



# GDAS NEWS

## NEXT MEETING

**Thursday**  
**1 1<sup>th</sup> June, 10am**  
 at the ART STUDIO,  
 2 Bourke St, Goulburn

## GOULBURN & DISTRICT ART SOCIETY INC.

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## COMMITTEE

- President** Judith Dimitrov
- Vice President** vacant
- Secretary** Margaret Parry
- Treasurer** Gail Davies
- 4 Committee members**  
 Michael Sherriff, Judith Dimitrov,  
 Katya Mortensen, Alex Mortensen,  
 Wendy Anderson

## PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

- Ass't Secretary** Sue Maas
- Ass't Treasurer** Casual Vacancy
- Minutes Secretary** Julia Laybutt
- Ass't Minutes Secretary** Sue Maas
- Membership Secretary** Sue Maas
- Public Officer** Bryce Ronning
- Newsletter Editor** Alex Mortensen
- Web Master & Graphic Designer** Katya Mortensen
- Workshop Coordinator** Susan Harris
- Interim Workshop Coordinator** Gail Davies
- Publicity** Casual Vacancy
- Social Media Coordinator** Judith Dimitrov
- Sports Council Delegate** Judith Dimitrov

Our Constitution - download at [https://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/\\_data/assets/word\\_doc/0020/1143605/Model-Constitution-for-Associations-2024-5-31.docx](https://www.fairtrading.nsw.gov.au/_data/assets/word_doc/0020/1143605/Model-Constitution-for-Associations-2024-5-31.docx)



Demonstration by Judith Dimitrov using the alcohol inks on 14th May.

## COMMITTEE REPORT #2 KEY ACTIVITIES & DECISIONS

APRIL/MAY 2026

This report summarises the key activities and decisions made by the GDAS Committee during the months of April/May2026.

Activity	Outcome
Met with members of the Goulburn Council to view potential new premises.	The location is central and provides excellent access and security but needs significant modification to make it suitable for art activities. We are waiting for a report on the proposed changes. If the changes can be made, then a move as soon as the end of August is possible
Forwarded a MOU to Queanbeyan Art Society	QAS has replied that they would like to make some additions or changes. We are waiting for those suggestions
Judith Dimitrov visited the exhibition space at Gunning on behalf of the committee	Photographs are available. Because of the distance the committee is suggesting a transportation service to take art work to the Gunning exhibition. We also would like to extend this to the Taralga Art Show.
The committee have reviewed our current workshop structure	We are making changes in the format which will provide more affordable workshop activities for the next 12 months

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## EDITORIAL

As can be seen on pages 1-2, the Management Committee has been really pushing along with plans for the year as well as inspecting the premises that the Goulburn Mulwaree Council has offered to us. More information will become available in regards to that.

Two of our members, Judith Dimitrov and Susan Pearson have been very busy with preparing their exhibitions and holding their openings. These are reported further on in this newsletter.

We have been told that our long-standing life member, Julia Laybutt, has been very unwell and has problems with her mobility and eye sight. We all wish you well, Julia, and trust you will soon be feeling somewhat better.

Best wishes to all our members and readers.

*Alex Mortensen*

## GDAS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

It is now time to renew your membership for the GDAS. The \$40 fee is due by the end of June.

I would kindly ask that you also submit a completed renewal form at the same time. This can be done online, when you download the form from the website, ([www.artsociety.goulburn.net.au](http://www.artsociety.goulburn.net.au)), complete and email it to [goulburnartsociety@gmail.com](mailto:goulburnartsociety@gmail.com), alternatively, mail to PO Box 71, Goulburn, NSW 2580 or hand it to me when you see me at the studio. Renewal forms can also be obtained from the studio if you don't wish to download one yourself.

*Sue Maas,*  
Membership Secretary

## COMMITTEE REPORT #2

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Activity	Outcome
The committee is making plans for the AGM	The AGM is scheduled for 11 July at 10;30. A light lunch will be provided. The following items have been approved: 1. Nominations for office must be received two weeks before the AGM 2. A motion will be put to the membership at the AGM that officers be limited to 3 consecutive terms

### Other Activities

The committee identified key issues related to the growth of the art society they include:

- Developing Community Art Activities
- Preparing for AGM
- Developing exhibition transportation support for members
- Actively seeking funding through grants and sponsorships
- Promotion and visibility through website and advertising
- Day and time of monthly meetings remains an issue
- Identify networking opportunities with other local art groups

### Updates

Key milestones achieved this month

- Arranging a mid year exhibition
- Viewing possible new premises
- Updating our workshop structure
- Preparing for the October exhibition
- Organising the AGM

### Next Steps

The committee will focus on the following activities in May and June:

- Finalising the possible new venue for our studio and office space. Finalising our agreement with QAS
- Exploring other sources of revenue to help us provide a better experience for folks making use of our studio and participating in the activities available
- Securing guest presenters for the monthly meeting for the remainder of the calendar year
- Looking for permanent gallery space.

*GDAS Committee*

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**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL IS DUE**

**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

**10.30am on Saturday 11th July, 2026**

**At Goulburn Workers Club, McKell Place, Goulburn**

**YOU MUST BE FINANCIAL**

to nominate for any position & to vote at the meeting



## NOTICE OF GDAS INC. ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Notice is given to all GDAS members that the Annual General Meeting will be held:

**10.30am on Saturday 11th July, 2026**

**At Goulburn Workers Club, McKell Place, Goulburn**

**Nominations** for office must be received at least 2 weeks prior to the AGM

All positions will be declared vacant and elections will take place.

There must be a president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer and a minimum of 3 general committee members.

Those nominating for portfolio positions such as membership secretary, minutes secretary, assistant secretary, editor and so on may also nominate for a position on the committee if they wish to do so.

**You must be financial** to be eligible to nominate for any position and to vote at the meeting

**MOTION** to be put to the membership at the AGM:

that officers be limited to 3 consecutive terms.

**A light lunch** will be served after the meeting.

## THE CONSTITUTION, THE EXECUTIVE, THE GENERAL COMMITTEE MEMBERS & PORTFOLIO HOLDERS

If you are nominating for any position in the GDAS you should read through the Model Constitution (<https://www.artsociety.goulburn.net.au/pdfs/ModelConstitution.pdf>).

Please make yourself aware as to the particular parts of the Constitution that applies to that position. The president and secretary need to have a knowledge of the entire Constitution to ensure everything is done according to it. It is best for the other Committee members to have a reasonable knowledge of it. Portfolio holders should be aware that parts of the Constitution may apply to their particular roles and if so be prepared to follow them.

If nominating for a position, you should be willing to carry out the tasks involved for that position in accordance with the Constitution.

Always remember that positions, especially the executive and the Committee as a whole, have a responsibility to the GDAS and also a legal responsibility to carry out the functions correctly. It can save having problems when everything is done correctly.

## TARALGA ART SHOW – ENTRIES NOW OPEN

**6-8 June 2026**

Exhibition Hours: 10am–4pm, Sat & Sun, 6 & 7 June; 10am–2pm Mon 8 June.

**Official Opening** 6-8pm Sat 6 June.

**Taralga War Memorial Hall**

All artists/craftspeople are welcome to participate.

**Entries close** Friday 29 May, 2026.

The 2026 Taralga Art Show awards are:

People's Choice Award \$300

Hangers' Award \$300

Wildlife Park Award for artwork of animal/s \$100

Orchard Street Gallery Award – 2-weekends exhibition at the Gallery.

Enquiries: [taralgaartshow@gmail.com](mailto:taralgaartshow@gmail.com)

**T: 0490 117 642** or visit Taralga Art Show on Facebook and Instagram.

THE TARALGA  
PROGRESS ASSOCIATION

2026 TARALGA  
**ART SHOW**  
6 – 8 JUNE



*Self Portrait* by Amy Curran  
Winner 2025 People's Choice Award

Exhibition and sale of work  
**TARALGA WAR MEMORIAL HALL**

**EXHIBITION HOURS:**  
Sat 6<sup>th</sup>– Sun 7<sup>th</sup> June, 10am – 4pm  
Mon 8<sup>th</sup> June, 10am – 2pm

If you intend exhibiting at Taralga or Gunning please let the Secretary know a.s.a.p. so that we can organise a courier system to transport paintings AND if you are willing to be a courier let Margaret know by texting 0459 290 116

PLEASE SIGN IN  
AT THE RECEPTION DESK  
WHEN YOU ENTER  
THE ART STUDIO

# GOULBURN & DISTRICT ART SOCIETY WORKSHOPS 2026

**JUNE**



**HELEN DE JONGE**  
**INTRO TO WATERCOLOURS & LEARN NEW SKILLS TO ENHANCE YOUR ARTWORK**

BEGINNERS & INTERMEDIATES  
**Saturday 27th June**  
 Member \$10  
 Non-member \$40

**AUGUST**



**AMANDA ZUREK**  
**INTRO TO PASTELS & SKILL ENHANCEMENT**

BEGINNERS & INTERMEDIATES  
**Saturday 29th August**  
 Member \$10  
 Non-member \$40

**FULL PAYMENT IS REQUIRED TO SECURE YOUR BOOKING**

No payments can be accepted on the day.

**DIRECT DEPOSIT**

Bendigo Bank, BSB 633-000, Acc No: 200104032  
 Acc name: Goulburn & District Art Society Inc  
 Reference: [Surname, Initials] for [name of the tutor].

**TO BOOK AND/OR PAY BY CREDIT CARD PLEASE CONTACT**

GDAS Treasurer Gail Davies by email  
 gail4rc@yahoo.com.au or phone 0439 07 07 47

- All workshops are from 10am to 4pm at the GDAS Art Studio unless specified otherwise.
- Payments need to be paid in full when reserving your place in workshops.
- See GDAS WORKSHOPS PAYMENT & REFUND POLICY on GDAS website [http://www.artsociety.goulburn.net.au/pdfs/GDAS Workshops Payment and Refund Policy 2026](http://www.artsociety.goulburn.net.au/pdfs/GDAS%20Workshops%20Payment%20and%20Refund%20Policy%202026)  
[www.artsociety.goulburn.net.au](http://www.artsociety.goulburn.net.au)

**IS ANYONE INTERESTED IN RUNNING A WORKSHOP? ANY MEDIUM**  
 Please contact Judith on 0430 380 429

**GDAS MEMBERS EXHIBITION at GUNNING**  
 Connect@Gunning Station  
**19th June to 24th July**

**? QUESTION OF THE MONTH**

**ARE YOU INTERESTED IN 3-DIMENSIONAL ART?**

It's a broad area and includes air dried clay, polymer clay, paper mache, paper and card art 3D gesso and more.

If you would like to have an experimental workshop in a 3D medium, let Gail know and we will arrange one!

**QUEANBEYAN ART SOCIETY**

The QAS has changed the way it distributes their newsletters. You can now go direct to their news page with the following link: <https://qasarts.org/News> and then click on the current newsletter advertisement and, hey presto, up comes the newsletter for you to browse through. It's well worth reading through it. In the May edition we see that 11 of their members have sold paintings during the month of April – 8 in the QAS gallery, 2 at Lerida Estate Winery and 1 at Riverside Plaza. Once we have agreed on the proposed working together of the QAS and GDAS, our members may be able to join in each others exhibitions.





## “HANDS ON” DEMONSTRATION/ EXPERIMENTATION USING INK & PAPER

14 May 2026

Playing with alcohol ink after the last members monthly meeting was a lot of fun. There were only about six of us with a couple watchers. They got the opportunity to appreciate the vibrancy of the colours which is what makes this medium so appealing. The reactive characteristics of the ink surprised everyone giving the art a fresh, spontaneous life of its own. The reactivity is the characteristic of this medium that I like the most. It is predictably unpredictable and I like that.

The consensus after the demo was that we should run a full day workshop. It is scheduled for Saturday 25 July and starting at 10am. The cost is \$25.00 plus \$10.00 for materials. You don't need to bring anything. The price is the same for members and non-members. So, if you are interested in trying this intoxicatingly interesting medium, just sign up in the usual way.

*Judith Dimitrov*



## THURSDAY PAINTING DAYS



JOIN US  
ON  
THURSDAY  
PAINTING DAY

# JUDITH DIMITROV'S EXHIBITION OPENING

3 May 2026

Gallery on Track post in FB: "Judith Dimitrov had her exhibition, "Light & Shade", opening today at Gallery on Track- it was such a happy event: lots of wonderful people, a wonderful opening by our President, Ing Ledlie, wonderful work by Judith and wonderful nibbles and drinks, a perfect way to spend an Autumn afternoon.

The exhibition runs through to the end of May, Gallery on Track is in Blackshaw Road, Goulburn and Gallery hours are Wednesday to Sunday, 10am to 4pm."



# HOODIES EXHIBITION OPENING

15 May 2026

Wonderful art exhibition launch "The Hoodies Art Group" tonight at Goulburn Club. A credit to all involved. Be sure to check it out while it's on. Great also to connect with some members of our local Goulburn & District Art Society. I hope we can soon secure a permanent home for the group.

Southern Tablelands Arts

The exhibition runs until 26 July.

Photos by Katya Mortensen and FB post by Councillor Daniel Strickland - Goulburn Mulwaree Council





## LIGHT & SHADE

### Solo exhibition of work by Judith Dimitrov

The multi-media event includes oil paintings, polymer clay pieces and a series of framed pieces done with alcohol ink.

**Gallery on Track, 5 Blackshaw Rd Goulburn.**

The exhibition continues until 31 May 2026.



## RADFORD COLLEGE EXHIBITION 30 - 31 MAY

Gala Opening:  
Friday, 29 May, 7 pm

Public Exhibition: Saturday, 30 May, 10am - 4pm, - Sunday 31 May, 10am to 12pm

Venue: T.B. Millar Hall, Radford College, 1 College Street, Bruce ACT



## Goulburn Club

### EXHIBITION: THE HOODIES CREATIVE COLLECTION

**Jan Armstrong  
Jannine Devery  
Susan Pearson  
Jos Roberts**

Until 26 July 2026

The Goulburn Club,  
19 Market St



## THE GOULBURN ART AWARD - ENTRIES ARE OPEN

**19 June - 18 July 2026**

### Award Categories:

Goulburn Art Award Winner: \$12,000

Highly Commended: \$1,500

People's Choice: \$1,000

Young Artist Award: \$500



## QAS GALLERY GROUPS

Gallery groups have a minimal cost ranging from \$3 to \$2.

While none of the groups have dedicated tutors, except the Sunday group, it is an opportunity to create and learn together.

### Monday 10am - 2pm

Social Painting, all media. Phone Judy 0409 394 763.

### Monday 1:45pm - 4pm

Life Drawing and Painting, all media, with a model. Phone Kay 0427 211 772.

### Tuesday 10am - 1pm

Social Painting, all media. Phone Gay 0421 344 620.

### Tuesday 8.30am - 11am

Plein Air, all media. Phone Rosanna 0418 863 428.

### Wednesday 10am - 1pm

Social painting, all media. Phone Belinda 0404 166 934.

### Wednesday 6:30pm - 9pm

Long Pose Life Drawing with a model. Email Sandra cocosolo3@me.com

### Thursday 10am - 1pm

All media. Phone Dee 0415 349 899, or Karen 0438 010 710.

### Friday 10am - 1pm

Social Painting, all media. Phone Judy 0409 394 763.

### Saturday 10am - 2 pm

Social Mixed Painting, Acrylics & Oils. Phone Sue 0412 728 530, or Trish 0407 495 415.

### Sunday 10am - 1 pm

Never Stop Learning. Any media except oils. Phone Belinda 0404 166 934.

### 3rd Sunday each month 1pm - 4pm

Sculpture, Any materials. Susan Wiscombe 0421272425 More information is available from the QAS website [qasarts.org](http://qasarts.org).





## QAS CURRENT EXHIBITION

**People, Places, Animals, Sculpture, Mixed Media (using found objects)**

On until 29 May 2026

Queanbeyan Art Society Gallery  
8 Trinculo Place Queanbeyan

Details: [qasarts.org](http://qasarts.org)

Some of the winners:



1st Eleanor Cole, Mother Nature



1st John Bosler, Sunrise Southwest Cape, Tasmania



1st Roger Nixon, Dogs on beach.



## GREAT LAKES ART SOCIETY

Their **May newsletter** provides an interesting read for artists. They have just held a very successful exhibition - the 44th Annual Open The Forster Art Prize with 300 entries and their members took out 1st and 2nd prizes.

The opening night attracted around 200 visitors and altogether they had over 1200 visitors during this exhibition.



The article, "A Shady Spot – Shadows in Soft Pastel Landscapes" advertising the workshop of pastel artist, Caroline Reid, is well worth reading for not only those interested in pastels but for any media as it has very useful advice of the importance of shadows, shades and light in landscapes.



## VISUAL ART SOCIETY OF YASS: ART WORKSHOPS

May 23/24 – Light filled Still Life/ Oil or Acrylics – Natasha Rischka

For more information and bookings: QR code or [www.vasyinc.com](http://www.vasyinc.com) or [humanitix.com.au](http://humanitix.com.au)

Classes for beginners to intermediate. All tutors are working artists in their field.



## LIFE DRAWING

**Long Pose Figure Drawing Thursday evenings**

Thursdays, 6.30 – 9pm  
Cost \$25

Please email [ricksmyth2023@gmail.com](mailto:ricksmyth2023@gmail.com)

**Life Drawing Monday afternoon**

Mondays 2 – 4pm  
Cost \$20 per session

Please contact Kay on  
0427 211 772

Queanbeyan Art Society Gallery  
8 Trinculo Place Queanbeyan

Details: [qasarts.org](http://qasarts.org)

## PLEASE SUPPORT OUR GENEROUS SPONSORS

The GDAS has numerous sponsors who give us a variety of forms of sponsorship that is of great assistance to the running of our organisation throughout the year and our annual exhibition. We thank them all.



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**THANK YOU**  
**TO ALL OUR SPONSORS FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT**  
**NEW SPONSORS ARE WELCOME!**

## WHEN BUYING AT MITRE 10

When you buy at Mitre 10 you can receive a 10% discount on various items by telling the checkout staff you are a member of the Goulburn & District Art Society and that **the art society has a cash card account**. Mitre 10 is sponsoring the GDAS and appreciates business that you carry out with it.

## PAYMENTS TO GDAS

**Bendigo Bank BSB 633-000 Acc. No 200104032**  
**Acc. name: Goulburn & District Art Society Inc, REFERENCE: SURNAME + INITIALS**  
Alternatively post a cheque to The Treasurer, GDAS, P.O. Box 71 Goulburn NSW 2580