



Alfred Cove Art Society

Newsletter

February 2023

Our next newsletter deadline is Friday 24th March, 2023. Please send in your news.

A Note from the President

The first event of our year, the welcome picnic in January was a thoroughly enjoyable gathering. We had 26 attendees, a lovely evening and plenty of delicious food! Sponsors, Paul Oxlade from Brisbane came along with Beba and Michael Boercamp from Jacksons in Perth. The weather was kind, not too hot nor too windy. The only downer was one of our prospective members had a flat battery at the end of the evening and had to wait several hours for the RAC to attend. I hope that has not put her off joining!

For the first time we are introducing a new element to our newsletter. Each month we are asking a member to volunteer and provide us with a short article accompanied by photos, about their art journey. One of our life members, Bev Johnson has put her hand up to be the first so please enjoy and consider an article of your own.

Whilst on a break down south I had the pleasure of visiting a travelling exhibition called "Peregrinations of a Citizen Botanist". It is part of Art on the Move and is currently in Manjimup until 8th March. It then moves to Geraldton from 24th March until 21st May. If you happen to be in either of those areas please pop in, you will be very pleasantly surprised and delighted by what you see.



Thank you to Vicki Discerni, Kath Moore and Claire Barrendretcht for taking on Demonstrations, MCAA and photography.

ACAS Dates for your Diary

Next general meeting Thursday, 30th March 2023

Plein Air demonstration and talk by Alan Pickering

Alan will speak about what is required, and how to approach plein air painting. For those who are interested, there will also be a practical follow up session, at a later date, in the outdoors.

Below is an example of plein air nocturnal painting by Robert Williams



Life Drawing inquiries can be made with Graham at longhurstgr1@gmail.com

ACAS & Melville Open Studios

29 - 30th April 2023 Get painting! We will be involved.

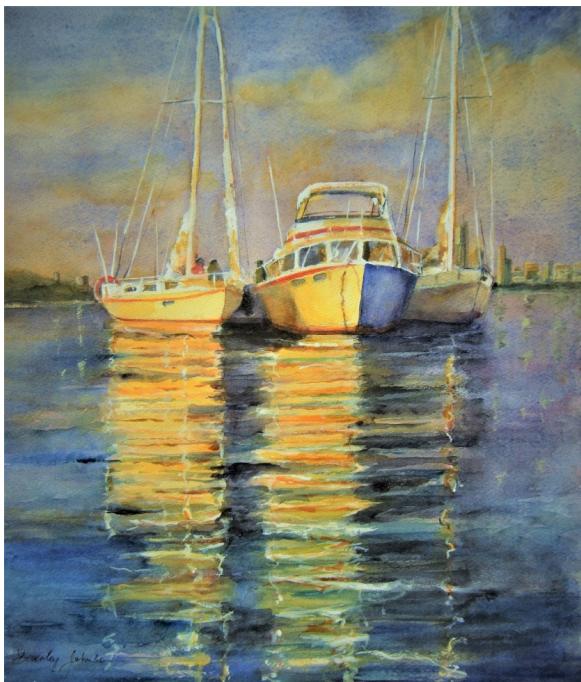
ART TIP: What you see often appears to contradict what you know but to draw and paint successfully you must learn to look hard and trust your eyes.



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MEMBER'S ARTICLE BY BEVERLEY JOHNSON



Our monthly meetings have had a huge variety of artists demonstrating, Andrew Tischler, Drewfus Gates, Ian de Souza, Penny Madison, Brian Aylwood etc. All inspirational, demonstrating techniques to be remembered. It is because of these meetings and the encouragement from members, that I have continued to paint and exhibit yearly. I love being involved with our exhibitions and displays and will be participating in Melville's Open Studios in April.

On the social side, we have had great holidays at Rottnest and even overseas trips as a group; Bus tours to galleries and artists' studios, sponsors' picnics and Christmas lunches, all shared with great friends. We now have a group of plein air painters with weekly outings to various locations.

I was encouraged to join ACAS after I finished my formal art studies in Fremantle by an existing member, Sandy Robertson. She promised the monthly meeting with Demonstrators, would provide inspiration and enjoyment with friendly like-minded aspiring artists.

She was right! The Alfred Cove Art Society was formed over 40 years ago as an Independent Society but holding their meetings and most exhibitions at Atwell Gallery. I am now a Life Member of 20 years.

Not long after I joined we entered the Daler Rowney competition for Art Groups around the World and won the Runner up Prize. The following year 10 paintings were chosen by members in a silent vote and we won the World Award First Prize. I was lucky enough to have a painting chosen and we all received a parcel of Daler Rowney products.

After Covid our lives have changed but not our love of art. We wish to expand with an exciting new vision. Join us and bring a friend. All ages are welcome.



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A very special thanks to Jenny Tunnacliffe, Beverley Johnson, Kath Moore and Stuart Rawlinson who spent Monday morning assisting Brenda Ellen to unpack and sort out the ACAS shed to the north of Atwell House. Now at least we know where most of our equipment is! They worked very hard under a hot sun.

FEE INCREASE

This year we have a slight increase in members fees. Fees for ongoing and continuous members will be \$45 and for new or renewing members \$50. It was also agreed to start membership in February rather than April with a closing date of 1 March. This will ensure that members see financial by The Awards of Excellence in May.

VOLUNTEERS

Volunteers are required for the position of Publicity Officer and for the Newsletter. Please don't be shy! To keep our club vibrant and interesting we need some of you to step up and show us your talents. I have been bungling through with the newsletter, trying to master the inevitable computer glitches and frustrations! Think I am gaining ground but would like more time to concentrate on the promotion of our club, so if you are computer savvy and can produce a good yarn you are just the person we need.

Thank you for all your support.

Jenny Rawlinson
President

PLEIN AIR PAINTERS

In last month's newsletter Robert wrote an article encouraging you to participate more in Plein Air Painting. He and Alan Pickering have proposed two Plein Air dates for you to consider.

Friday 3rd March at Fremantle Fishing Harbour and Friday 14th April at Point Walter. Details on both these outings are yet to come. In the meantime anyone can link into Perth Plein Air Painters (under Events) listed for a Monday and Thursday.

Whilst speaking about Robert, he is participating in an exhibition at Ellis House in Bayswater. His flyer can be seen at the bottom of the page.

IMAGES

I am also in need of some images of members paintings for use on future flyers and advertising material. Please email me one or two images of your best work. We are planning to hand out flyers to our Awards of Excellence Exhibition at the Melville Open Studios at the end of April. Can't afford to miss all that free advertising so don't hesitate to send them in ASAP.



Cathy Giannopoulos



Robert Williams



ELLIS HOUSE ART CENTRE

OPEN Thur/Fri: 10am - 4pm, Sat/Sun: 10am - 5pm

30th March - 16th April 2023

116 Milne Street, BAYSWATER



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Events Information





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BEVERLEY STATION ARTS
 Entries close 15th March 2023

BEVERLEY ART PRIZE and 54th ANNUAL EXHIBITION

OFFICIAL OPENING Thursday 6 April 7pm-9pm
 Beverley Town Hall
 Admission: \$10 Adult U18 \$5, includes one drink



Opening Times:
 Preview Only (no sales) Thurs 6 April 10am-4pm
 Fri 7 to Sun 9 10am-4pm, Monday 10 April 10am-2pm
 Admission: Adults \$2, Children \$1, Family \$5

Artwork: 2022 Overall Prize Winner *Iron Lace* by Marylou Hutchinson

EXHIBITION



12TH - 26TH FEBRUARY

Leon Holmes Gallery
 49 LESLIE STREET, DUDLEY PARK, MANDURAH