

QUESTIONNAIRE FOR MEMBERS REGARDING CONVENTION TIMING

We are exploring timing options for this year's Convention. We have received suggestions that some members who would like to attend who are unable to do so because our Convention is held during the week which conflicts with work and other commitments. We would like to find out whether our current days are the best days for Convention, or whether days closer to or on the weekend would be preferred by more members. To address these concerns, we would like to get feedback from **ALL** members.

Currently, our Conventions are in the first week of June. For two years, the Convention is for 2 days – Tuesday and Wednesday; and in an election year, the Convention is for 3 days – Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday. Members can attend all Convention or selected days.

1. Did you attend the 2023 Convention? _____ Yes _____ No

a. If YES, (check all that apply)

- I always attend the whole Convention
- I attend 1 day only
- I come for the speakers
- I come for the workshops
- I come for the resolutions
- I come for the interaction with other members
- Other _____

b. If NO, why not? (circle all that apply)

- I can't come on weekdays due to work / other commitments
- I would come if it was on different days
- I don't like attending meetings
- I wasn't interested in the speakers / workshops
- Unable to travel / too far away
- Registration cost
- Too much time away even on weekends
- Bad time of year for me. Would prefer _____
- Other _____

2. Would you like an option to attend virtually?

- Not interested in attending Convention in person or virtually
- No, I prefer to attend in person
- Yes, I would be able to attend if there was a virtual option
- Yes, I would attend virtually instead of in person

Please return by February 15

3. The following days of the week work for me (circle all that apply):
- Any days are OK
 - Current days Tuesday & Wednesday 2 years and Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday in election years
 - Friday, Saturday 2 years, and Friday, Saturday, Sunday in election years
 - Friday, Saturday 2 years, and Thursday, Friday, Saturday in election years
 - Saturday, Sunday 2 years and Friday, Saturday, Sunday in election years

4. If you attend Convention, do you attend the workshops?
- No, they don't interest me
 - No, it is an extra day to attend
 - No, but I would if it was on the same days as Convention
 - Yes, I like the workshops
 - Yes, would like more workshops
 - I would like to see workshops on the following topics / crafts
- _____
- _____

5. What topics would you like to see speakers on?
- _____
- _____

6. What would you like to see for entertainment on dinner / banquet evenings? _____
- _____

7. Do you enter handicrafts in the handicraft competition at Convention?
- Yes, I enter
 - No, I have no interest in handicrafts
 - No, but I really enjoy looking at the handicrafts
 - I would like to, but it's too difficult to get them to Convention
 - I would like to, but don't think my work is good enough to enter

Any other thoughts _____