



WELCOME TO THE MARCH 2021 NEWSLETTER

**Welcome to all our new members and returning members.
Our membership as at the 28th of February, 2021 was 105 members.**

AGM:

Thank you to the 18 members who were in attendance and for those who sent their apologies on Sunday 14th March and at The Samford Community Hub, Mt Samson Road, Samford.

The new committee is as follows:

President: Philip Pronger

Secretary: Marie-Ann Coyle

Treasurer: Carolyn Hohnke. Leona Reif will oversee the Trails to end June and hand over to Carolyn.

2021 Trails co-ordinator: Mel Strauss

Committee: Lucie Verhelst, Karen Hannay, Natasha Moore and Amanda Gardner (for Dayboro).

Web and Facebook manager: Chantelle Johnson. Rachael King will hand over to Chantelle.

Newsletter: Dianne Minnaar

COMMITTEE THANK YOU AND WELCOME:

A big thank you to **Lucie, Leona and Rachael** for all their hard work and dedication to our group. They have helped make us a name in the community. The new committee looks forward to guiding us through 2021.

Welcome to **Philip Pronger**, our new president of Creative Samford. Thank you so much, Phil, for coming on board.

2021 TRAILS:

We have 46 participants for 2021 Trails and we look forward to a wonderful month in June.

If you need more information about the Trails please email our Trails Co-Ordinator, Mel Strauss:

trails2021@creativesamford.com

2021 ARTS TRAILS BROCHURE:

Stella has done a magnificent job in the design and layout of our 2021 Trails brochure. Thank you, Stella. The booklets are being finalised and will be ready for print soon.

Stella will email each participant a PDF to check their profiles and photos for the Trail brochure. Please read your bio and contact details carefully. Also check that wheelchair access/no wheelchair access is correct (symbol or no symbol). And studio open days. Let her know if you need any amendments. Please also note that images are chosen for suitability for layout and best resolution for print. The guidebook will go live on our web site and MBRIT will also post the book on their site.

2021 LAUNCH NIGHT DATE CLAIMER:

We are planning an opening night launch of the 2021 Trails on **28th May** at The Samford Community Hub. Invitations will be sent.

TRAILS VIDEOGRAPHER:

We received a grant from Samford Progress Association to hire a videographer for the Trails.

This will be a very professional way of promoting our event throughout the region. The video will be added to our web site as a way of promoting the group.

TRAILS STREET SIGNS:

Please email Mel as soon as possible to let her know if you have any OPEN STUDIO street signs from previous years stored in your studio or shed: trails2021@creativesamford.com

OFF TRAILS UPDATE:

With all COVID compliances in place (thank you, Leona), the Off Trails was a successful event. Thanks to Dianne Hodge who took lots of photos and kindly shared them with the group. Thank you to all who helped and were involved and especially to Marie-Ann for organising this wonderful community event. The dance group was a big hit, the library sausage sizzle was welcome and the coffee van raised some money for Variety. We are looking to run a similar event in October. Please fill out the survey form as soon as possible.

CSI WEBSITE:

We received a grant from Smartygrants (council) to redevelop our web site. This is well underway with a big thank you to Rachael King for following through with this. It is looking SO good. You have the opportunity to update your 5 images in the gallery. For those new to the group, you can have 5 photos in the web gallery and space for a short biography. Please, make sure they are clear images and in jpeg format. Send the images to: admin@creativesamford.com

CSI FACEBOOK:

Our CSI community Facebook is up and running. Our members can post information about their work, other groups, workshops etc.

WOMEN'S SHED PROPOSAL AT FERNY GROVE:

Dianne Hodge represented Creative Samford. She gave a report at the AGM. It would be a shared space with the already existing Men's Shed at Ferny Grove so not really suitable for our group.

SAMFORD SHOW:

The Samford Show date claimer: **10th - 11th July 2021.**
All Volunteers (urgently needed) will receive a 2-day Show pass as a small Thank-You for helping. If you would like to speak to Carolyn about volunteering please call her on: 0448 328 914 or email adultsart@samfordshow.com.au

You can also add your name to the roster sheet at the Slab Hut in John Scott Park, Samford.
Dianne Hodge is looking for a steward for the Photography section and she will train someone. Contact Dianne at: hodgedi@hotmail.com

THE ART AND CRAFT SAMFORD HUB HIVE:

This social group meets at the Samford Community Hub on the 1st and 3rd Friday every month from 2pm till 4pm. It is for anyone who wants to work on their own pieces in the company of others. Bring your art items and a drop sheet if you are painting. The fee is a gold coin donation which is very good value! Tables and chairs are provided.

The next Hub Hive date is Friday the 16th of April. We hope to see you there.

ARTISTS FOR THE MONTH:

SUE FORD



Studio on Greenwood is a sublime space for Sue where she allows her creativity to emerge in a wide variety of textile art works, hand painted and silk dyed garments, scarves, sewing and home wares. Her artworks have also expanded to include the Japanese braiding technique of Kumihimo, the European stitching technique of Soutache and polymer clay to form one-off jewellery pieces of great beauty. Congratulations to Sue for stepping up to be the President of Samford Art and Craft Association this year.

Contact Sue: [0407 644 514](tel:0407644514) or email silkbysue@gmail.com

Amanda Gardner



Amanda is a mixed media artist experimenting with all sorts of materials and mark making on a variety of papers. She is interested in creative collaborations and sharing the process. Amanda runs the quirky studio retreat, 'Morethn a Shed' in Dayboro. It is a spacious studio space perfect for her art practice, creative workshops and community art activities.

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Stay safe, stay well and have a good break over the Easter Holiday.

FROM YOUR CREATIVE SAMFORD COMMITTEE:

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