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## NEWSLETTER MARCH 2009

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### SPECIAL EDITION

Hello Members,

This special edition of the news letter is to keep you informed of recent happenings since our meeting of 28<sup>th</sup> February.

#### RELATIONS WITH THE GOULBURN CLUB:

Following the meeting's decision, your president, Alan, and secretary, Alex, met with Megan Barnham, president of the Goulburn Club and their art co-ordinator, Maria Young. The outcome of our discussions was exactly what our society and the Goulburn Club wanted to achieve. That is, **we will be able to hold our meetings at the Goulburn Club and we will be able to have three exhibitions per annum at the Goulburn Club**, which will decorate the Club's walls. We agreed that it would be reasonable for our art society to pay a 'rental' of \$25 per meeting to cover the Goulburn's Club's expenses for heating, electricity, cleaning, etc. As for the exhibitions the Club is open Thursday, Friday and Saturday evenings and we will be able to open it during the day time – if we can staff it. More information will be given to members later in regard to Goulburn Club commissions and terms of exhibiting.

The four of us were in strong agreement that it is a two-way process benefiting both the Goulburn Club and the GDAS.

**Since then, Maria phoned Alex to ask for our assistance by holding an exhibition in April.** It is, we think, something we can easily help out with. An artist who was going to exhibit from 16<sup>th</sup> April cancelled her exhibition, so Maria hopes our society can fill the gap. Alex told her we should be able to do that for her. Our apologies for such short notice, but we are sure that given the stocks of art many of our members have, we can easily organise the exhibition, and it is a way in which we can immediately assist the Goulburn Club. It is a great opportunity for our members to exhibit their work for approximately 6 weeks.

The exhibition space is in two rooms on the upper level. We are not sure how many paintings we will need as size is a factor, but let's say if we get 40 paintings we can probably hang them all. (For comparison there were 109 in the Rose Festival).

Entry is free for this exhibition.

Goulburn Club's commission is probably 20% (but we are waiting for confirmation on this).

On the last page there is a small form for you to complete so we will know how many artists are willing to participate in this first exhibition. On it you can indicate how many paintings you would like to submit. Most likely we'll have to limit the number from each member as we expect an overwhelming support. On receiving the forms we will at least know where we stand. **Further information and an official entry form will be sent out to you later in the month when a copy has been received from the Goulburn Club.**

#### **WEB SITE:**

**David Booth, of Goulburn Internet, has been so kind as to offer free hosting of a web site for our art society.**

Katya has been working on developing the web site and hopes to be able to get it going soon. She used the Rose Festival exhibition as an opportunity to photograph many of the works so that quite a few of our artists will have works featured on the web site. The aim will be to rotate through as many different artists and works as possible over a period of time.

#### **OTHER MATTERS:**

My intention had been to put out another news letter a week before the next meeting, however I decided to save effort and add further information now.

1. **At the meeting 28<sup>th</sup> February** other important items included:

You would have noticed that we have **some new office bearers** elected at the meeting – Alan Whitten is President, and Alex Mortensen is Secretary. Maxeene Thompson and Rosmary Carlon remain as Treasurer and Vice-President respectively.

The **Annual Exhibition** in October will not be held this year.

We will look into getting a shipping container for storage of our equipment.

2. Our Rose Festival Exhibition was very successful. We had 19 artists exhibiting 109 of their works, plus Julie's ceramics. Ten paintings, to a total value of \$1565 were sold plus several ceramics. Of course we greatly appreciated the generosity of the Soldiers Club in providing the Belmore Room for our exhibition.

Keep up the good work and remember that our society needs the continual support of all of its members.

*"The artist's brush is an extension of his (or her) eyes, mind, and hand – and even then it often does as it wants to do!"*

**NEXT MEETING: write it on your calendar today.**

**The next meeting will be held on Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> April at 10am in the Gatehouse Gallery.**

**Please do your best to attend.**

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**EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FORM**

**RSVP BY Friday 27<sup>th</sup> March.** (The secretary will collect mail from the PO Box on the Friday.)

You can:

Post it to The Secretary, GDAS, PO Box 71 GOULBURN 2580

OR

Email it to Alex at [katandal@ipstarmail.com.au](mailto:katandal@ipstarmail.com.au)

NAME: .....

I wish to participate in the exhibition which will commence on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> April, 2009.

I could submit ..... works.  
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