D.T.A.S. NEWS

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Change to DTAS opening hours and visitors

We decided at the last meeting to discontinue opening on Mondays and Saturdays.

We find that no one comes in on a Monday and Wendy Harpham has been ill and is not comfortable with people coming in on a Saturday if she is alone.

So instead, we intend to be open to the Public on Tuesdays 10 – 2 as usual

and on Wednesdays, even though there is a class on both days.

In fact, it is a better time for questions to be answered and people to see

us "in action" on those days.

The website text will be changed to reflect these changes.

From the President

Greetings from the DTAS Committee. Winter is a great time to paint and get those still lifes, portraits and scenes from last summers holidays done in time for or Springtime Exhibition.

Things happening at DTAS

1 Artist of the month until 4th August is Lois Hutchinson with a beautiful exhibition of Botanical Watercolours .

From 4 August to 10th September Kathy Lewis will exhibit her work

2 The Springtime Exhibition will be 12 September until 4 October with set up on 11/09

3 As of the start of term 3 (the 13th July) the Gallery will only be open to the public on Tuesday and Wednesday

4 Working Bee Wednesday 15th July 1000 - 1200 General Cleaning of the Hall and Tiolets

5 Current Members who have paintings on display in the Upstairs Gallery are ask to remove them by 11/09 so the 2026 paintings can go up after exhibition

6 We have welcomed 16 new members to DTAS in 2016 . The DTAS Community welcomes all new members and we look forward to seeing your work .

Geoffrey Clift

Note from the editor: This will be my last newsletter. I will continue to look after the website.

Artist of the month – Lois Hutchinson – Botanic and Graphite works

Artist of the month is now decided by the committee not an individual. Anyone interested in being considered for artist of the month please contact the secretary. 'Glennis Osborne' <glennis.osborne@gmail.com>

John Orlando Birt Watercolour workshop

John's workshop was filled with enthusiastic panters listening to his words of wisdom. His finished work was imbued with his wonderful feeling of light and you are imediately drawn to the centre of interest. Lets hope we can continue with more workshops.

DTAS Workshops (Supported by Manningham Council)

- July 19th Ellen Jenkins – Clay Modelling Flyer

There is still room in the final workshop. Contact Pam if you would like to join in

Spring Exhibition.

We propose to set up our own exhibition from 11th September, with the official opening being on 20th September and finishing on 27th September.

Pick up of paintings will be on 4th October.

We have an NDIS group called the Sparrow Collective interested in having an exhibition from 22nd October until 5th November, but they have not yet confirmed the event.

After that we may have an Ad Hoc exhibition of committee or other until end of year. Chris Hermans will start us off again in Feb of 2027.

Other Events

- Wed July 21st Jim Grivas is the new Mayor of Doncaster and Geoff Clift has arranged for a portrait session to paint him on Wed July 1st at 1 PM. All members are welcome to come and paint the Mayors portrait. The Mayor will select the best Portrait 3 weeks later.

- Nov ??? We will have a demonstration by Jenny Croom in November (Winner of the Australian Portrait Artist of the Year, 2025) Date to be confirmed.

Membership

We have 185 people on our mailing list however this year our paidup membership is 67 which is down from last year. The cost is low and there are lots of benefits being a member:

- Self-help painting groups on Tuesdays from 10am, and at 10am on the 2nd Saturday morning each month for a self-help portrait group.
- During the year, members may hang their paintings in the gallery for sale.
- Annual Spring Exhibition (and awards).
- The Society's book and video libraries.
- Monthly newsletter.
- Discounts for art classes
- Discounts at selected art supply outlets.
- Members have the freedom to meet and participate in a congenial and supportive atmosphere at the gallery.
- Click to see the full details of the Advantages of membership

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- Commonwealth Bank BSB 063494 Account No. 10037684

Please note: Class enrolments must be paid separately from Membership fees- Enquiries to Pam Ziedas 0438450519(classes) Jean Sturrock 0419518345 (membership)

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DTAS Committee Members

President	Geoff Clift	0407 517 910
Vice-President	Jean Sturrock	0419 518 345
Treasurer	Pam Ziedas	0438 450 519
Secretary	Glennis Osborne	0424 314 579

Committee Members

Artist of the Month Co-ordination	Committee	
Classes/Demo/Workshops	Pam Ziedas	0438 450 519
Gallery Hanging	Pam Ziedas/Jean Sturrock	0438 450 519/0419 518 345
Membership Officer	Jean Sturrock	0419 518 345
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Anita Lentini	Billie Thorburn	0417 513 406
	Jeff Byrne	0419 529 390

Gallery Co-ordinators

Saturday	Wendy Harpham	0439 308 544
Monday	Pam Ziedas/Jean Sturrock	0419 518 345
Tuesday	Laurie Bicknell	9842 4115

Self-help Groups for Members - $5.00 per session

All enquiries : Wendy Harpham 0439 308 544

Saturday – 10.00 to 1.00pm

Tuesday – 10.00 to 2.00pm

2nd Saturday each month : Portraits 1.30 to 4.00pm. Enquiries: Laurie Bicknell - 9842 4115

FEES Annual Membership : Single $55 Family $70

Classes (full term only): Members $25 per session Non Members $30.00

Workshops and Demonstrations to be advised

PUBLIC OPENING HOURS

Saturday 10.00 to 1.00pm *Monday* 1.00 to 4.00pm *Tuesday* 10.00 to 2.00pm

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