



Newsletter 1st July 2023

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Club Meeting: Wednesday 12th July 2023

Our outdoor meeting this month will be held in Ward Jackson Park. Please meet outside The Place in the Park (café, although this will not be open). A 6.00pm start is suggested to take advantage of the light. Find a good spot to sketch or paint whatever takes your fancy. This is an opportunity to do some 'en plein air' painting and/or sketching (in very pleasant company). Please bring your own seating or picnic rug and whatever materials you wish to use.

Next meeting: Wednesday 9th August 2023

Our very own Roy Carless has volunteered to provide a demonstration for us. We have left the choice of subject and medium to him but it will definitely be worth attending. Further details in the August newsletter.

Patchings Festival (ARTfest) 13th – 15th July 2023

This popular festival is celebrating its 30th anniversary, bringing together well-known artists, artisans and art materials from across the country and further afield. The Art Club will not be organising a visit this year but, **if any members would like to offer to share a car (and reduce petrol costs), please contact Brian Nunn** on 07803 609760 and he will put you in touch with other interested members.

This year there are new and exciting additions including an extra Festival Marquee featuring a programme of demonstrations in oil and acrylic, a brand-new experience with the Royal Society's Marquee, along with changes to the refreshment area featuring a variety of food outlets.

As always the Patchings ARTfest aims to bring together the art world and those who enjoy art, for an experience of seeing, buying and doing.

We are pleased to announce that club member Malcolm Davies has been invited to exhibit an example of his work at Patchings and this will be on view during the festival.

Further information can be found at www.patchingsartcentre.co.uk/patchings-festival

Golden Lion changeover

The next changeover at The Golden Lion Inn, Dunston Road, Hartlepool, TS26 0EN, will be on **Wednesday 2nd August, 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%.

10th Coastal Cornucopia Exhibition, The Station, Richmond

Our regular exhibition in Richmond has just closed. This year, with much reduced wall space and entry

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numbers, we have still managed to sell 10 paintings, cover the gallery hire costs and cut the entry fee per painting by 20%. The exhibition remains popular with visitors, although we do have concerns about the visibility of the exhibition and footfall in the Artisan area, as well as the new operational style of The Station. A big 'thankyou' must go once again to everyone who participated and helped put together a very attractive exhibition.

Art Club Painting Group

Painting days are held on the second Saturday of every month. **This month it's Saturday 8th.** 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 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 8th July**. 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!

Artwave North Artists' Collective – Exhibition at The Station, Richmond

We are always happy to promote exhibitions by other local groups, especially when some of our own members may be involved. Artwave North, based in Darlington, will be exhibiting at The Station for two weeks, from 6th to 19th July. This is a collective of 12 artists who work in a wide range of media and styles and are celebrating 10 years of exhibiting together. A Preview, with wine, soft drinks and nibbles, is being held on 6th at The Station, from 6-8pm and you are cordially invited.

Best wishes

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