



ALBURY - WODONGA
ARTISTS SOCIETY

NEWSLETTER

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Regular sessions		
Sat September 3	Life Drawing 1 – 4pm	Coordinator: Olga Juskiw 0447 770 735
Sat September 10	Acrylic/Mixed Media group 10 - 4pm	Coordinator: Jill Scanlon 0412 477 804
Sat September 17	Portraits 1 – 4pm	Coordinator: Janelle Hoban 02 6041 2071
Wednesdays. Tues, Thurs, Fri, Most Sat am. Sunday.	“Social group”. Paint / Chat. All members are welcome. Daily access for members.	Informal.
Special Meetings		
Wednesday September 21st	Short General Meeting/lunch 1.30pm Special members Meeting 2pm	Secretary: K Bruce 02 60 255 913
Special Events		
Wednesday September 21st and Friday September 23rd	Morning hanging of the AWAS members Annual Exhibition “COLOURS ON THE CAUSEWAY” Opening 5.30 to 7.30pm at the studio (Drinks and nibbles)	Coordinator: Jill Scanlon 0412 477 804 With hanging team.
WODONGA PLANT FARM CAFÉ EXHIBITION	Exhibition Continues “Faces and Figures”	Coordinator: Tanya Healy 02 6056 2869 0407 238 923

To do

- Prepare and submit your painting **by Sept. 20th** for the Members Annual Exhibition.
- Prepare and submit your painting **by Sept. 9th** for the MRSVG charity auction.
- Come to one of our regular Saturday afternoon art sessions.
- Come and vote for the Constitutional change about membership and fees at the Special Members meeting 2pm **Wednesday September 21st**.
- Check you have paid your \$75 annual membership for the 22-23 year.
(Ring the Treasurer Tony Smit: 0438 402 499 if unsure)
- Add in your diary AWAS Christmas, December 10th, La Maison, 4pm to 6pm.

2022 AWAS AGM

Thank you to all those who came to our AGM on July 31st. We especially thank Christina Zey for stepping in to the role of President as well as Donna Johnstone and Janelle Hoban for joining officially to help as part of the organising team. The 2022-23 Team is:

President – Christina Zey, Vice president – Jill Scanlon

Secretary – Kathleen Bruce Treasurer- Tony Smit

Committee members: Assistant Treasurer- Donna Johnstone, Leonie McClelland - Assistant Secretary, Terri Friesen, Laurie Gay, Janelle Hoban (Probationary)

Our Workshop coordinator Judy Balfour has stepped aside from the Committee, but she will continue to coordinate workshops for the rest of 2022/3. Thanks Judy for all your hard work. John Stevenson resigned from the committee a few months ago as he was unable to attend many of our meetings. Thanks for your input- especially for those very practical improvements in the studio you assisted with. Coordinators for Portrait and Life Drawing sessions, Janelle Hoban and Olga Juskiw continue- a constant effort organising models for our sessions, keeping us on track with observation skills and varied media. AGM Minutes have been forwarded to all members.

Call for a SPECIAL AWAS MEMBER'S MEETING 21st September 2022

The Committee agreed that we need to change the wording of our Constitution relating to the deadline month for renewal of yearly membership. After the deadline, a member in arrears will be classed as no longer a member and pay non-member rates at workshops. They will no longer have access to member benefits such as use of the studio, participation in AWAS exhibitions and social events. The Constitution currently gives 12 months, which the committee believes is too long. All members have been sent Notification of this meeting and we hope to see many of our members there to participate in the voting for the Constitution change.

AWAS MEMBERSHIP

Welcome to new members Diane Harrop and Jennifer Smith.

Renewing members who have not received an invoice, contact Treasurer Tony Smit.

IN THE STUDIO: *What to do if there is a sudden power outage!*

If the power goes off when members are using the studio air conditioner, the air conditioner will switch back on when the power is restored, even if everyone has gone home.

To prevent this unnecessary use of power it is important for members who are there at the time the power is cut off to

- EITHER COME BACK WHEN THE POWER IS RESTORED TO SWITCH THE AIR CONDITIONER OFF, OR
- CONTACT ANOTHER MEMBER TO DO SO.

At least inform a member of the Committee so they can arrange it to be switched off.

At all times: Remember to check both air conditioners and check the door is locked securely before leaving. Ensure the last person there knows how to lock up.

2022 Annual AWAS members Exhibition “COLOURS ON THE CAUSEWAY”

Works in: before 20th September

Works hung: 21st September

Opening: 23rd September 5.30 to 7.30 pm (members donate food or drink)

Criteria:

- Any subject or style.
- Maximum dimension for paintings is to be 1 metre.
- Works must be for sale and presented ready to hang.
- Participating exhibitors will be asked to take a turn minding the studio, keeping the studio open to the public for at least 2 weeks 10am to 4pm most days.

Publicity posters will state daily opening at set times for those first 2 weeks that have rostered gallery attendants.



AWAS Studio/ Gallery exhibition:

Thank you to all those who help us to maintain an exhibition in the studio. We will need to clear the studio current exhibition paintings by the **20th September**.

Wodonga Plant Farm Café Exhibition:

The Faces and Figures Exhibition continues until October 11th.

Please prepare some new artworks for our remaining exhibitions this year in the café:

“Spring Season” and “Summer Sale”

WORKSHOPS

The one-day Pastel workshop with Steve McCall 23rd July unfortunately had to be cancelled- but we hope to try again to run this later in the year.

LOOKING AHEAD: CHRISTMAS

La Maison will host our Christmas drinks and nibbles event this year.

Date: 10th December 4pm to 6pm (food served 4.30 to 5.30)

approx. \$30 per head

AWAS pays for your first glass of wine. RSVP date- to be determined. More details to come.



THE FAMOUS FAKES AUCTION
MVSRG Charity auction Famous Fakes: October 22nd

AWAS members are submitting paintings in this charity event organized by the Murray Sanctuary Refugee Group.

The Criteria: The original artist needs to be famous enough for the public to recognize the image; and for you to comply with copyright laws, to be deceased for 100 years. Present works ready to hang.

Labelling: Make sure you fully label twice- once on the back of the painting and once on the outside of the wrapping. (So the catalogue can be compiled without unwrapping.)

A Blank label for you to use is below.

While some paintings were collected before the event was postponed, some members have responded to the call for more paintings for the auction.

These will now be collected from the studio on Friday September 9th.

Name of Work

Artist (Deceased)

Date Painted

Size

Medium

Your name & date painted

This is the Current Committee and Coordinators

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Monthly Acrylics & Mixed Media (2 nd Saturday)	Jill Scanlon	Phone: 0412 477 804 Email: kevin.scanlon@bigpond.com
Monthly Portraits (3 rd Saturday) 1-4pm	Janelle Hoban-	Ph: 0401 919 813 Email: janellehoban40@gmail.com
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