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TOUKLEY AND DISTRICTS

NEWSLETTER MARCH 2020

President's Report

I hope the beginning of March finds you well and you are painting a masterpiece ready for an amazing Twilight Art Exhibition. We have had the very generous donation of \$1000 for prize money from Lauren Wells of Wiseberry Real Estate Gorokan for our first prizes. Thank you so much Lauren. David Harris, our local MP, one of our very regular supporters, will be opening this exhibition. Looking forward to seeing you on Saturday 21st March at 5pm for drinks and finger food. Your contribution to this event of a cold finger food already plated would be much appreciated.

One of the objectives of our Constitution is education and we have had amazing success with almost every workshop this year fully booked. A grant will be applied for the next years' workshops to keep the prices low and workshops affordable to our members and local community.

The beginners classes in Term 1 2020 have been very successful, fully booked with wait lists. So, Term 2 is now available for Beginners and a new pilot of an Intermediate class in Acrylics with Donna Gilbertson for those finishing beginners classes or anyone wishing to brush up their skills. Flyers for both at the front desk.

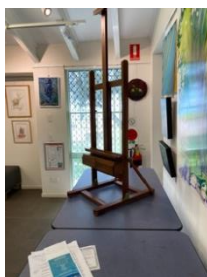
One of our goals for this year was opportunities for our local children to learn and display their art talents. Anne and Sue have been working on the Art Competition which will be offered in our local schools in Term 2 and classes start in Term 3. More details to follow in April.

Thank you to Linda Corish and Christine St Flour for updating our gallery flyer which will be available this week to promote our gallery

Our library has had a recent tidy up thanks to Robyn Fisher and a donation of some lovely books from Peter Fennell and Mary Manser. Thank you.

February has seen the sad passing of Margaret Towler, a very long standing Life Member who did much for our Society to promote Art with her lovely watercolours and Porcelain. She shall be missed.

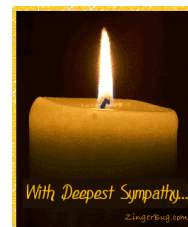
The March meeting had a fabulous presentation by Sheila Kearnes, curator of the Mandalong Gallery with some very beautiful examples of local Aboriginal art.



The auction of Pauline's Easel was a great success and is now in its new home with \$50 being raised.



This month's challenge was birds, the story was won by Lindsay King and Jenny Richardson, who painted her local birds who visit daily.



A tribute for a very special lady who was a life member of our Society,

Margaret Towler.

"Today we farewelled a dear lady in every sense of the word, our friend Margaret. She was an inspiration to many, and a kind, loving soul. As a very accomplished porcelain and watercolour painter, she humbly described herself to me as a porcelain painter who "dabbled in watercolours". It was a privilege to know Margaret and to exhibit artworks by her side. Thank you to her beautiful family and old friends who honoured her today, I will continue to keep you in my thoughts and prayers".

Robyn Hughes

Mary Manser our long standing life member is retiring to Canberra to be with her family.

Peter Tassell spoke about her contribution to our society over many years, first as hostess and then treasurer, an active committee member for 10 years.

We wish Mary and Warren well in their new home.

An informal morning tea will be held on Sunday 15th March at the gallery if you would like to farewell Mary.

Wendy
President



Art Sub Committee Report

As our next Exhibition is almost upon (opening night Saturday 21st March) us just a quick reminder :-

- The event has a Twilight opening 5 – 7pm (Flyer is attached)
- Linda C has sent an email outlining the order of proceedings.
- David Harris will be opening the exhibition.
- Belinda Biggs will be judging the entries.
- This year we are asking for a gold coin entry.
- Helpers are needed in the kitchen, any members willing to assist please contact Michelle.
- Members please bring **cold finger** food on serving plates.

MEMBERSHIP

- Membership stands at 119 members.
- New members: **Noeline Ashley, Margaret Green, and Julie McDonald**, all exhibiting.

WEBSITE

Website is up to date and contains all current events and the “Calendar of Events” for dates.

Workshop Report and 2020 Workshops

Tracey Miller	Sat 7 th Mar	Macro Flowers (full)
	Sun 8 th Mar	Portraits (full)
Scott Denholm	Sun 19 th April	Abstract Landscape (1 place left)
Richard Jeziorney	Fri 8 th May	Papier Mache Puppets ½ day sessions
	Sun 10 th May	(lots of spots available)
Christine Raj	Fri 12 th June	Alcohol inks with Acrylic detail
Donna Gilbertson	Sat 25 th July	Semi Abstract Portrait in Acrylic
Tanya Hoolihan	7 th August	Botanical watercolours
Mignon Parker	Sat 19 th Sept	Acrylic Still Life Flowers
Jo Stanes	18 th Oct	Seascape/Foil Features
Cat Soper	Fri 6 th Nov	Watercolours
Pat Edwards	Sat 5 th Dec	Christmas Crafts / cards

Jenny Rogers
Workshop Coordinator



Linda Simonis held on 16th February on Textured Art



*Twilight
Art Exhibition
Official Opening*

Saturday 21st March 2020
5 – 7pm

This fabulous exhibition will run for 2 months, highlighting our local artists and showcasing traditional and abstract paintings as well as sculpture.

You are warmly invited to join us for drinks and finger food at this special event.

Gold coin entry for lucky door ticket.

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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 6th April
2020**

**Demonstration – Jenny Brasch
Composition in Antique Painting
Challenge – Water**

Exhibition @ Shorethyme

14th – 26th April

More details in April newsletter.

Academy class and Tuesday drawing group have recommenced.

Tuesday Drawing Group with Richard

Every Tuesday from 10am – 1pm

Academy Class with Peter

Every Wednesday from 9am – 12

\$5 per session, everyone welcome

Attachments:-

Beginners Classes Flyer

Intermediate Classes Flyer