

**Arrowsmith Pottery Guild  
Membership Meeting Minutes  
February 11, 2026**

**Attendance:** Barb Strachan, Patty Takacs, Ginny Clark, John Shauer, Terry Yoxall, Brenda Miller, Sue Wilkinson, Michelle Ainsworth, Al Bubnys, Sheila McConnell, Helen Nicholson, Laura Zazzara, Patty Redman, Chris Duckworth, Melissa White, Lenna Ius, Russell Clarke, Sandra Porter, Nancy Smith, Sue Huong

**Regrets:** Juanita Kehler, Rick Lardner, Karen Donald, Iris Neuman, Patti Nixon, June Parker.

**President's Report:** Patty Takacs

Amendment to January Minutes: Beginner's Wheel class began January 19 and not January 29. Patty Redman moved to accept Jan. minutes with the above amendment. Terry Y seconded. Passed.

- Russell's Beginner Wheel class is running right now. Russell is interested in teaching more classes in the near future.
- Patty T has contacted the Island Corridor Foundation, our landlord, and requested that our building lease be renewed for 2 years with an option to extend to 5 years. The request has to go before the ICF Board on Feb. 20th. Our lease ends on April 1, 2026.
- Patty T will follow up with Quality Foods regarding renting a room for our AGM meeting in October 2026.
- Kim Donohoe has volunteered to be Patty T's backup for website management. Thank you Kim and also Patty for doing a great job.
- There was discussion on whether we need to do something to slow down our studio membership intake. Right now we have 67 studio members. It was agreed to let it be for now and address it later if the need arises.

**Treasurer's Report:** Ginny Clark

Shop sales for January were \$4,100. Firing revenue was \$691. The biggest expenditure for January was the new wheel stools.

**Ginny addressed the need to make an accounting adjustment for our unredeemed gift cards. Terry moved for this to be done and Brenda seconded. A big thank you to Deb Betz and Ginny for their good work.**

**Workshops:** Ginny C. Has organised for Anita Lawrence to do 2 workshops, one on March 21st., Sgraffito, and one on March 22nd., Surface Decoration with slip trailing and underglazes. Sign up for Anita's Workshop is online and Cost is \$40 per workshop. An email will be sent to membership announcing the date online registration begins.

Lilach Lotan has been contacted to do a workshop in April. "The Making of a Platter with Octopus".

Due to discrepancies in class costs, it was agreed that all classes henceforth will cost \$15 per hour per person.

**SPRING SALE**

The Mother's Day Nearly Perfect sale will take place on May 2nd. Terry Y volunteered to organise the sale and Helen volunteered to help her. Thank you both!

**Studio Manager Report:** Brenda Miller

- \$708 was billed for January firing services.
- Kiln #3 is down and waiting for a new motherboard.
- We have had 4 new members since Christmas, so there is a need for members to clear the damp cupboard shelves, drying shelves, and the shelves in the glazing room as quickly as possible. Class items will be needing space.
- Only 1 box of clay per member is allowed to be stored in the Studio.
- **Pottery Items remaining from 2025 will be destroyed February 19th. so please check in if you wish to keep them.**
- Times for studio closure for class time are posted on the entrance door to the studio and on the online calendar.
- Thanks to Chris Duckworth for a great job putting safety tape over the electrical cords,
- A better effort needs to be made in cleaning our new blue and white wheel stools after use!
- Spring Clean-up still to be organized.
- If you are the last person to leave the Studio PLEASE inform the person on Shop duty and lock the studio door when you leave. This is for safety reasons!

**Meeting Adjourned 7:23 pm**