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Welcome to our new members: Gaye McElroy, Carol and John Bromley, Raewyn Hillier, PATTYANNE SINCLAIR and Linda Vaughan. Our Tuesday mornings have become a hive of activity. The afternoon sessions are attended by a keen group who revel in the space of their surroundings.

Annual General Meeting: Thank you to all the members who attended our AGM on 21 July, it was the best turnout in many years. The proposal to change the wording of the Constitution, 11.1 to remove the word Auditor and replace it with Reviewer, was agreed and passed. The Constitution is now with the lawyer to be checked as a number of alterations over the years have rendered it difficult to read. A number of suggestions were made at the AGM and the committee will consider these, and other ideas, over the next months. The AGM saw the current committee increased by two members (Jeanie was co-opted earlier in the year) as all were standing and the maximum number of nine had not been reached. The RAS committee for the coming year:

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Committee: Carmen Smart, Russell Hobbs, Suzanne Roberts, Jeanie Taylor and Annie Guise. We continue to seek someone to work with us to understudy the role of Treasurer as Jan will need to stand down from that role next year. Jan will continue on the committee.

Lighting: You may have noticed three new lights at the Jubilee Centre on the eastern, windowless side. They make a huge difference to our lighting, particularly on sunless winter days. They have been donated by John Paul. Thank you so much, John, for this most generous donation.

Tutorials:

Russell Hobbs is providing a tutorial on **Portraits** on Tuesday 4 August.

Annie Guise has agreed to provide a tutorial in **Oil Painting on 1 September**. Annie is also providing the paints, Winsor & Newton water-based oils. At this point Annie's tutorial is full, please do not try to pay for it online now but if you are interested, and have missed out, please let the committee know so that we can put you on a waiting list in case of a cancellation or if we can arrange a repeat tutorial. Annie will display the paintings that will form the basis of this tutorial at the Jubilee Centre on **Tuesday 18 August** and will also be available to assist with preparing the canvases on Tuesday 25 August. That way participants will be ready to get going on the 1st September, making the most of the time available

Anne Ny will provide a tutorial on **Watercolour painting on Tuesday 29 September**. Please see the accompanying entry form for Anne's advice re materials for this tutorial.

Your place in these tutorials will be confirmed on payment, which can be made online any time, or cash/cheque to the Treasurer on Tuesdays.

RAS Calendar 2021: If you would like to have your work considered for the RAS Calendar 2021, please bring 1-3 pieces to the Jubilee Centre on a Tuesday (9:30-12:00) up to August 18 so that Quilliam can photograph and select from a range of those submitted for consideration. Quilliam has already taken quite a few photographs and will continue until August 18.

2020 RAS Calendar of Events: Please keep these dates in mind:

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| August 4 | At Jubilee Centre in the Rangiora A & P Showgrounds. 9 am to 2:30 pm Topic: Nor'wester Russell Hobbs Tutorial on Portraits |
| August 11 | At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm Topic: Nor'wester |
| August 18 | At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds Topic: Heading Home |
| August 25 | At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P showgrounds, Rangiora. 9 am to 2:30 pm Topic: Heading Home |

Other Events:

Ashburton Society of Arts: The ASA Newsletter is on display at the Jubilee Centre on Tuesdays. They are planning to have two workshops: Paul Deans- Sculpture, \$80 plus materials. Date and place TBA; Ben Reid Drawing/Printmaking, date, place & price TBA.

Michael Holland – Echo of Memories, at Ashburton Art Gallery until 30 August.

Arts in Oxford – Artist in Residence, Jo Emstem, Open House until 13 September.

ARTarama is coming back: Bishopdale-Burnside Rotary club advises that they are planning a return of ARTarama to be held on 9 to 11 October at St Andrew's College, Christchurch, as a charity fundraiser. It will be the same format of the successful 2018 show. All works must be on canvas, linen or art paper and be strung ready to hang. Exhibitors will be able to rent 2m x 1.2m panels and arrange to their individual layout with artworks. All entries will be hung together, no separate categories of artworks. A number of prizes will be awarded for 'best in show' with all works judged together. The Trust prefers that the nominated sale price for items of exhibited art be more than \$100. Full details will be included in the Entry Forms, which will be on their website for downloading early in August –

<https://bishopdale-burnside-rotary.com/artarama/>

The event email address for all emails: rcbb.artarama@gmail.com

Postal address: Rotary ARTarama, PO Box 20-059 Bishopdale, Christchurch 8543.

The Drawing Room is advertising more tutorials: Line & Wash city sketching with Kasia Wiercinska (3 weeks day time or 4 weeks evening); European buildings in Watercolour with Susie Millichamp (5 weeks); Printing with Gelli-plates; Screen Printing on Fabric with Carla Watson; Relief Printing, beginners workshop; Zentangle with Idica Boyd. Details available via The Drawing Room.

**Be kind to yourself and others. Keep safe, connected and well.
Happy painting everyone.**

Attachments:

- **Entry Form for Anne Ny's tutorial on Watercolour Painting**

