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Message from the President

Welcome to a new year of pastelling. We have gained a few new members over the break and look forward to seeing them at our Monday meetings.

There are already some exciting events to look forward to and prepare for this year. Our unframed sale at Floreat Forum, a demonstration and workshops with Queensland pastel artist Karol Oakley and our annual exhibition in august. Also the Pastel Expo in Queensland in September is a wonderful opportunity for those who Plan to attend

I look forward to meeting our new members and seeing what everyone is working on at our Monday meetings Get working, get creative and above all have fun with your artwork

Val Brooks President

Congratulations to the following Christmas Party Pastel Category Winners



The Peace Painting: Won by Loretta Watt



The Painting that tells a Story:

Won by Dave Conlin

Christmas hampers were won by:-Lindy Midalia Diane Bell Jill Buckrell







Impressionist Painting: Won by Avis Clements



Message from the Vice President

I look forward to another creative Pastel Painting Year and welcome all New and Existing Members to come along on Monday nights at Mildenhall, Duncraig to join in the friendly, relaxed atmosphere to paint at your own pace and just generally enjoy the wonderful medium of Pastels. We are very fortunate as a Society to have these roomy well-lit premises to paint in, with moveable trestle tables, free standing easels if required and tea and coffee handy. Also, at Atwell House on Tuesdays 1pm, for our South of the River Members.

We have also acquired a Projector, Camera and Screen for up-coming demonstrations, to make it more visible for those members who miss out on front row seats. Thanks to Dave Conlin for sourcing this for us, and all the fundraising efforts of our members over the year to help pay for it.

Also an extra 4 mesh display stands made at the Men's Shed (thanks to Leanna Taylor for organising this). These will be added to our existing 16 stands used at our Annual Exhibition at Sorrento SLSC to allow more paintings to be displayed.

Thank you to Michele Scott, our fantastic Public Relations Committee Member for organising our Annual Exhibition Award winners photos to feature in the Australian Artist Magazine this Feb. Edition and more from WA to come in the following edition.

We are looking forward to Karol Oakley, Master Pastellist from Queensland coming over to do Two, 2 Day Workshops in June. Thanks to our fund raising efforts making this possible.

We are blessed to have a great working Committee, and we always welcome anyone who would like to contribute their time and expertise to help make our Society grow.

So, if any member would like to join our Committee, we welcome you with open arms, even in an assistant role. If anyone has some time to assist us, please let me know! Remember, we will be looking for a new Committee at our AGM in April.

Keep up the Pastel Painting!

Rayma Reany Více President

Unframed Pastel Exhibition & Sale







Our Unframed Exhibition at Greenwood Village Shopping Centre (Opposite Coles) was held on Friday 24th and Saturday 25th November, 2017.

23 paintings were sold, and the raffled painting by Rayma Reany was won by Jenny Tartaglia (pictured) Green Ticket No. C068.

Demonstrations by our Award Winning Artists







Dave Conlin's demonstration







Val Brooks demonstration



"We were very fortunate to have very own Award Winning Artists volunteer their time to demonstrate their pastel skills in front of our Members during the month of October last year.

Thank you to Dave Conlin, Val Brooks and Betty McLean."

Landscape demonstration by Betty McLean

Pastel's Christmas Party - 4th December 2017







CHRISTMAS BREAK-UP PARTY HELD 4TH DECEMBER, 2017

A great night with fun, frivolity, silly games and Santa was MC'd by our one and only Julie Silvester.

Once again everyone excelled with the delicious food and with a great turn-out was a wonderful start to the Festive Season.

Entertainment, guitar player Di Bramley and the South of River ladies gave a lovely rendition of a Christmas Carol.







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Dates to Remember - Up-coming Events -2018

Monday 5th March	PUBLIC HOLIDAY (No Pastels)		
Monday 23rd April	AGM - PASTEL SOCIETY OF WA.(No painting)		
7.30pm Sharp	Deadline for Entries - Unframed Exhibition		
Saturday 12th May	UNFRAMED MOTHER'S DAY EXHIBITION FLOREAT FORUM SHOPPING CENTRE		
(Tuesday 26th June/			
Wednesday 27th June)			
and	TWO 2 DAY WORKSHOPS WITH KAROL OAKLEY		
(Saturday 30th June /	At Tuart Hill & Atwell House (more information to be advised)		
Sunday 1st July)			
Friday 17th Catyuday	PASTEL SOCIETY ANNUAL EXHIBITION		
Friday 17 th , Saturday	at Sorrento Surf Life Saving Club		
18th , Sunday 19th August			
	PASTEL EXPO - CALOUNDRA,		
	QUEENSLAND, SUNSHINE COAST.		
12 th - 16 th September	email: pastelexpo@gmail.com		
	website: www.australianpastelexpo.com.au		
Monday 24 th September	PUBLIC HOLIDAY (No Pastels)		

Welcome to the following New Members



Heather Whitley Stephanie Ivatts Cindy Stone-McLean Patricia Spence



Pastel's Web-site Reminder

To all new and existing Members - for only \$10 you can put 3 of your latest images of your Pastel Paintings in our Public Gallery Website. If you wish to do this please contact Julie Silvester, Web site organiser. Email: juliesilvesterart@gmail.com

NOTE: To make it easy for you to photograph your paintings.

- 1. Lay painting flat on ground in shade e.g. under pergola
- 2. Make sure no reflecting colour on it.
- 3. Stand over your painting with your camera set at highest resolution and with the painting filling the viewer window as much as possible.
- 4. Keep camera absolutely as still as possible (even hold your breath)
- 5. Take photo
- 6. Check photo to make sure it is well in focus before sending to Julie.

If anyone is having problems, Julie is happy to help.

Also you can check with Julie about having your own Gallery Page.

http://www.pastelsocietywa.org.au

A Note from the editor

Thank you so much to Rayma Reany for her contribution of photos and articles for this issue of the Pastels Newsletter. It is a pleasure to be involved in society with such hard working and dedicated members. Members, please consider nominating for the Committee at the A.G.M. in April.

If you would like to contribute any items of interest or advertise a coming exhibition or event in a future Newsletter, please remember to speak to me at Pastels or contact me by e-mail kpl90005@bigpond.net.au

Karyn Platt Newsletter Editor

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- http://www.pastelsocietywa.org.au
- http://pastelpointersblog.artistsnetwork.com
- http://www.pastelsandpencils.com

- http://www.wetcanvas.com
- http://www.ozpastels.com
- http://www.howtopastel.com