

Tuggerah Lakes Art Society

September 2023

Dear Members

They say that all good things must come to an end, and *Our Natural World* exhibition and related activities came to a successful conclusion on the 31st August! But I read somewhere that 'ending is not always a bad thing, as it's not the end of the road, but rather the beginning of a new journey.' - So planning has begun for our **2024 Events**. Watch this space!

Hope to see you at our Members' Meeting. Please come! Rasheeda

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Date: Thursday 28th September 2023 Time: 10am to 12noon

Location: The Entrance Community Complex, Norberta St., The Entrance

Our Guest Presenter is Steve Dunstan, President Mingara Orchid Club.
Topic: ORCHIDS OF AUSTRALIA by PEN and BRUSH



Steve's aim is to present a range of outstanding Australian orchid species and possibly some hybrids that have been drawn and painted. They are truly magnificent works of art and hopefully will provide some information about Australian Orchids as well as to motivate and inspire our artists!

Find out all the TLAS happenings for 2023 and beyond.
Lucky door prize!
There'll be time for a cuppa and a chat.
\$5 entry
Visitors welcome:)

The CHALLENGE this month is **SPRING**

Please bring in your artwork to share and inspire and win!



ACADEMY

Meet up with like-minded artists at the TLAS Academy. Tuition is available when you need it and an endless cuppa and a biscuit.



TLAS Academy is held at 1 Pacific St., Long Jetty (CWA Hall) each Wednesday. From 08:00 to 11:00am

Our mentors specialise in various mediums - Pat (watercolours), Peter (oils and acrylics), Donna (acrylics).

Cost for the morning is \$10.00



My thanks to Pat Edwards who coordinates Academy and Adrianne Miles coordinator of Workshops for the great deal of time and effort spent in planning and organisation.

Mingara Orchid Club's

Spring Orchid Fair and Show

Anglican Church, Brooke Ave., Bateau Bay

9th Sept - 9 to 4

10th Sept - 10 to 3

*Orchids for display & sale *Market Stalls

*Great Food

*including our TLAS Mini Art/Card Exhibition

Free admission!

My thanks to Wendy Scorgie for the time spent in coordinating the Exhibition.

Collaboration

"Alone we can do so little; together we can do so much." Helen Keller

It all started over a cup of coffee with four of us chatting about the environment and what occurred from having a cuppa, was a wonderful **collaboration** between **The Charmhaven Lions, Walkabout Park, Your Guide Central Coast, The Crud Muffins and The Tuggerah Lakes Art Society** with an Art Exhibition and related activities.

The Launch of OUR NATURAL WORLD Exhibition



Top right: Tassin and Gerald Barnard our VIP Guests with Ray Elsey President Charmhaven Lions.

Top left: Danielle Morrison, 1st Prize winner with David Harris MP.

Bottom right: Adam Crouch MP with Eleanor Anson, Runner Up.

Bottom left: Klara Kaye, Robert Hili from Wiseberry Charmhaven with Noeline Millar, TLAS

Member Award.

Then Came the related ACTIVITIES

PAINTING TOGETHER with the Crud Muffins

There were 3×60 minute sessions which were pretty relaxed and catered for participants of all ages. We sang, danced and of course painted alongside each other in a friendly supportive setting.

The mural will be donated and installed at the Walkabout Wildlife Park.







Above: The Crud Muffins - Justin, Natika and Bo-Dangles and family.



Above: Justin and Kate who participated in the session and guide dog who should have been ignored, but wasn't!!

Workshop-Creating Dhinawan/Dinam Emu Painting also part of OUR NATURAL WORLD Event

This workshop was held at the Aboriginal Community Centre in Wyong and was for students 8-14, but some of the adults popped in to check and stayed to paint!







Some of the amazing emus that were created during the workshop.



Gail (TLAS VP) dropped in for a chat and stayed to paint.





WHAT'S HAPPENING TO THE FROGS IN MY BACK YARD SEMINAR

Art-based citizen scientist, **Sharon Ridsdale**, conducted an amazing seminar sharing her journey of discovery about what's happening to the frogs in her backyard, with far reaching consequences with schools building *frog hotels* as the one pictured above is fully booked!!

Photo: Sharon Ridsdale, Phil Morley and Marcia Allman from the Entrance Lions Club and sponsors of the seminar.

'Our Natural World' Seminar

Tassin Barnard of **Walkabout Wildlife Park** shared her insights on saving Our Natural world through preserving biodiversity and country. She shared her journey of their battle to save the Calga Valley – the ancient Aboriginal sites, the water and endangered animals and plants and we laughed and cried and then laughed some more.

Then Tassin introduced us to SHAGGY the Carpet Python. As she said, "Snakes fascinate me because, with their long thin bodies, they look so simple, but their bodies are just as complicated and capable as ours, with two lungs in their chest (although only one is functional) and a spine and ribs and a gut. And although they don't have fingers and toes, their scales are the same as our finger-nails and they use these to grip and go places that we can't go with our arms and legs."





We were so fortunate to meet Debbie and Amanda from *Wildlife A.R.C.* who attended Tassin's Seminar and talked about the amazing work they undertake in caring and rehabilitating native animals that are injured or orphaned.

Established in 1987, *Wildlife A.R.C. Society Inc.* is a local Wildlife Rescue organisation run by a passionate team of volunteers, dedicated to the survival and care of our vulnerable native wildlife on the Central Coast . The 24 hour, personally manned emergency helpline responds to over 4500 calls per year. Rescuers and carers work around the clock, 24 hours per day, 365 days per year to rescue, care for and rehabilitate sick, injured and orphaned native animals with the express ambition of returning them to the wild, or sadly in some cases, to ensure that they should suffer as little needless pain and stress as possible.

How can you help?

- * Become a member of Wildlife A.R.C.
- * Call our 24 hour emergency helpline **(02) 4325 0666** for advice whenever you have any concerns regarding native wildlife.
- * Invite us to your school, community group or club, to participate in your next community event.
- * www.wildlife-arc.org.au.

Photo: Debbie and Amanda (Wildlife A.R.C.) with Tassin (Walkabout Wildlife Park)



CALLING ALL ARTISTS

LIONS CLUB OF WYOMING EAST GOSFORD CENTENNIAL WYONG HOSPITAL PALLIATIVE CARE UNIT

ELSIES PROJECT

Our Lion's club is looking forward to the opening of a second Palliative Care Unit on the Central Coast at Wyong hospital in 2024.

It is with this in mind that we would ask any artist on the Coast to be able to donate a painting to the Unit to be displayed in the Clients rooms.

We do not require the painting to be framed as they must all be framed in a particular way in compliance with the hospital regulations and we have assigned funds to cover this expense.

If you are able to assist us in any way, we would be very grateful and honoured to hang your beautiful work in this very special place.

Please feel free to contact me at any time.

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With thanks: All photos in this bulletin courtesy Mal Hamilton, Peter Malinowski, Sharon Ridsdale and Therese Wilkins

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Toukley & Districts Art Society Inc

Toukley Art Gallery, 1 Wallarah Rd, Gorokan Ph: (02) 4392 4666 (Near Toukley Bridge)



Central Coast Childrens' **Art Competition 2023**

18th to 29th November 2023



Presentation of Winners: Sunday 19th Nov 2023 2pm—4pm

Women In Art 2024



ART EXPO & ARTISAN'S MARKET

Save the Date -March 2024

Our Natural World 2024

Art Exhibition & Related Activities



Save the date - August 2024



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