



Goulburn & District Arts & Crafts Inc. Newsletter October 2015

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Welcome to the Spring newsletter. The format is a little different as our usual editor Alex Mortensen is taking a well earned break from the production line, but all the news will be here but without the photos to keep it simpler. Our next General Meeting will be on the 6th December 2015.

The Annual General Meeting

Was held on the 12th September 2015 and here's the news from that meeting.

The President's Report

In my absence, due to illness, Grahame Woodcock, Vice President, chaired the General Meeting and AGM.

I would like to say a very special and sincere "Thank You" to Cherie, our retiring Treasurer, for the mighty job she undertook in the past two years. Without a dedicated person like Cherie, Gallery on Track would not function.

Also a big Thank you to Alex Mortensen who produced our newsletter.

A big welcome to our new Committee members.

Gallery on Track is fortunate to have many committed people who are passionate about the future of the Gallery, many who work behind the scenes, namely our continuing Committee.

We have had many successful Artists of Month exhibitions during the year, also Dressing of Teapot 2 and Gardenesque, which were very successful.

Social event of the year being Opening of the Garden which was a lot of fun. Thank you to Cherie and her team.

Big Thank you to Lynette Brown for her never ending persistence in maintaining the Roster and carrying out the Secretarial duties.

To Heather West, Thank you for instigating the improvement of the outside Railway Land.

Heather organised the mulch through Council and old carpet as weed mat, and with a small team has changed the appearance to the entrance to the gallery enormously.

Enid Rose has done a wonderful job keeping up the archives.

Financially 2014/15 has been very successful. We were able to acquire a Grant for \$5640 courtesy of Veolia Mulwaree Trust for refurbishing of the Car Park.

We receive lots of compliments on the presentation and quality of merchandise in the Gallery.

Goulburn is fortunate to have Gallery on Track and so many talented artists.

In closing, I would like to thank the Committee and members for their dedication to Gallery on Track.

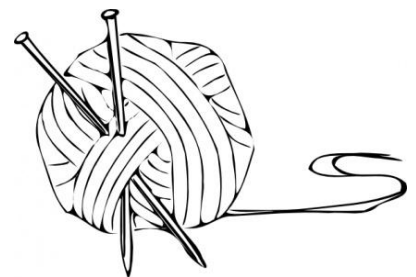
Kindest regards, *Faye Long*, President.

The Former Treasurer's Report

Last financial year saw the Gallery make gross sales of \$37,742 giving the us \$8,478 in commission. Our income for the year was \$12,143 and our expenses totalled \$10,793 leaving us with a net income of \$1,350.

We have received a grant for \$5,640 from the Veolia Mulwaree Trust to resurface the car park and our contribution to this project will be \$1,884.

There are still mistakes being made with sales and it would be appreciated if volunteers would read the procedures in the manual if at all unsure – even coming in fortnightly it is easy to forget little



things. There have been only two weeks in the last year when the banking had no mistakes. The problem when sales are not recorded correctly is that it creates more work for the treasurer correcting sales on the computer because if this not done artists will not be paid or the wrong artist may be paid. This is where the Daily Sales Sheet is critical as it enables a double check to be done. I don't think anyone would like to miss out on the proceeds of a sale due to incorrect recording.

I would like to thank Margaret Kearns for taking on the job of Treasurer and wish her all the best
-Cherie Sellars

Office Bearers for 2015/2016

President	Faye Long
Vice President	Grahame Woodcock
Secretary	Lynette Brown
Treasurer	Margaret Kearns
Publicity	Fiona Hammond
Committee Members	Elaine Bill, Diane Lee, Carol Divall
Public Officer	Grahame Woodcock

Welcome to New Members

Leslie Whitten, Brian Harlech-Jones, Diane Lee, Perc Carter, Desma Carter, Candy Jubb.
Welcome aboard!

Bits and Pieces

* Can you help? Sometimes our volunteers on the Duty Roster are unable to work their rostered day at short notice and the Gallery needs a minimum of 2 people to open. We would very much appreciate if we had a few people we can call for a possible "emergency" fill-in on short notice. Please note that this does not mean you are able to work -just that you don't mind the Gallery calling you on short notice on the chance you **might** be able to help -even a few hours can make a difference if you can't commit to the whole day. Can you please let Lynette Brown (ph 4821 1959) know if you don't mind being on the Gallery's Short Notice List -it would be very much appreciated.

* Members on duty –please note that the vacuum cleaner **MUST** be emptied and the filters **MUST** be cleaned –the instructions are on the side of the fridge and the manual is on top of the fridge if you want more information.

* Selling members are reminded that they **MUST** put their percentage on each invoice because it saves time for barcoder.

* It has been decided that pods for coffee machine need to be purchased by members for their own use.

* Stash and Treasure Day Saturday 21 November \$5.00 table
-call Carol on 4821 2572 to organize a table.



* If you are going to be an Artist of the Month we would appreciate if you could supply the Gallery with some photos of your works and some information about them and an artist's statement about yourself at least 4 weeks before your exhibition so we can keep the website updated and post a notice on facebook, eg, the opening/meet the artist date and details about it -time, nibbles, drinks etc.

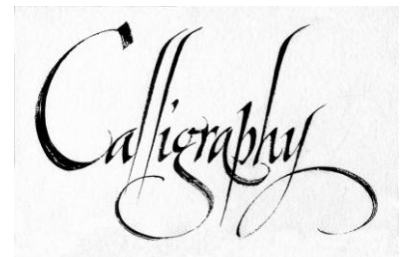
Craft/Art Groups You can Join

* Tuesdays: Creative Needles 10am-2pm. Contact Cherie Sellars (ph 4822 7875) or Lynette Brown (ph 4821 1959). Please note there is a \$2 amenities fee for the Crib Room and you must be a member as no room hire is charged.

* Thursday: Phoenix Group 10am-4pm. Please note there is a \$2 amenities fee for the Crib Room.

Other Workshops (non members welcome)

* Wednesday: Calligraphy Class 10.30am-12.30pm. Join Alison Lawrence, a well qualified calligrapher and calligraphy teacher and former President of the Australian Society of Calligraphers, in learning the art of beautiful writing. Continuing students will study Irish Half Uncial (like the writing in the Book of Kells) with some Celtic Decoration and then Gothic Rotunda (a bold rounded Gothic style used in the ancient choir books). These classes are on at the moment until the end of the year. There are also classes for beginners studying Carolingian (a style devised for the Emperor Charlemagne) and Gothic Textura (a bold Gothic style which forms a texture). These classes will be from 1pm to 3pm. A basic kit of nibs, ink, calligraphic felt pen etc. is available from Alison for about \$25.



Please note that calligraphic fountain pens are not suitable for these classes. Do come and join us! Enrolments or enquiries to Alison on alisoncallig@bigpond.com or 4822-0024.

* Felting Workshops - Carol Divall runs classes periodically – if interested ring Carol 4821 2572.

Other Bookings

There are plenty of spaces available so if you would like to make a booking check with Carol. There are many members who have skills and ideas they might like to share – you might like to run a workshop to share your particular ones.

Artists of the Month

October -Valma Irving -Currently on Exhibition
November -Photography Group -opening 1st November
December -Stavros Papantoniou -opening 6th December
February 2016 -Out of the Blue

Christmas Party at the Gallery on Sunday 6th December 2015!

First there is a General Meeting from 11.30 am, followed by the Xmas Party at around 12.30 pm, followed by the opening of Stavros Papantoniou's exhibition at 2.00 pm. Come along and enjoy a fantastic day at Gallery on Track!

