



FRIENDS OF THE HIGHWAY GALLERY

Newsletter - July, 2018 Convenor: Marie Donald

Message from the Convenor

It is sad news to hear that our last Coffee Morning at 14 The Highway will be September this year. The Council have not listened to the people. I finished up my talk at the June Coffee Morning by saying "The success of this Gallery has been ignored"
We will have further discussion of where we go from here at our July Coffee Morning.

Friends' Coffee Mornings

1st Monday of each month 10:30 am to 11:30 am

Report of June Coffee Morning "Our History"

Speakers: Marie Donald, Sylvia Mason, Doug Lawrence and Marjorie Walker.

Arranged especially for more recent members Marie started off with how our Gallery was started in 1980 by the Waverley City Council to show the Council's collection. As well artists could book the Gallery as space was available. This stage was for 10 years until the Wheelers Hill Gallery was built in 1990. The Arts Community fought successfully to save 14 The Highway from being sold.

Doug, who spent 15 years as Director of The Highway Gallery, spoke about how it built up to be a strong Community facility (and still is) with many areas of the Visual and Performing Arts as well the Gift Shop which has been well used by shoppers and exhibiting craft persons.

Marj talked about the HG Friends of how we have played an important role since August 1986.

Next Coffee Morning - Monday July 2 - Where to Now!!!

We will meet as usual at 10:30am for a cuppa and then have discussions in small groups led by HG Inc Committee members. Many of you have expressed interest in continuing as an Art Appreciation Group and it is time now to work out the logistics of how we go about it.

Please come with some ideas as to when, where and how we can still support a good cause.

Two years ago, with an Exhibition, we celebrated the 30th Birthday of the first Coffee Morning held as a HG Friends support group. We started on the 3rd Thursday in August 1986.

However, due to a large Probus group starting nearby, also on the 3rd Thurs but starting earlier than us it was necessary to change our day/time due to unavailability of parking. We chose the 1st Monday which has worked well as all Monday public holidays are the 2nd Monday.

Celebrating NAIDOC Week - Flag Raising and a Bush Tucker BBQ - July 9

You are all invited to this event put on by the City of Monash. See details on pages 20/21 in the current PALS booklet available at the Gallery or at all 6 Monash Libraries.

There will be many events in Monash for NAIDOC Week, including the Monash Reconciliation Exhibition, MARRA MARRA to be staged at The Highway Gallery. See details on enclosed flyer.



Current and Forthcoming Exhibitions

"From Up Ship Creek down to Distillery Creek" June 20 to July 1
Paintings from Tracks less travelled by Greg Footit.

This Exhibition is drawing lots of visitors to see the display of Greg's work in our Gallery. It shows the beautiful landscapes he saw on his trip to the Gulf when last year he drove from Rowville, Victoria up to the Gulf of Carpentaria then back to the Alice.

The Exhibition is open every day until Sun next, July 1, so if you have not been as yet you still have time to call in at 14 The Highway.

Gallery opening hours extended for this Exhibition
 11am to 4pm Monday – Saturday, 12 – 4pm Sunday.



"MARRA MARRA" 'make create do' in Wiradjuri language July 4 to 22



BECAUSE OF HER, WE CAN!

8-15 JULY 2018

Opening Sat July 7 at 2pm by Cr Rebecca Paterson. More details on flyer enclosed

The Aboriginal Community in Echuca are preparing this Exhibition to be on show at our Gallery in NAIDOC Week. The work is by females of 4 generations to fit in with this year's NAIDOC theme. See current Pals booklet, put out by the Monash Council, pages 20/21.

For most of the artists it is their first time to exhibit in Melbourne, or in fact outside of Echuca.

STOP PRESS!!! We have a need for your offers to put your name on the Roster for this Exhibition. You can do this at next Monday's Coffee Morning or call in to add your name to the Roster on the Gallery desk.

"Sculpture Exhibition" by artist Suzanne Kaldor July 25 to August 5
 Suzanne is a member of our Friends Group and Exhibited when we were the Waverley City Gallery.
Variety of media like bronze, ceramic and cement fondu See enclosed flyer

"Blooming Buds" ART N EASEL Classwork August 8 to 12
 An exhibition of children's art work from private classes taken by Rashmi Gore to be Opened on
 Wednesday August 8 at 6pm by Cr Lynnette Saloumi of Glen Waverley Ward - All welcome.
 Rashmi is also a HG Friend and member of the HG Inc Committee . Details on enclosed flyer

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 Opening times - Wednesday to Sunday 12:00 noon to 4:00 pm or by arrangement