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Newsletter – May 2024

COVID is still around, and we would like to minimise the risk to all members. If you display symptoms, please isolate from the group. For those who are unable to join in activities for various health reasons, we wish you a speedy recovery.

President's message.



Greeting members and associates.

Our first exhibition for this year at the Cronulla RSL, 15th to 17th April has come and gone. I must admit that the event went off seamlessly with thanks going to the many members and family who assisted in setting up and running the show. We must acknowledge the Management and Patrons of Cronulla RSL who graciously provided the function room and patronised the exhibition. Without this support we would have not raised a considerable sum in the Raffle supporting Sutherland Hospital. A special thanks goes to Maureen Lembke who donated the John Hingerty painting, the prize in this raffle. Congratulations also to those artists who sold. In general, our sales were higher, the quality of the paintings were excellent, the raffle was a success, and our organisation was represented in a professional manner.

Just a reminder, the AGM of the Southern Cross Art Group Inc. is to be held at AMRA on Tuesday 7th May, 2024, starting at 7pm and precedes our regular critique

night. Members are invited to join the management committee and if you are interested, please express this via a written document sent to the Returning Officer via email, post or handed to a committee member.

The agenda for the AGM is as follows: (1) Start 7pm – President's report (2) minutes from the last AGM, (3) Treasurer's report (4) committee stand down (5) temporary chairperson calls for nominations to committee (6) Temporary chair asks members to second the nominations (7) the temporary chair will read out the positions filled (8) temporary chair hands over to incoming President (9) thank you message for previous and new committee (10) open discussion with members before progressing to Critique session.

On the last Sunday in September, we will hold a workshop during the daytime at AMRA with the tutor being John Perkins. It will be a subject that oils or acrylic can be used by the participants. Further details will follow as it comes to hand, remembering John is a master painter who provided a sample of his abilities at our last demonstrator's night in March, and I have found him to be a masterful teacher.

Happy painting,

Noel Carrigg – President.

What happened in April?

On Tuesday 2nd April 2024 – 7pm - AMRA - Critique.
Our regular critic, Tanner Tan, facilitated the

evening as discussion ensued about the 26 or so paintings presented for review. At the end of the session a judging panel was formed, and they selected **Best on Show Award** to Janette Rigby Sammut for her painting “Celebration” and the **Encouragement Award** to Maureen Lembke for her “river scene”. Congratulations to you both.



The photos depict Tanner Tan giving guidance and advise, and his audience.

Tuesday 16th April 2024 – The scheduled tutorial was cancelled due to the exhibition at Cronulla RSL.

Cronulla RSL Exhibition Monday 15th to Wednesday 17th April, 2024.

The venue provided by the management of the club is in an excellent location, that is, to the left of the entry foyer. Its décor and windows provide bright lighting to the display areas and enhances the presentation. The bump in, that is, screens were picked up ably assisted by Michael Rogers,

Ian Robinson, Steven, Bronwyn and Reg Rimoldi, Tanner Tan, John Lembke and Noel. At the venue Maureen Lembke, Margaret Lacey, Joe Green and others assisted in placing the screens and accepting the paintings so we were rolling by 10am. Plenty of members had volunteered their time during the 3 days program by talking to our visitors. Several members demonstrated their skills and they included, Michael Rogers, Janette Rigby Sammut, Margaret Lacey, Tanner Tan and Noel Carrigg. Financially the exhibition was a success, and congratulations go to the selling artists. Our raffle was drawn by a Cronulla staff member with the prize being awarded to Mr William Suprpto of the Haymarket.

Thursdays 4 and 11th April 2024 – 1pm. Painting was held at Sylvania Heights Youth and Community Hall, 288 Box Rd, Sylvania. The following Thursdays, that is, 18th and 25th, no painting was held due to the end of the school term.

May's Activities

		2	Painting at Sylvania, 1pm, \$10 for members
7	Critique night. - 7pm - \$5 member, \$10 visitors - AMRA	9	Painting at Sylvania, 1pm, \$10 for members
14		16	Painting at Sylvania, 1pm, \$10 for members.
21	Demonstration – AMRA – 7pm - Ken Harrison – Caricature artist. \$10 for members and \$15 for non members.	23	Painting at Sylvania, 1pm, \$10 for members.
28		30	Painting at Sylvania, 1pm, \$10 for members.

On Tuesday 7th May 2024 – AMRA - \$5 members and \$10 for non-members.

Our usual Critique night with Tanner Tan as the facilitator. Members are reminded they can bring along up to 3 paintings for review, ensuring they are not wet, while paintings on paper should be reinforced by a “backing board” so they do not fall off the display easel. At the end of the session a judging panel is formed and award certificates, **Best on Show** and **Encouragement**, will be given to artists whose paintings had been reviewed. Light refreshments are also available. **THE AGM IS BEING HELD ON THIS NIGHT.**

On Tuesday 21st May 2024 – AMRA – 7pm \$10 members and \$15 for non-members – Demonstration by Ken Harrison – Caricatures.

Ken is an ARTIST with a great sense of humour. He was born in Sydney, and resides in Yowie Bay New South Wales. Ken’s occupation, before retiring, was in advertising, media (David Jones), teaching at TAFE, Counselling and supporting people with fund raising over the years. He regularly sits and draws in Westfield Miranda whilst enjoying his coffee. People often stop and observe his drawings of the locals. Drawing caricatures has interested Ken for many years. He has offered to entertain our art group with his conversation and drawing demonstrations and might select a subject from the audience.

Come along and enjoy this evening and bring along a friend or two. Light refreshments are available.

Thursdays 2, 9, 16, 23 & 30th May 2024 - \$10 for members. Painting at Sylvania Heights Community Hall, 288 Box Rd, Sylvania starting at 1pm for 3 hours. These untutored events allow members to work on their next masterpiece. This is a pleasant environment which provides the opportunity to socialise with your peers while pursuing your artistic aspirations.

June’s Activities at a glance.

4	Critique night. - 7pm - \$5 member, \$10 visitors AMRA	6	Painting at Sylvania, 1pm, \$10 for members
11		13	Painting at Sylvania, 1pm, \$10 for members.

18	Tutorial – Noel Carrigg – Watercolour basics.	20	Painting at Sylvania, 1pm, \$10 for members.
25		27	Painting at Sylvania, 1pm, \$10 for members.

NB: The tutorial will be a basic course on watercolour techniques and some paper and paints will be supplied to assist participants. Further information will follow in the next newsletter.



Some photos from the Cronulla RSL Exhibition



What's on?

Hazelhurst, Gymea

Sutherlandshire.nsw.gov/hazelhurst

ART GALLERY NSW

artgallery.nsw.gov.au

ACTIVITIES BY MEMBERS:

Joe Green, Richard, Astrid, Annabelle & Julia Green, Janette Rigby Sammut, Michael Rogers, and Noel Carrigg, all members, are exhibitors at The Kurnell Gallery, 6 Prince Charles Pde. Opening hours 10am to 3pm on each Saturday and Sunday of the month. Everyone is welcome.

Art classes- Janette Rigby-Sammut. Janette is holding private classes during 2024 at her home at Miranda. This is an opportunity to learn either plein air or studio painting. Persons interested should contact her on 0402400107.

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Cheers until the next timeEditor



Other news.