

Verve

The Newsletter for the Rowlands Castle Painting Society

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Note from the Principal .

This will be my last note for Verve, as I am now retiring as Principal. I have enjoyed representing the Society over the years (seven, I think) and meeting professional artists that came to share their skills with us, and also our friendly members too.

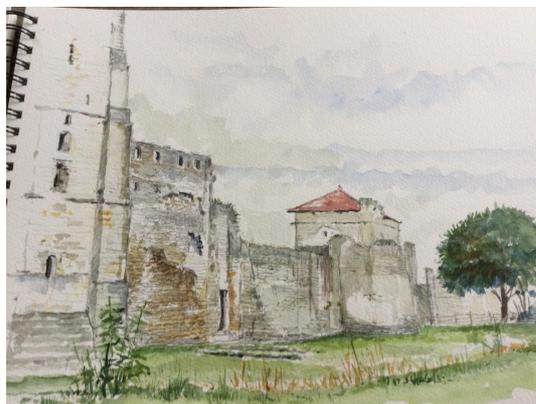
I hope another artist will step forward into my place, and I wish them all the enjoyment I have had.

I will still be supporting the Society, and coming to as many meetings as possible,

But, sadly it is Goodbye for now !

Gill Dollery

by Steve Driver



From the Chairman

Good news at last!! After 18 months when the Parish Hall has been closed to all users (except the Montessori Nursery) it is now scheduled to re-open on the 1st September. As yet we have not been told of any restrictions.

While the hall has been closed, some internal changes have been decided. New kitchen facilities are going to be installed in the rear corridor next to the gents toilet which will suffice for our refreshments at the afternoon meetings. However, as the work will not be commencing until November we shall be able to continue to use the main kitchen until the new kitchenette is completed. There will also be some relocation of the fire doors but we are assured that we shall be able to enter the premises through the main door as usual. The 2021/22 Programme starting in October is now being compiled which will aim to offer the usual high standard of activities. Understandably some members did not renew their membership last year because of the pandemic but I sincerely hope that they will now feel confident to return and again enjoy all the various aspects of the Society.. I would like to take this opportunity to thank all who have continued to support us through this very difficult period. Because of the cancellation of all 2020/21 indoor meetings a concession regarding subscriptions will be forthcoming for those who maintained their membership that year.

With the successful roll-out of the vaccine myself and the Committee look forward to welcoming everyone back to normality!!

With very best wishes

Barbara

by Edward Girard



Maurice John Webb BA

It was with sadness that we learnt of the passing of Maurice, one of our long standing and stalwart members.

Maurice joined the Society in 1991 and was always an active member.

Besides attending the indoor meetings, he also participated in the Outdoor Painting days, the abroad holidays that our patron Paddy Holmes organised and co-ordinated coach trips to the Waterperry Art shows near Oxford.

In previous years Maurice distinguished himself in the army. When called up for National Service he was quickly selected as a candidate for an officer and a photograph in the Order of Service showed Lt Maurice Webb receiving the Regimental Colours from Earl Mountbatten of Burma . He later joined the volunteer Territorial Army. Following his time in the forces, Maurice decided he wanted to teach and after gaining a degree went on to become a headmaster. In retirement Maurice joined Rowlands Castle Painting Society to pursue his life long interest in watercolour painting where apparently he first met Val. Another of his pastimes was collecting fountain pens.

Six members represented the Society at Maurice's funeral and at the gathering afterwards Bob Payne presented Val with his superb portrait of Maurice which was admired by all present. A donation in Maurice's memory has been sent to the British Heart Foundation on behalf of the Society.

Maurice was a very popular member and his genial smile will be missed by all who knew him.



ROWLANDS CASTLE PAINTING SOCIETY

Notice is hereby given that a deferred ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING
will be held on Tuesday 28th September 2021 at 4.00 pm
In Rowlands Castle Parish Hall

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Approval of online 2020 AGM Minutes
3. Treasurer's Report
4. 50th Anniversary
5. Website & Exhibition Report
6. Media Correspondent's Report
7. Election of Officers

Posts For Election

COMMITTEE POSTS

NON COMMITTEE POSTS

<u>Post & Post Holder</u>	<u>Available for Re-Election</u>	<u>Post & Post Holder</u>	<u>Available for Re-Election</u>
Principal - Gill Dollery	NO	Audio - B.Wood & Pauline Davis	Yes
Vice Principal - Cathy Hales	Yes	Verve Editor - Margaret Jennings	Yes
Chairman - Barbara Wood	Yes	Catering Officer(s)	VACANCY
-		Life Group – Andy Kerr	Yes
Vice Chairman - Terry Devaney	Yes	Summer Outings Org. Diane Colwell, Jennifer Quaintance	Yes
Secretary - Ann Jepson	Yes	Xmas Party Org. - Sally Williams	Yes
Treasurer - Peter Dixon	Yes	Archivist – Cathy Hales	Yes
Programme Org.- Lorraine Boyes	Yes	Projector Team - John Seymour/ John Davis / David Collier	Yes
Media Correspondent - Jan Roblin	NO	Art Mart Team - John Richards & Joyce Quinn	Yes
Membership Secretary - John Davis	Yes	Webmaster - Martin Gebbett	Yes
Exhibition Co-ordinator	Martin Gebbett		

**"OPEN HOUSE" In Rowlands Castle Parish Hall
Tuesday 28th September at 2.00 pm.**

Due to Covid-19 the indoor 2020/21 Programme was completely cancelled and adverse weather has thwarted many of the Summer outside painting days so it has not been easy for members to keep in touch. Therefore, before the main programme begins we are holding a social afternoon as an opportunity to get together with all past members, renew acquaintances and welcome new members. We hope as many as possible will attend - *put the date in your diary!*

As we were unable to hold the AGM in March we shall be concluding this meeting with a **deferred AGM** mainly to vote in the Committee and Non-Committee posts.

For the continued smooth running of the Society we need to fill the following 2 vacancies so I am asking from the bottom of my heart for anyone who can help and be willing to be nominated for one of these posts to contact me by email: lenara@lenara.plus.com or Tel. 02392631246.

COMMITTEE POSTS:

MEDIA CORRESPONDENT: To keep local publications informed of the Society's activities & report on events. Media contact will be provided. Can be done from home.

If you want any further information please contact the Media Correspondent Jan Roblin 02392 594467

NON-COMMITTEE POST

CATERING OFFICER(S) - One, or ideally two people to be in charge of refreshment supplies and donations at meetings. (Volunteers can be asked to help with serving.) To organise catering at social events.

Barbara Wood

Chairman

R.C.P.S. Membership Subscription 2021/2022

Post To: **Mr. John Davis, 71 Brook Gardens, Emsworth, PO10 7JZ**

Please tick as applicable

New Member []

Existing Member []

I enclose a cheque for **£35** for my yearly subscription []

My yearly subscription for **£35** has been paid by Standing Order/Bank Transfer []

(For Standing Order and Bank Transfer. Bank Details are:)

(Sort Code... 52-41-20 Account No. ... 43615414)

(YOU **STILL** NEED TO FILL OUT THIS FORM SO YOU CAN RECEIVE THE MEMBERSHIP and PROGRAMME CARD.)

Please make your cheque payable to **RCPS** and print your name on the back.

***Remember to enclose an SAE large enough to contain a membership card* (15 cm x 8 cm)**

Full name (Caps please).....

*Address

.....Post Code.....

*Telephone/Mobile No.....

*E-mail address.....

(For you to receive Verve by E-mail and the latest RCPS updates.).

Note ; The charge for VISITORS to an afternoon Workshop is **£3; An afternoon Life Class or an Afternoon/Evening Professional Demonstration will be **£5**.**

To Comply with the new DATA PROTECTION REGULATION Law.. Please READ and Sign Below

The information above will be kept on the society's computer database and will be used for administration purposes only, in order to process your subscriptions and to keep you informed of the Society's activities, outings, and any alterations to the programme. It will NOT be shared with anyone else.

Please Sign Here..... **Date**.....

WEBSITE: <http://rowlandscastlepaintingsociety.co.uk>

*** Please indicate any change of Address, e-mail, or Phone**

Report from Membership Secretary

Due to the unprecedented circumstances of Covid, for the last 18 months I have tried to keep everyone involved in our Society.

So I have been e-mailing everyone who were members on the books in 2019-2020.

However, to comply with the Data Protection rules, if those who did **not** pay subs last year, and do **not** rejoin this year they will be removed from this e-mail list in January 2022.

Membership Subscription fees for this year, 2021-2022, will be £35.

However, For all those **58 members** who paid their subs this last year, but were denied any meetings due to the Pandemic, the subs they paid- £25, will be rolled over to this year **so they will only need to pay £10 this coming year.**

An Annual Subscription of £35 for all new members and those re-joining is still fantastic value for money.

That is for 4 Tuesday meetings a month from October to May as well as Professional Artists demonstrations in the evening. Not to mention the Summer Painting outings .

Plus occasional Saturday Workshops for about £15 .

Note:-

(Chichester Art society is charging £50 a year and only meets every 3rd Thursday of the month. It costs £10 a night for visitors)