



Huon Art Exhibitions Group Inc.

Cultivating Art in Southern Tasmania

Annual General Meeting

Huon Art Exhibitions Group

at

The Lovett Gallery, Cygnet

Saturday August 29th 2015 at 3.00 pm

Meeting opened at 3.00pm, Chair – Paul Thomas

1. Attendance

- 1.1 Present; Paul Thomas, Richard Stanley, Anne LeFevre, Jill Miller, Lois Alexander, Kevin Kucks, Anna Maria Place, Sheryl Morgan, Sharyn Yelverton, Jill Patrick, Jen Beith, Stephen Carter, John Barnard, Greg Guy, Herman Mouthaan (15)
- 1.2 Apologies; Dianne Evans

2. Minutes of 2014 AGM

- 2.1 Confirmation of minutes; *confirmed Greg Guy, seconded Richard Stanley. Carried*
- 2.2 Business arising from the minutes;
 - Greg Guy reported that the Lady Jane Franklin Gallery which had opened in Franklin last year, will be closed for a short time. He will notify of re-opening.

3. Correspondence.

- Letter from Lisa and Rob Cooper of Cygnet Post Office advising they are unable to continue their sponsorship of the Peoples' Choice Award in the Huon Art Awards as they are in the process of selling their business.
- The Cygnet Association is organizing a French weekend to be held in Cygnet on 13th& 14th February 2016. HAEG members have been

invited to take part, perhaps as “Plein Air” painters, setting up their easels around Cygnet.

4. Chairman’s Report

Richard Stanley addressed the meeting, outlining the major events throughout the year, the success of the Watermark 2015 Exhibition and the change of the name of the annual exhibition to The Huon Art Awards. He thanked the committee for all their hard work throughout the year, particularly Kevin Kucks for his work in setting up and maintaining a very effective website for HAEG. Anna Maria Place who has resigned from the committee was thanked for her work over the past two years.

Report accepted by Greg Guy, seconded Paul Thomas. Carried

5. Annual financial Statement-

- 5.1 Financial report for the last financial year has been accepted by the auditors. The auditor, Mike Norman, to be appointed again for the next financial year.

Report accepted by Paul Thomas, seconded Greg Guy. Carried

5.2 Treasurers report.

Anne LeFevre, Treasurer, reported that HAEG has a current balance of \$9201.59 as at 29th August, 2015

The Watermark Exhibition 2015 received 176 entries and achieved 31 sales, which totaled \$6 920.00.

There were a total of \$1762.00 in donations for prizes.

HAEG added \$3054 towards prizes in 2015.

\$386.50 was paid to The Cygnet & Channel Classifieds Newspaper for the promotion of The Watermark Exhibition.

\$542.00 was paid to the Hobart City Council for the promotion of the Lovett Gallery, Cygnet at the Tourist Information Centre in Hobart.

Report Accepted by Paul Thomas, seconded Greg Guy. Carried

5.3 Report on Sponsorships

Lois Alexander reported on sponsorships to date in 2015.

12 letters requesting sponsorship were sent out on 23rd July.

Of these there have been two replies to date, one from Southern Swan who were pleased to put \$200.00 towards one of the student awards and Huon Aquaculture who were not able to support The

Huon Art Awards this time. The other potential sponsors will be followed up by phone.

The Bendigo Bank, whose \$5000 sponsorship to include The Huon Art Award for \$2000.00 and the Bendigo Bank Acquisitive Award for \$1000.00 have asked to be contacted in November to finalise these awards.

The Mayor has been contacted re. The Mayors Choice Award of \$1000.00

For further details of sponsors and sponsorships, please see the spreadsheet which has been emailed to all committee members.

Report Accepted by Paul Thomas, seconded Greg Guy. Carried

6. Determination of membership subscription

It was decided the membership subscription should remain at \$24.00 annually.

Motion put by Paul Thomas seconded Greg Guy. Carried

7. Election of Office Bearers and Executive Committee

All positions declared vacant. Nominations will be received from the floor. In the event of more than one nomination, a secret Ballot will proceed.

1. Chairman – Richard Stanley was nominated by Anne LeFevre, seconded Greg Guy. Richard accepted the position.
2. Treasurer – Anne LeFevre was nominated by Jill Miller seconded Greg Guy, Anne accepted the position.
3. Secretary – Dianne Evans was nominated by Paul Thomas seconded by Kevin Kucks.
4. Membership Secretary – Jill Patrick was nominated by Anna Maria Place, seconded Greg Guy. Jill accepted the position

Election of the general committee members;

5. Paul Thomas was nominated by Anne LeFevre, seconded by Jill Miller. Paul accepted the position
6. Kevin Kucks was nominated by Richard Stanley, seconded Anna Maria Place. Kevin accepted the position.
7. Lois Alexander was nominated by Kevin Kucks, seconded Anne LeFevre. Lois accepted the position.
8. Sheryl Morgan was nominated by Kevin Kucks, seconded by Paul Thomas. Sheryl accepted the position.

9. Sharyn Yelverton was nominated by Paul Thomas seconded by Kevin Kucks . Sharyn accepted the position.

The duties of the committee members will be determined at the next meeting.

Richard Stanley congratulated all members of the committee on their election and welcomed the three new members.

Other business

1. The regular meeting time of the committee is to be the last Thursday of the month at 4.00 pm at the Lovett Gallery.
Motion put by Paul Thomas seconded Richard Stanley. Carried
2. Paul Thomas – there has been some discussion at the Huon Valley Council’s Arts & Heritage Committee about a new public art gallery to potentially be sited in Huonville. All the committee agreed that it would be preferable for such a facility to be sited in Cygnet as there is an established arts community here. Paul has undertaken to speak to Rosalie Woodruff (who holds the Arts & Heritage portfolio at the HVC) regarding this.
3. Jill Miller – inquired about the sale of Jas. Cartwright’s art works. The sale is to take place in the Lovett Gallery on October 9th – 18th. A reserve price of \$50.00 is to be put on the portraits. Greg Guy is to supply easels to display the work. Lois Alexander agreed to arrange with the librarian to put on a small display of Jas’ work in the Cygnet Library prior to the sale.
4. Stephen Carter has booked an exhibition at the Lovett Gallery Opening Friday 23rd October.
5. Paul Thomas is to organize a” pre-loved art” exhibition in the Cygnet Town Hall on November 7th & 8th.
6. Meeting closed at 3.40. All were invited to convene for drinks and nibbles.
7. Next Committee meeting to be held at the Lovett Gallery on Thursday September 24th at 4.00pm.