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SEPTEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER



Island Mug by Yuki Horiki (SEE p.5)

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Club meetings

The Management Committee meeting is held on the first Monday of the month at 4.00pm at the Club premises at 28a Grove Street, Cairns. We continue to practice social distancing at these meetings.

A word from our President ...

Lone White

*Cairns Potters Club
President*

August has been a busy month for the Cairns Potters Club with members again coming to the open days — Tuesday and Wednesday mornings — and both **adult and children's classes** (see page 4) have started again.

We have had several people joining the club during the month and judging from the clay we have sold over the last few months our members must have been very busy making clay works. Our last order arrived from the Clay Shed in Brisbane Friday afternoon and there are now less than 10 bags of clay left for other members to buy, so I will shortly let you know, when the next order will be placed with the Clay Shed.

We have now a new kiln officer, Karen Charlebois, and she has several members helping her with packings etc. (see page 7). Hopefully, we can in the future get things fired a bit faster. A new system re firings will be in place shortly.

The Cairns Potters Club has appreciated Amanda's great job as kiln officer. She is now too busy to continue and we thank her for doing it for such a long time.

As you may be aware, we managed to get a grant of \$18,560.00 from the Gambling Community Benefit Fund (GCBF) to purchase another electric kiln. Last year we also got a grant from them, however for a smaller kiln, so you will now see two new electric kilns in the kiln room and we hope that it should be possible for us to get members works fired quicker.

Do not forget our members **Raku firing day** 19 September 2020 (see page 4). Hope to see you there.

Lone White



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MELTING POT 2020

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11 December '20 – 10 January '21

Cairns Art Gallery

40 Abbott St, Cairns City QLD 4870

Phone: (07) 4046 4800

Over the years, the 'Melting Pot' National Ceramics Exhibition has highlighted current developments, trends and directions in ceramics

Australia-wide. Entry forms for **Melting Pot 2020** are available now from the Cairns Potters Club website or by contacting Lone White (07 4053 7508 or lone@tpg.com.au).



Ian Whittaker
QUEENSLANDER

CAIRNS ART GALLERY

Mollie Bosworth
DECAL ON PORCELAIN



Over the weekend of 22-23 August, our Glass Officer, Kate Prynne, guided a group of enthusiastic students through the process of making slumped and tacked glass artworks — creating colourful bowls, dishes, plates and more.

The Cairns Post reporter Jack Lawrie and photographer Brendan Radke visited the clubhouse to do an article about the glass workshop and other club activities. The Article was published on page 3 on 19 August 2020.



Creative glass workshop WITH KATE PRYNNE



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Remember to stay COVIDSafe! Please read our Covid-19 Guidelines at www.cairnspottersclub.com.

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Presents

Kids' Holiday Clay Play With Astrid Erika

Creative, nurturing environment to explore self expression. Inspire imagination into life through tactile nature play, learning new skills to brighten up the home with your children's beautiful take home creations.

Date: 24 September

Time: 9am – 1pm

Cost: \$45*

*All Materials Provided: Clay, colourful underglazes, tools, firing.

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Kids' holiday classes

Astrid Erika will be running a special extended school holiday class for kids at the clubhouse on Thursday, 24 September, from 9am to 1pm.

Inspire imagination into life through tactile nature play, learning new skills to brighten up the home with your children's beautiful take home creations.

Numbers are limited so contact Astrid now on 0406 566 227 to make your booking.



Regular pottery classes for adults and children

Classes are back! Astrid Erika is running regular Wednesday and Thursday classes at the clubhouse — for children from 4-5:30pm Wednesday and for adults from 6-8pm both evenings. Adult classes are \$25 per session for tuition, with additional clay and firing costs based on individual requirements. The children's classes include clay, colourful glazes, and firing. **Due to Covid-19 restrictions you must provide your own tools.** Please contact Astrid on 0406 566 227 for further information or to make your booking.

Raku glaze making & firing day for members

SATURDAY 19 SEPTEMBER (BYO Lunch)

We will be holding a members only get-together to make raku glazes and fire works in the raku kiln on site at the Clubhouse. You will need to bring bisque fired pots on the day or leave unfired pots at the clubhouse before 16 September, so the club can fire the pots (at a cost). Raku glazes will be provided by the club. We recommend you use raku clay if you can get it but most importantly remember to make sure your creations are not too thick and have an even wall thickness, so we do not get any explosions! Please keep your pots within the size limit of 20x15x15 cm.





Yuki Horiki

The Island life has inspired a signature to all my artistic works to date.



ARTIST of THE MONTH

Since leaving my routine classes at the potter's club of almost 7 years, my time has been spent travelling between Cairns and Bedarra Island, where I have been part time "artist in residence" for almost 5 years. The Island life has inspired a signature to all my artistic works to date. "love and harmony" is my logo. This little Island is very beautiful all year round, the smell of the flowers, the sea breeze and the sound of birds, waves and winds that flow throw the island's lush forest. I'm attracted to these things that we cannot always see, but sense. I want to express my heart and feelings in the objects that I now create.

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If you are interested in being featured as our Artist of the Month please contact cairnsottersclub1@gmail.com

Congratulations to Mollie Bosworth!

Winner of Pack & Send Townsville Award \$1500

The North Queensland Ceramic Awards

Friday 31 July – Sunday 20 September 2020

Perc Tucker Regional Gallery

Corner Denham St & Flinders St, Townsville City



Mollie Bosworth

IT'S NOT DARK YET (2019)

Porcelain, metallic salts

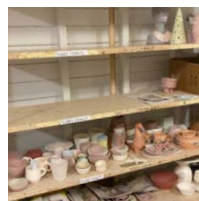
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Market day (tbc)

As the proposed Exhibition at the Cairns Show grounds is not going ahead there is a possibility of a Market day some time between now and our Christmas Fair which will be discussed at the Committee meeting on Monday 7 September.

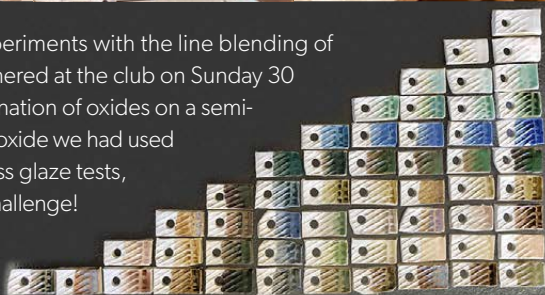
Regular kiln firings

With the clubhouse in operation, a brand new kiln, and our new kiln officer on board we are working hard to clear the backlog of Covid creations. Empty shelves can be seen again! Firings are conducted regularly, so if you do not have a kiln load yourself, contact Karen (see p. 7) about sharing a kiln load.



Lone's glazing students continued their experiments with the line blending of various oxides. A small group of potters gathered at the club on Sunday 30 September to test a slightly modified combination of oxides on a semi-matte base glaze. Due to a bad batch of iron oxide we had used for labelling as well as colouration of the gloss glaze tests, untangling our fired results proved rather a challenge!

The learning continues...



Glaze colour testing workshop

PART II

New kiln officer

We have now a new kiln officer, Karen Charlebois, who brings a wealth of knowledge and experience to the club. Contact Karen to arrange your firing (see link to kiln calendar below). You can find Karen and her fabulous work at Rusty's markets every Friday to Sunday.

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Regular clubhouse classes and casual gatherings

CLUB MEMBER GET TOGETHERS — No Cost Involved

(must be a Financial Member)

TUESDAY & WEDNESDAY MORNINGS — 9.00am to 12.00pm

Members can practise their hand building, wheel throwing, decorating and glazing techniques and perhaps share a firing. It is also a chance to get to know other potters and share their joy in pottery making.

Please note that Samallie will be conducting her classes on Saturday mornings and afternoons for a little while — however she is happy for a couple of people to come and work on the wheels while she conducts her classes if numbers permit.

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