



LEONGATHA ART & CRAFT SOCIETY NEWS

**NEXT MEETING (ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING) –
THURSDAY 24TH NOVEMBER 2016
10 AM AT LEONGATHA COMMUNITY HOUSE**

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PRESIDENT

Hello Everyone,

It's almost Christmas again! I'm not sure I've got over the last one yet! I hope you have all been able to get some new and interesting Christmas and gift giving items into the Gallery for the display committee to arrange, and I would like to welcome Teeny Talsma to this team. Hopefully people will think of us for unusual and beautiful gifts for family and friends and come check us out.

I have just returned from Tassie (our home state) where we were travelling with NZ friends and doing the 'tourist thing'. We had the opportunity to visit several galleries and craft places and enjoyed seeing how others showcase their wares. I must say that most were very professional and the items on display of very high quality and well presented. In particular, the individual labelling and packaging was commendable, and one area where we (I include myself in this) could perhaps lift our game a little.

We are in the process of updating the Handbook for the front desk and also the list of criteria to be met for displayed goods. This should be available soon. Our next meeting will be a 'working meeting' to finalise these matters and as always we would urge as many of our members to participate and have a say. *It is your gallery too.*

Meetings are held on the fourth Thursday of every month at the Leongatha Community House in Bruce Street starting at 10 am. Please join us.

Noelle Walker *President*

"THERE IS A CRACK IN EVERYTHING.
THAT'S HOW THE LIGHT GETS IN."

LEONARD COHEN



TREASURER

Hi everyone, just to give a bit of insight to our sales at the gallery.

We are travelling along very well, with consistent sales over the winter months. The Daffodil Festival remains one of our biggest drawcards, topping the list with best sales. Christmas too of course, is a big sales period as well. Remember to promote our gallery when speaking with family and friends as a great place to start shopping for those unusual and unique hand crafted items, perhaps for that person that has "everything", or even the basics like a bonnet and booties for a new born little character! Anyway, keep up the good work everyone. Remember if you come along to do duty in the gallery, you can go in the draw for a quarterly \$25 gift voucher, which you can redeem or indeed even gift on as a present. Haven't done roster duty yet? Come in and have a go, we'll set you up with a "buddy" and before you know it you'll be off your trainers and ready to go!

The petty cash tin is well and truly set up, so if you have any incidental costs related to the gallery, please use this facility. Also the EFTPOS payment by card facility is going very well. We are starting to increase our sales using the card system, remembering we **only** take Visacard and Mastercard. Give it a try, whether you're the one on duty or buying, its very user friendly as anyone will tell you!

Have a look on our Leongatha Gallery website for pictures of Heather's Lifetime Membership luncheon, held at the Rusty Windmill last month, went down well by all accounts! Good on you Heather for your wonderful efforts as past Treasurer! Also thank you to Jenny Chitty for the beautifully hand printed calligraphy on the certificate, which was presented to Heather as well.



Also have a look at our spot on the Prom Country website in case you see any of your work. Please let us know if you do not wish to display any of your work in this way. Here is the link for your computer <https://www.visitpromcountry.com.au/shopping-dining/leongatha-gallery>

That's all for now, creative ideas always welcome here, have a wonderful Christmas!

Patricia Hill, Treasurer/Grants/Publicity Officer

WOODWORKERS

Welcome to new member *Carol Bentley* who is enthusiastically continuing her good progress with woodturning.

The Gallery would like more items suitable for Christmas gifts – BIG, little, functional, **DECORATIVE, SOMETHING OLD style, something new.** If we all get busy now we will have lots

to pay for the replacement drop-saw. Members' sales, both in the Courtyard and in the Gallery were also very good.

We now have a useful list of items for club projects to be made at hands-on nights, so that our display tables at future local events will be well stocked and interesting.

Don't forget to collect your pay envelopes next time you go to of left over goodies ready for display at our next public outing in March 2017. {A spot of lateral thinking (or a hollow log) even inspires an entry in a flower show.}

Our Club sales from the Daffodil Festival were really good and helped **the Gallery and to take home stock which has been there more than 12 months.**

Meetings are the second Monday each month at 7.30 pm. **(December 12th will be our Christmas BBQ.** Further details later) January meeting Monday 9th.

Hands on nights will be Tuesday November 22nd and December 6th; then not until Tuesday January 17th.

Glenice Emmerson

PAINTERS

We continue to meet at the Guide Hall on Tuesdays. We have had two interesting outings lately. One to the Korumburra Art Gallery to see Lance Sullivans retrospective exhibition and the other to Sale to see the John Leslie Art Prize landscapes. We travelled by car and a nice lunch was enjoyed each day.

We are sharing an exhibition with Florence's art students in an empty shop (cnr McCartin and Peart St) during the Rose Show, so are hoping for a successful exhibition and sales.

Happy Painting, Teresa Bateman.

DISPLAY COMMITTEE

As this is our last newsletter for the year we would like to thank all members for the outstanding work presented for display this year. Karen and I would also like to thank the members and the committee for their support and understanding, while we had all of October off. We are now rested and look forward to giving our best to the gallery. The Display Committee would like to take this opportunity to introduce a new member of its team, Teeny Talsma, and look forward to her ideas, inputs and laughter.

Currently

For all of November we are showing casing the textile work of Gwen Young. Please come in and see her beautiful work.

Community Shopping Night.

Future Events

Irene McConvill exhibition 7th Feb to 28th March 2017.

Marlene & Jenny Felt and Eco work Exhibition 2nd May to 30th May 2017.

Ideas are needed for what members would like to do during the month of May for Creative Gippsland.

A big thank you to the wood workers for making the display ladder which we are using already.

At the moment the Display Committee have been finding a lot of art work that has been in the gallery for more than 12 Months. Members are reminded to check that their artwork hasn't been at the Gallery for more than 12 months. There is a lot of artwork and member's containers on the black shelves, and the first two top shelves of the painting slots waiting to go home. Could members please check next time they are in if any of their artwork is there.

Wow the year is flying by and we are now getting ready for Christmas at the Gallery. If you have any Christmas artwork you wish to put in the gallery could you please bring it in now as we are changing the Gallery around for Christmas.

Thank you to our members for always providing us with awesome artwork to display. Keep up the great creating and have a safe Christmas and New Year.



Alysia, Karen & Teeny

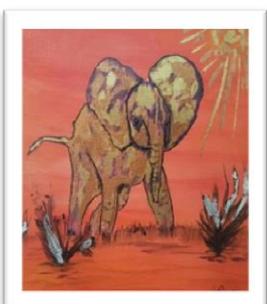
ROSTER NEWS

Many thanks again to those that help with duty. We understand members have busy lives and some have work to go to, but if you feel you could spare a few hours to do duty once a month, or fill in at odd times when you are available it would be very much appreciated.

Members also please remember to help while on duty by sweeping, including leaves outside gallery, dusting or cleaning if need be, this is a huge help to the display committee, who put in their time to display your items, it is everyone's responsibility to keep our gallery tip top.

Another reminder to members that the monthly meetings are held at 10am on the 4th Thursday of the month at Community House, please consider coming along, we are in need of more members at these meetings in order to keep the Gallery functioning.

Remember – we cannot sell your work unless we are open to the public.



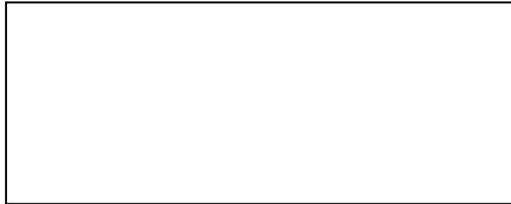
And as always please contact me if you have any queries.

Jenene Evans

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Jenene Evans

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Cheers Jenene Evans