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TOUKLEY AND DISTRICTS

NEWSLETTER JANUARY 2020



President's Report

Wishing everyone a very good 2020 with lots of creativity and fun. The gallery has been open over the Christmas break with some quiet and some very busy days. Thank you to the members who have worked over this time to keep our gallery open for the visiting public. Your support is most appreciated. We have had new volunteers start in the past few months and I would like to say a special thank you to them for their hard work and dedication. They have joined our Society with enthusiasm and commitment.

The regular activities for the year start back soon with

- **Academy Class** back on Weds 15th January 2020
- **Drawing Group** back Tues 21st January 2020
- Noeline Millar's **Workshop** Thursday 16th January 2020
- Children's January workshops cancelled as insufficient numbers
- **Changeover 23/24th January 2020** - forms due 13th January (attached)
- **Executive Committee and 355 meeting** Thursday 30th January 2020. Any agenda items to myself before this day.
- **Beginners Classes** starting Friday 31st January 2020
- The **Arts subcommittee** will have its first meeting Friday 17th January . Any agenda items or enquiries to Linda Malone in relation to hanging art and applied art
- The **Children's Art subcommittee** meet late January to set up our children's program of competition and classes for the year. Anne Sontter and Sue would love extra help with this important aspect of our galleries program.

First General meeting of the year Monday 3rd February 2020.

Presentation from Linda Cornish - Customer Service. This will be a great way to start the year as Linda has many years' experience in Tourism Customer service and brings us great insights, experience and commitment to the future of our gallery. **She will be delivering the presentation on Saturday 25th January as well for anyone who is unable to attend the general meeting.**

The Arts and Craft Fair has become an annual traditional activity for our Society showcasing our beautiful gallery as a destination. As Jenny will be focusing on amazing workshops for this year **we urgently need a volunteer to co-ordinate this event** as paperwork starts in January for the November fair. Please let me know if you are keen to run this event for the Society.

Publicity is an important aspect of our gallery as we still hear locals saying "wow I didn't know this place was here". Linda has great plans to get our gallery on the map and would love a helper with computer skills. Please let me know if you could help

In this tough time of smoke and fires affecting so many it has been suggested we donate all our donations over the Christmas period to the bushfire and drought appeal. We could do this early February at our first meeting, **please give generously.**

Looking forward to a great 2020 of painting and friendship

Wendy Symons
President

Art Director's Report

Dear Members,

Welcome to another year of creativity and friendship. I hope you have all enjoyed a lovely Christmas and New Year break. It's been a great start to the year with **another 7 paintings going to loving homes.** Our next changeover is rapidly approaching **so please remember to get your forms in by Monday 13th January.** Electronic entries no longer available. Please send your entries on word version of form by email, post or pop into gallery

Our next Competition/Exhibition will be moved forward to our March Changeover. It will be a 'Twilight Opening' so please come and join us for "Happy Hour" from 7-9pm. More information will follow shortly.

A reminder to those who paint miniatures or small paintings that they can no longer be submitted in the applied art section. All paintings can only be submitted in hanging art.

Looking forward to seeing you all at changeover.

Warm regards,
Linda Malone

Workshops

Last year's workshops were a great success, due to some fabulous tutors, the council grant making them so affordable and the wonderful volunteers who set up and packed up each time.

This year we have some excellent ones locked in and some interesting ones coming down the pipeline.

2020

Noeline Millar- Thursday 16th January. "Figures in Landscape" (full)

Linda Simonis- Sunday 16th February. "Textured Acrylics" (some free spots)

Tracey Miller- Saturday 7th March. "Macro Flowers" (some free spots)

Tracey Miller- Sunday 8th March. "Portraits" (some free spots)

We have some seascapes artists and craft workshops coming in the following months.

Flyers are available on the website or at the counter in the gallery.

If you are available for any of these dates, book in and get creative.

Jenny Rogers



Beth Miller's November workshop in abstract painting

TADAS Committee for 2019/2020

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| PRESIDENT | Wendy Symons |
| Vice President | Rasheeda Flight |
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| Asst. Art Director | Judy Rodgers |
| Library | Robyn Fisher |
| Patron | Jim Lynn |

Any member who has an issue or concern are requested to direct it to the appropriate committee member or in writing to: toukleyartgallery@gmail.com for attention of the relevant committee member

Next General Meeting Monday 3rd February 2020
Presentation from Linda Cornish - Customer Service
(see President's report for more information)

Challenge – Shells

Upcoming challenges

- **March Dreaming**
- **April Water**

Upcoming presentations

- **March Sheila Kearns,**
- **April Jenny Brasch (composition in antique painting)**

Attachments:-

- **Changeover entry form due 13/1/20**
- **Flyer for Linda Simonis Workshop 16/2/20**
- **Calendar of Events 2019/20**
- **Women in Art 2020 (2)**