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This is a newsletter compiled by Miriam Miller, President Emeritus to help keep
Australian Rugmakers connected.

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THE INTERNATIONAL GUILD OF HANDHOOKING RUGMAKERS CONFERENCE OCTOBER 2015

Hello to everyone. The
2015 Conference of
The International Guild
of Handhooking
Rugmakers held in
Victoria B.C. Canada
went off splendidly...

We had eight
Rugmakers from
Australia, and eight
were also present from
Japan, of course the
overwhelming numbers
were from Canada, but
with a number from
USA and England.



Total around 180 altogether. It was a very interesting and exciting experience. I have
included a photo of the eight Australians

CLEANING RUGS From Mary Alexander, Sussex NB.Canada.

My sister and I bought a Persian Rug at an auction. It was during the winter. We put it
out in the snow. It was very cold and the snow was like power. We left it outside for
48 hours and then used a straw broom to sweep it. The rug had beautiful shades of
blue in it, which were not visible before we cleaned it in the snow.

A pity we cannot use that cleaning method in Australia. Sounds fun. My mother did something
similar in the North east of England when I was a child. --Miriam

FROM GAIL NICHOLS - BRAIDWOOD. N.S.W

Hi Miriam,

I've finished my latest rug.

It's titled Bobs Creek Culvert, inspired by the twisted and colourful weathered corrugated iron culvert removed from a local creek during recent roadworks.

I've attached a photo of the rug, and also my photo of the culvert.

This rug was hooked on hessian backing, with material mostly sourced from op shops in Braidwood.

Dimensions are 140 x 95 cm.

Now on to the next rug.....

Best wishes,

Gail



INSPIRATION FROM CULVERT



FINISHED RUG

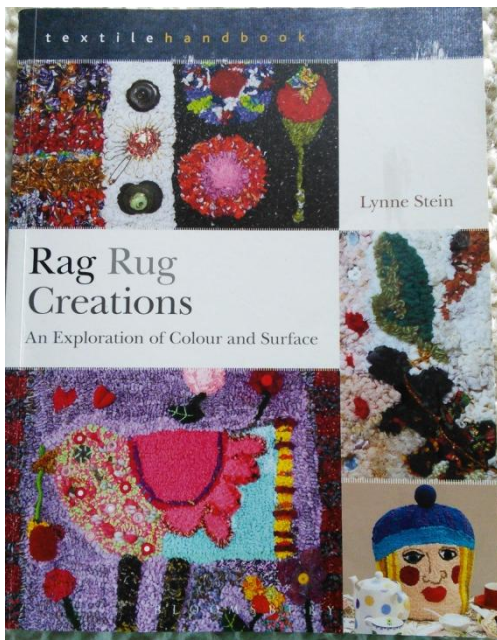


RUG MADE BY FUMIYO HACHISUKA from Japan.

This rug was made from a drawing by Fumiyo. Drawing was in last newsletter. Jacqui Thomson was teaching Fumiyo to spin, during Fumiyo's visit to the Narrawilly Proggy Ruggers, Milton during March 2014

BOOK REVIEW

RAG RUG CREATIONS WRITTEN BY LYNNE STEIN



PUBLISHED BY Bloomsbury Visual Arts, London ISBN 9781408157565

If you feel you need inspiration, try reading this book, Lynne encourages Rugmakers to try using many different recycled materials in rugs and wall hangings,. Things gathered on beach walks- found in skips,-worn out household items and broken jewelry, besides recycled clothing. We all need to rethink our rug making from time to time. Lynne is a widely know rug maker in the U.K. and has exhibited and taught extensively..

Please look at this video Link

<https://vimeo.com/145788260>

Your will see the work Lynne is doing in Jerusalem with children and it will make you smile



SUNSHINE COAST RUG CRAFTERS. QUEENSLAND

Enjoying their end of year function at 'The Secret Garden' Montville. This group meets the 2nd Monday and the 3rd Tuesday each month.

NORTH TAMBORINE QUEENSLAND

From Bec Andersen

There is currently an exhibition at Tamborine Mountain Library until 4th December, which is 'International Rug Making Day.' On this day people can come and have a cup of tea and get information about rug making. Here is the link that has the information .

<http://eepurl.com/bGaHk1>

YARRA VALLEY RUGMAKERS – VICTORIA.

From Anne Schafter

"In October, the Yarra Valley Rugmakers, Victoria, demonstrated ways of making rugs in the Guilds' section of the Stitches and Craft show in Melbourne. Many were interested in having a go and hopefully might bring some new members to our small group who continue to meet monthly on the second Saturday of the month. "



BELLINGEN RAG RUG GROUP N.S.W

From Maxine Keys



Photo taken at Gleniffer Quilt Show, which is held every second year. Last time Maxine demonstrated on her own. This time there were 6 enthusiastic Rugmakers.

Congratulations Maxine.

Present - Anna, Ann, Phornthip, Lyndall, Aiswasya and Maxine.

Ann hasn't finished her big rug yet, (on the wall behind them) still looking for the elusive grey blanket. Ann tried dyeing but unable to get the right grey, so she made another rug out of all the grey she dyed. Below - left Ann's second rug, and right Aishwarya's latest rug.



SUSSEX N.B., CANADA

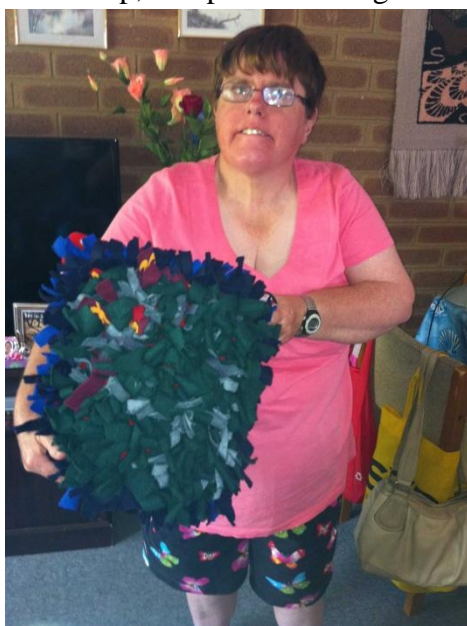


These are little wreaths made by Mary Alexander in Sussex Canada. She uses a key ring, ties on short lengths of wool, puts a little clip on the back and finishes with a bow.. A starting point for everyone, lets see how imaginative you can be, making a little Christmas brooch.

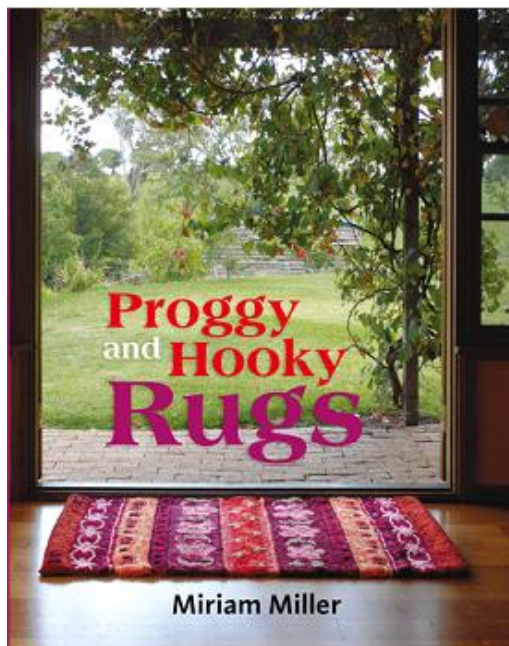
WAGGA WAGGA

From Thara Pech

Kery Forde was a participant in a rag rugging workshop held on 1 November 2014. The workshop was facilitated by Thara Pech especially for people with a disability. Kery, with some help, completed making her rag rug cushion cover which she had begun at the workshop (featured in this photograph). The cushion cover was entered into one of the competitions at the 2015 Wagga Show. Kery's cushion cover was awarded the first prize which is an awesome achievement. Kudos to Kery Forde!



ADVERTISING



I thought I could advertise my book.

The cost is \$20 Australian and postage within Australian \$8.25

For overseas the postage is nearly double.

Please contact me(Miriam) if you wish to purchase this book.

Email

narrawillyfarm@shoal.net.au

CONTACTS

NEW SOUTH WALES

MILTON

Narrawilly Proggy Ruggers. Meet 1st and 3rd Fridays every month.

Contact Miriam Miller email narrawillyfarm@shoal.net.au. Phone 02 4455 6870

Website www.shoal.net.au/~narrawilly/index.html

BELLINGEN, North Coast

Bellingen Rag Rug Group

Contact Maxine Keys at email baznmax@bigpond.com Phone 02 6655 0591

Group meets 1st Friday of the month from 10am until no set time.

BERMAGUI

Bermagui Rug Hookers. Contact Dawn Hollins at email pigeontree@live.com

Australian Capital Territory

CANBERRA

Contact Maggie Whyte at email maggieandfish@hotmail.com Phone 02 6281 0988

Mobile 0488747953 Name of group not decided yet, but they are to meet every fourth Sunday afternoon of the month at The Village hall, Straithnairn.

AINSLE- Spinners and Weavers Rooms- "Kurrajong" Cnr Angas and Shebrooke Streets, Anslle contact Jenny Harber phone 02 6230 2429

South Australia

STRATHALBYN

Strath Matters. Meet 1st and 3rd Fridays

Supper room of the Strathalbyn Town Hall

Contact Judy Stephens at email studioblue20@gmail.com Phone 08 85363451

Western Australia

DONNYBROOK

Donnybrook Hookers – meet every Wednesday 10am to 2pm

Old Blue Guide Hall, Cnr Ramsay Terrace & Marmion St, Donnybrook-

Contact Robin at email robin.inkpen22@gmail.com Phone 08 9731 2874

WANNAROO

The Wannaroo Rugmakers. Meet every Saturday morning 10am to 1pm at the Library and Cultural Centre in Northern Suburb of Wannaroo.

Contact Jo Franco at raggedyjaydesigns@yahoo.com.au

Queensland

KINGAROY

Contact Judith Brook at email judybrook@gmail.com

SUNSHINE COAST

The Sunshine Coast Rug Crafters meet twice each month at the Beerwah Library, 25 Peachester Road Beerwah. Map info about the library location at

<http://library.sunshinecoast.qld.gov.au/sitePage.cfm?code=libraries-map>

The group meets the Second Monday and the third Tuesday of each month from 2.30 – 5.30p.m.

New members are always welcome

Contact Judi Tompkins -- email judi.tompkins@bigpond.com or skype juditompkins

Meetings

2nd Monday 3rd Tuesday

14 Dec 15 Dec

NORTH TAMBORINE The Happy Hookers North Tambourine contact Bec Andersen email info@becandersen.com

Tasmania

DELORAINE

The happy Hookers, Deloraine contact Joanne Wild email wildjoanne@gmail.com

VICTORIA

YARRA VALLEY RUGMAKERS

Meeting days vary, so please check on blog.

Look on blog for more information <http://victorianrugmakers.blogspot.com.au>

contact Christina Noorbergen email jerryandchris@hotmail.com Phone 03 56596127

Joy Marshall email themarshalls@optusnet.com.au

Anne Schafer email a.schafer@bigpond.com

REMEMBER INTERNATIONAL RUG MAKING DAY ON 4TH DECEMBER
WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO TO CELEBRATE?

MEMBERSHIP AUSTRALIAN RUGMAKERS GUILD.

I am attaching a membership form for renewing or for first time members.

Payment is due 1st January

Anyone who is a member of Narrawilly Proggy Ruggers please ignore, as you are automatically a member when you pay your dues in May.

(In the next newsletter I hope to have the application form for membership of The International Guild of Handhooking Rugmakers.)

Australian Rugmakers Guild Membership/Renewal Application*

www.rughookingaustralia.com.au

<https://www.facebook.com/australianrugmakersguild>

NAME PHONE (.....).....

ADDRESS.....

CITY.....STATE.....

POST CODE EMAIL ADDRESS

SKYPE NAME

Membership fees: \$20 per year due 1st January each year.
(If you require receipt, please include a stamped addressed envelope)

Cash: \$ Cheque: \$ Money Order \$ *Direct Deposit \$

*Online payment (direct deposit/bank transfer) Account Name: Australian Rugmakers Guild
BSB Number: 065 515
Account Number: 1008 4911
Reference: (Your Name)

★ Renewal Applications please complete all details

Privacy Notice: Please note your email address, street address and phone number is listed in the Membership Directory.
Information from the Directory is available, upon request, to Australian Rugmakers Guild members.
Please mark with an (*) any of your information you do not wish to have provided to other members.

Mail application to – Jo Franco, PO Box 2212, Clarkson, WA 6030 or
Email to— rugcraftersaustralia@yahoo.com.au

Are you interested in forming, or being part of a rug hooking group in your local area? Yes []

Please indicate your suburb or the distance you're willing to travel to join a group

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