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A word from the President

I trust everyone had a safe and happy Easter and managed to spend some time with family and friends and of course fit in some painting and drawing.

Congratulations to three of our members Kathy Blakemore, Astrid Bruning and Jenny Toole, on their big wins at Bright and Myrtleford. The accolades awarded to them are a wonderful reward for years of dedication to their artistic and creative endeavours. (more on this below).

Easter Saturday morning was very busy in the Paintbox Gallery Studio. There were over 35 visitors who admired and commented favourably our displays. Many people came in because they were attracted by the 'small item' window displays. I also turned on the studio lights, which gave a warm and inviting feeling and let visitors know we were open. Three people also expressed interest in becoming members. Many were happy to sign the visitors' book, and write down their postcode when asked. Farmers Market mornings can be an excellent opportunity for the Art Society to engage with members of the public.

See you in the studio. Cheers Jen

Congratulations Astrid, Kathy & Jenny!!!

Bright Annual Art Exhibition



Astrid Bruning: Winning Paste
\$3,000 Prize



Kathy Blakemore: Winning Watercolour
\$3,000 Prize

Myrtleford Art Exhibition:

Astrid Brunning was awarded the \$2000 Myrtleford Prize for her work 'My Son the Tattooist'.
Jenny Toole won the watercolour section.

Corryong Art Exhibition

Jenny Toole was also given the honour of judging at the Corryong Art Exhibition.

What Fabulous Achievements!

STUDIO WEEKDAY ROSTER

While recently completing paperwork for a City of Wodonga Grant, we were reminded of our obligation to keep the studio open and staffed by at least two members 6 days a week. During recent times, committee members have visited the studio to find it closed when it should have been open on weekdays.

The Committee asks all members to volunteer to do weekday duty whenever they can. Get a group together and have a regular time that you go to the studio to paint and have fun or have a time that as an individual that you can paint in the studio, or go whenever you can and be on duty. It is recognised that members will sometimes call in for an hour or two and then leave, however this does not constitute being on duty. We need to get back to completing the weekday roster as in the past.

PLEASE PUT YOUR NAME AND THE TIMES YOU CAN ATTEND ON THE CALENDAR IN THE STUDIO. Times are from:

10.00 am to 1.00 pm and 12.00 pm to 3.00 pm. We need an overlap time so that members who are there all day can have lunch and a comfort break.

The Committee thanks you for helping to meet our obligations to Wodonga Council.

Workshops 2013

Just a reminder:

Watercolour Workshop - with **Ev Hales**. Date : May 25th & 26th. Cost: \$150 members, \$180 non members. Deposit \$50 (non refundable). Balance \$100 to be paid by May 4th.

Application forms at the end of this newsletter.

Jenny Toole

Pastels Workshop 3rd & 4th August: Tutor: Catherine Hamilton: Contact Janelle Hoban for more information

Plant Farm News

April: The **Perfect Pastels Exhibition** looks colourful and interesting with a great diversity of subjects and styles. **Opening Sunday 7th April 3pm:** Come and have a look and a coffee.

May: Next Exhibition: 'Keep It Local' Local Scene or Icon any Medium. Please bring your works to the Plant Farm 2.30pm on the first Tuesday in May (7th). This Exhibition will be transferred to the Paintbox Studio and be displayed for the month of June. It will be well publicised in the media with a

'Grand' opening at the Studio in early June, so get plein airing or snapping icons with your camera as this theme should create a good deal of public interest!

Contact Carol Smith 60245094 or carolann@westnet.com.au

Happy 90th Birthday to our long time member David McDonald Congratulations & best wishes from all at AWAS!

Other Goings On

Acrylic Painters Group

If you are interested in joining this group please come along to the studio 10am Saturday 13th April. All welcome. Bring your ideas, enthusiasm and paints!

Nancy Robinson 0260243127

Life Drawing: Evening Life drawing Mon 15th, and 22nd April 7-9pm (\$10), Contact Clive Vogel

Card Sales: A rack-for unframed works was purchased for \$25 and card holder obtained for free, and already we have had several sales of cards. Details of sizes and prices of cards are available on the studio noticeboard if you would like to sell some of your work in card form.

Library Purchases: We are wanting to extend our library and range of DVD' and also have some of the old videos copied onto DVD., if you have any suggestions for suitable titles contact a committee member.

OH&S.

- An RACV First Aid Kit has been purchased and is available for use by all members.
- Please take similar ventilation precautions with acrylics and pastels as with oils.
- Workshops: evening Life drawing Mon 15th, and 22nd April 7-9pm (\$10),

Members are asked to use common sense when storing equipment and artwork or leaving art material out:

- Wet work can be left out to dry, but be aware the space is used by others.
- Take care when using wet work racks. Reported damage to Miho's wet oil paintings.

Archives: We need photos of events (eg. workshops), from last year on to continue Val Boul't's work. Pass photos on to Kathy Bruce.

Studio Exhibition Changeover Mon.15th April: Please have your work at the studio by Monday 10am, or before. Contact Kathy Bruce 60 255913 or Christina Zey 0410511211. (Changeover is every 2 months, on the 3rd Monday.)

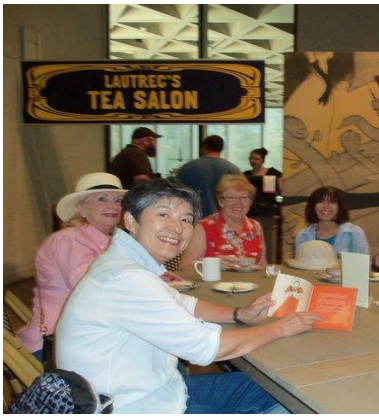
Plein Air Expedition

Our en plein air expedition this month took us to Chiltern. Eight hardy souls braved the heat and enjoyed a great morning painting and drawing in and around the town, so much so that we have decided to return again at a later date. As the weather was still pretty hot we did our work in the morning and retired for lunch at about 1.30pm.

Our **next session will be April 16th** at 10am, or earlier if you prefer, at **Horseshoe Lagoon** just outside Albury. All are welcome using whatever medium you choose and we will try and select varying locations .

Canberra Trip: On the 8th March members of the Artists society, and many members of the public, travelled by coach to Canberra to visit the Toulouse Lautrec exhibition at the NGA. It was a fabulous exhibition with such a variety of work. We were fascinated by the way he used turps diluted oil paint on cardboard with no preparation of the board giving the paint quite a pastel looking effect. It was great to see those fantastic posters, with such vitality. Later we went to the portrait Gallery where we were given a brief introduction to some of the work and then time to roam. After a comfortable night at the Motel we traveled to Lanyon, a beautiful estate just outside Canberra with pleasant grounds and old out buildings. After early lunch we continued on to the Crisp Glass Gallery where we were shown the slump method of glass making. They also had a lovely collection of Geraniums ,some of us could not resist adding one or two to our own collections. Home by 6.30pm. A very pleasant trip.

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New Members!

Welcome to new members: Carol Bourne, Terri Friesen, Marian Van Dorson & Joan Fisher

Studio Session Co-ordinators

Portraiture	Contact: Janelle Hoban 0401 919813
Life Drawing	Contact: Clive Vogel 0427774214
Still Life	Contact: Carol Smith: 02 6024 5094
Acrylics	Contact: Nancy Robinson 0260243127
Website Co-ordinator:	Contact: Barb Strand 0412688507
Watercolour Co-ordinator	Contact: Jenny Toole 02 605659:

Dates for your Diary!

5th	April	Fri	-Committee Meeting 2:00 pm	Kathy Bruce, Secretary
6th	April	Sat	-Life Drawing Session	Clive vogel, Co-ordinator
13 th	April	Sat	-Acrylic Painters Group	Nancy Robinson
17 th	April	Wed	-General Meeting 12:30 pm	Kathy Bruce, Secretary
20 th	April	Sat	-Portrait Session 1:00 – 4:00 pm	Janelle Hoban, Co-ordinator
27 th	April	Sat	-Still Life 12.30pm-4pm	Carol Smith

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Workshop application form

Ev. Hales: Watercolour

Date: 25th&26th May 2013. Cost: \$150 members & students \$180 non members

Deposit \$50.00 (non-refundable) to be paid with application. Balance of \$100 to be received by 23rd May, 2012.

Payments to be made payable to AWAS and forwarded to: The Treasurer, AWAS, PO Box 1170 Wodonga, Vic 3689

Name:

Phone:

Email:

Address:

Please tick: Member Non Member Full time student
Encl: Deposit Full payment \$ _____

Signed _____

Date: _____

Electronic Payment Details: Please email your application form if you pay electronically

Bank: Commonwealth
Account Name: Albury/Wodonga Artists society
BSB: 06 3534
Account Number: 0090 3179

Please remember to put your name in as a reference on your payment
