



Wildlife and Botanical Artists (ACT)

• NEWSLETTER •

March 2004

• NEXT MEETING • SPECIAL EVENT

Monday 8 March

Australian National Botanic Gardens

6.00pm (optional) - 1-hour (approx.) guided walk through the gardens (meet at the ANBG Visitors Centre entrance)

Your donation of \$4 goes towards the Friends of the Gardens and the Guides. For every 10 people, one guide will be provided, so if you would like to participate in this enjoyable evening walk in the Gardens **please RSVP Janet Twigg-Patterson on 6287 2086 by Friday 5 March.**

7.00pm –Talk and Presentation - ANBG Theatre (opposite the Visitors Centre entrance)

Rangers from Tidbinbilla will give a talk on how the flora and fauna is recovering one year on from the fires. WABA will then present a cheque to the Tidbinbilla Fire Recovery Program.

Light refreshments and beverages will be provided after the meeting, so come along and have a chat to our special guests!

PLEASE NOTE: After the presentation WABA members will have a short AGM to elect the full committee for this year. Please consider nominating for one of the positions of President, Vice-President or Exhibitions Coordinator. **REMEMBER – without a full committee we will no longer exist!**

Do not hesitate to contact a committee member for information on what is involved – most importantly, you will not be alone! There is always plenty of help and support from other committee members, and past committee members are happy to assist whenever possible.

• EXHIBITIONS •

BIG REMINDER - TIDBINBILLA EXHIBITION - 27 March to June

If you are intending to exhibit please let Belinda Ingram know AS SOON AS POSSIBLE on 6286 1754, to allow her to gauge the required space for the exhibition. Paintings must be delivered to Belinda, 19 Besant St, Pearce, by 20 March.

Artwork should preferably depict subjects pertaining to Tidbinbilla ie. Flora/fauna found in the area, although this is not absolutely necessary.

Commission - 25% with 15% going to Tidbinbilla.

For further information contact Belinda on 6286 1754.

(See overleaf for More Exhibitions news)

• APRIL MEETING •

Please note: the April meeting will be on **Monday 19th April**, the third Monday of the month, due to Easter Monday falling on the usual second Monday. This meeting will be a practical 'autumn' theme, so bring along subjects such as autumn leaves, berries, fruits or nuts to draw or paint.

Our first meeting for 2004 was a practical 'nature' theme. Shells were a popular subject of choice – must have been lots of beachcombing over Christmas!

• UPCOMING WORKSHOPS •

DR HELEN HEWSON

Saturday 1 May – 1.30pm to 4.30pm

Sunday 2 May – 9.30am to 4.00pm

Venue: Australian National Botanic Gardens

Cost: \$50

This will be a repeat of the last workshop Helen held in November. Saturday afternoon will be spent doing botanical drawing in the field, with a workshop held on Sunday. This workshop will open your eyes to the minute details of plants, and help you to 'know your subject'.

For further information or bookings please contact Robyn Hanigan 6254 4038.

• **MORE EXHIBITIONS** •

Botanica 2004

10am to 4pm, Sat 13 to Sun 28 March
Lion Gate Lodge, Royal Botanic Gardens,
Sydney

This is a Friends of the Gardens event - all works are for sale. For further details or to book tickets for the **opening night on Friday 12 March** see the Friends Calendar on the website: www.rbg Syd.nsw.gov.au or phone (02) 9231 8182.

The Waterhouse Natural History Art Prize 2004

7 August – 12 Sept

South Australian Museum, Adelaide

Entries close 28 May

For further details, including entry form and rules, see the website:

www.thewaterhouse.com.au

or contact the Exhibition Co-ordinator, Mark Judd on (08) 8207 7421

Fax: (08) 8203 9805

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Canberra Botanical 2004

From 1 October

Further details will become available on the website: www.canberrabotanical.com

Regular Exhibition at RYDGES CAPITAL HILL

After refurbishment of the Arcadia Lounge at Rydges, we will again have an ongoing exhibition at 6-monthly intervals, from March.

ANNUAL EXHIBITION

Our annual exhibition will be held during September/October.

NAMADGI

WABA has been invited to exhibit at the newly refurbished Namadgi Park Information Centre. Exhibition will be for two weeks in October.

More details to come on the above exhibitions, so **WATCH THIS SPACE!**

• **NEW MEMBERS** •

WABA warmly welcomes two new members – Melvin Lam and Liliana Allodi.

• **OUR WEBSITE** •

www.wba.asn.au

Please contact Denise Sutherland on 6288 1418 or email contact@sutherland-studios.com.au if you would like to have your work, CV and/or contact details included on our website.

SURVEY – This has been put on hold until after the AGM. A survey will be available for members to fill out at the April meeting and will also be sent out with the newsletter. The Committee would like to know what YOU would like to do at the monthly meetings and what kinds of workshops/field trips you would be interested in.

• **'CARETAKER' COMMITTEE CONTACTS** •

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