

Portland CEMA Inc. - Council for the Encouragement of Music and the Arts

Newsletter - August 2007

President's Report

CEMA AGM

Thanks to all who braved the cold last Thursday night for the CEMA annual general meeting. Office Bearers are:

- President: Jan Colliver
- Secretary: Katrina Antony
- Treasurer: Gregor McGregor
- Membership Secretaries: Bev and Bill Martin.
- Arts Company Rep: Bev Martin (Warren Mars substitute)
- Arts Advisory: Katrina Antony
- Newsletter Editor and Webmaster: Warren Mars.

Thanks

Thanks to all who have assisted in any way in the past year. Special thanks to Heather Clark, who has found herself at the helm of Arts Company in a real time of change and challenge, and to all who lead their groups. We know each group has devoted leaders, and a majority who have no inclination to be involved in anything but their own art! BRAVO for the leaders and administrators. How long since anyone has said "Thank You!"

Arts Activities for Families

I wanted to share a bit of information about the Arts Activities for Families, which will happen this term.

Please encourage young families to avail themselves of these workshops. I am happy to provide extra information.

Jan Colliver (President)

Membership Secretary's Report

CEMA maintains a healthy membership of about 170, slightly down on last year mainly due to natural attrition and a few lapsed members. We welcomed 35 new members who helped replace those who did not rejoin. Portland Bay Press is the bright spot with 7 new members already this year.

As members of the newsletter mail out team we are constantly disappointed at the number of groups who do not contribute. Are you happy that the newsletter has become free advertising space as a result? If the newsletter is a bit mundane we would welcome all suggestions for improvement.

This newsletter includes a simplified form for those who are rejoining. Old forms are still available at The Arts Company for new members. We look forward to an enthusiastic response.

Bill & Bev Martin (Membership Secretaries)

THE ARTS COMPANY

Bereavement

In this last month we have lost one of our long standing and valued members: Bob Sharrock was a member of the woodturners, who generously gave up his time to volunteer and help The Arts Company with any odd jobs that were needed. We send our deepest sympathies to Mary and her family at this sad time and Bob will be dearly missed by all.

Thanks

A big thank you to the people who answered our call for help with volunteers for our retail shop, nice to see a few more members faces and we are currently training 4 new volunteers.

I would like to thank Peter Schurmann for constructing and installing a timber platform for our front window display a few months ago and to Portland Floor and Tiles for donation the carpet for the display floor. Also thank you to everyone who has helped or is helping in changing the gallery display, I know it is a huge job but it does make a big difference to the presentation of the shop.

I encourage everyone to drop into the shop at some stage and check out the displays in the gallery, it looks great!

Workshops

The first workshop is starting this Friday July 27th 10 am-4 pm and Sat July 28th 10 am-4 pm. It is being conducted by Kathryn Weatherly from Port Fairy on "Drawing from the Right Hand side of the Brain" for people who have always wanted to learn to draw and also for those wishing to learn more.



The returned President, Secretary & Treasurer at the AGM

Any one wanting to participate in one of these workshops can ring The Arts Company Ph 5523 6566, cost is \$60 per workshop, includes a light lunch.

Thanks

Heather Clark (President)

Arts Co Workshops

27th & 28th July.

Drawing from the Right Side of the Brain - Kathryn Weatherly

11 August

Story telling with Tanya Batt

15th September

Metal Clay Workshop - Lara LeReveur

21st & 22nd September

Marimbas and Wacky Instruments - Jon Madin

5th & 6th October

Stone Carving using talc stone - Steve Singline

20th October

African Dance Workshop

2nd & 3rd November

One & All Art Workshop - as part of Portland Bay Festival and Day of disAbility Celebrations

1st December

Papermaking - Gail Stiffe

8th December

Watercolour - Pam McIntyre

11th & 12th January

Glass Slumping - Michelle Shearer

Dates for Mural Symposium still to be decided, but will be in October and as part will include a Stencil Art Workshop for young emerging artists.

Book Discussion Group

The book discussed this month was "Angry White Pyjamas" by Robert Twigger. We agreed it was a "cult" book, particularly for people interested in Martial Arts. It was enjoyed in varying degrees by members, with some finding it difficult to complete.

Next meeting is August 1st (Wed), at 1:30 pm at 113 Cape Nelson Rd.

Lyn Smith (Convenor)

Great Australian Songbook

A morning melodies performance, which celebrates 100 years of Australian hit songs and singers. With special tributes to Peter Dawson, Peter Allen, Nellie Melba, Olivia Newton-John and more, this show is great entertainment.

Monday, 13 August, 11.00 am
Portland Arts Centre

Full price \$20 Concession \$15

FILM GROUP

Portland Film Society

At its AGM in June CEMAFILM decided to change its name to THE PORTLAND FILM SOCIETY. At the same time we decided to become subscription based, in line with other film societies. The plan is to present the new society later in the year with a free film and supper.

Our next meeting will be on Saturday, 28th July at 1.00 pm in Mac's Hotel Lounge. At this meeting we will discuss how the Society will be organized, and make plans for the first screening.

Anyone interested in sharing their ideas or becoming involved is most welcome to attend. Ring for more details.

Hall's Gap Film Festival

The Hall's Gap Film Festival will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday 9th, 10th and 11th of November. This is always an enjoyable and friendly weekend. Films and booking details in a later newsletter.

Allen Jones (Secretary)



Betty Trewavis - Feeding Time
on sale at the Arts Company

Smart Art

The SmArt Art exhibition is an annual event, presented by Year 7-11 students from the Portland Secondary College, and displaying a variety of media, subject matter and skill.

30 July to 31 August
Portland Arts Centre

Admission free

Historical Society

August Meeting, Thursday 2nd Portland Arts Centre at 2.30 pm. Speaker Gregor McGregor.

At our AGM in July the following were elected:

- President Betty Vivian
- Vice-president and Manager of The Gardens Cottage Museum Jan Grime
- Joint Secretaries Gwen Bennett and Win Malseed
- Treasurer Gregor McGregor

The Society extends its congratulations to former member, Pam Heemskerck, on her eightieth birthday.

Betty Vivian (President)

Leadlighter's Guild

Workshops Wednesday afternoons 1-4 pm and Thursday evenings 7 pm onwards. All members are welcome to join either work days.

Heather Clark (Secretary/Treasurer)

Poetry Reading Group

Next meeting will be held at the Portland Arts Centre on Sunday, 19th August at 2 pm.

Dawn Turner (Convenor)



Marg Beames - Fishing at the Lee Breakwater
on sale at the Arts Company



Leadlighters Guild - Black & White Fairy
on sale at the Arts Company

PIONEER QUILTERS

Our next meeting will be held on Monday 13th August. Gail Roffey will be coming after lunch to talk to us re batting etc.

Betty Berry will demonstrate a Temple Box at September meeting. Requirements will be in next months' newsletter.

Edenhope Quilters are holding an Exhibition in October, will discuss further at the September meeting

Happy Quilting

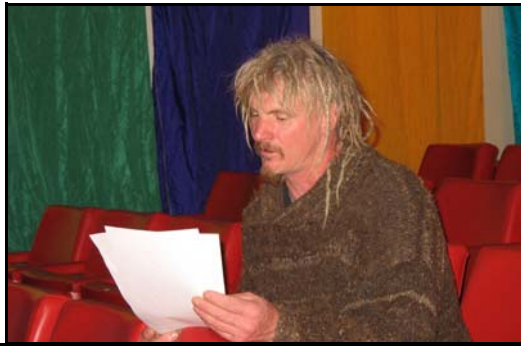
Carmel Jasper (Secretary)

Choral Group

The Portland Choral Group held its AGM on Monday, 16th July. June Roberts was returned as Conductor/Convenor. Nola Bremner was returned as Librarian and we welcome Deanne Atkinson into the job of Secretary/Treasurer.

Rehearsals continue on Monday nights at the Portland Arts Centre and we welcome any prospective new members.

Warren Mars (Bass)



Clinton Saunders reads his report to the CEMA AGM

Burning Embers

with Richard Frankland

Burning Embers invites you to bask in the warm glow of one of Australia's most remarkable story-tellers and song-writers, Richard J Frankland. It's an informative, entertaining, sometimes humorous and occasionally confronting look at our world from the eyes of both Black and White Australia, which includes well-known songs by Richard J Frankland and musicians from The Charcoal Club.

Friday, 17 August, 8.00 pm
Portland Arts Centre

Full price \$30 Concession \$25 Student \$10 Family \$66



Songs Without Words

Internationally acclaimed soloists Karin Schaupp (guitar) and Genevieve Lacey (recorder) return to Portland to dazzle and delight with the poetic elegance of their rather unique combination of instruments.

The duo shares a strong bond both musically and personally, and their diverse programme explores unexpected repertoire from the Baroque period to the present day, sonatas to folksongs.

Wednesday, 1 August, 8.00 pm
St. Stephen's Anglican Church Portland

Full price \$30 Concession \$25 Student \$10 Family \$66

Glenelg Shire Arts Program



Allen & Berice Jones, Bill Martin, June Roberts & Bev Martin at the CEMA AGM