



From the President's desk

Happy New Year everyone. I trust you all had a safe and enjoyable festive season.

Sadly, I have to begin by expressing my sincere condolences to the families and friends of two long standing members of Dunsborough Art Society (DAS) who passed away just before Christmas. John Hill, who over many years played an active role in assisting with exhibitions and well as being the resident photographer and web master; and Frances Munghan, who was a long-standing member of the Friday artists.

On a brighter note, DAS has just completed what I believe to be our most successful January exhibition ever with 54 paintings sold over the six days. Thank you to everyone who helped to make the exhibition a success. The Thursday evening official opening was great and contributed to rising the profile of DAS. A special thankyou to Libby Mettam, Kate Cox and Sam Broadhurst for presenting the awards and congratulations to the recipients. I think the exhibition was a first – where we didn't have to erect those old wooden stands!

Furthermore, 2026 is shaping up to be an exciting year, with a series of great workshops and more opportunities to sell art works at Easter, the renewed Naturalist Community Centre display and MRROS.

The next opportunity for everyone to get together will be the general meeting on 5th February at 10am, please come along and be part of keeping DAS vibrant.

Finally, thanks with hugs to Jo for stepping in and taking up the editorship of the DAS newsletter.

Cheers

Vic Fazakerley

Memories of Xmas Lunch at Woody Nook Winery



Congratulations to our Bald Archie Winners

Announced at the Xmas Lunch

1st prize People Helen Genders

1st prize Animals Linda Charteris Young

Packers' prize People Carol Hearle

Packers' prize Animals Alison Price

Dates to remember for 2026

5 February General Meeting DAS 10am

28 February Membership Fees due

March (tbc) Annual General Meeting

2-7 April Easter Exhibition

2 April Set up Exhibition

3-6 April Exhibition open

7 April Take down Exhibition

January 2026 Exhibition

Winners and Highly Commended



Statistics

Sold

54 Artworks
24 Miniatures
4 Prints
46 Cards

Sales

Total \$16552.00
30 artists 35 sold art
219 entries 54 sold



Black Rock Angus Watercolour Robin Dallimore *Meelup Time*

Veritas Original Art Abstract Gay Scaddan *Colour Splash*

Seascape Deborah Gould *Seascapes*

Portrait Figure Helen Genders *Turner's Creek Farm*

Still Life Denny Sanbrook *Flower Spray*

Flora Vic Fazakerley *Echinacea*

Fauna Alison Price *Hello Out There*

Land / Urbanscape Sandy McCormick-Smith *City Garden*



Highly Commended

Helen Thompson *Night Reef*

Christiana Bannasch *Autumn Glory*

Anna Langer *Holiday Fun II*

Veritas Jo Fazakerley *Echoes of the Bush*

Jen Shearing *Gannet Beach*

Florence Clements *The Green Urn*



People's Choice Award

The People's Choice Award was very close this year.

Winner **Helen Genders**

Vincent 21 votes Overall votes 70

Runner Up **Denny Sanbrook**

Blue Vase 20 votes Overall votes 65

More Highlights of the Xmas Lunch



Raffle Winners

A big thank you to Yvee Hirst, Jen Shearing and Carol Hearle for organising the Raffle

1st prize Pat Pomeroy

2nd prize Florence Clements

3rd prize Linda Charteris Young



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