



Hartlepool Art Club Newsletter

1st April 2026

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Annual General Meeting: Wednesday 8th April 2026

Hartlepool Art Gallery, Christ Church, Church Square, Hartlepool, 7.00pm – 9.00pm (doors open 6.45pm)

Our April meeting is our Annual General Meeting. Papers and nomination forms have already been sent out. It is in everyone's interest to come along to hear about our achievements this past year and to contribute to our future plans. Please also consider putting yourself forward as a general committee member.

We're looking forward to seeing everyone there. If you need further information, please contact our Chair, Brian Nunn, on 07803 609760.

There is no charge for attending this meeting.

The club can also be contacted via email Hartlepoolartclubsocial@hotmail.com or social media www.hartlepool-art-club.co.uk or Instagram [@hartlepoolartclub](https://www.instagram.com/hartlepoolartclub) or Facebook **Hartlepool Art Club**

Next month's Club Meeting

In May, we welcome **Alan Reed**, watercolour artist from Ponteland to demonstrate painting a local landscape.

Golden Lion changeover: Wednesday 3rd June 2026.

After today's changeover, the next changeover at The Golden Lion Inn, Dunston Road, Hartlepool, TS26 0EN, will be on **Wednesday 3rd June, 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%. **All paintings are exhibited at the artist's own risk.**

Art Club Painting Group

Unfortunately, with effect from last month, we have had to abandon our monthly sessions at the Salvation Army Community Hall. Despite repeated promptings, we have been unable to maintain a consistent attendance sufficient to fund the hire costs. Anyone wanting to promote their own sessions or classes please let us know and we will include details in the next newsletter.

Dabble in Art

Every other Saturday, every month, 10.00am – 12.00 noon at Hartlepool Art Gallery. For further information and details of dates for this month 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!

Hartlepool Art Club exhibitions in 2026

Information about this year's opportunities for members to exhibit work with Hartlepool Art Club:

13th Coastal Cornucopia – The Station, Richmond

This year, our popular exhibition will run in the Artisan Gallery from **2nd – 29th July**. Full details and entry forms will be sent out with the May newsletter.

79th Annual Exhibition – Hartlepool Art Gallery

Our exhibition this year will be brought forward to finish before Christmas. This move will give us extra time to have our work on show during the build-up to the festive season and will allow the Gallery to start a new exhibition early in the new year. **Provisional dates** are:

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| Critique meeting: | Wed 9 Sept 2026 (normal club meeting) |
| Closing date for entries: | Fri 25 Sept |
| Take-in and selection day: | Fri 16 Oct |
| Preview evening: | Fri 23 Oct |
| Exhibition opens: | Sat 24 Oct (8-week exhibition) |
| Exhibition closes: | Wed 23 Dec |
| Collection of unsold work: | Fri 8 Jan 2027 (although members needing their unsold work back before Christmas would be accommodated) |

Regular exhibition – The Golden Lion, Hartlepool

Changeover dates for 2026 are:

1st April

3rd June

5th August

7th October

2nd December

If you know of an exhibition or art-related event which might be of interest to other members, it can be included in the newsletter or circulated separately. Send details to the email address below.

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