

December 2010 **QUEANBEYAN ART SOCIETY**

Newsletter

A BRUSH WITH THE NEWS

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JUDITH IS BACK



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THE BACKDOOR WATER



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CHRISTMAS TIME

YES it is Christmas Time again and while our members like to keep their 'hand in' I am sure there are many who will use the time for family and friends.

They say once an artist always an artist and no matter where you are over the holiday break a keen eye will be always looking for a subject to paint.

The Queanbeyan City Travel Exhibition will hang until **Saturday 29th January 2011** and the Members' Anything Goes Exhibition will go up that day.

The big space between Exhibitions allows members to do new works and the Anything Goes Exhibition allows members to display previous works no matter how old.

In other words it allows us to take some of the works out of our 'Private Collection' and give them some air and hopefully make a sale.

The QAS Calendar of Events for 2011 is on page six and it is great to have the full year already planned. Members can look forward to yet another exciting year.

ART GALLERY AWASH

THE Queanbeyan Art Society Gallery on the banks of the Queanbeyan River became 'Awash' on Thursday 9th December 2010 when the river peaked at 8.4m at 11-30 am.

These pictures show the Gallery recently basking in the sun with children feeding the ducks (left) and the river at full stream with both showing the proposed Café de Arts. The café will be designed so it can be moved if a flood goes to 9m.

The flood fortunately just got under the QAS Gallery door, doing no damage.



2011 CHANGE OF DATES AND TIMES

MEMBERS please make note of the changes for the 2011 February, March and April Exhibitions openings dates and times.

The committee is trying the new opening time of Friday at 6-30pm for 7-00pm for the first three exhibitions next year.

It is expected that Sundays will be continued throughout the winter months, however members are asked to please monitor the Exhibition Opening dates for changes.

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BEST IN SHOW
Jenny Robbins
'Sentinel'



- Acrylic
1st Sue Rogers
 'Middle Harbour'
2nd Cliff Woodward
 'Trapped'
3rd Marijke Gilchrist
 'Tranquil'

- Any Other Media
1st Dawn Wilson
 'Birds'
2nd Vivien Pinder
 'Young Magpie'
3rd Di Mortimer
 'Flight Path'

- Oil
1st Nik Rajic
 'Sunset'
2nd Nik Rajic
 'Fisherman's House'
3rd Nik Rajic
 'Morning On LBG'

- Watercolour
1st Jenny Robbins
 'N'Dhala Gorge I'
2nd Helen Peart
 'Citrus Limon'
3rd Patricia Fleming
 'Geraniums'

THE annual *Queanbeyan City Travel* Art Competition/ Exhibition and the QAS Christmas party was well attended. Unfortunately QCT owners Jenny and Jim Cooper were called a way to a family matter. QAS members and friends enjoyed the day with awards and prizes given out before refreshments and drinks were served. The Exhibition runs until Saturday 29th January 2011.



Christmas crowd



Sue Rogers



Cliff Woodward



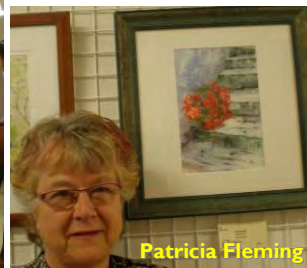
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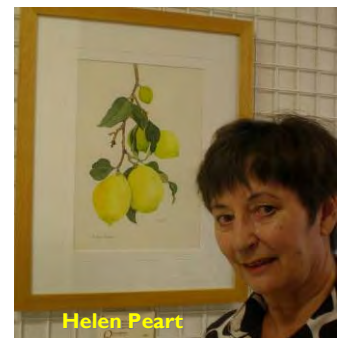
Marijke Gilchrist



Vuka & Nik Rajic



Patricia Fleming



Helen Peart

SOCIAL SHOTS AT THE QUEANBEYAN CITY TRAVEL OPENING



Marcus Gilbert, Jane and Jean Helmers make a nice family group at the QAS Christmas party.



Cliff Woodward was all smiles after winning a prize in the Acrylic Section and is pictured with Georgina and Robyn Woodward.



Vicky and Rick Scheeren enjoyed the opening of the Queanbeyan City Travel Art Exhibition and the QAS Christmas party.

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THE GALLERY MONDAY GROUP



The Monday Gallery Painters Group includes three 'wild men'.
From l/r: **Fiona Norman, Jan Pettigrew, Craig McArthur, Dick Marshall, Lindsay Tassie, Sue Roger and Diana Collins.**

THE RAY BARNETT'S SUNDAY CLASS



THERE has been a lot of water under the bridge since **Ray Barnett** started watercolour classes but still they come to follow his lead. The Sunday Class are **Jill Mail, Jo-Anne Hogan, Jean Helmers, Rod Booth, Elizabeth Angel, Brian O'Neill, Jess O'Neill, Sue Hey and Jeremy Stoke.**

THURSDAY GROUP AT BENEDICT HOUSE



THE Thursday Painting Gallery Group were captured at their annual Christmas party. This happy group supported one of the QAS sponsors by lunching at Benedict House in Queanbeyan.
l/r **Trish Halloran, Fran Coble, Philippa Kirkby-Jones, Judith Durrant, Annette Barker, Dee MacLaine, Anna Stewart, Bev Dougall, Norma Lindemann, Adrienne Greenwood and Barry Cranston** was washing the dishes and taking the photo.

SUNDAY 'EARLYBIRDS'

THE Sunday Gallery Group are a keen bunch and recently four of them were caught before opening time at the Gallery. From l/r **Maxine Sumner, Belinda Ingram** (tutor), **Karen Hall and Jan Pettigrew.** Ray Barnett (tutor) and Belinda have Alternative Sundays and it is proving very popular with many working through the week.



CHRISTMAS ARRANGEMENTS

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WE will be taking our break from 15 December 2010 until 18 January 2011 - the last day for consultation and drop off of works for framing will be Monday 6 December 2010 with all pick up and collection by 15 December 2010. We would like to take this opportunity to thank Queanbeyan Art Society and all members for their support in 2010 and to send everyone best wishes for the Festive Season. We are looking forward to working with you and supporting QAS in 2011.

Elizabeth & Bill Mitchell

RIVERSIDE PLAZA ART SALES



THE Queanbeyan Riverside Plaza continues to be an excellent selling venue for our members. Member's works will go back in the window at the end of January 2011.

WEDNESDAY GROUP CHRISTMAS PARTY

AFTER the Wednesday Painters Group Christmas Party at the Gallery they gathered to talk about the great year under tutor **Phillip Greinke.** l/r: **Georgina Poulos, Andre and Stasha Zoska, Bob Mettam, Don Traynor, Jill and Phillip Greinke, Cheryl Hill, Laurel Blyton, Patti Patterson and Jean Helmers.**



Phillip said, he was keen to tutor again next year after 'Group Leader' Don on present Jill and Phillip with a thank you gift. Four **Life Members** are pictured Jill, Phillip, Laurel and Jean.

THE NEWS SHUTTERBUG

ADRIENNE Greenwood is a former committee member who has worked to continue her role as the Society's 'media man' making sure QAS is out there.

A great number of the photos that appear in the Newsletters come from her quick on the spot shots. We thank you Adrienne because sometimes we take it for granted these 'jobs' just happen but it takes a special person to make sure these valued needs are met.



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BIG BENEFIT FOR QUEANBEYAN

THE Rotary/Art Society Art Show held in City Walk Canberra has benefited **QUEANBEYAN** as follows:

- Queanbeyan** artists members' sales.
- Queanbeyan** charities \$5,000.
- Queanbeyan** Art Society calendar sales \$1,500.
- Queanbeyan** Art Society new members.
- Queanbeyan** West Rotary Club BBQ \$500.
- Queanbeyan** Art Society goodwill gained - half the sponsorship was from Canberra.

In **2008** Rotary/Art Society Competition Exhibition held in the QAS Gallery Queanbeyan with prizemoney. (has been tried).

In **2009** Rotary/Art Society Competition Exhibition held in front of the National Portrait Gallery Canberra with prizemoney. (two days washed out).

In **2010** Rotary/Art Society Art Show was held in City Walk Canberra without prizemoney. (huge success).

In **2011** there will be two thirds of the sponsors from Canberra and again a strong band of Queanbeyan sponsors. Already there is one new major sponsor for \$4,500. Please advise if you know of any potential sponsors.

RECORDING THE 2010 FLOOD HISTORY

SOME photos recording the Queanbeyan River flood on **Thursday 9th December 2010** at the QAS Gallery. The aerial view (below) of the Queanbeyan River in 'full flood' with the QAS Gallery on a island keeping its nose above water.



A consequence of this flood was the large number of dead trees floating mid stream. Water can be seen at the front door of the Gallery just at the top of the disabled ramp. The same photo (right) shows a cabin being lifted out of the caravan park by a huge crane.

The river reached 8.4 earlier in the day, surprising many and it was a rush to clear the caravans to the Queanbeyan Show Ground. In future there should be a flood plan and after what level the water reached this time is a good starting point.



THANKS FOR SUPPORT

THANKS to all the members, Friends of the Society and the Rotary Queanbeyan West Club for their offers of help after the flood. Many rang or emailed and quite a few turned up with their working gear on in anticipation to get into a big clean up. Thankfully only a small amount of water came in under the door with a little puddle the result. With sandbags at the front and back doors the Gallery could have taken another metre of water without works being threatened.



The historic photo shows the cottages just out of the **July 1922 Queanbeyan River flood**. The then **O'Neill Cottage** is highlighted and it appears the water level was about the same as on **9th Dec. 2010**.

2010 PEOPLE'S CHOICE

(WINNER FREE YEAR MEMBERSHIP)

PROGRESS POINTS

POINTS	Don	Traynor
12 POINTS	Don	Traynor
8 POINTS	Cheryl Sue	Hill Roger
7 POINTS	Sylva	Hughes-Man
6 POINTS	Jean Vivien	Helmers Pinder
4 POINTS	Rod Barry Patricia Bob Dawn	Booth Cranston Felming Mettham Wilson
3 POINTS	Bev Amanda Belinda Geoff Bob Jenny Jenny	Dougall Edwards Ingram Isaacs Mettam Robbins Sheppard
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1 POINT	Pamela Margaret Christine Lenilson Adrienne Phillip Karen Kylie Sandra Stan Norma Kathy Jill Tania Pam Isla Rick Annette Cynthia Andre	Anderssen Carr Crawford da Silva Greenwood Greinke Hall Heslop House Jones Lindemann MacLaren Mail New Padovan Patterson Scheeren Schneider Watsford Zoska



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ROTARY WEST GOES ART

QUEANBEYAN West Rotary Club made a special visit to QAS Gallery and some 45 members and friends made it a 'visit to art' for Christmas.

President Gary Nairn said, "The Gallery is a wonderful venue for Rotary to have an outing and it is one of several places our Rotary Club visits through out the year. "I would like to thank the QAS Committee for their contribution to Queanbeyan Charities through our Rotary club".



Rotary member **Lisette Holmes** and partner **Geoff Campbell** bought **Nik Rajic's** lovely painting. Lisette said, "When I first looked at the painting I felt I was there on the water. "The Gallery is such a great venue for local art I am sure Geoff and I will be regular visitors".



YOUR NEWSLETTER

MEMBERS please remember the QAS Newsletter is your newsletter and your comments are welcomed. A publication such as we have had for a number of years takes a great deal of effort to pull together. Members may feel that more news, more photos of art, more info of other exhibitions, more workshops and less of what has been the style over recent years. I would like to see a monthly profile of a member but this would need to be done by someone else. Members this would add another personal touch to our publication and we do have a wonderful array of interesting members. The editor would welcome members contributing articles no matter how small or any ideas to follow up (we have asked before). Of course sponsors are needed to pay for our publication and monthly postage for entry forms, workshops etc. If anyone would like to take up a small ad it would surely help. Any member who would like their **QAS Newsletter emailed** please advise the secretary. Remember emailing saves on postage and printing.

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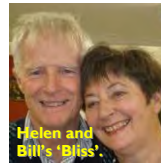
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PRESIDENT'S PALETTE

CONGRATULATIONS to the Society for reaching the 200 plus membership this year. It is a real milestone and with the expected growth of the Queanbeyan Region the Society has a responsibility to plan for further growth.

The Queanbeyan River flood on Thursday 9th December 2010 will go down in history and of course the Society Gallery was lucky to stay dry but I believe we need to prepare a future flood plan using this 8.4m level.

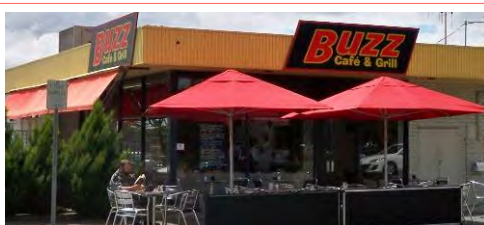
It would not take much to protect the Gallery by another metre in the first place by sand bagging or some extra soil in a area to keep the water back.

Many thanks to those who offered help after the flood - it shows the loyal supporters we have for our Society and they were not all members or artists. It is wonderful to see several of our art groups having their Christmas parties this year.

We value our regular Gallery Painting Groups because they make sure the Gallery is open each day and they are all great social group for the Society.

To all our Members, Friends of the Society and Sponsors have a healthy and happy Christmas!

Yours in Art,
Barry Cranston
President



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2011 EXHIBITION OPENING DATES

Note: **FEBRUARY, MARCH and APRIL**
 Friday night 6-30pm for 7-00pm

Members please keep your 'eye' on the Calendar of Events as it may be updated.



ART GALLERY

Go over bridge turn right three times and drive under the bridge.

2011 CALENDAR

*QAS AGM will be held at 1-30pm on Saturday 26 March 2011 (The same day as the Queanbeyan Leagues Club intake).

Friday Feb 4th	QAS Anything Goes Exhibition	Members all \$5 entry fee per works	(works in Sat Jan 29)
Sunday March 6th	The Smith Family Art Show	OPEN to all artist at Government House	(works in Sun 6 Mar)
Friday March 11th	Queanbeyan Age Abstract	Members Competition/Exhibition	(works in Sat 5 or Sun 6 Mar)
Friday April 1st	Queanbeyan Leagues Club	Members Competition/Exhibition	(works in Sat 26 Mar)
Sunday May 1st	After The Masters (be light hearted)	Members Competition/Exhibition	(works in Sat 23 April)
Sunday June 5th	Molonglo Catchment	OPEN to all artists Competition/Exhibition	(works in Sat 28 May)
Sunday July 3rd	QAS Gallery Painters	Members Competition/Exhibition	(works in Sat 25 Jun)
Sunday Aug 7th	QAS Anything Goes Exhibition	Members all \$5 entry fee per works	(works in Sat 30 July)
Sat 17th to 25th Sep	Rotary / Art Society Art Show	OPEN to all artist City Walk Canberra (Floriade)	(works in Sat 17th Sep)
Sunday Oct 2nd	Queanbeyan City Council	Members Competition/Exhibition	(works in Sat 29 Oct)
Sunday Nov 6th	Ballis Drawing & Greinke Portraits	OPEN to all artists Competition / Exhibition	(works in Sat 24 Sep)
Sunday Dec 4th	Queanbeyan City Travel	Members Competition / Exhibition (Dec & Jan)	(works in Sat 26 Nov)

* COMMITTEE MEETINGS the last Saturday of each month starting at 1-15 pm at the QAS Gallery all welcome.
 If you want the committee minutes posted or emailed please advise secretary.

GALLERY ART CLASSES ALL WELCOME

MONDAY

Painting Group
 10am to 1pm
 NoTutor Cost \$3

TUESDAY

Acrylic/Watercolour Group
 10am – 2.30pm
 Tutor Jenny Robbins
 Cost \$15 per person

WEDNESDAY

All Media
 10am to 1pm
 Tutor Phil Greinke
 Cost \$10 per person

THURSDAY

Watercolour/Oil
 10am to 2pm
 Tutor Annette Barker
 Cost \$ 15 per person

FRIDAY

Painting Group
 10am to 1pm
 No Tutor
 Cost \$ 3 per person

SATURDAY

Painting Group
 10am to 1pm
 No Tutor
 Cost \$3 per person

SUNDAY

10am to 1pm
 Last Sunday each month
 Ray Barnett Watercolour
 Cost \$ 28
 All Other Sundays Belinda Ingram 'Never Stop Learning'
 Various Mediums Cost \$15

Gallery Open 10.30am to 1pm Weekdays
 Saturday and Sunday 10.30am to 3.00pm

2011 CALENDAR A SUCCESS

THE 2011 QAS Calendar has been a huge success with easily the largest sales ever already and the year has not started. More than half of these sold at this years Rotary / Art Society Art Show in City Walk Canberra. **Calendar \$5.**



Thanks to the calendar sponsors (below) for their support.

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2012 CALENDAR ALREADY ON THE MOVE

MEMBERS please be mindful of the QAS 2012 Calendar we have started planning for it already.

One of the success stories of the 2011 Calendar was having it together for the **Rotary/Art Society Art Show in City Walk.**

Please submit the painting you would like in the 2012 Calendar. Better you make the choice than the Calendar Coordinator.

Pick your painting for the Calendar.

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