



ALBURY - WODONGA
ARTISTS SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

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**It seems all our regular AWAS events have changed this month!
Please read the July events list carefully as we have Life Drawing on a Sunday
instead of Saturday, the Saturday Portrait session cancelled and our AGM on Sunday
30th instead of the regular 3rd Wednesday General Meeting.**

| Regular sessions | | |
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| Sunday July 2nd | Life Drawing 1 – 4pm Sunday, not Saturday this month only | Contact: Olga Juskiw 0447 770 735 travelplan46@gmail.com |
| Saturday July 8th | Acrylic/Mixed Media group 10 - 4pm | Contact: Jill Scanlon 0412 477 804 kevin.scanlon@bigpond.com |
| Sat July 15th | Portraits session: Cancelled Need coordinator for next month onwards. | Contact: J Hoban 0401 919 813 janellehoban40@gmail.com |
| Wednesdays. Tues, Thurs, Fri, Most Sat am. Sunday. | “Social group”. Paint / Chat. All members are welcome. Daily access for members. | Informal. |
| Meetings | | |
| SUNDAY July 30th | AGM 2:30pm | Secretary: K Bruce 0497 108 076 kathleenbruce@bigpond.com |
| Other Events | | |
| AWAS Studio Exhibition | Studio exhibition shared with workshop exhibition. Some paintings will be removed and stored. | Jill Scanlon 0412 477 804 |
| Wodonga Plant Farm | Exhibition continues: “Feet and/or Footwear” | Contact: Tanya Healy 0407 238 923 tanyakerr188@gmail.com |

AWAS memberships are due at the beginning of the financial year, July 1st.

For all payments to AWAS including renewal of memberships (\$100 p.a.) and workshop registration:

Hume Bank BSB: 640-000 Account No: 111256122

Cheques to:

The Treasurer,

Albury Wodonga Artists Society, PO Box 1170, Wodonga. Vic. 3689.

AWAS Treasurer: Tony Smit Ph: 0438 402 499 Email: ajs48@bigpond.com

AWAS Membership Benefits include:

- Opportunities to join with other artists in our regular monthly life Drawing and Portrait sessions with a model, as well as other group art experiences.
- Opportunities to exhibit your paintings at AWAS exhibitions at the studio and at Wodonga Plant Farm Gallery Café.
- Priority registration at our weekend workshops with nationally recognised master art tutors (Usually 3 organised each year).
- Access to the studio any time- use of art library, easels, tables, kitchen.
- A monthly newsletter and information about art events in our region emailed to members.
- Discounts at various local businesses who support the arts.

AWAS MEMBERSHIP 2023-2024

Membership subscription rates are **\$100 per annum** beginning on July 1st 2023. As we were not able to offer workshops and access to the studio for some of the time during the pandemic, the subs were reduced. We are now keen to “get back to normal” and hope to see lots more members making use of our wonderful studio space and pooling ideas for workshops and other arty activities.

The AWAS 2023 AGM: SUNDAY 30TH JULY

Set aside this July Sunday afternoon for a chance to get together with other members for the formal election of the new committee and a catch up with everyone. The studio is nice and cosy on those cold days.

The AWAS Committee meet only once every 2 months (currently Wednesday lunchtimes) and communicate most business by email or text message. Perhaps you could join us this year? or at least be an assistant for a while?

We welcome nominations for the positions of President and Secretary, as a change of Committee members is long overdue. All of the current committee are keen to have others help out in decision making and some administration tasks.

We are grateful to those members who have been very active organising our regular untutored workshops and exhibitions but there is always a need for new ideas.

A nomination form is attached at the end of this newsletter for you to submit to the Secretary during July.

Please ask anyone you think may be willing to help us by being on the AWAS committee. If you are interested, ask someone to nominate you or ring the person currently in the position and offer to help out.

WANTED: A COORDINATOR FOR OUR SATURDAY PORTRAIT SESSIONS!

After a long time organising models for our monthly Portrait sessions (on the 3rd Saturday of each month) Janelle has decided “no more”. Thanks so much Janelle. You always seemed to find great models, varied ages, colouring and characters.

The July portrait session is cancelled and a coordinator is sought for the following months.

If you can help out with this, please contact Janelle, or phone the Secretary 0479 108 076.

REPORT: PASTEL WORKSHOP WITH STEVE McCALL. Held Friday 16th June

We finally had the date for this workshop confirmed and we all set up early for a very enjoyable day led by Bright artist (and former AWAS member) Steve McCall.



The focus was on blending techniques with pastels. We aimed to achieve a sense of distance with the control of the tones and hues of blues and other subtle colours in the sky.



We experimented with different application techniques and observed how changing sizes and shapes of clouds can give a sense of distance. Steve distributed some suitable photographs for us to apply what was covered in the session.



Pastel workshop follow-up session.

After our very successful pastel workshop with Steve McCall, there will be a follow-up session on **Friday 30th June** from 10.00am. AWAS has purchased the Colourfix Primer Clear which Steve demonstrated to create texture, so we can all use that. Remember he said it is good for areas of ground and rocks as well as grasses. I have some Colourfix Primer Aubergine colour so I will demonstrate applying that to mat board. Please send me a text if you intend to come (for the number of people in the studio). Any member who was not at the workshop is also welcome if we have space – send me a text if you would like to come.
Judy Balfour Workshop coordinator.
jybalfour@outlook.com or 0439 953 903 (text preferred).

WATERCOLOUR WORKSHOP WITH TERRY JARVIS

2 days

This workshop will be held **on Friday 25th and Saturday 26th August.**

Information about this, and the enrolment form, have been in previous newsletters.

Thank you to those members who responded to the call for more registrations, as we now can go ahead with planning. The cost is \$200 - Final payments are due on **Friday, 28th July.** Terry is a very experienced tutor and a multi-award-winning artist. It is wonderful that he will come to AWAS and I'm sure we will learn a great deal as well as having an enjoyable couple of days.

Judy Balfour (Workshop Coordinator) 0439 953 903

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AWAS EXHIBITIONS



Heather Green, who organises labelling for our exhibitions, requests that all works for our exhibitions are to be brought in fully labelled with the price. When pricing your work take into account the AWAS 15% commission and the cost to you of framing, as well as the value of the artwork itself.

Studio Exhibition. This month bring new work in on or before Tuesday 4th July for hanging Wednesday 5th. Use the register book, located on the studio collection table in the centre room, to sign your works in and out.

Wodonga Plant Farm Café exhibition

The next Exhibition at the café at Wodonga Plant Farm has the theme "Rejected/Dejected".

Think of it as 'unwanted/Sad.

Examples could be items no longer wanted, so binned, sent for recycling, damaged, no longer useful.

Sad could be expressions, items you love that are lost or broken, anything that hurts your feelings. Hopefully this will give you a starting point for the August display.

We were a little short of paintings for June.

Thanks, Tanya



USING OUR STUDIO

A reminder about security: Ensure members who are left in studio when you depart are familiar with the locking up procedure. (We had an issue with the studio key being locked IN the studio recently so no one had access, except certain committee members with separate keys)

Remember also when you leave to check both air conditioners have turned off.

For those who couldn't find the first aid box in the kitchen: it is a RED plastic "fishing tackle" box located on the LHS shelf above the sink! Labelled First Aid.

This is the Current Committee and Coordinators

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| President | Christina Zey | Ph: 0410 511 211 Email: cristina2zei@gmail.com |
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| Treasurer | Tony Smit | Ph: 0438 402 499 Email: ajs48@bigpond.com |
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| Website Editor | Barb Strand, Tony Smit | Ph: 0412 688 507 Email: martinstrand@westnet.com.au |
| Monthly Life Drawing (1 st Saturday) 1-4pm | Olga Juskiw | Ph: 0447 770 735 Email: travelplan46@gmail.com |
| Monthly Acrylics & Mixed Media (2 nd Sat) | Jill Scanlon | Ph: 0412 477 804 Email: kevin.scanlon@bigpond.com |
| Monthly Portraits (3 rd Sat) 1-4pm | Janelle Hoban | Ph: 0401 919 813 Email: janellehoban40@gmail.com |
| Tutored Workshops | Judy Balfour | Ph: 0439 953 903 Email: jybalfour@outlook.com |

2023 AWAS ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
SUNDAY JULY 30TH 2:30 pm

Fill in the form below to nominate an AWAS member to join with others to keep our organisation going. If it is difficult to get the person you are nominating to personally sign the form, just indicate on the form that you have consulted them and they have agreed to be nominated. (They can sign at the meeting). Submit to the Secretary.

Please note that each nomination must be countersigned by the person being nominated.

I wish to nominate the following persons for the position of:

| Position | Nomination | Signature of Nominated Person |
|---|------------|-------------------------------|
| President | | |
| Vice-President | | |
| Secretary | | |
| Treasurer | | |
| Newsletter Editor (Committee Member 1) | | |
| Committee Member 2 | | |
| Committee Member 3 | | |

Name of Submitting Member: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Name of Seconding Member: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____