



Celebrating 40 years in 2019

INFORMATION FOR REGISTRANTS & FESTIVAL PATRONS 2019

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TIMELINE OF EVENTS

Friday 31 August 2018	Applications open for Traders and Food & Beverage Vendors
Wednesday 31 October 2018	Entries close for The Longest Thread Competition 2019
Friday 18 January 2019	'Early Bird' applications close. No discounts after this date
Friday 08 February 2019	Postal entries close for Fashion Design Competition
Friday 22 February 2019	Cancellations close. No refunds after this date
Thursday 28 February 2019	
09:30-18:00	Site set-up Market Traders
09:30 -15:00	Site set-up Food & Beverage Vendors
14:00-17:00	'Information Tent' open for Festival Patrons & Registrants
19:00-20:30	'Meet & Greet' at Town Hall*
Friday 01 March 2019	
09:00-17:00	Gates open/close for trading
09:00-11:00	Personal deliveries of entries for Fashion Design Competition (at the vestry of St Michael's Church)
10:00-16:00	SpinIN Festival official activities
19:00-21:00	'Community Meal' at Town Hall*
Saturday 02 March 2019	
09:00-17:00	Gates open/close for trading
10:00-16:00	SpinIN Festival official activities
19:00-late	'40th Birthday Dinner' at Town Hall*
Sunday 03 March 2019	
09:00-12:00	Gates open/close for trading and packing down
10:15-14:00	'Meet the Designers' Brunch event at Ratho Farm*
15:00	SpinIN Program at Bothwell ends
Tuesday 05 March 2019 & Wednesday 06 March 2019	
09:30-16:30	'Subtraction Cutting Master Class' with Julian Roberts**

* 'Fun & Friendship' ticketed events. Limited seats. Bookings essential.

** Ticketed event at TasTAFE Alanvale Campus, Launceston. Bookings essential.

INFORMATION FOR REGISTRANTS & FESTIVAL PATRONS

Our Website & Social Media

Our website is where we publish all our documents and registration forms to download and print. It also allows you to register and purchase event tickets online and to sign up to our newsletter. Please take some time exploring the site to learn more about the SpinIN and its history. It can be found at: <https://bothwellspinin.com.au>

Our Facebook page is where we share current news and updates, along with many interesting articles and videos on all things fibre. Please visit and be sure to 'Like' our page here: <https://www.facebook.com/BothwellSpininandFibreFestival>

Advance Registrations

Festival Patrons are invited to register their attendance and book 'Fun & Friendship' events in advance. Please complete a 'Registration Form 2019' to register by post, or visit our website to register and pay online. A 'Registration Fee' of \$20 per person applies.

On Arrival

Please report to the 'Information Tent' at the main entrance to sign in and to receive your name tag. The Information Tent will open at 14:00, Thursday 28 February 2019. Non-trader patrons are asked to please avoid entering the park beyond the Information tent during site set up, as vehicular traffic may present a risk particularly on the Patrick Street end.

Festival Programme

We want to celebrate the creative State Tasmania has become. Original owners of this land and newest Tasmanians alike will all share the traditional fibre skills of their cultures. Official activities will occur from 10:00-16:00 Friday and Saturday. The festival will pack down at leisure on Sunday and conclude at around 15:00.

The 'Presentation Marquee' near the centre of the park will be the place to be for demonstrations and presentations. Our Special Guests and Market Traders will present skill sharing demonstrations and talks in half hour time slots throughout the day.

The 'Spinners' Den' will offer plenty of under-cover space for spinning and socialising. Displays of craft items will be distributed throughout the site.

State & International Guests

The SpinIN is pleased to announce, our invitations have been accepted. Rita Summers of Gone Rustic at St Marys and Jan Dineen, Tasmanian artist and textile creator will be in attendance.

They will be joined by our International Guest, Professor Julian Roberts from the United Kingdom. Julian is a fashion designer, travelling the world teaching his Subtraction Cutting Method. Committee thought bringing him here would be most interesting for weavers and other cloth makers, as his method creates beautiful shapes with a minimum of waste.

Julian will be presenting a Master Class of his Subtraction Cutting Method at Launceston after the SpinIN. Made possible in collaboration with TasTAFE and Rudolf Couture, this two-day event will take place at TasTAFE Alanvale Campus, Launceston. Tickets are available on our website.

Fun & Friendship

The SpinIN will offer a number of ticketed events. Tickets are limited in number, so we recommend registering for these on our website well ahead of time.

Thursday 28 February 2019, 19:00-20:30

'Meet and Greet' at Town Hall. Rest up from your journey and take the opportunity to meet other fibre enthusiasts, whether for the first time or to reunite with friends from past festivals. A low key casual event to commence the 40th SpinIN.

Friday 01 March 2019, 19:00-21:00:

'Community Meal' at the Town Hall. Relax after the first day of the festival to share stories and impressions of the day.

Saturday 02 March 2019, 19:00-late

'40th Birthday Celebration' at Town Hall. Dress code 'Highland Bling with an Unique Birthday Hat'. Trot out your fur, felt and finery to celebrate!

Sunday 03 March 2019, 10:15-14:00

'Meet the Designers' at Ratho Farm. 'Grazing Table' brunch will be available while our Special Guests present talks about their work

The Longest Thread Competition

This long-running challenge of skill and perseverance leads up to the SpinIN. Entries for the 2019 competition close on 31 October 2018. All entries will be on display and winners announced at the SpinIN.

Fashion Design Competition & Parade

Entries are open for our Fashion Design Competition. The entries will be shown in a parade planned in St Michael's Church on Saturday.

Market Traders

A variety of traders will offer wares ranging from raw fleece to yarns and finished goods. They will be delighted to discuss products and techniques. Food & Beverage Vendors will keep tummies full and thirsts quenched. Trading will take place 09:00-17:00 each day.

Workshops

Committee is working on assembling a line up of workshops to be held at the nearby Bookmakers' Hall. Please visit our website for updates.

Council Children's Playground

The CHC playground equipment installed in the park will be available to use. Parents are advised to supervise their children.

Food & Drink

A variety of food & drink vendors to keep you refreshed will be on site during the festival and local establishments in and around Bothwell will offer additional dining options.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Getting to Tasmania

Tasmania is an island South of the Australian mainland. It is well serviced by domestic air routes, with its main airports at Hobart (HBA) and Launceston (LST). Spirit of Tasmania ferries connect Melbourne with Devonport on the North West Coast and allow you to bring your own car.

Getting to Bothwell

The most convenient way to get around Tasmania is by private car. Bothwell is located in Tasmania's Southern Highlands, approximately 20km West of the junction with the Midland Highway at Melton Mowbray. The road is narrow, winding and hilly with variable speed limits and care should be taken. Bus services to Bothwell are limited and operate on weekdays only.

<http://derwentvalleylink.com.au/timetable/bothwell>

Distances and travel times to Bothwell vary greatly, depending on which roads you take. This is a guide for direct routes and individual journeys will differ.

Travel times to Bothwell from:

-Hobart Airport: 90km/1h

via Brighton/Midland Highway

-Launceston Airport 150km/2h

via Evandale/Midland Highway.

-Devonport Spirit of Tasmania ferry terminal:

Recommended route: 260km/3.5h

Follow signage for Hobart via National Highway 1, turning right at Melton Mowbray for Bothwell. Although this is our main highway, it is not a raceway. It may be wise to have a break at Epping Forest, Campbell Town or Ross to limit fatigue.

Alternative route: 180km/3.5h

Follow signage for Hobart via National Highway 1 to Deloraine and the Highland lakes road to Bothwell. This route uses B-roads beyond Deloraine. It is reasonably hilly and winding with varying speed limits. A service station, a shop and a hotel are located at Miena on the Great Lake. It is a picturesque drive, but it is traversing a remote area and the weather can make the trip 'interesting'. Take local advice at Devonport.

Protecting Native Animals

Native wildlife has not a trace of road sense and is prevalent in rural areas at night. Dawn and dusk are particularly dangerous on country roads. Use low beam lights at night and do not exceed the recommended speed limits. We value the lives of all native animals of Tasmania.

Mobile Coverage

Coverage is limited at Bothwell and may be sporadic. Telstra is the most reliable provider in the area.

Weather

Bothwell is situated on an elevated plateau and experiences variables of hot and cold temperatures. Twenty five years of recordings list a mean maximum of 23.5C and minimum of 7.5C for February/March. The SpinIN will take place regardless of weather conditions. Expect evenings to be cool and dress in layers.

Accommodation

Bothwell and surrounding towns offer a number of accommodation options. Due to travel times, it is advisable to not stay further North than Oatlands, which is 40 mins drive away. Visit the SpinIN website for a list of recommended options. You will need to make your own arrangements with providers directly. Committee can take no responsibility.

Three additional venues are in the process of refurbishment during 2018 and are expected to be available for SpinIN bookings. Your own transport will be required if booking at these venues, each is approximately 20 mins drive time from the venue. For information contact Committee member Heather Allcock on 0419 108 614.

Motor Homes & Camping

Bothwell 's Caravan and Camping Park is operated by Central Highlands Council and offers amenities and powered sites. Bookings, payment and key collection by arrangement with the Council Chambers Office staff on 03 6459 5503. Office Hours 09:00-17:00 Mon-Fri.

Festival Venue & Access

The SpinIN 2019 will be held in the park in the centre of Bothwell. The park is fenced all around and is bounded by Patrick, Queen, Alexander Streets and Market Place. Surrounding historic buildings St Michael's Anglican Church, St Luke's Presbyterian Church, Bothwell Town Hall and the Bookmakers' Hall will be used as program venues.

Entry gates with attendants will be at two locations, one on Market Street opposite the Visitor Centre, the other on Alexander Street. Mobility impaired parking and access will be from Alexander Street.

Gates will open at 09:00 each day and will be locked at 18:00

Amenities

Central Highlands Council Toilets including a mobility impaired facility are located in Market Street, adjacent to the Golf Museum. Additional porta-loos will be on site. Patrons are reminded that the mobility impaired unit is reserved for those who need it. There will be no possibility for the unit to be emptied and will need to be closed when it is full.

Money & Banking

Expect to make most transactions in cash. Bothwell is a small town with limited cash-out facilities, so please come prepared. The local Post Office will be open on weekdays and on Saturday morning.

DISCLAIMER

Information and details of events listed herein are correct at time of publishing and may be subject to change without notice. This document supersedes and annuls any previous or similar versions.
