



## Newsletter 1<sup>st</sup> November 2023

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### **Club Meeting: Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023**

Hartlepool Art Gallery, Christ Church, Church Square, Hartlepool, 7.00pm – 9.00pm (doors open 6.40pm).

We are pleased to welcome an old friend, **Charles Evans**, to demonstrate for us this month. Charlie was born in Yorkshire where he grew up as a country lad. During an early career in catering, he discovered a love of painting and was commissioned by the National Coal Board to paint pictures for their boardrooms. As soon as he could, Charlie went to Lincoln Art College but found it hard to make a living. A career in the RAF meant that he could develop his catering expertise while representing his regiment in 3-day eventing and motorcycle racing. Leaving the RAF and relocating to Northumberland gave Charlie the impetus to develop a career in art, painting and teaching. Appearing regularly for Tyne Tees TV regional programmes, painting out on location, gave him plenty of practice in working under all conditions. Today, Charlie still lives in Northumberland and travels the country, and abroad, taking his no-nonsense approach to painting to hundreds of amateur artists.

Charlie represents Daler-Rowney wherever he goes and believes they provide the best art materials available. The paints, brushes and papers he uses are available on-line. Charlie also writes how-to-paint books for Search Press and these are also available on-line.

Charlie has told us he intends to demonstrate painting seagulls in acrylic – but who knows what he might produce on the night!

**£3 for Members and £6 for Guests.**

### **Next Club Meeting: Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2023**

This will be our Christmas meeting, so mince pies, wine and soft drinks will be available. We will have a Sketch 'n Natter session – bring along an item to draw, or just sketch what is around you. Perhaps we can discuss ideas for what you'd like to see from the Art Club in the next year.

### **Hartlepool Art Club: 76<sup>th</sup> Annual Exhibition**

Following a few last-minute changes, we now have 117 entries from 32 members. The Gallery is planning to extend the available exhibition space before our exhibition is mounted, by erecting a new wall down most of the length of the main aisle and possibly also restoring the exhibition space in the north transept by moving some of the café seating to the chancel area in front of the apse. The construction activity will (slightly) affect our take-in arrangements. I will be emailing all contributors this week but, as a reminder, dates for this year's Annual Exhibition at Hartlepool Art Gallery are as follows:

Take-in and selection date:	Fri 10 November
Preview evening:	Fri 17 November, 6.00 – 8.00pm
Exhibition opens:	Sat 18 November
Exhibition closes:	Sat 13 Jan 2024
Collection of unsold work:	Tue 16 Jan 2024

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I attach a poster which is being used by the Gallery to promote the exhibition and will also be the front cover of our catalogue. Please forward this poster to friends and family, feel free to post it on Social Media, print and put it on appropriate notice boards.

I will also be shortly issuing an e-mail invitation to the Preview Evening on Friday 17<sup>th</sup> November. Please circulate this as widely as possible. There is no need for attendees to bring the invitation – all are welcome from 6.00 to 8.00 pm.

If you have any queries about the above arrangements, please contact Sue Osbon on 07841 097417 or [sue\\_osbon@hotmail.com](mailto:sue_osbon@hotmail.com)

## **Golden Lion changeover**

The next changeover at The Golden Lion Inn, Dunston Road, Hartlepool, TS26 0EN, will be on **Wednesday 6th December, from 10.00 to 11.00am.**

Just turn up with your painting. We currently have 28 hanging spaces available to us and we give priority to members exhibiting for the first time. All work exhibited should be available for sale, so should be adequately framed and corded for hanging. Art Club cards should be used to describe the painting. A supply will be available at the changeover. Golden Lion commission on sales is 10% and the Club also takes 10%.

## **Art Club Painting Group**

Painting days are held on the second Saturday of every month. **This month it's Saturday 11th.** Sessions are held at the Salvation Army Community Hall in Park Road Hartlepool TS26 9HT between 10am and 2pm. Beverages are available and you may bring a packed lunch if you wish. We have use of the private car park, although it is only about 400 yards from York Road bus stops. There is a **£4 per head contribution**, to help pay for the accommodation and non-members are welcome. Please note that there is no tutor at most sessions, although we do sometimes hold workshops with renowned artists, when a higher contribution is payable, towards their fees. You will need to bring your own materials, although there is a limited stock of paints, pencils and paper, for people who fancy trying different media and help is willingly given by other members. It is a lively, friendly group and you can decide how long you care to stay.

If you would like further information email [info@hartlepool-art-club.co.uk](mailto:info@hartlepool-art-club.co.uk) or ring / text Alan on **07866 551460**

## **Dabble in Art**

**Every other Saturday, every month, 10.00am – 12.00 noon** at Hartlepool Art Gallery. The next class is on **Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> November.** For further information please contact the Gallery Information desk on 01429 869706 or Keith Robson on 07824971666. Organised and run by members of the Club with help from parents and grandparents, Dabble provides children of all ages with the opportunity to take part in exciting art activities in various media. Children must be accompanied by an adult for the duration of the session.

## **Drink & Draw at The Blacksmith's Arms**

**Held every Tuesday evening, 7 – 9pm** in this popular and very old Hartlepool pub. All are welcome. Contact Keith on 07824971666 for more details. Volunteers to sit as models are always needed!  
Best wishes

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