

ARTY FACTS

August 2019

Lower Clarence Arts and Craft Association
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Upcoming Events

Grafton Regional Gallery

Until 1 Sept "It was Time"
Artwork from 60's & 70's

Clean up at showground

24th Sept at 11am

"Islands of the Clarence"

7th - 20th October

Bus Trip Brisbane Craft Fair

17th October

Phyllis Austen Awards

November TBA

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President's Opening Remarks:

It is with considerable reluctance that the Executive have accepted the resignation of Allan and Evol King from the gallery. Due to medical reasons they are unable to continue their crafts at the current level and instead they will be spending more time in their garden. Arrangements are being made to hold a function to celebrate their huge contributions to LCACA and the gallery. Details will be advised by email.

Art Group recently organised two artist demonstrations at the gallery which were well attended. I would like to encourage all groups and individuals to put forward ideas for future demonstrations in the gallery, not just artists. Members are also encouraged to consider providing demonstrations.

We are distributing posters and postcards promoting our art and craft competition from 7 to 20 October. Entry forms can be downloaded from our web page. Could members please get the word out to the community encouraging people to enter.

There is a cleanup of the LCACA storeroom at the back of the Tea Rooms at the showground scheduled for 11 am on 24 September. All help will be greatly appreciated particularly a bit of muscle to move out some of the old display screens.

Council will start work on repairing and painting the cracked walls on Tuesday 13 August. This work will not require us to close the gallery. The Council has advised that we cannot undertake painting of gallery walls ourselves so we are in the process of getting quotes from painters to repaint the other walls in the front gallery and repaint all plinths. We will work out details about whether we will need to close for the period the gallery and plinths are being painted and will let you know the outcome.

Don't forget the next meeting about the 2020 Exhibition will be at 9 am on 30 August.

Ainslie



**Artist of month display
for August is a selection
of works from
members of the
Lower Clarence
Art Group**

You will have noticed in President's remarks that the Executive have accepted the resignation of Allan & Evol King.

Allan was President for many years and has helped in recent years as Acting President in our times of need - always with great support from Evol.

We are organising a light luncheon to show our appreciation for their contribution to the LCACA.

When date is set we will notify members by email

"Islands of the Clarence"

Entry forms for our art and craft competition "Islands of the Clarence" to be held from 7 to 20 October, are available from our web page and at the Gallery.

We need your help to get the word out about this competition. Do you know somewhere that a flyer can be displayed? Flyers and cards are on the desk in the office at Gallery.

TOURISM INFORMATION

As previously advised to members the best way to get the message across to Council that they need to staff the Tourism office, is to refer visitor inquiries to Council either by suggesting they go the Council Chambers or referring them to the phone number provided. This way Council will get a truer indication of the actual number of face to face inquiries.

We will put together a card to give visitors with Council's phone number and street address for members to hand out to visitors..

Painting Gallery walls

Planning is underway to have walls of gallery painted.

We will need volunteers to help move displays
to a safer area in the gallery.

Expect a call

Exhibitors' Representatives' Report

Congratulations to the Art Group for a delightful and varied 'Artists of the Month' display.

The display has generated a lot of interest, with members of other art groups in the area calling to view the work. Great to have these interconnections!

Painting of the gallery walls and plinths is in the wind. Watch this space for times and dates. We will need extra hands to move stock for sure, as plans unfold.

The gallery coordinators have been busy rotating the paintings...this perhaps has contributed to the recent increase in the sale of paintings?!

Patchwork & Quilting:

presented by Val Wright

Patchwork and Quilting celebrated our 30th anniversary at the Uniting Church Hall, which was self catered for by our members. It couldn't have been better anywhere else, well planned and a beautiful day.

We are still working on quilts to be ready in time to send to New Guinea for those in need.

Our Zone day is the 21st September and approaching fast. Meetings are in progress to make sure there's nothing left to chance.

Our in house monthly workshops are well received, with a lot to learn from our experienced members, and very much appreciated.

2020 Exhibition Report - Fay Griffiths

At our August Meeting we will be discussing the Entry Forms for the 2020 LCACA Exhibition. We will be endeavoring to make Forms more-simpler, as they are too cluttered with information. We would like your input, so please attend the Meeting.

Friendly Reminder: Clean-up on 24/9/2019 at Maclean Showground starting at 11.00am. **Would like some male members to help with the lifting.**

Next Monthly Meeting will be held at 9.30 on 13th September

Lower Clarence Art Group Report by June Alexander

The Arts Group have been busy finalising their artworks to be displayed as “Artists of the Month” for August in the gallery. Each member was encouraged to complete a best artwork, consider how to present it and price it. A first for some members. We hope this display will promote new members to join and enjoy the activities of our group.

Chinese Painting artist Stephen Cassettari was invited to demonstrate his mastered technique of Chinese Painting in our gallery foyer for members and gallery visitors.



Stephen talked us through his journey in art since 6 years old and related many aspects of his years of study and practice in this Ancient Art, all this time of talking he was busy with his bamboo paint brush producing many wonderful Chinese Art Paintings!

Stephen is quite willing to share his knowledge and painting technique of Chinese Art within workshops. Anyone interested in a workshop with Stephen please contact June on 0472737908

Embroiderers: Pam LeCouteur

An enjoyable morning last Saturday was had by all with a visit from Tutor Sue. Thanks Sue, your valuable time is appreciated by all.

All works are different & well worth a visit from locals. We get a number of visitors into our room to view the array of Embroideries, many of them are naturally travelling but can't help coming in for a look & learning some new methods.....while husbands prowl the Gallery !!

A reminder re Brisbane Craft & Quilt Fair on Thurs Oct 17th. Price \$60 includes bus fare & entry into Fair. Payment in advance only. Phone Pam Le Couteur for further information on 02 66451766 or 0408112190. Place money in envelope with your name, phone no, or email address, & where you wish to board bus. Grafton, Maclean or Woombah. Phone me for further info & where to leave money. Bus already more than half full so book in soon.

A date for the LCACA to celebrate the P&Q 30 years of quilting are yet to be finalised.

More details will be available in next issue of ArtyFacts.