

## from our President

President, Sharron Whittington: With all her hard work in the lead up to the Autumn Exhibition, Sharron became quite unwell at the hanging on the Thursday morning and was transported to Nepean Hospital for a short stay. We wish Sharron a very speedy recovery and assure her that her absence was very much felt by us all. Many thanks to those who stepped in to help with the Exhibition in Sharron's absence, especially the artists, hanging team, judge, workers, catering, publicity, speakers, etc. As Vice President, I had to step into her very experienced shoes and try to do them justice. Thank you to everyone who helped during this stressful time.

Autumn Exhibition: 'WOW!' This was the spontaneous, initial comment from the young man who introduced himself as Scott Phillips, President of Hawkesbury Valley Toastmasters when he entered our Autumn Exhibition. It was really gratifying to hear since we had a rather trying time whilst setting up. Thanks to Frank Hodgert & Chris Pearson for putting up the chains. Hanging, 'the look' was planned by Julie Simmons with hanging done by Pat Latta, Mary Vassallo, Virginia Wheatley, Jenny Lawrence and Arthur Cooper. Flowers & berries were provided and arranged by Virginia Wheatley and Narelle Ward. Carla den Hertog arranged the craft & Colleen Hudson came in on her birthday to arrange her porcelain art in front of the mirror. Our Judge for the Exhibition was Yvonne Langshaw. The opening night was wet, cold and windy, but members and guests were warm and cosy in the Murray Wing of The Richmond School of Arts. We enjoyed tasty food created by Taryn Malzard and wine served by Margaret Mackissack. The exhibition area looked amazing with a display of art and craft works of a very high standard. Narelle gave the "Welcome to Country" and Pat Bakarich introduced Scott Phillips who delivered a wonderful opening speech. Prizes were then presented by Scott with assistance by Sheila Sharp. Thank you to all our wonderful members who put in their time to make this exhibition happen. Everything from Flowers to Publicity, Graphic Art and Treasury was taken care of. Virginia was helping everywhere and Ann Chilman and Elizabeth Teo did the washing up. On Saturday, the sun came out again and there was a steady flow of people appreciating the art works. It was great to see so many members and friends lingering over a cuppa and chat. By 4pm on Sunday, there were 25 paintings sold, as well as craft purchased and donations made. The Frank Hodgert oil painting Raffle Prize was won by Tony Hardman (Black ticket A04). Yvonne West won the door prize of a fabulous Chris Goska bowl. Total sales exceeded \$8,000 - Paintings \$7,335.00; Craft \$551.50;

Raffle \$622.10 and Donations \$112.60. Thank you to all the willing members who helped with the mammoth task of packing up our equipment and cleaning up the venue, then transporting everything back to Yarramundi. At the end of a long weekend, such a task can seem overwhelming but when done with fellow members who are cheerful, it was carried out smoothly.

Art 4 Heart Exhibition: This MTAS organised Exhibition, held on 2 May was also a huge success. 71 artists donated 106 paintings valued at more than \$25,000. Over \$5,000 was raised - enough to fund 2 new defibrillators for our local community. Thank you to all who participated most generously.

Tony Fogarty, Vice President, MTAS

## CASS report

ArtDirect this year will not be a weekend in September - it will be the whole month of September - you choose which days and times to open your studio, all for the same price as last year. CASS will provide an advertising template and coverage on the web and radio for the event. Register at [www.cassartdirect.com.au](http://www.cassartdirect.com.au) and email: [combinedsocieties@yahoo.com](mailto:combinedsocieties@yahoo.com) with details of your opening hours. See you at the Top,

Kym

## WELCOME TO NEW MEMBERS

Susan Machon Lynette Assange  
Bernadette Zeeman  
Zuleica & Tony Hartmann  
Nazanin Marashian  
Tony Evans Guenter Barth  
Mrs Kristalee Camardi  
Daniel Cox

## FOHacRG Inc.

FOHACRG will be on display at the Deerubbin Centre on Saturday 20th June with Artists Trail brochures.

Please offer to help with our 'Then & Now' exhibition July 10-12.

Sheila ph 4572 3039

## MTAS SCHOOL HOLIDAY ART & CRAFT WORKSHOPS

for kids 5 - 15yrs  
29th June - 10th July 2015

pottery, drawing, painting,  
jewellery, cartooning &  
some Easter Crafts -  
decorate eggs, make clay  
bunnies.

\$14 per session

at the Art shop,  
Magnolia Mall, Richmond.  
ph Deidre 0412 979 731

BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

## Awards

**Artunlimited Dunedoo**  
HC in 2d art *Julie Simmons*

**Wangaratta**  
1st W/colour/Pastel *Julie Simmons*

**Camden Art Prize**  
1st W/colour *Julie Simmons*

**Hawkesbury Show**

Drawing  
3rd *Nazarin Marashian*

**MTAS Autumn Exhibition**  
**Best in Show**  
*Julie Simmons*

**Oil/Acrylic as Oil**

1st *Frank Hodgert*  
HC *Satya Morrison*  
C *Graham Mostyn*  
C *Gloria Galvin*

**Watercolour/Gouache**

1st *Frank Hodgert*  
HC *Chrysovalantou Mavroudis*  
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C *Julie Simmons*  
C *Joe Cartwright*

**Pastel**

1st *Deidre Morrison*  
HC *Patricia Latta*  
C *Sharron Whittington*

**Other Works on Paper**

1st *Joy Myers Creed*  
HC *Julie Simmons*  
C *Yvonne West*

**Contemporary**

1st *Joy Myers Creed*  
HC *Mellissa read Devine*  
C *Sheila Sharp*  
C *Penelope Oates*

**Small Paintings**

1st *Catherine Garrod*  
HC *Sheila Sharp*  
C *Sheila Sharp*

## Classes

### MTAS LIFE DRAWING GROUP

3rd Tuesday each month, *i.e. the next Tuesday following the MTAS Meeting*

7pm - 9pm, \$12.

Model, easels & supper provided.

BYO drawing materials.

Next session, Tuesday 16th June  
at the Art Shop, Magnolia Mall,  
Richmond.

Ph Deidre 0412 979 731

### FRIDAY ART CLASS

*with Deidre Morrison*

All media

*Work at your own pace in  
relaxed, friendly atmosphere.*

Every Friday 12.30 - 3.30pm.

\$25 p.w.

Richmond Art Supplies  
Shop 10 Magnolia Mall,  
285 Windsor St, Richmond

Ph. 0412 979 731

### MTAS CHILDREN'S AFTER SCHOOL ART CLASSES

*Teacher Marcella Pyke*

Term 3 begins

Monday 20th

& Wednesday 22nd July 2015

\$96 (8 week term)

incl. materials

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