

## President's Report

*The stress of running another show is over for this year, but already we are planning on next year's event. Due to the overwhelming response from the people who came over the weekend and the individuals who entered, we, as a committee have agreed to have the show on the last weekend of July, 2007.*

*We wish to congratulate all the winners and thank all those people who volunteered to help out over the four days.*

*I would also like to extend the committee's thanks to Peter Lee at Blacktown PCYC whose help was invaluable.*

*Next year we hope more people take a more active role in the show. We would also like to welcome the two new members who joined during the show.*

*Kerrie Girard*

## Judge's Report

This year's Silver Ceramic Show again presented a range of pieces of overall high standard to the Judges for their deliberation on Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July, 2006.

Each year it never ceases to be amazing to us as a group to see how some enthusiastic ceramic artists (or their teachers) come up with their ideas in preparing pieces for the Show.

We were fortunate to have some newly qualified judges to add to our ranks this year. This meant we

were able to have three teams of three judges, plus a chairperson, a total of ten judges at the Show. Each piece is judged and their scores are totalled to arrive at a result. The "Best Of" sections are judged on the votes of all nine judges.

At this show the number of entries were less than in previous years but never the less it still takes many hours for judging, tallying and preparing award cards and ribbons. At the end of the day when you see all the ribbons and the "Best In Show" table and many other awards it certainly confirms that it is worth it to have a Ceramic Show to promote our Industry.

The Judges would like to thank all those who assisted on the day, together with the CAA Committee for their hard work in putting together this Show and indeed throughout the whole year.

Congratulations to all the prize winners and looking forward to a continued high standard of entries next year.

Marilyn Wentzel – Chairperson 2006

## Welcome

The CAA Committee take this opportunity to welcome two new members to the Association. They are Veronica Talbot-Windeyer and Claire Lewis. Both these ladies are keen painters and look forward to contributing to the CAA.



# The Winners...



**BEST GREENWARE ADAPTION:**

Robyn Brown – Fired Up Arts

**BEST STAINS:**

Veronica Talbot-Windeyer – Fired Up Arts

**BEST FOLK ART:**

Doreen Morgan – no studio

**BEST UNDERGLAZE:**

Carmel Malcolm – Tennyson

**BEST GLAZE:**

Sonya Vey-Cox – Fired Up Arts

**BEST OVERGLAZE:**

Maria Vumbaca – Sandra's Ceramic Studio

**BEST PORCELAIN:**

Maria Vumbaca – Sandra's Ceramic Studio

**BEST GLASS:**

Maria Chetcuti – Ukandu

**BEST MOSAIC:**

Judy Winchester – Fired Up Arts

**BEST DECAL INNOVATION:**

Prize donated by Decal Specialists

Jordan Taylor – Ukandu

**NEW STUDIO WITH MOST ENTRIES:**

KMB Ceramics

**STUDIO WITH MOST ENTRIES:**

Fired Up Arts

**STUDIO WITH MOST WINNING**

**ENTRIES:** Ukandu

**BEST HANDBUILDING:**

Sandra Lee – Blue Gums

**BEST AUSTRALIANA:**

Doreen Morgan – no studio

**BEST 'OUT OF AFRICA:**

Alet Rue – Fired Up Arts

**BEST DISABLED – ADULT:**

Lesley O'Halloran – Blue Gums

**BEST DISABLED – CHILD:**

Stacey Kedwell – Blue Gums

**BEST SENIOR CITIZEN:**

Ngaire Bailey – Creative Cats

**BEST CHILD UNDER 6:**

Montana Sinclair-Foley – KMB

**BEST CHILD UNDER 8:**

Lauren Lee – Blue Gums

**BEST CHILD UNDER 10:**

Jordan Taylor – Ukandu

**BEST CHILD UNDER 12:**

Matthew Ryan - Fired Up Arts

**BEST CHILD UNDER 15:**

Jessica Brooke – KMB



**BEST CHILD OVERALL:**

Jessica Brooke – KMB

**BEST NOVICE:**

Ayesha Nicholson – Black - Tennyson

**BEST HOBBYIST:**

Joan Jones – Brookvale

**BEST ADV. HOBBYIST:**

Maureen Egan – Ukandu

**BEST PROFESSIONAL:**

Julie Hunt – Britt & Tyler

**BEST ADV. PROFESSIONAL:** Sandra

Vumbaca – Sandra's Ceramic Studio

**RUNNER UP IN SHOW:**

Maureen Egan – Ukandu

**BEST IN SHOW:**

Joan Jones - Brookvale

## Raffle Winners

There were three great prizes in this year's Show raffle.

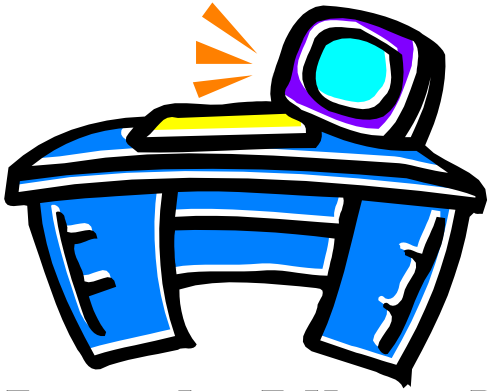
**1<sup>st</sup> prize** – an iPod was won by Rolly Lee – do dogs use iPods?

**2<sup>nd</sup> prize** – Australian Bird Vase by Veronica Talbot-Windeyer was one by Jordana Goth.

**3<sup>rd</sup> prize** – Movie tickets was won by Sandra Gally.

**Thanks to all those who bought tickets.**





## **From the Editors Desk:**

The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Ceramics Show was disappointing for a number of reasons.

Firstly, the lack of support from studios. How can the Association possibly continue to put on a show if studios take a “Don’t Care” attitude. Not only does it take a lot of time and effort to run the show and, as we all volunteer to do this, this year we have felt that our efforts have been fruitless.

Your students are the ones who miss out. They miss out on the thrill of competition, the anticipation of winning a prize and the joy of seeing their pieces on display.

Secondly, the apathy of suppliers. How can an industry grow, or even maintain its status quo if you don’t bother to go to shows? The two suppliers who did to attend came from Victoria and South Australia!

Why is everything left to the same handful of people who want the Show and the Association to succeed? What is wrong with wanting the Show to be a success? We have heard the excuse that Blacktown is too far away! Far away from where? We had entries come up from the South Coast, did they complain it was too far away? NO! They were happy to drive up to Sydney to drop off their entries on the Thursday.

You may not agree with what I have had to say, and that is fine. It is our democratic right to voice our opinions. Just remember, if there isn’t a show there isn’t any growth in the hobby ceramics industry. Wouldn’t it be an absolute shame if after 25years it’s now all over.

It’s not my generation who are going to miss out, it’s the children of today who won’t know what a thrill it is to compete in something other than the sporting arena.

If you have any comments you would like to make to me, please don’t hesitate to email me at [ros\\_nossiter@hotmail.com](mailto:ros_nossiter@hotmail.com) or fax to 02 9898 0389.

The views expressed in this article are solely those of the Editor, Ros Nossiter, CAA member and proud of it!

# Upcoming Events



The Murray Farm Primary School's 34<sup>th</sup> Annual Art, Craft and Pottery Exhibition is scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> - 29<sup>th</sup> October 2006. We are looking this year to feature more pieces of ceramics work and call on all ceramicists who might be interested in exhibiting and selling their items to the public. The Exhibition is well known throughout the area with heavy publicity promoting the dates. The Exhibition prides itself on featuring and promoting only hand made Australian Art, handicrafts and Pottery/Ceramics. If you are interested in Exhibiting please contact Cheryl White on 02 9872 9980.

# Our Website

To keep up-to-date with all things happening, don't forget to check out our website on [www.caansw.asn.au](http://www.caansw.asn.au)

# Thank you

The Committee would like to thank the following suppliers who donated prizes for this year's show:

- ★ Art Basics
- ★ Matisse Derivan
- ★ Ceramic and Craft
- ★ Designer Tools
- ★ Decal Specialists.