



RANGIORA ART SOCIETY

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Hello Everyone,

Our first AGM at the new time went well, but it was a pity that we didn't have more folk in attendance. We welcomed three new **Life Members** – Diana Gillanders, June Mounter and Rosie Pack and thanked **Retiring committee members** - Rodger Barson, Cena Moulson and Rosie Pack for all their work over the previous year. **David Ayers, our Mayor**, spoke most interestingly about the further developments to Rangiora and to Kaiapoi, and answered a good many questions.

Your newly elected committee is: **President** – Ngaire Hunt, **Secretary** – Lyn Peckover, **Treasurer** – Sue Newick, and **Members** - Jan Campbell, Quilliam Collister, Bob Cusdin, Pip Dobson, Viv Knowles, and Sylvia Potter. Our **Patron** is Mark Lander and our **Auditor** is Graham Laurie.

With this newsletter I have included my Report as a wider perspective on our Society's happenings.

The Prosser Quirke Exhibition went really well. The Opening Evening was especially well attended this year. Our Guest Artist, Sue Ferguson's art works were a joy. Ruby Whitty won the main art award with her painting 'Wings over Christchurch' and Dennis Curran and Karin Werner received Merit Awards. We also sold quite a few paintings this year, which was good to see.

The overall award went to a member of the Photographic Society this year.

Congratulations to everyone who took part. Quilliam and Rosie did some demonstration painting over the course of the weekend and thank you also to those of you who helped with setting up, manning the show and clearing up at the end.

Our next workshop is fast approaching. This is **Oils/Acrylics with John Crump**, who is coming up from Glenorchy. It is for two days on 13 & 14 June. The cost is \$60.00. If you put your name down for this workshop would you please send me (Ngaire) your money, made out to Rangiora Art Society, so that I can confirm the bookings with John. My address is 52B Golding Avenue, Rangiora 7400.

Min Kim's palette also has some fees outstanding. The costs were slightly higher than anticipated because of increased postage fees. If you ordered the entire set it is \$148.00, the brushes only are \$48.00 and the palette only is \$24.00. I need this money, made out to Rangiora Art Society, before I can hand over the goods, which should be here this week, please.

We have also had a very interesting workshop with Kris Waldin, whose exhibition 'Peninsula' has been on display over the past month in the Rangiora Library Gallery. Kris mounted a still life full of exciting textures for us to get our teeth into as we worked in pastel, pencils and watercolour.

Gordon Harris is now unable to come out to take a product workshop on Tuesday 2 June. However, on the 9 June there is to be an in-store demonstration on **oil paints** and if anyone is interested please go along to 34 Southwark St after mid-day, or alternatively they will have an early evening in-store demo, when new painting mediums, new oil-painting surfaces, handy colour mixtures, glazing and impasto techniques, brush techniques and more, all in solvent-free, non-toxic method will be shown. I went to their watercolour one a few weeks ago and it was really good as their fully trained artist, Evan Woodruffe, MFA (1st Class Hons) comes down from Auckland to take these. He has an extensive exhibition and award history and his work is held in significant collections such as the Wallace Art Trust. Ph: 03 377 3617 to book your place for the evening demo which is 5.30 -7.30pm refreshments included.

The first meeting of the new committee is this week as, apart from Quilliam being overseas, Sue and I have also been away. We continue to welcome new members to the group and our Tuesdays are always well attended. Our next newsletter in July will include the entry forms for our Spring Exhibition.

Tuesday topics for the next month are: 2 & 9 June – A Family Group, 16 & 23 June – Abstractio30 June & 7 July – Still Life.

HAPPY PAINTING, Ngaire