

GLEN ROCK GALLERY

The present exhibition is by the Glenrock Stitchers.
This exhibition closes on 2nd January. A great place
to pick up those last minute gifts at reasonable prices.

Glenrock Stitchers meet every Thursday at the Anglican Hall,
Esk from 9am to 3pm. Cost is \$5 per day, which includes
morning tea. If you are interested in any type of Crafts including
patchwork, quilting, knitting etc., they would love to have you join
them.

Upcoming Exhibitions

The next exhibition, 2nd January till 6th February will be a Council Photographic Display
'Somerset Heroes'.

6/2 - 5/3 Photographs Gerard de Roo

5/3 to 2/4 We welcome Joy Holt to the Gallery.

Since Last We Met From the president

The weather, the fires, dust storms and smoke have disrupted the region. Areas have been evacuated and people have been hurt. We really appreciate and thank those fighting fires on our behalf, for relentless hours and days.

There is good news too. Shane Neumann has contacted Nelle to inform her of the success of the application for an MP's Blair Community Grant. This is a grant to purchase IT hardware and software. Thanks Nelle for all the work on the submission. Further research will take some time. Lots to do. If you have any ideas, contact Nelle to help. These grants are to support not for profit organisations and thus the wider community.

One such data base is the A Sense of Somerset Arts and Culture Directory. SASI and some groups, such as the Mt Beppo artists are giving their information to be available through the Somerset Council website. Please consider if you, as an individual would like to add your name and details to a Somerset Region Art Directory.

Please note, and use, the new email addresses being created to contact the right person for your enquires and for advertising or sharing information. Don't forget to check out the SASI website, which has a new life and is up to date! Friday 6th December at Esk Grand Hotel was the most active group of party goers I have witnessed for some time!

  Merry Christmas to everyone.

Take care and have fun over the festive season (it is possible to do both!)

WORKSHOPS

Workshop news:-

SASI has been fortunate to secure Cees Sliedrecht for a Pen and Watercolour Workshop At St Angus Hall on 18th January 2020 9am - 3:30pm. **\$65** Only 12 spaces available to facilitate individual attention; **so keep an eye out for the Workshop**

Newsflash in the coming week.

For a taste of Cees' work visit his art page at <http://members.iinet.net.au/~ceessliedrecht@smartchat.net.au/gallery1.htm> Cees resides in Brisbane, and is well known for his drawing skills and uses water colour, graphite and ink in his works. Further information will be sent shortly.

ART EXHIBITIONS

OLD CHURCH GALLERY MOORE December Exhibition is 'Painting the Light' by Artist Robert Harrington. This exhibition closes on 29th December. Don't miss out.

Toowoomba Regional Art Gallery - Crows Nest The Artists of Crows Nest Inc. have an exhibition by 17 of their members, 'Out of the Box', at the Regional Art Gallery, Crows Nest, which closes on 15th December.

UPCOMING EVENTS 2020 bookings are filling our calendars already!

There are several Agricultural Shows, the Hampton Festival and an extra Air Show date to look out for.

CREATIVE ARTS ALLIANCE

Stall holders are required for the Art Beat Festival in May 2020. Performers. All details can be found at this link.

<https://caa.creativealliance.org.au/sabf2020eoi/>

CAA have a position available for a young person who is a local resident and experienced in the Arts etc, working for the Somerset Art Beat Festival. Applications close on 6th January. For further details contact Wallea Eaglehawk at admin@creativealliance.org.au

SASI has again been invited to participate in the **ESK GARDEN AND LIFESTYLE FAIR** on Saturday 20th June. I have accepted on our behalf as it has been a good venue for sales with NO commission! All art work be garden/floral theme. No vehicles after 7am or before 3pm. All exhibitors must make an inventory and drop off to Jan G, Sue H or Sue White 0700 on the day and collect 3pm. It was so popular last year we may need TWO gazebos.

The Brisbane Airshow, held at Cressbrook, near Toogoolawah.



2020 4th and 5th July Expo.

This event will commemorate the 80th anniversary of the Battle of Britain, and feature some of Australia's most historic aircraft including; the Mk XVI Spitfire, P-51D Mustang, Hawker Hurricane, and many more. If you are a business, trade vendor or community group that operates out of the Somerset Region then do not miss this rare chance of showcasing what you do and represent. SASI intends to! Sounds like a huge event with

many opportunities.



SASI CHRISTMAS PARTY



and a lot of nonsense. The food was excellent. Everyone really enjoyed the laughter and friendship. A good time was had by all.



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The Christmas lunch was held in air- conditioning at the Grand Hotel Esk on 6th
December. Joe, our host, decorated the room and prepared the table and special menu
to the make the festive mood. Betty and Nelle did a great job with a silly twist on the
pass the

  game,
riddle
competitions