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## July 2019

While the weather is cold the heat is cranking up as the committee gets ready for the Spring into Spring show of RAS works. It may seem early but with so much to do in the lead up we have started the process. The show will again be held at the Rangiora Bowling Club.

**RAS AGM for 2020:** The auditor completed his audit of RAS finances and the report was shared with members on Tuesday 18 June. The financial statement reflected comments made by our treasurer at the AGM and we thank Graham Lawrey, our Auditor, for his work on our accounts at this time and his promise to continue as our Auditor going forward.

**Watercolour workshop:** Thank you to Quilliam Collister who provided us with a helpful and interesting tutorial on watercolour painting that was greatly enjoyed by all.

**The Christchurch Art Show** was a big event with some RAS members exhibiting their work. There was a large attendance over the weekend.

**Gordon Harris Workshop:** Evan Woodruffe will be accompanied by Peter Smith on July 16 at RAS and will demonstrate 'Watercolour tips and techniques'. There will be no extra charge beyond the normal \$3 weekly rental for members. There will also be opportunities to ask questions. Just bring a sketch pad and pencils for notes or ideas. There will be an opportunity to purchase materials.

**2020 Calendars:** 2020 RAS Members' Calendar: Due to some requests your committee has decided that we will put together a 2020 calendar ready for sale at the Rymans Exhibition and possibly at our "Spring into Spring" show (although the timeframe is quite tight). If you would like to put forward your work to go into this Calendar this is what you need to know: We require both Landscape and Portrait orientated works, approximately 13 of each will be selected. Final selection of works will fall to the committee, we will endeavour to include as many members' works as possible. You can either bring your unframed works in to the Gospel Hall any Tuesday in **July** where Quilliam will photograph them or members can upload 'full resolution images' (straight from your camera) on our website [www.rangioraart.org.nz](http://www.rangioraart.org.nz). It is important that we know the name of the artist and the title of the work so if submitting work for photography or electronically please ensure that Quilliam has these details. Pre-orders of the Calendar will be available if you wish to purchase as Christmas presents. Order forms will follow.

**Shared Panels at exhibitions:** The RAS will be booking panels at a number of exhibitions this year; the panel is usually shared by four RAS members. The following events are those where RAS shared panels will be available in 2019:

Pegasus Bay Art Show

September (now full)

North Canterbury Collective at Ryman's Charles Upham

November (date to be confirmed)

Please let the committee know if you are interested in sharing any of these panels.

Also, please note that the Arts Canterbury Cash and Carry at Rymans' Essie Summers complex has now been cancelled. Arts Canterbury may schedule an alternative venue later in the year but there are no details yet.

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

**July 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 Tuesday sessions at the Gospel Hall.**

**July 13 – 14 Kaiapoi Expo: exhibition including RAS members and RAS panel.**

**July 16, 2019 Gordon Harris workshop: Peter Smith with Evan Woodruffe**

**August 23-25, 2019 'Spring into Spring', RAS annual exhibition at the Rangiora Bowling Club.**

**The RAS Raffle:** We are continuing the tradition of the RAS raffle with several baskets of goodies available as prizes. In the past we have had generous donations of items and we hope this will continue.

- **Baskets for the Raffle prizes:** If you have a medium sized gift basket or an interesting box languishing at home and have no further need for it please consider donating it to RAS for our Spring into Spring Raffle. You will make Wendy Wills very happy if you have a spare basket for the raffle.
- **Goods for the raffle baskets and boxes:** Please have a hunt for those extra items and 'treats' that would make a good gift but that you do not need now and hand them to Wendy Wills or Suzanne Roberts to help fill the prize baskets. If donating perishable items, please check the use by date before doing so.
- **Raffle tickets:** The committee is having tickets printed this year. We will be handing out a book per member at a Tuesday session and ask that you try to sell as many as possible. We are keeping the price low at \$2 so sales should not be too difficult. The raffle sales represent a large portion of our annual fundraising. For those members who do not attend on a Tuesday we are happy to let you have books of raffle tickets to sell, just contact a committee member and we will arrange for the tickets to get to you. The tickets will be printed soon and will be distributed soon after that. We ask that the ticket butts and any unsold tickets are returned to the committee by 23 August.
- **Raffle ticket sales;** The main sale points will be via members, at the show and one day outside the Rangiora New World supermarket. Once again, we will be asking for volunteers to man the sales table outside the supermarket on Tuesday 20 August. Please check your availability and speak to Pip who will have a roster ready for names of volunteers.

**Framing:** Han Overtoom advises that following his shift to Silverstream in Kaiapoi he is now ready to take on framing work. If anyone needs pictures framed, re-framing or re-furbishing of their framed pictures please phone Han at 03 930 1267 to arrange this with him.

**Other Events:**

- **Kaiapoi Art Expo**                      **13 & 14 July** Don't forget to see this event, it is always popular and many of our members will be exhibiting there again this year.
- **Pegasus Bay Art Show**              **20-22 September**

**Happy painting everyone**

**Attachment to this newsletter: Spring into Spring 2019 Exhibition Entry Form**