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RANGIORA ART SOCIETY

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We are pleased to welcome our new members, Sue Ferguson, Genevieve Amyes, Sue Turner and Paul Reti.

2021 Spring Exhibition: Wasn't it fantastic to be able to enjoy our exhibition after all the stops and starts over the past two years? It was a colourful display and a joy to see. The new venue proved a good space and already the committee has ideas about improving the experience at the next RAS exhibition. Constructive feedback is welcomed by the committee. This year we were privileged to have Adrienne Pavelka as our guest artist and we were delighted that six of Adrienne's paintings were sold during the exhibition. Although the number of people attending the exhibition was fewer than in the past, the sales were comparable to our last exhibition in 2019. Our Treasurer reports that overall takings from paintings, raffle and door entries gave us \$11,500, a very good result considering the difficulties we are all experiencing due to Covid's impact on society. However, our expenses were greater than usual, due to the extra advertising required when dates had to be changed, the lock down and the loss of the opportunity to sell tickets outside the New World supermarket, due to Covid restrictions. Congratulations to the artists whose paintings sold during the exhibition. We are advised that payments will be made to the artists over the next two to three weeks.

Rangiora Art Society 2021 winners:

- Russell Andrew Memorial Cup: Libby Handy, *Afar and Above*
- Gordon Harris award: Mary Fraser, *Briar Rose*
- People's Choice award: Sarah Beal, *Pastures Green*.
- Acrylics/Ink: Linda Wilson, *Piwakawaka* (Merit); Ruby Whitty, *Boat by the Lake* (Highly Commended).
- Oils: Sarah Beal, *Pastures Green* (Merit); Graham Williams, *Mt Thomas Road* (Highly Commended).
- Mixed Media: Victoria Bennett, *Peonies* (Merit); Tracy Parker, *Day/Night/Morning After* (Highly Commended).
- Drawing: Ann Filshie, *Still Life with Fruit* (Merit); Ruby Whitty, *Bunny III* (Highly Commended).
- Pen & Wash/Watercolour: Quilliam Collister, *Lake Alexandrina* (Merit); Carol Moffatt, *Day's End* (Highly Commended).
- Workshop/Tutorial: Margaret Stephenson, *Bob Geldof* (Merit), Sharon Soderberg White, *Fall* (Highly Commended).
- 30-Day Challenge Folder: Roberta Smith (Merit).

RAS Raffle: Eight lovely baskets were provided through the generosity of RAS members. The draw was made at the end of the exhibition and all the baskets have been collected by the lucky winners. The winning tickets were : 025, 064, 103, 538, 556, 665, 714, 722.

The RAS Committee wishes to thank the members who gave generously of their time and energy helping to run the 2021 RAS exhibition. We are very grateful to the folk who offer their help to run the exhibition by assisting with hanging the paintings, door sales, raffle sales, as well as keeping an eye on visitors to see that they were enjoying their experience. A big thank you to the following people: Oliver Ryan, Rosie Pack, Bob Cusdin, Linda Wilson, John Paul, Anne Dillon, Carol Moffatt, Sarah Beal, Sharon White, Irene Dench, Mary Overtoom, Trish Tijssen, Jenny & Neil Baker, Peter Albury, Di Mabbitt, Ngaire Hunt, Frances Hay, Valerie Hockley, Chris Heaphy, Ian Stephenson, Russell Hobbs. Without these volunteers the exhibition would not have run as smoothly.

2021 RAS Calendar of Events: Please keep these dates in mind:

November 9	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Portrait
November 16	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Portrait
November 23	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Flowers
November 30	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Flowers
December 7	At Jubilee Centre, Rangiora A & P Showgrounds, Rangiora. 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Dreaming
December 14	Christmas Lunch at Flat White Café, Pegasus	
	Summer Recess	
February 8, 2022	Resume sessions at Jubilee Centre 9am to 2:30pm	Topic: Seascape

RAS Calendar 2022: The RAS 2022 calendar was on sale at the exhibition but we still have copies left as our usual chance to sell them before Christmas has been withdrawn. Please consider buying three calendars as presents, as this will go a long way to cover our costs for these lovely calendars. The calendars cost \$15 each for members and \$20 for non-members. We thank Quilliam Collister who has again prepared an excellent calendar for us.

There are also a few of Quilliam's own 2022 calendars available at the Jubilee Centre, \$15 each.

RAS Committee: The RAS committee received resignations from Jeanie Taylor and Annie Guise, both citing family circumstances for their withdrawal from the committee. We thank them for their support while on the committee. This has left the RAS committee short-handed. Fortunately, Jan Campbell has agreed to resume the Treasurer position and will continue for 2022. The Secretary position will need to be filled by someone else in 2022 as Pip and her husband have just sold their property and are moving to the North Island in January, to be nearer their family. Please see the committee to discuss how you could help cover the Secretary position and assist the committee.

Rymans Exhibition: We have had an indication that Rymans are keen to hold another exhibition at Charles Upham with RAS and the collective. This will depend on the status of Covid restrictions but may be early in 2022.

Evening Sessions: These will not go ahead in term 4 this year as too few (3 only) opted to attend. We really need 7-10 people who could attend regularly for this to go ahead. We will reconsider this if people let us know they are interested in attending. Please contact the committee if you are interested. We will advertise evening sessions again in term 1, 2022.

Christmas Lunch: The annual Christmas Lunch is nearly here. We have booked the Flat White Café at Pegasus for 14 December at 12 noon. The cost will be \$35 for members (subsidised) including one drink plus tea/coffee and \$40 for non-members, including tea/coffee. Please book your place by Tuesday 7 December. Please see the accompanying form for details of this event.



As this is the last newsletter for 2021, the Rangiora Art Society committee would like to wish all our members a safe and happy festive season and summer recess.

With this newsletter: Christmas Lunch Menu and order form

Rangiora Art Society Christmas Lunch



Venue: Flat White Café, at Pegasus, in the library section.

When: Tuesday, 14 December 2021, 12 noon.

Cost: \$35.00 per member (including tea/coffee + 1 free drink).

Cost for Non-members is \$40 (including tea/coffee only).

The RAS booking is for 12 noon and Flat White Café would like us all to be there promptly.

Payment: Please fill in the form below and return with your payment to the RAS committee to book your place and order please. If you are bringing a partner to the lunch, please return a separate order form for them too.

Method of payment:

- **Cash** handed to the RAS committee
- **Internet banking** made to **Rangiora Art Society** 02-0876-0027478-00. Please use your name and Xmas as Reference.

CHRISTMAS LUNCH MENU

Four choice option: Ham or Stuffed Chicken breast or Salmon or Vegetarian

- Hot ham carved off the bone with seeded mustard
- Stuffed chicken breast with cream cheese and cranberry
- Maple baked salmon

All served with roasted Gourmet buttered new potatoes, seasonal greens and garden salad on the table

- Or,
- **Vegetarian option:** Seasonal roasted vegetable salad with chef's minted dressing, topped with toasted seeds (Dairy/Gluten/Vegan).

Dessert: Plated dessert option of:

- Eton Mess
- Chocolate beetroot cake (Dairy free, Gluten free)
- Lemon tart

Tea / coffee

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RAS Christmas Lunch at Flat White Café, Pegasus
12 noon on 14 December 2021

Name: _____

My Choice (please circle your choice):

Mains choice: Ham / Chicken / Salmon / Vegetarian

Dessert: Eton Mess / Lemon tart / Chocolate Beetroot cake (d/f, g/f)

Special dietary requirements: _____

Please circle Payment method: cash / internet