



## AUSTRALIAN SHEEP & WOOL SHOW BENDIGO

Friday 14th July – Sunday 16th July 2023  
Show times: Friday & Saturday 9am – 5pm  
Sunday 9am – 4pm

# WOOLCRAFT COMPETITION SCHEDULE 2023

**ENTRY FORMS** must be received by  
Friday 2nd June 4.30pm  
(do not send exhibits with entry form)  
**Late entry forms will not be accepted.**

### EXHIBITS

- **posted by mail**  
to arrive by end of Friday 30th June  
(registered mail recommended)
- **delivered by hand**  
to Woolcraft (Arts & Crafts pavilion) at  
showgrounds  
Monday 10th July between 2pm & 4pm  
Tuesday 11th July between 9am & noon  
**Late exhibits will not be accepted.**

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[australian-woolcraft.com](http://australian-woolcraft.com)  
[sheepshow.com](http://sheepshow.com)

# CONDITIONS OF ENTRY

1. Entries will only be received subject to the rules and regulations of the Australian Sheep Breeders' Association, Woolcraft Committee ("the Association").
2. All **entry forms** must be in the hands of the CEO on or before 4.30pm, **Friday 2nd June 2023. Exhibits to arrive via mail by Friday 30th June 2023** or be hand delivered by 12 noon **Tuesday 11th July 2023** (details front cover).
3. **Unless otherwise stated, all articles must contain at least 60% wool.** Wool blends – refer to glossary.
4. **The supplied sample bag must be firmly attached to each exhibit. Any exhibit without samples will be ineligible for prizes.**
  - Spinning: supply sample of fleece/top, state breed or type of fleece/top.
  - Handspun used in other categories: supply sample of fleece/top, plus sample of yarn produced. State breed or type of fleece/top.
  - Commercially spun yarn (or fabric when permitted): supply yarn/fabric samples and labels. If no label when purchased, state brand and place of purchase.
  - If using purchased handspun (where permitted): include point of purchase or spinner's name and include 30cm sample for burn test.
  - A burn test will be conducted if fibre content is questionable.
5. Exhibit tickets and sample bags to be securely pinned to **front** of exhibit with supplied safety pin (never use straight pins). Marking the front of your exhibit ensures it is displayed correctly (neither inside out nor back-to-front).
6. To be considered for Special Prizes, indicate on coloured Exhibit Tracking Form if exhibit is:
  - made from 100% superfine merino (**only 17.6—18.5 micron**), provide documentary evidence from supplier and include a 30cm sample for burn test
  - is an interpretation of the theme **CONNECTIONS**
7. All knitting to be worked by hand, excluding Classes 37, 38 & 39. Seams to be hand worked, unless otherwise stated.
8. Yarn when handspun, to be spun by exhibitor and include a 30cm sample for burn test
9. Exhibits which have been made by more than one person are not eligible, other than in Classes 66, 67, 68, 69 & 70.
10. No commercial fabrics to be used other than linings and trimmings unless otherwise stated in classes 61, 62, 65, 66, 67 & 68.
11. Exhibits must not have been shown previously at an Australian Sheep & Wool Show Woolcraft Competition and must have been completed within the last 12 months. Articles using Art Yarn from previous years will be accepted in class 63.

## CONDITIONS OF ENTRY continued

12. A **Novice** is defined as one who has learnt the craft within the past 12 months and has not won a prize in the section entered.
13. **No names, labels or photos showing any faces are to be attached to exhibits**; the only exception is age of exhibitor in classes 45 and 59.
14. Individual exhibits will be available for collection **after 6pm** on Sunday, 16th July 2023 or between 9am and 12 noon Monday, 17th July 2023. Collection of team exhibits outside these times may be pre-arranged.
15. All items will be unpacked at check in and set out in preparation for judging. **All care will be taken** of the exhibits submitted for competition and display. Any specific handling or consignment instructions should be noted on the coloured Exhibit Tracking Form. The Association shall not be responsible for the loss of, or damage to, any exhibit irrespective of the cause of such loss or damage.
16. **It is recommended that insurance be arranged by the exhibitor.**
17. The Woolcraft Committee of the Association shall have the power and right to:
  - a. reject or cancel any entries at any time without assigning any reason;
  - b. prohibit the participation by any person or any exhibit in any event for which it is entered without assigning any reason;
  - c. alter the time at which any class or event is to take place or to alter the conditions of entry at any event;
  - d. cancel any event or class without assigning any reason;
  - e. parade any exhibit unless the exhibitor specifically requests on the Exhibit Tracking Form that it not be paraded (except Classes 60, 61, 66, 67& 68);
  - f. reserve the right to use photos and videos of entries at anytime now or in the future;
  - g. publish names of participants at the Show or in the future.
18. The Association reserves the right to adjudicate upon any entry or upon any question of dispute or doubt, and to make any determination upon any matter, whether covered by the conditions of entry or not, to the intent that the Association shall have sole and absolute control of all matters affecting the conduct of the Show and the exhibits entered or offered for exhibition therein.
19. The determination of the Association upon all points shall be final and conclusive without the right of appeal.

### GIVE YOUR EXHIBIT ITS BEST POSSIBLE CHANCE

For **every exhibit**, carefully check:

- Class requirements
- Conditions of Entry
- Glossary definitions

## SPONSORSHIP AND PRIZES

Prizes are awarded at the judges' discretion.

**Cash prizes** (where applicable) will be direct deposited into bank accounts. Contact will be made to obtain banking details.

Donated goods will also be awarded as available.

All prize winners will receive a Prize Card and Ribbon.

## FEATURE BREED FOR 2023 Poll Dorset

The Poll Dorset is a short-wool, predominantly meat producing sheep.

Developed in Australia in 1937 from the Dorset Horn, a small group of skilled sheep breeders worked to eliminate the horns whilst maintaining the desired carcass attributes for the prime lamb industry.

Its main distinguishing features are its hornless appearance, long, lean square body set on short legs, pink skin and 'spongy' short-stapled wool. The Poll Dorset produces a fleece of white, dense downs type wool of approximately 30 microns fibre diameter and it has a white wool-free face.

Poll Dorset sheep have a 'downs' type of wool. Downs wool is known for its density and springiness, making it ideal for doona and quilt production.

With a staple length of 5-7.5cm, it is ideal for long draw hand spinning, which traps air into the fibre, making the yarn produced ideal for socks and jumpers.

In the commercial lamb production system, the density of the downs wool contributes to a higher quality skin. These are more valuable in the trade and are used for high wear items such as ugg boots and car seat covers.

*Australian Poll Dorset Association*

[polldorset.org.au](http://polldorset.org.au)

*Department of Agriculture NSW*

Agfact A3.3.10, first edition 1984

**WOOLCRAFT THEME FOR 2023:  
CONNECTIONS**

# SPECIAL PRIZES

Selected from all appropriate classes. A bonus granted if using Australian wool

## 1. MOST OUTSTANDING ENTRY WITH 2023 THEME:

### CONNECTIONS

Sponsor: Retired Woolcraft Committee Members

Perpetual Trophy: Kyneton Handweavers & Spinners Group

## 2. MOST INNOVATIVE ENTRY

Sponsor: Tantech Pty Ltd

Suppliers of innovative fibre craft detergents



## 3. KURBURN PARK MERINO STUD AWARD

IN MEMORY OF THE LATE TOM HARMSWORTH  
for best designed original handwoven apparel fabric from  
natural fibre

Sponsor & Perpetual Trophy:

Australian Association of Stud Merino Breeders



## 4. GORDON FORD MEMORIAL AWARD

for best entry using 100% superfine merino wool (any technique)

Sponsor and Plaque: The Ford Family (Morrialane Merino Stud)

## 5. BENDIGO WOOLLEN MILLS AWARD

for best garment from Australian  
commercially spun yarn

Sponsor: Bendigo Woollen Mills



## 6. BEST IN SHOW — SPINNING (classes 1 to 14 & 63)

Sponsor: Handweavers & Spinners Guild of Victoria Inc



# HANDSPINNING

## SKEINS

### ● Fleece From Sheep

Totally prepared by exhibitor from the same fleece.  
Samples of fleece must be attached. State WPI and intended use.  
If more than 1 skein per exhibit, tie skeins together.



1. Skein – fine (18 WPI or more) min 50gm **Wendy Thomas Award (Waverley Spinners & Weavers)**
2. Skein – medium (11-17 WPI) min 100gm (may be in 2 skeins)
3. Skein – bulky (10 WPI or less) min 100gm (may be in 2 skeins)
4. Skein – using natural dyes (state dye material used) min 100gm (may be in 2 skeins)
5. Skein – totally prepared by Novice, min 50gm
6. Skein – spun entirely with drop / supported spindle (if plied, also using spindle), min 50gm (may be in 2 skeins)

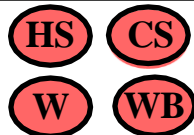
### ● Commercial Wool Tops

Samples of wool tops must be attached.  
State WPI and intended use.  
If more than 1 skein per exhibit, tie skeins together.



7. Skein – fine (18 WPI or more) min 50gm
8. Skein – medium (11-17 WPI) min 100gm (may be in 2 skeins)
9. Skein – bulky (10 WPI or less) min 100gm (may be in 2 skeins)
10. Skein – using natural dyes (state dye material used) min 100gm (may be in 2 skeins)
11. Skein – totally prepared by Novice, min 50gm
12. Skein – spun entirely with drop / supported spindle (if plied, also using spindle), min 50gm (may be in 2 skeins)

### ● Wool / Wool Blend



All entries must contain a minimum of 60% wool – handspun, unspun or commercially prepared. Other fibres may be included: animal (eg silk, alpaca), plant (eg linen, cotton) and/or synthetics, provided overall wool content is observed. Yarn & fibre samples must be attached.

13. Skein – Blended Fibres, state fibre/s used, min 100gm (may be in 2 skeins)

### ● Natural Animal Fibres



eg alpaca, cashmere, mohair, llama, angora rabbit, silk.  
May be blended. Fibre/s and hand spun yarn samples must be attached.  
If more than 1 skein per exhibit, tie skeins together.

14. Skein – Natural Animal Fibre may be blended, state fibre/s used, min 100gm (may be in 2 skeins)

# HAND KNITTING & CROCHETING

## USING HANDSPUN YARN ONLY

- Wool Only**

Attach samples of fibre & spun yarn, plus labels\*.

Yarn to be both spun and knitted / crocheted by exhibitor.



15. Knitted Jumper or Cardigan using 13 WPI or thicker (may include some crochet)
16. Knitted Jumper or Cardigan using finer than 13 WPI (may include some crochet)
17. Crocheted Article (may include some knitting)
18. Knitted &/or Crocheted Cap / Hat / Headwear
19. Knitted &/or Crocheted Pair of Socks
20. Knitted &/or Crocheted Accessory (check Glossary – Accessory)
21. Lace Knitting / Knitted Lace Article
22. Knitted &/or Crocheted Article or Garment for child 0-5 years
23. Knitted &/or Crocheted Article using natural coloured wool

- Other Natural Animal Fibres**

eg alpaca, cashmere, mohair, llama, angora rabbit, silk.

Minimum 60% other animal fibre, may be blended with other natural fibres.

Attach samples of fibre & spun yarn, plus labels\* must be attached.

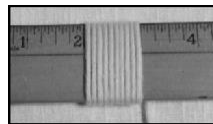
Yarn to be both spun and knitted / crocheted by exhibitor.



24. Article – state fibre
25. Garment – state fibre

**WPI:** = Wraps Per Inch.

The number of yarn wraps to one (1) inch, not pulling too tight, nor leaving too loose.



**W** = Pure Wool

**WB** = Wool Blend  
(min 60% wool)

**AF** = Other Animal Fibres (may contain up to 40% wool)

**HS** = Handspun

**CS** = Commercially spun

\* = See Condition of Entry no 4.

# HAND KNITTING & CROCHETING

## USING COMMERCIALY SPUN YARN

- Wool (minimum 60%)**

Yarn samples and labels\* must be attached.



26. Knitted Jumper or Cardigan using 8 ply/DK or thicker (may include some crochet)
27. Knitted Jumper or Cardigan using finer than 8 ply/DK (may include some crochet)
28. Crocheted Article (may include some knitting)
29. Knitted &/or Crocheted Article using own design—supply sketch & notes (max 1 x A4 page)
30. Knitted &/or Crocheted Cap / Hat / Headwear
31. Knitted &/or Crocheted Pair of Socks
32. Knitted &/or Crocheted Accessory (See Glossary – Accessory)
33. Lace Knitting / Knitted Lace Article
34. Article or Garment for child 0-5 years

- Other Natural Animal Fibres**

eg alpaca, cashmere, mohair, llama, angora rabbit, silk.

Minimum 60% other animal fibre, may be blended with any other fibre eg cotton, linen, synthetic. Yarn samples and labels\* must be attached.



35. Article – state fibre
36. Garment – state fibre

### GIVE YOUR EXHIBIT ITS BEST POSSIBLE CHANCE

For **every exhibit**, carefully check:

- Class requirements
- Conditions of Entry
- Glossary definitions

= Pure Wool

= Wool Blend  
(min 60% wool)

= Other Animal Fibres (may  
contain up to 40% wool)

= Handspun

= Commercially spun

\* = See Condition of Entry no 4.



## MACHINE KNITTING

All entries must contain a minimum of 60% wool.

Other fibres may be included: animal (eg silk, alpaca), plant (eg linen, cotton) and/or synthetics, provided overall wool content is observed.

Garment / outfit to be fully fashioned where appropriate.

Seams may be hand sewn or linked but not overlocked or machined.

Attach samples and state fibre used.



37. Garment or Outfit
38. Child's Garment
39. Any Other Article

## FELT MAKING

**HANDMADE FELT** – Entries must contain a minimum of 60% wool (excluding classes 42 & 45) and be fully fashioned where appropriate. Seams may be hand sewn or machine stitched. If lined, leave an opening for inspection of back of felt.

Attach samples for all materials used and state the breed and/or fibre content for the wool fibre that is used (see Glossary).

### • Wool / Wool Blend



40. Hand Felted Article (not wearable)
41. Hand Felted Garment (excluding nuno method)
42. Hand Felted Accessory (eg scarf, hat, boots, bag)
43. Hand Felted Article / Garment – nuno method
44. Hand Felted Article / Garment – commercially produced pre-felt / needle-felted batt
45. Hand Felted or Needle Felted Article or Garment made by a student (list age, school and course/year level)

### • Other Natural Animal Fibres



eg alpaca, cashmere, mohair, llama, angora rabbit, silk. Minimum 60% other animal fibre, may be blended with other fibres. Attach samples of fibre.

46. Needle Felted Article – natural fibres

# HAND WEAVING

## • Wool / Wool Blend

All entries must contain a minimum of 60% wool – handspun, unspun or commercially prepared. Other fibres may be included: animal (eg silk, alpaca), plant (eg linen, cotton) and/or synthetics, provided overall wool content is observed. Yarn & fibre samples must be attached.



47. Garment / Outfit
48. Length of Fabric, minimum 2 metres (2% tolerance) **Peg Harper Award (Waverley Spinners & Weavers)**
49. Article (eg stole, shawl, scarf, hat)
50. Soft Furnishing (eg cushion, place mat, runner)
51. Knee, Travel or Floor Rug
52. Article made on a rigid heddle loom
53. Article made with, or using, band weaving. Must be minimum 50% wool.
54. Woven Tapestry—no more than 1 metre in any dimension

## • Other Natural Animal Fibres

eg alpaca, cashmere, mohair, llama, angora rabbit, silk. Minimum 60% other animal fibre, may be blended with other fibres: animal (eg wool), plant (eg linen, cotton) and/or synthetics, provided overall other animal fibre content is observed. Yarn samples and labels must be attached.



55. Article / Garment – state fibre

## GIVE YOUR EXHIBIT ITS BEST POSSIBLE CHANCE

For **every exhibit**, carefully check:

- Class requirements
- Conditions of Entry
- Glossary definitions



## HANDCRAFTS AT HOME

All entries must contain a minimum of 60% wool.

Natural fibres or wool blends may be included, provided overall minimum wool content is observed.

Yarn samples and labels must be attached.



56. Handcrafted Article using any technique
57. Handcrafted Toy using any technique
58. Handcrafted Article / Toy using strong fleece (eg Lincoln, English Leicester, Romney, Border Leicester, Cheviot, Perendale, Drysdale)
59. Handcrafted Article using any technique, made by a child up to 15 years old (state age)

## FASHION GARMENTS

**THESE GARMENTS MUST BE SUITABLE,  
AND AVAILABLE, FOR PARADE**

All entries must contain a minimum of 60% wool.

Natural fibres or wool blends may be included, provided overall minimum wool content is observed.

Yarn samples and labels must be attached.

**Be sure to include:**

Brief description of assembly, plus photo of entry on a model for display in cabinet while outfit is paraded (no visible faces please, to ensure anonymity at judging)



60. Garment / Outfit using handcrafted yarn or fabric
61. Garment / Outfit using commercial yarn or fabric



= Pure Wool



= Wool Blend  
(min 60% wool)



= Other Animal Fibres (may  
contain up to 40% wool)



= Handspun

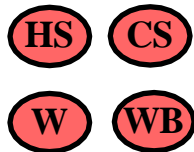


= Commercially spun

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# INNOVATION & COOPERATION

All entries must contain a minimum of 60% wool – handspun, unspun or commercially prepared. Natural fibres or wool blends may be included, provided overall minimum wool content is observed. Labels and yarn samples must be attached.



## ● INNOVATION

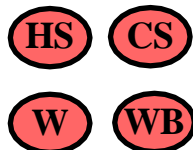
62. Handcrafted Article using innovative and creative techniques (eg shibori, saori weaving, dyeing, discharging, felting, machine embellishment, art yarn)
63. **Textures / Novelty / Art Yarn** (see glossary)  
3 x 50gm skeins, 3 distinct spinning &/or plying techniques (not fractal spinning). Fleece, tops, other animal fibre, commercial core and other materials may be used. Include samples of **all** materials used, state fibre/s used. Tie skeins together. Include brief statement of inspiration, techniques used and intended use for each skein.
64. Article featuring Art Yarn (see glossary page 14), any technique (may use skeins entered in previous shows)
65. **Remake, Reuse & Reinvent**  
Repurpose pre-loved wool (eg discarded garments, furnishings or scraps) into your own innovative design. Use any technique, or combination of techniques. Include “before” photo(s) & garment/product labels as well as yarn/fabric samples.

## ● COOPERATION *may be made by more than 1 person*

66. Article / Garment / Outfit with creative interpretation of the theme: **CONNECTIONS**, using multiple techniques. Include up to 100 words on developmental process.
  67. Garment / Outfit
  68. **Wearable Art**
    - Open to individual or group entry.
    - Entry needs to be a complete outfit ie if a skirt, it should also have a top. Accessories such as hats, shoes etc. can be included to complete the outfit.
    - Outfit should be unique, pushing boundaries.
    - The outfit must be original, creative, innovative and of good construction. It must be sufficiently robust to withstand quick changes in the parade.
    - Outfit may have a name / title that reflects its concept.
    - The outfit size must be stated and not less than size 10
- Outfit's description should include any special features eg materials or techniques used.
  - If possible, all Wearable Art outfits will be paraded on the catwalk, based on
  - the criteria being followed and subject to the discretion of the Association.
  - Multiple entries are encouraged.
- ★ **Be sure to include:**  
Brief description of assembly, plus photo of entry on a model for display in cabinet, if outfit is paraded (no visible faces please, to ensure anonymity at judging) storyboard format.

## TEAM COMPETITIONS

All entries must contain a minimum of 60% wool – handspun, unspun or commercially prepared. Natural fibres or wool blends may be included, provided overall minimum wool content is observed. Labels and yarn samples must be attached.



### 69. TEAM / FAMILY COLLECTION

- A collection of 5 articles, showcasing a minimum of 3 different crafts eg knitting, weaving, felting, crochet, embroidery.
- No storyboard. No diorama. No fancy display or props.
- Items will be judged solely on variety of crafts exhibited and skills displayed.

### 70. TEAM / FAMILY INTERPRETATION OF THE THEME: **CONNECTIONS**

The display must be of good construction, transportable and assembled in such a manner that the judges are able to view the techniques used without disturbing the overall exhibit. Maximum dimensions: 1 metre wide, 1.3m high. Entries will be judged on originality, creativity, integrity and innovative interpretation of the theme.

Each entry must:

- include a minimum of 5 articles demonstrating a minimum of 3 crafts.  
The 5 articles to be judged must be listed and each have a sample bag of fibres.
- be **accompanied by a 'storyboard'** (see page 18) to be displayed with exhibit.  
Storyboard should include an explanation of the interpretation of the theme, number of techniques used and where shown. Photographs may be included.
- be entered in the Team name (refer to Glossary) – team members' names may be listed separately for display after judging.
- Unless other arrangements have been made, exhibit must be set up by team members between 2 & 4pm Tuesday 11th July and dismantled by team members at a pre-arranged time after the show.



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(min 60% wool)

**AF** = Animal Fibres Only (may  
contain max 40% wool)

**HS** = Handspun

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# GLOSSARY OF TERMS

This glossary has been compiled to assist exhibitors when entering the Woolcraft Section of the Australian Sheep & Wool Show. These terms are intended to be used for the purpose of clarifying the Show Schedule.

**ACCESSORY:** Article worn to complete, or as part of, an outfit eg socks, mitts, scarf, jewellery, leg warmers.

**ALPACA:** The fibre of the alpaca, an animal from the South American Camelidae family.

**ANGORA:** The fibre of the angora rabbit.

**ARTICLE:** An accessory, toy or furnishing. When a class calls for an article, this means one (1) piece only.

**ART YARN:** The manipulation of fibre using innovative/creative spinning techniques to produce a consistent, original style of yarn (not fractal spinning).

**BLEND:** A mixture of fibres blended together. Unless otherwise stated a blend must contain minimum 60% wool.

**CAMEL:** The fibre of the camel or dromedary. Either the coarse outer hair, as used for rugs, etc. or the soft under hair as used for jumpers, etc.

**CASHMERE:** The fibre of the cashmere goat.

**COMMERCIAL YARNS / FABRICS:** These are yarns / fabrics that have been purchased by the exhibitor. They have been commercially manufactured. In classes where these are permitted, it is a condition of entry to attach to the exhibit a sample of the yarn / fabric and any tickets or labels that were supplied with the yarn / fabric. If no labels, state brand and place of purchase.

**COTTON:** The fibre of the cotton plant. The semi-processed stage (ie cleaned but unspun) is the origin of 'cotton wool' as used for medical purposes. This is not permitted as 'wool' in this schedule.

**DESIGN:** Where applicable, includes design as a fashion garment (shape, silhouette, etc.) and design of motifs and patterns (whether alone or combined).

**DISCONTINUOUS WEFT:** Weft does not go edge to edge, but is built up in areas.

**EMBELLISHMENTS:** Trims and embellishments can be used in small quantities to enhance an article where class permits. This includes buttons, laces, zips, metallic yarns, beads, ribbons, elastic, etc. These do not have to be of natural fibres or wool, provided they suit the design of the article.

**FELT:** Handmade fabric using wool fibre, which is matted and fullled. It is formed by heat, moisture and friction.

– **Fulling:** Is the second and final step of the felt making process. During this process the soft fabric is rolled, then rubbed and finally it is worked vigorously to make it shrink and compact to become a firm felt. It is an essential process and helps prevent pilling.

– **Knitted Felt:** This is a knitted woollen article which is fullled.

– **Needle Felt:** A dry felt technique where the wool is matted using a barbed needle or needles.

– **'Nuno' Felt:** 'nuno' - Japanese term for cloth, therefore nuno felt is wool felted onto a layer of cloth.

## **GLOSSARY OF TERMS** continued

**FRACTAL SPINNING:** a method of systematically splitting a painted braid so when the fibre is spun & later knitted/crocheted, the colours are worked in a set sequence.

**FINISHING:** All exhibits must be totally finished for judging. Washing of articles is permitted where this is part of the finishing process, eg to remove grease and dirt from handspinning, or to finish / set woven cloths.

**GARMENT:** Clothing excluding accessories. Note that a garment may also be exhibited as an article.

**HANDCRAFTED:** Where this appears in the schedule, it means any technique the craft person chooses - spinning, knitting, crocheting, weaving, hooking, punching, felting, embroidery, etc. suitable to the purpose of the stated class number.

**IDENTIFYING LABELS:** It is a condition of entry that no identifying labels should be visible to the judges. Any identifying labels on clothing, etc. must be removed or covered with a piece of fabric tacked over firmly. Any labels found by stewards will be removed or covered during judging. This also applies to faces in photographs.

**INSPIRATION STATEMENT (individual entry)** — See page 18.

**JUTE:** Natural fibre obtained from the bast layer of the corchorus plant. A 'stringy' yarn commonly identified with macramé.

**LINING / INTERFACING ETC:** Garments may have commercially manufactured lining fabrics, interfacing, etc. of a natural or synthetic nature.

**LINEN:** Natural fibre produced in many forms from the flax plant.

**MOHAIR:** The natural fibre from the angora goat.

**NATURAL ANIMAL FIBRES:** Those that are of animal origin (eg wool, silk, mohair, cashmere, alpaca, angora) as opposed to those that are of plant origin, artificial or regenerated by synthetic processes.

**NATURAL PLANT FIBRES:** Those that are of plant origin as opposed to those that are of animal origin, artificial or regenerated by synthetic processes, eg cotton, linen, jute.

**NOVICE:** Person who has learnt specified skill in last 12 months.

**OTHER ANIMAL FIBRES:** Any fibre NOT derived from a Sheep

**OUTFIT:** An ensemble (2 or more pieces) of clothing that the wearer can 'step out' in, without having to add to.

***WOOLCRAFT THEME FOR 2023:  
CONNECTIONS***

## GLOSSARY OF TERMS continued

**PLY:** Fine: 18 WPI or more (approximately commercial 3 ply)  
Medium: 11 – 17 WPI (thicker than commercial 3 ply yet thinner than 12 ply)  
Bulky: 10 WPI or less (approximately commercial 12 ply or thicker)

**SAMPLES:** A plastic sample bag is sent to all exhibitors for each entry, together with safety pin and exhibitor ticket showing Class No & Exhibit No.

**SAORI:** Woven as a plain weave structure with personal creativity, introduced by a free flowing approach.

**SHIBORI:** Techniques to give cloth a three dimensional form by folding, twisting, binding and stitching.

**SILK:** Fibre forming the cocoons produced by silk worms.

**STORYBOARD** — See page 18.

**SYNTHETIC:** A manufactured fibre, eg nylon, polyester, etc. For the purpose of this schedule, this includes regenerated fibres eg viscose, bamboo, soy, Tencel.

**TEAM:** Two or more people.

**TEAM COMPETITIONS:** Classes 68 & 69 are designed to encourage the participation of crafts people working as a team. Five exhibition tickets with sample bags are supplied – one sample bag must be attached to each of the five articles for judging. Photos and descriptions should be included to assist window dressers.

**TECHNIQUE:** A distinct method in a particular craft.

**TOY:** Usually made for children to play with, but may be for visual enjoyment only .

**WOOL:** The fibrous covering of SHEEP. For this schedule, 'wool' refers only to wool from a sheep NOT cotton-wool, Earthwool, steel-wool, etc.

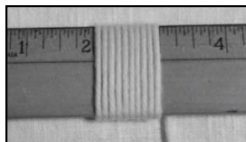
**WOOL BLEND:** This Show is encouraging the use of wool and, unless otherwise stated, wool blends (where permitted) must contain at least 60% wool.

**WOOL TOPS:** Wool fleece, which has been scoured, carded and/or combed; the wool fibres are then drawn into slivers. In the skein spinning section Wool Tops can only be used in Classes 7 – 12.

**WOVEN TAPESTRY:** Traditional weft faced, discontinuous weft tapestry, using wool as weft (as created by Australian Tapestry Workshop).

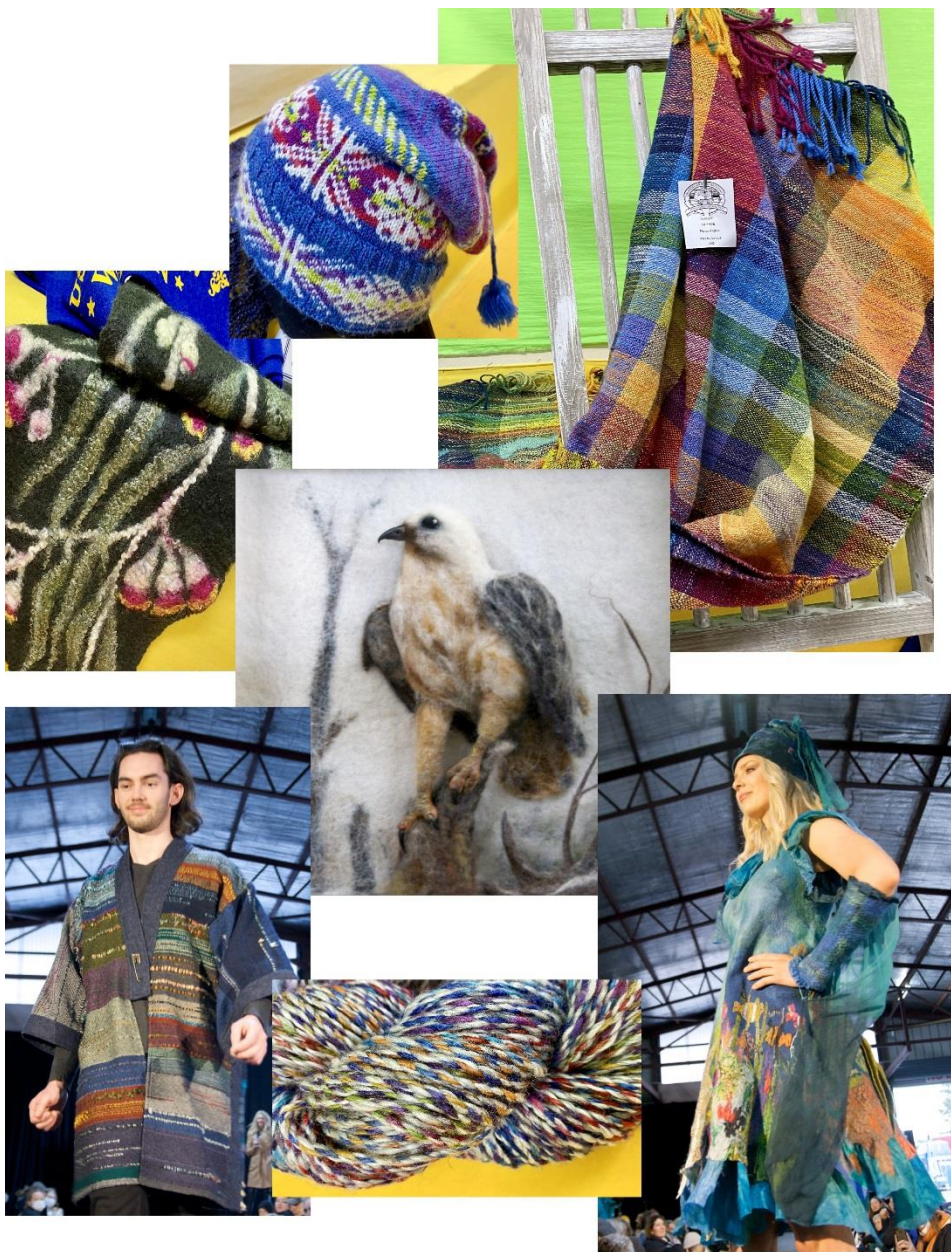
**WPI:** = Wraps Per Inch.

The number of yarn wraps to one (1) inch, not pulling too tight, nor leaving too loose.



**YARN:** For the purpose of this schedule 'yarn' is commercially or handspun fibres.





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## HAVE YOU EVER WONDERED WHAT JUDGES LOOK FOR?



When comparing articles that are frequently quite dissimilar, the judges award points in a range of categories, granting prizes according to total scores.

Before comparison of entries is considered, the judges check that all conditions of entry have been met for each exhibit.

Points are then awarded under topics such as:

- **Meets Conditions of Entry numbers 3, 4 & 5**—see page 2 (10 points available)  
If conditions are not met, 0 points will be awarded. The entry will be judged, but is ineligible for a prize
- **Suitability of Purpose** including texture, feel, materials, drape (10 pts)
- **Structure** including evenness, consistency, construction method, wearability (10 pts)
- **Finish** including blocking/finishing, appropriate surface texture, ends/fibres secure, appropriate seaming, selvedges, edge stitches, fully felted, any holes? (10 pts)
- **Presentation** can include neatness, colour, design (10 pts)
- **Overall impression of entry** the WOW factor (5 pts)

The inclusion of design notes, a storyboard or inspiration statement (see below) can be very influential when two entries have accrued identical scores.

### ⇒ **DESIGN NOTES / INSPIRATION STATEMENT**

A maximum of 1 x A4 page—could show inspiration, design process &/or sampling.  
*Useful for judging but will not be displayed.*

### ⇒ **INSPIRATION FOR THEME**

A brief explanation is essential to illustrate your connection with the theme and the processes/techniques used. *Not necessarily displayed.*

### ⇒ **STORYBOARD — TEAM ENTRIES**

Creation of a storyboard about your entry is encouraged as these extra details can assist the judges. Storyboards can also include non-identifying photos.  
For display purposes, please limit size of storyboard to one A3 or two A4 pages.  
*Not necessarily displayed.*

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