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From the Crafts Expo Section Head

Welcome to the summer edition of the Crafts Expo-Sure Newsletter!

The Crafts Expo is not far away now. The Chief Stewards are finishing preparations for what will be a very special event as we celebrate the centenary of Canberra in conjunction with our usual display of many unique and fabulous craft entries that are expected again this year.

It is encouraging to see the number of return exhibitors this year as well as many new ones. We have over 1200 entries this year which is an excellent result for the Crafts Expo. Check out the craft tips this edition and upcoming dates to remember, especially exhibit delivery dates and collection dates.

By the time those who have entered the Crafts Expo read this newsletter you should have received your entry letter with your exhibit numbers.

Get your tickets early for the Royal Canberra Show and we will see you at the Crafts Expo.

Happy crafting, Lilian

Preparations for 2013 Show

Preparations for the Crafts Expo are coming to fruition. The repainting of the craft artifacts that adorn the Coorong Pavilion is almost completed. There will also be some new pieces up on the roof to catch your eye as you enter the pavilion.

The Chief Stewards are busy collecting 1913 pieces of craft and memorabilia to display. They have had much fun making the many May Poles and wishing wells that will be throughout the pavilion. The pavilion will have a carnival fair atmosphere about it, 1913 style.

Come along and see their efforts as well those who will be dressed in period costume.

> Over 1200 entries havebæn submitted

Delivery Dates

Don't forget that if you are delivering your exhibits by hand, they are due at the Coorong Pavilion between 10 am and 12 noon on Sunday 17th February 2013. Exhibits coming by post must be delivered to the RNCAS Office by no later than COB Friday 15th February 2013.

If these dates and times cannot be adhered to, please contact the RNCAS Office or the Crafts Expo Section Head to make other arrangements.



Unless you make other arrangements with the Crafts Expo Section Head, the collection of exhibits occurs on Monday 25th February 2013. Uncollected exhibits (other than those to be posted) will be left at the RNCAS Office.

> Delivery of exhibits is Sunday 17th February 10am – 12 noon.

CRAFT TIPS

Here are another few craft tips to make your craft even more enjoyable....

Craft Tip #3: Don't throw out your old bottles of nail polish! They can be used for all kinds of crafts. You can paint plastic plant pots. Just mix different colors all together and the outcome is awesome! Your imagination is the limit and you can basically do anything with it! Jazz up old earrings, ornaments, shoes; anything that can be "sponge" painted.

Craft Tip #4: If the paint or glue on your craft work is taking too long too dry, expedite the drying process by using a hair dryer.

Previous craft tips can be found in previous Crafts Expo-Sure Newsletters, available on the RNCAS/Craft Website.

Craft Profile: Lilian Cooke



"I have been the Crafts Section Head for 15 years! When I took over the management of the Crafts Expo, I discovered the need for a Chief Stewards Handbook. This handbook was needed to assist Chief Stewards in performing their role and provides a timeline of the activities to be undertaken during the year in the lead up to the Crafts Expo at Royal Canberra.





I set up a Craft Committee to assist me in the planning of the Crafts Expo each year and its delivery. I was very surprised but excited to receive an award last year for my contribution to the Show Society. I couldn't have done it without the assistance from my husband Frank, the Craft Committee and the support of my family.

The highlight of my time as Crafts Expo Section Head was being presented my award by Glenn McGrath, the famous cricketer.

When I am not doing work towards the next show I enjoy making cards and running a tenpin bowling league for people with a disability and spending quality time with my family."



Upcoming Dates to Remember

Keep these dates in mind!!

Chief Stewards Meeting	Jan 17				
Chief Stewards Meeting	Feb 14				
Working Bee	Feb16				
Delivery of exhibits	Feb 17				
10am - 12noon					
Judging	Feb 17 - 19				
Pavilion setup	Feb 18 - 21				
Crafts Expo opens	Feb 22				
Crafts Expo closes	Feb 24				
Collection of exhibits	Feb 25				
8am – 10am					
Pavilion pack up	Feb 25				

Chief Stewards Meeting Mar 21

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