and hand building</b> - 8 weeks Thursday - <u>Time</u> -12 noon to 3 pm. February 9th to March 30th Robert will cater for all levels of wheel throwing as well as some hand-work. Join a fun class with an experienced potter with in school hours. Cost- \$396 (SORPC members \$357)
<b>Finn Anderson</b>	<b>Wheel and Hand building</b> 8 weeks Thursday <u>Time</u> -6- 9pm February 9th to March 30th Finn is an experience teacher from Fremantle Arts. Ideal for working people wanting evening classes. Suitable for beginners to experience potters who want to improve. Cost \$396 (SORPC members \$357)



## Ceramics Demonstration and Workshops Term 1 2023

(at Karlup Ceramics Studio, Atwell House 586 Canning Highway, Alfred Cove)  
All booking for demonstrations and workshops at: [www.sorpottersclub.com/workshops](http://www.sorpottersclub.com/workshops)



<b>Cate Cosi</b>	<b>Maiolica demonstration/ workshop</b> Thursday 2nd of February- <u>Time</u> -9 to 12 noon Cate will be presenting a demonstration/workshop of her Maiolica Decorating techniques. 2 small bowls will be supplied for participants to decorate. Cost- workshop/demo is \$70 (SORPC members \$63)
<b>Geff Gomez</b>	<b>Workshop - Wheelwork - Bowls</b> Saturday 4th of February and Saturday 11 of February- <u>Time</u> - 1:30- to 3:30 Bowls will be made on the first week and finished and decorated on the second week. Cost -workshop over 2 weeks \$90.00 (SORPC members \$81)
<b>Elaine Bradley</b>	<b>Workshop- Decals</b> Saturday February 18th- <u>Time</u> 1:30 to 3:30 Add tonal drawings and photographs to glazed pots and find out how to make them using a printer. Cost \$58 (SORPC members- \$53)
<b>Geff Gomez</b>	<b>Workshop- Wheel work- Mugs</b> Saturday March 4 and Saturday March 11- <u>Time</u> - 1:30 to 3:30 Mugs will be thrown in the first week, decoration and handles will be added in the second week. Cost- workshop over 2 weeks \$90 (SORPC members \$81)
<b>Elaine Bradley</b>	<b>Workshop- Tissue Transfer</b> Saturday 18th of March- <u>Time</u> - 1:30 to 3:30 Using Silk screening techniques, print your own tissue transfer designs using under glaze Cost \$58 (SORPC members- \$53)
<b>Felicity Bodycoat</b>	<b>Demonstration- Slip Casting</b> Saturday April 1st- <u>Time</u> - 1:30 to 3:30 See the fascinating process used by Felicity to create her beautiful and subtly decorated pots. Cost \$55 (SORPC members \$50)
<b>Elaine Bradley</b>	<b>Workshop- Glazing</b> Tuesday April 4th- <u>Time</u> 9 am to 12 noon Bring up to 5 bisque pots. Learn the techniques of glazing. Practice glazing up to 5 bisque pots using a variety of methods. A handout will be provided. Cost: \$60 (SORPC members \$54)

For Term 1 Ceramics Classes starting February  
go to: [www.sorpottersclub.com/classes](http://www.sorpottersclub.com/classes)



## KARLUP CALENDAR

The Karlup studio space will be busy with classes and workshops in the coming months but care has been taken to ensure minimal disruption to members' access to the facility. Sundays, Wednesdays and Fridays are being kept free for members 'club days' and you will see from these calendars that there are also many opportunities on other days when a class or a workshop occupies only part of the day. All times indicated in pale blue are available for members' access to the Karlup studio space. Larger versions of the calendars will be distributed in a separate file. NOTE: times indicated on the calendar are correct at the time of printing but changes may occur at short notice.



**NEXT MEETING:**

**Wednesday February 15<sup>th</sup>, 6.15pm**

**AGM: Sunday February 25<sup>th</sup>, 4pm**