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From the Crafts Expo Section Head

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

If you were an exhibitor at the 2015 Crafts Expo, you should have received your copy of the 2016 Crafts Expo Schedule. Otherwise the 2016 Crafts Expo Schedule and entry form can be found at the following link: www.canberrashow.org.au/craft.

Entries are steadily coming in at this stage. But don't leave it too late as entries close on 17th December 2015.

Don't forget that if you are a financial member of the Royal National Canberra Agricultural Society, you receive a 20% discount on your entry fees.

Our theme for the 2016 Crafts Expo is "Retro". I am sure that brings back memories of big skirts, big shoulder pads and very colourful flairs! The Coorong Pavilion is going to look amazing with Chief Stewards busily getting together "Retro" items to decorate their respective subsections.

We are now on social media, so I recommend Facebook users to "like" the ActewAGL Canberra Show Facebook page and see our latest postings of photos and information. There will also be plenty of photos going up on Instagram in the lead up to and at the 2016 Crafts Expo under various 'crafty' hashtags. Keep a lookout for those and start following us.

There is also a new email address for the Craft Section Head if you have any questions relating to the Crafts Expo. It is <u>Craft@rncas.org.au</u>.

Our Recycle /Reuse /Upcycle Challenge is bound to produce some very creative exhibits made from all sorts of paraphernalia. Make sure you and check come out these inspirational pieces or enter one yourself.

See you at the 2016 Crafts Expo In February 2016.

Happy crafting, Kay

Become a Member of the RNCAS

And enjoy the associated benefits. For starters, as a member, you will receive two free tickets to the Home Show as well as members tickets to the 2016 ActewAGL Royal Canberra Show. As a member, you also can enjoy the Members Dining Room for your meals and relax with plenty of room in the Members part of the Grand Stand to watch all the ring events.

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Due Date for Entry Forms:

Entry forms for the 2016 Crafts Expo are due on the 17^{th} of December 2015.



Who's who in the Craft Section This Year

The Crafts Expo Section Head is Kay Sharp.

The Chief Stewards of the 2015 Crafts Expo are:

Beading: Elizabeth Hickey China Painting: Pauline Cooper Anne Toet Crochet: Decorative & Folk Art: Merrell Davis **Disabilities:** Michael Cooke Dolls: Anne Page Felting: Suzanne Hartshorn Knitting (Hand & Machine): Quentin O'Keefe Lindy Dugard Lacemaking: Lapidary & Allied Crafts: Norm Menadue Miscellaneous: Ann White Models (Scale): Ross Carlyon Models (LEGO): Mel Bezear Needlework: Vacant Papercraft: Harriet Stein Judy McDonald Pottery: Quilting/Patchwork: Melinda **Coupland Thorne** Sandra Southwell-Stevens Sewing: Spinning/Dyeing/Weaving: Val Walker Textile Arts&Millinery: Chris Bergin Woodcraft: Graham Reynolds If you are interested in becoming a Chief Steward or Steward of one of these subsections, please contact the Section Head through the RNCAS

Office on 6241 2478.

Entry Fees for 2016:

Adults: \$8 for a single entry, \$5 for each additional entry in the whole of the Expo. Every fifth entry is FREE.

Over 65's, Pensioners: \$4 for each entry.

Students: \$4 for each entry or \$10 for 3 entries



Keep these dates in mind!!

Crafts Expo Schedule available now. The Schedule is available online at :

www.canberrashow.org.au/craft

Entry Forms are due: 17 Dec 2015

Chief Stewards Meetings are held in July, October, January & February.

Delivery of exhibits is on Sunday 21 Feb 2016 between 10am and 12 noon.

Judging is on 21 and -22 Feb 2016.

Pavilion setup occurs between 23 and 25 Feb 2016.



Photos from 2015 Crafts Expo





Champion of Champions

RECYCLE / REUSE / UPCYCLE CHALLENGE

*New in 2016, presenting a great opportunity to recycle / reuse / upcycle your old junk and convert it into something spectacular!

NON PROFESSIONAL ADULT Classes

- 1. **Individual Entry** Any article made from recycled, reused, upcycled material of any medium
- 2. **Group Entry** Any article made from recycled, reused, upcycled material of any medium

STUDENT Classes

- 3. Student 18 years & under as at 17 December 2015 - Any article made from recycled, reused, upcycled material of any medium
- 4. Student 12 years & under as at 17 December 2015 - Any article made from recycled, reused, upcycled material of any medium
- Student/Child 8 years & under as at 17 December 2015 - Any article made from recycled, reused, upcycled material of any medium
- 6. **Group/School Entry** Any article made from recycled, reused, upcycled material of any medium

What a great way to help our environment!

So stop throwing out your junk, those old jumpers, linen, tiles, plastic bottles! Instead use them to make art deco, garden ornaments, fashion accessories, other wearables, whatever your creativity leads you to.

Students – get your school involved in helping reduce waste.

For ideas and inspiration, browse the web for "recycle/reuse/upcycle".

For materials, search your stash of 'good things' or visit your local recycling businesses.

