ALM NEWSLETTER ISSUE
209 NOVEMBER

MEETINGS: 1st Thursday of the month 9.30am-3.00pm at the Cooranbong Community Services Centre, 614 Freemans Drive Cooranbong.

COST FOR MEMBERS: $5 or $10 (Includes afternoon workshop)
COST FOR VISITORS: $10 or $15 (Includes afternoon workshop)

MORNING TEA IS SUPPLIED

FROM THE EDITORS DESK Linda Baker

Not much to say at the moment, but WELL DONE to everyone who helped make our Exhibition a resounding success. Despite a dismal forecast for the weather—the sunshone and people turned up. Paintings were viewed and some sold, scones were eaten, raffle tickets went out to many. The venue was thought to be a great improvement over the hall—due to size, ease of movement and lighting. A big report will come next month, and no doubt some facts and figures at our November meeting.

I do hope our new members, Janet Blacket, Carolyn Haywood, Annette Kelsey and Sue Price all enjoyed seeing what we do so well - have fun and work together to make Art Lovers a wonderful organisation.

This month is our last demonstration for the year. December, as usual will be our Xmas end of year “knees up”. I think we will be looking for some suggestions for a painting “theme” to keep everyone busy and motivated over the holiday’s—so thinking caps on please and make suggestions as wild and woolly (or not) as you can come up with.

So, to finish up for this month; on behalf of all our members, friends and family to everyone who attended, helped out and did such a huge amount of work ,“thank you” and “well done“.

2018 was a WINNER

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SUBMISSIONS FOR NEWSLETTER BY 12TH OF THE MONTH
After painting part time for most of my life, I decided some years back I wanted to spend more and more time following my passion. This led me to become a full time painter enjoying the challenges of the art world for many years now. As an artist its the expression of the subject within its natural surrounds that I find most interesting. My love of the great outdoors, the sea, lakes, bays and coastal scenery, finds me working mostly with marine based themes.

I will be painting a version of red head bluff as shown for the demo. Workshop artists can bring a canvas any size they like and the acrylics and brushes they love using. We may work on a limited palette in the workshop which should provide pleasing results regardless of skill levels. Try to include:

- Phalo blue
- Payne's grey
- White
- Black
- Yellow ochre or
- Raw sienna or
- Raw umber.
- Or any Red.

If you don't have a colour don't buy it I'm sure we'll make up a complimentary colour for you. ☺️ ️ ☺️

We will paint a version of Merewether Beach in a fun way concentrating on perspective and the viewers lead into the painting.
A big thank you to Lynn for showing us how easy it can be to “see” and reduce a complex image down to basic elements that we have all drawn so many times. From the first pencil strokes to the beauty of a drawing extending over the mat, Lynn certainly shared so much of her knowledge and talent with us.

Here are the basic points to utilize in your own work.

- **All shapes are made of basic elements**, a square, a triangle or a circle. Start with these.
- **Shading makes a flat object appear round**. Dark behind will make a light object ‘pop’.
- **Use a combination of strokes to get texture**. Start with H pencils for the lightest touch.
- **The whole page does not need to be filled. Less can be more**. Blend back into the drawing to prevent ‘kindergarten’ lines.
- **Don’t have pencils too sharp or they may indent the paper**.
- **Cut erasers to get a clean line**. To dust of pencil and eraser crumbs use a wide soft brush.
- **Change pictures, combine, whatever makes it more pleasing to the eye as a finished piece**.
- **Draw your picture to extend under the mat, then continue again on top of the mat to add an exciting element**.
- **Blend back into the drawing to prevent ‘kindergarten’ lines**.
SUMMARY OF COMMITTEE MEETING September 2018

UPDATE ON LIBRARY EXHIBITION

- 25% commission will be charged on all sales
- Paintings need to be at the library on Monday 19 November. A list of exhibitors will be sent to others at each library to others at the same library so they can get together to share the taking and collection if they so desire. It will be the artists’ responsibility to get their paintings there and back.
- An event will be held at each venue in January. At this event we will have someone talking about Art Lovers Movement and as many exhibiting artists as possible should be present, so they can answer questions about their art.

EVENT DATES:
Belmont: Tuesday 22nd January at 5.30 - 6.30 pm
Toronto: Thursday 24th January at 5.30 - 6.30 pm
ALM will provide some wine and cheese

Set up Date: Belmont and Toronto: 19 November Library opening hours
Take Down: Belmont: Monday 11 February 10-11 am
Toronto: Saturday 9 February 10-11 am

These will also be the pick up dates for sold paintings.

A suggestion was raised that from the start of 2019 a raffle will be held at each meeting, tickets to be sold at $1 each, prizes will vary from month to month and proceeds will be allocated to different areas e.g. new library books or towards the Christmas Party etc. a review will be made after 6 months as to whether this continues all year.
2018 ALM EXHIBITION

Well Done to ALL!
### Exhibitions to Enter

**Exhibitions to plan for**—the months entries open/close are approximate and must be checked by those interested in entering as the time approaches. This list is compiled from previous years and all shows may not be on again in 2018.

- Sydney Royal Easter Show December—January
- Morisset Show Art February
- Dobell Festival dates are Friday 4th May—Sunday 6th May
- Coal Point Local Art Show June 29—July 1. Entry forms email Barbara Lawrenson at artandcraftcppa@gmail.com
- Coal and Allied Singleton Art Prize June
- Kurri Weston Art Show—July
- Newcastle Emerging Artist Prize mid year
- Gosford Art Prize September
- Dungog Annual Art Exhibition September
- **ALM Exhibition—October.**
  - Gosford Regional Gallery Mental Health Month Exhibition—September
  - Tuggerah Lakes Art Society Fab Fakes—September, early October.

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