



Ferry Artists Gallery - NEWSLETTER – June 2025

Presidents Report May 2025 – Carol Gill



I would firstly like to extend a welcome to new member **Michael Dingley**. Mike is a printmaker and photographer, and his original and contemporary work will be a welcome addition to our gallery.

The most important news for this month is that our **shopping centre has changed hands** with the settlement taking place on 28th April. Our current lease continues until the end of June, after this we will be renegotiating it with the new owners. This propels us into an exciting new era, so stay tuned for more information regarding this.

Thank you to our members on duty who have been itemising the new **Tyro surcharge** in our day book. Surcharging is the new “norm” now and from the way our fees have dropped we know we are doing the right thing. So far, I have not heard of any complaints about this.

Our **cash on hand in the till** will be an ongoing issue for us as the local businesses are hesitant to continually change notes. Please have **change of \$50 in small notes** when you come in for duty as this helps our goodwill around the centre. The less we must bother businesses for change the better it is for the gallery. Thank you to those members who have started to make this a regular part of their duty day, it is much appreciated.

Congratulations to our members who had work on display at the recent Royal Easter Show. Huge congratulations to **Mellissa Read-Devine** for her **First Prize in Birds in the Landscape** section and the sale of that winning painting as well as her miniature. Congratulations also to **Dean McClymont** for the sale of his photograph. Well done to all our members who gave it a shot and entered. Art Prizes can be tricky things.

Our Guest Pop Up show is fast approaching with **Phil Stallard and Lynne Dobinson’s Time and Tide** Exhibition opening on Saturday 14th June. We welcome Phil and Lynne to our Gallery for this two-week show. Our members are invited to contribute a 16” and under artwork for the remaining walls for this two-week period. Please have your works to the gallery by Sunday 9th June for hanging early that week.

Following **Time and Tide** we have **Spectrum** which is full show for our members. **Spectrum** is an open themed exhibition so please send us the best of what **Spectrum** inspires in you.

For the opening of **Spectrum**, we are thrilled to be launching the latest collection of poetry by poet **Amy Devine**. Words are by Amy and cover illustration by her Mum our **Mellissa Read-Devine**. I am very much looking forward to this opportunity to offer art of a different nature to our members and guests and stocking some copies in the gallery.

Thank you again to our members who have offered their time to do an **extra day** this last month. Your commitment helps us stay open. As we all know you cannot predict when a busy day will occur. We just have to have our doors open and be there.

Have a wonderful May everyone.

Cheers Carol.

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SNIPPITS of Information

❖ Your Committee Members

- President – Carol Gill
 - Vice President - Mellissa Read-Devine
 - Secretary - Mim Allan
 - Treasurer – Lizanne Bennett
 - General Members – Kim Hewit, Nicky Coady, Alicia Hollen, Tony Simpson, Libby Hyett, Rachelle Juter
- Our phone numbers are on the contact list should you wish to discuss anything.

A Big Thankyou to those who have done extra days in the gallery (at time of writing this) due to shortages during April, May & June including:

Carol, Rika, Mellissa, Hadijah, Rhondda, Libby



- ❖ Just a reminder that if you cannot make your roster day – please ring around to organise with another member to swap your day.
- ❖ A warm welcome to **Michael Dingley** – our newest Ferry Artist



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MEET SOME OF OUR ARTISTS whom we captured during our March exhibition titled 'Montage' some of which have their artwork near them. It was another well attended exhibition with some fantastic sales.



Julia



Dean



Mellissa



Carol



Mark



Mim



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Nicky



Anna



Alicia



Annmaree (and a happy purchaser)



Rika and Rachelle



Pam



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Jeannie (left) & Rachelle



Tony and Carol



Janelle Macintosh (Deputy Mayor Hornsby)

And a little Housekeeping...

- ❖ Due to the large bank surcharge fees the gallery has been absorbing from our customers' credit charge purchases, we are now passing those surcharges on via our eftpos device. We have therefore added a new bank fee column in the daily sales book - which will help with reconciliation.

Arty Facts...

- ❖ Some people are afraid of certain colours – the condition is chromophobia.

Art quote...

- ❖ "Creativity takes courage" – Henri Matisse

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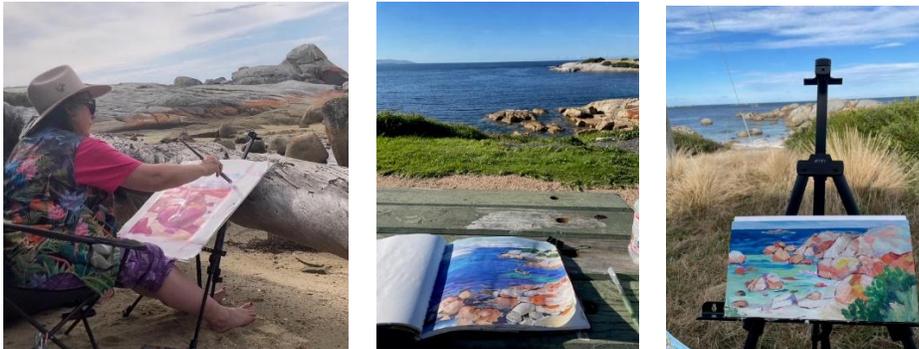


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Artists in the Wild

Don't we all love travelling and I'm sure many of you are re-creating your memories in journals, paintings, pen and ink sketching etc. So here are some of our members doing just that. Feel free to send Mim your travel art pics for upcoming newsletters (or any other articles that may be of interest)

Melissa Read-Devine travelled to North East Tasmania in February painting along the coast at the Bay of Fires. Please note she has some fabulous workshops and workshop trips coming up that you may be interested in attending – just visit the link: <https://www.readdevine.com/workshops>



Mim Allan is currently caravanning up the east coast and then inland to Darwin and down the centre – creating memories with pastel and paper.



Carol Gill has been sketching in her mini Moleskine sketchbook whilst travelling through Turkey and Uzbekistan enjoying Intrepid guided tours of these ancient countries.



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Save the dates for the upcoming 2025 exhibitions ...

Guest Pop-Up Exhibition

We are delighted to have Phil Stallard and Lynne Dobinson as our guest artists for the Pop-up exhibition titled 'Time and Tide'

14 - 29th June

PHIL STALLARD - LYNNE DOBINSON

TIME AND TIDE



14-29 JUNE 2025

OPENS 14 JUNE

3-5PM



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- ❖ Our artists are invited to deliver 1 x 42cm/16" square or less artwork for the remaining walls – open theme and any medium - delivery by 8th June

'Spectrum' Exhibition – which is an open theme
5th July (further details to be advised)

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