



Nepean Art Society Inc.

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**Next meeting AGM at "The Cottage"
3 North Street Penrith Monday 14th of March 2011 at 7.00pm**

President's Patter

I can hardly believe it, 2011 and Christmas is over, New Years Eve a distant memory and the AGM has come around again. There is so much to put into your envelopes I am concerned that the Post Office will object. Inside those bulging envelopes you will find AGM Nomination forms; Westpac Exhibition Entry Forms; Autumn Exhibition Entry Forms; Len has also included receipts or reminders for membership fees for those of you who may have forgotten to renew. I have done my best to make the entry form conditions clear for both exhibitions. There are specific requirements for each. Please read them carefully.

One very important form is the Nomination form for positions on the Committee. This year both Len, our Treasurer and Maryanne, our Secretary have decided to resign from the committee. Both Len and Maryanne have tirelessly given up their time to ensure the smooth running of our society and both have done their jobs extremely well. We will miss their input. I have included a brief description of the duties of each position holder on the Nomination form although all the committee members invariably do more than the duties listed. Without members who generously give up their time to hold office, help out with exhibitions, teach classes, give demonstrations etc we could not continue to give support to our local artists/members and our society would flounder. That said I ask that you seriously consider nominating for these important positions. The learning curve I have been on in the last 12 months since taking on the role of President has been steep but not insurmountable and everyone has been very kind, offering help, information and support and the odd chuckle at my mistakes. I am sure that we will all be equally kind and very grateful to anyone interested in being a Committee member, it is great fun and a good way to have more input. I am looking forward to another fabulous year. Good Luck with the Exhibitions, hope you have lots of sales.

Cheers *Di Walsh*

AMMENDMENT TO THE CONSTITUTION NEPEAN ART SOC. Inc.

To include "that all Teachers who use the society's premises must attend at least four (4) out of the six (6) general meetings of the Society per year."

The motion above will be put to a vote of members at the AGM 14 March 2011 at 7.00pm

Please keep those "Member's Musings" articles or other articles coming for the Newsletters. All articles need to be sent to the society's email address by 12th of each month. To info@nepeanartsociety.org

Up-coming events

Working Bee at "The Cottage" on March 27th at 9.00am

We have organised a council pick up for the 29th March. We have quite a bit of clutter stored in the sheds and the middle room of the cottage that we need to sort and probably get rid of. We also have a bit of general gardening that needs to be done. If you have any spare time, even an hour would make a big difference, please join us.

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Nomination forms enclosed.

Westpac Exhibition and Sale 28th March—27th April

Entries close 18th March

Delivery 28th March Westpac Bank

NAS Autumn Exhibition and Sale 29th April -1st May.

Entries close 15th April.

Delivery 28th April 4-7pm

Opening night Friday 29th April.

Everyone Welcome

Sydney Royal Art Show 14th-27th April

Entries close Feb 9

www.arts@rasnsw.com

Camden Art Prize

May 6th-13th

Entries close April 15 (with work)
www.camdenartprize.googlepages.com

Winmalee Artfest

April 29th– May 1st

Entries close March 7

Winmaleeh.school@det.nsw.edu.au

Be sure to check these details
www.artcare.com.au

Member's Musings : Frank Hodgert and I were chatting last week about things arty and we both realised we hadn't done a lot of painting over the holidays because of other commitments but we are reinspired now that we have begun teaching our classes again. Sometimes life really gets in the way of spending time behind an easel, sometimes its simply a lack of inspiration, energy or desire or just too may other commitments. Don't worry if this happens to you, we all go through those times. Time spent with family and friends is invaluable and so important. I have six grandchildren and one due on the same day as our AGM, Oh dear! (guess what I'll choose should my daughter go into labour on that day. I'm one of her support people) and I can't express how much pleasure I get from the time I spend with them. They give me inspiration and a happy relaxed feeling that sets me up for some quiet time in my studio, very often because I'm exhausted from playing dress ups, modelling with play dough, painting little artworks (they call me Paintin' Nan), reading books or watching kids shows on telly. If you find you have lost inspiration go on a photographic expedition to the country, mountains, beach, city. We are so lucky to have so much so close. Go have coffee with friends from the Art Society, purchase an Art book or magazine and read it from cover to cover. Visit an Art Gallery, join one of Frank's plein air groups, you will not be able to stop yourself from feeling inspired. It is possible to do it all, you just have to be organised.

Cheers Di

Don't forget that Membership fees are now due

Field Day:- Plein Air Painting. The next Field Day morning will be on **Saturday 12th March 9.00am to 12.00pm** at Yarramundi Reserve UBD Directory Map 83 G11. Cross the Yarramundi bridge from Agnes Banks and turn right into gateway and carpark. Walk straight ahead onto edge of the Gross River for a great river painting scene. All welcome. **Phone Frank 47 761213.**

Glen Davis Weekend Trip on the 2nd & 3rd April. We are planning another trip to Glen Davis in the Capartee Valley about 2½ hrs from Penrith. Over the mountains to Lithgow then on the road to Mudgee turning right at Capartee. About 30km to Glen Davis. We've done this trip a number of times now with about 20 campers and caravaners.

Beautiful scenery and great company. Hot showers and toilets. Cost is a donation. Contact Frank or Glenda 47 761213. All welcome, painters and non painters.

CONGRATULATIONS

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Julie Simmons Watercolour

1st; Commended;

Finalist;

Works on Paper

Commended

Joe Cartwright Watercolour

Harmony Art Supplies

Margaret and Alan Sonter

252 Great Western Highway, Kingswood NSW

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Everything an artist could need 10% discount to members