

Regional Arts Group MAY 2011



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President's Report

Hello everyone! Well a lot has happened since the last report. I hope that everyone is starting to recover from the affects of Cyclone Yasi. I would like to thank all the members and their families who helped with the cleaning up of the Gallery after the cyclone. A special mention to Jane and Greg Arnold for getting the Gallery up and functioning.

Yes the Gallery is open four days a week – Tuesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturdays between 10am and 2pm. Volunteers are needed for the roster or just drop in and say hello!

It takes time to start working again after the trauma of the cyclone so the Attie Creek Exhibition will be put back until later in the year.

The exhibition for June in the Library Foyer will be a photographic exhibition on the aftermath of Yasi. Bring in works ready for hanging either framed or mounted but they must be ready for hanging. Please bring these in on 31 May. If you plan on bringing in pieces for hanging, can you write your name in the diary with the number of pieces you are going to exhibit.

The Mothers Day Raffle will be cancelled but we will have a raffle later in the year.

Anyone who has work in the Library, can you please pick it up and take it home. If it is listed in the Green Book please mark it off as well.

Our next bi-monthly meeting is on Tuesday 19 May commencing at 5pm at the Cardwell Library. Please join us. Everyone is welcome.

I hope everyone will start to create new art pieces soon.

Kerry Robertson

Committee & other office bearers 2010-2011

President: Kerry Robertson 40662249 Vice President: Rosie Cresswell 40662364
Secretary: Jane Arnold 40668465 Treasurer: Judy Netterfield 40668712

CONGRATULATIONS

MARGARET GRACE THORSBORNE AO



Photo courtesy of Rob Parsons

Margaret's contribution to the environment was recognized when she was announced an Officer (AO) in the general division of the Order of Australia in the Australia Day 2011 Honours List. Margaret is involved with many other organizations and we are proud to have her as a member, friend and artist of our Gallery. Congratulations Margaret on all your achievements.

ANNE WILKINSON Senior Environment Award



Anne was awarded a Senior Environment Award at the Australia Day 2011 celebrations held in Cardwell in January in recognition of her contribution to the environment. Anne has also taken part in campaigns to preserve the lives and habitat of the region's cassowaries and mahogany gliders. Congratulations Anne.

Next Bi-Monthly Meeting

Tuesday, May 17th

@ Cardwell Library commencing at 5pm

Please join us (Meeting scheduled for March 15th was cancelled due to Yasi)

Painting & Sketching Group will be up and running later in the year.

You will be notified through the RAG.

Saturday Painting & Sketching Group

Meets once a month on the second Saturday of the month at 1.00pm at the gallery

No experience necessary

Just bring a sketch pad, some sketching or painting materials and a chair.

Depending on the weather, we sometimes travel out to an interesting site in the area or we may stay at the gallery and sketch. It is a relaxed afternoon of art!

Members with local art-based businesses

David Rowe

"Picture This Framed"

Welcomes members of HRA at his Ingham framing & Art Restoration business

Tel 4776 6620

Jane Arnold

Stoney Creek Pottery

Specializing in functional, Microwave & Dishwasher Safe Pottery

Tel 40668465

Daryl Dickson

Artist Studio

(please call to ensure that Daryl is there to show you around)

Tel 40660232

now open to visitors

Annette Trantor

Bundarra Pottery

(please call to ensure that Annette is there to show you around)

Tel 40966342

Sue Pullman

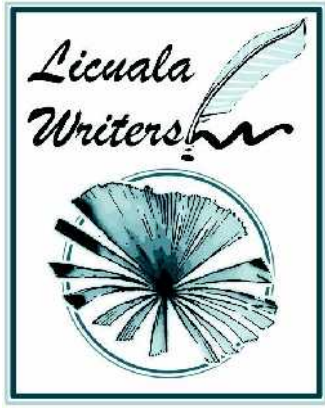
Wongaling News

*Shop 1, Mission Beach Marketplace,
38-40 Dickinsons Road, Mission Beach*

10% discount to Art Society Members and students on all artist materials.

Tel/Fax 40688966

If you would like to list your art business here please send through your details.



UNDER ONE SKY

**A COLLECTION OF STORIES AND POEMS
CELEBRATING THE CASSOWARY COASTAL REGION**

The official launch **Thursday 5th May**
Rainforest Room Mission Beach Resort, Wongaling Beach

Readings from

Jacque Duffy, Pam Galeano, June Perkins & others

Music by Sal Badcock & company, Guitar by Ben & Sandon Perkins

**Sponsors, contributors, general public, family & friends – all welcome
Welcome by Elders & speeches by Andrew Cripps MP & Licuala Writers
Arrive 5.30 for 6pm start to official program. Light refreshments available.**

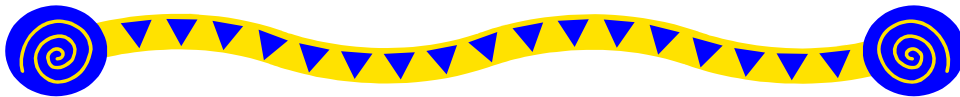
Copies of book for sale at launch - \$25 Outlets to be announced

This book was sponsored by several community groups and small businesses and a RADF grant through CCRC and Arts Queensland.

Absolutely essential to RSVP for catering purposes by April 30th.

Email junepaisa99@yahoo.com.au

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The Cairns Art Society would like to invite you to join us in the:

Cairns Art Society's 7th Annual

Artists of the North Exhibition

Friday 13th May 2011 to Friday 3rd June 2011

Open 10am – 4.30pm Daily

Tanks Art Centre 46 Collins Avenue Edge Hill, Cairns

Launch: Friday 13 May 7pm

ARTIST OF THE NORTH TO BE NAMED BY THE PEOPLE

For the First Time Ever, Annual Exhibition Lets the Public Choose the Winners

Art lovers will take the driver's seat for the first time ever at this year's ***Artists of the North Exhibition***.

For the first time in the history of this iconic exhibition, the winning entries will be selected through the Peoples' Choice ballots. We're giving the people a voice through the **People's Choice Awards!** The public will be able to vote on their favourite artworks during the exhibition via ballot. Winners will be announced on 3 June, at the exhibition closing.

For more information, please contact Carmen Searle, CAS Events Officer

Telephone 4033 6398

Email: carmen_s@tpg.com.au

PINNACLES GALLERY NEWS

EXHIBITION 16 APRIL TO 12 JUNE 2011

Emeret lu

Meriam Mir phrase from eastern island – means very old things

An exhibition of prints by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders held in recognition of Mabo Day.

Opening Celebration – 7pm. Friday 3 June Pinnacles Gallery

Emeret lu includes artists Ken Thaiday, Alick Tipoti, Anne Gela, Brian Robinson, Dennis Nona, James Billy, Billy Missi, Aicey Zaro, Donna Ives, Susan Peters Nampitjin, Shirley Yumala Collins, Gail Mabo and Ian Kaddy.

TRADITIONAL STORY TELLING THROUGH LINO CUTTING

Wednesday nights 6pm to 9pm over 3 weeks

4, 11 and 18 May

Join Gail Mabo in developing a series of lino prints using traditional story telling methods. The workshop coincides with *Emeret lu*, an exhibition of prints by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists.

Cost: \$75 or \$60 student/concession (ID required)

Age: 15+

Bookings essential. Email pinnacles@townsville.qld.gov.au or phone 4773 8871

TRADITIONAL WEAVING TECHNIQUES

Saturday 21 May

11am to 2pm

The Deadly Aunties demonstrate traditional weaving techniques to create amazing functional and decorative pieces. The workshop coincides with *Emeret lu*, an exhibition of prints by Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander artists.

Cost: \$15

Age: 12 - 16 yrs

Bookings essential. Email pinnacles@townsville.qld.gov.au or phone 4773 8871

DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY WORKSHOPS

Wednesday nights 6pm to 9pm over 3 weeks - 1, 8 and 15 June

The workshops will cover functions of the camera, exposure and a range of practical and creative techniques to capture a digital image. It is recommended that participants bring their own digital camera. The course is particularly designed for those that have their own digital SLR camera and a keen desire to learn how to use the manual functions.

Cost: \$75 or \$60 student/concession (ID required)

Age: 15+

Requirements: Own camera (preferably SLR)

Bookings essential. Email pinnacles@townsville.qld.gov.au or phone 4773 8871

Remember this is your newsletter so if you have any news items, upcoming exhibitions etc. please let me know so I can advertise it through the RAG. All information can be sent to porters11@westnet.com.au or phone 40668375.

**Lee Porter
Editor**

MEMBERSHIP FEES

Due to the upsets with the cyclone, we are extending the due date to pay your membership until 30 April 2011.

If not paid by then we must ask you to withdraw your work from the Gallery and advise us as to what arrangements you wish to make re your stock.

We trust you understand our position and continue your membership for the future.

STANDARD MEMBERSHIP	-	\$25
ASSOCIATE MEMBERSHIP	-	\$10



A big thank you to Jane and Greg Arnold for all their hard work in cleaning up the Gallery and the grounds post Cyclone Yasi and getting it ready to be open to the public a lot sooner than was thought possible.

ROSTER

When you are at the Gallery could you please put your name down to work the next time you are available. It will make the Roster Clerk's job so much easier. Thanks again for all your support.



ARTISTS PROFILES JOHN & MIM BATES



JOHN BATES

Warm glass represents the start of yet another journey. As one who has used his hands from the very beginning to work with timber and metals, John's capture at this late stage of his life by warm glass was not a great surprise, as it requires considerable understanding of the application of heat, and the effects of thermal expansion. It was also of considerable help that his training in the electrical trades was just the thing when he needed to build a kiln.

During the last 40 years of his life, John has been heavily associated with painting and sculpture through the activities of his wife Mim and his daughters Linda and Debra.

This period saw the staging of at least 5 major art exhibitions in Grafton and Ingham, with his main involvement being the setup and lighting. Of course John was also involved in things like picture framing and preparing exhibits. His one venture as an artist was undertaken strictly as a joke, after he had commented that anyone could produce paintings equivalent to those on display at a major exhibition put on by the Grafton City Council. Much to his surprise, his painting sold, albeit at a reduced, negotiated price! Satisfactory as this outcome was, John felt no need at all to continue with painting. His major occupation during his time in Grafton was the construction of a 45 foot sailing boat in his backyard. The eventual launching of this boat led to a period of 6 years when he spent as much time on the Great Barrier Reef as he spent ashore, and it was this period of fishing and diving that led to his admiration for, and familiarity with, the creatures that live on the reef. John hopes that his admiration of these creatures will show through in some of his works in glass. The development of techniques using rotation of glass at high temperatures in the kiln has added a new dimension of shape to his work as shown in his deep vases and bowls.

John's life since moving to Forrest Beach has involved building two houses plus all the furnishings, and the renewal of his love affair with motor bikes. However, motor bikes could not compete with the challenges of warm glass. John is now completely involved with the possibilities that lie before him and the motor bike has been moved onto someone who will use it.

MIM BATES

In 1969, while living in Grafton, Mim began painting, concentrating on traditional works. Her subjects cover a diverse range and include landscapes, seascapes, still life, birds and flowers. While sometimes working with watercolours, acrylics and pen & wash, oils remain her favourite medium. Mim is self taught and has had 2 solo exhibitions and 5 exhibitions in conjunction with other artists.

Over the years Mim has exhibited in combined art shows organised by the art clubs where she was living at the time.

Mim finally settled in Allingham in 1984 and has entered the annual Hinchinbrook Art Competition since 1987 with some success, achieving 2 firsts, 8 Highly Commended and a popular vote over the years. Mim started doing clay sculpture 2 years ago, making small whimsical pieces and Australian animals. Recently Mim tried her hand at crystal glazes but she feels she still has a lot to learn in this field. Meanwhile Mim is finding working with clay lots of fun.

Minutes of Hinchinbrook Regional Arts Association Inc held at Cardwell Library on 18 January 2011

Meeting opened at. 5.05pm

Present: Jane, Kerry, Rosemary, Geoff, Daryl, Lee, Judy. .

Apologies: Fay, Dot, Carol.

Minutes of the previous meeting were read and accepted.

Moved Geoff Seconded – Judy.

Business arising from Minutes:

The Council have ordered materials for the awning over the back door at the Gallery. Should start the job January, 2011.

Daryl reported that Bendigo Bank were happy with the presentation report of the Art Prize at their AGM.

Inward Correspondence.

Telstra A/C, Mervs Stationery A/C, Qld Art Gallery Kids day loan agreement, Ken Suffolk raffle tickets, Council approval for signage, Acquittal reminder from Council, AON Public Liability Insurance Policy.

Emails: 3Qld Art Gallery re kids program, Cardwell news re newsletter, Daryl – Bendigo Bank AGM, Cairns Art Society Newsletter, Pam Lane - Strand Exhibition, Daryl - Sign Drafts.

Outward correspondence:

Rag, Welcome letter to DeVeths, Bank Signatures, Acquittal form to Council, Council letter re signage, Qld Art Gallery - Loan agreement.

Emails: Cairns Art Society Newsletter, Strand Exhibition, Qld Art Gallery - numbers for kids day, Cardwell School re kids program.

Moved – Rosemary Seconded – Daryl.

Business arising from Correspondence:

Signs have been ordered for the Gallery building.

Treasurers Report:

Treasurers report attached.

Tabled, cheques ratified, Judy moved Treasurers report be accepted. Seconded – Jane.

General Business:

Wet season hours to stay the same -10.00am – 3.00pm. Close at the discretion of the volunteer.

Sketching group will hold a mini exhibition in June. Exhibition for members in September.

It was decided not to have a raffle for the flood victims or at Easter.

We will have a Mothers Day Pamper pack raffle – donations would be gratefully accepted. Please leave at the Gallery.

Xmas raffle winner, Carmel, donated bucket from the raffle back to gallery.

Donated painting by David Rowe, will be auctioned at a later date.

No news about the street market in July yet.

Blinds in the gallery were discussed.

To go in the Cardwell news – Reminder - Individual art exhibits in the Library foyer and calling for volunteers to work in the Gallery.

A note for the diary for volunteers re Photo taking of Art Work by the public being forbidden.

Asking members to think about a childrens workshop for later in the year.

Kerry thanked everyone for their support and wishes over the past few months.

Date of next Meeting: 15th March 2011.

Meeting closed at 5.55pm