

Roundabout Wallace House May 2026

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May Newsletter



Hi All,

We are entering a busy time of the year with exhibitions and fundraising events on the go.

The **Formed and Fired Pottery Exhibition** held on 1st of May to the 3rd was a great success. The opening night had over 100 people in attendance. The champagne was flowing and the pottery display was spectacular. Everyone thoroughly enjoyed themselves and many were eager to acquire the artwork on display. Not only were many beautiful pieces of hand made pottery sold, but many items from our gift shop and gallery were also purchased. A successful and joyful evening and weekend all-round. Many thanks to the pottery group for organising the event and a special thank you to all of those volunteers who helped in the shop, the pop-up cafe and the exhibition itself.

Open House was a successful day with a steady stream of visitors. Most groups had a table and there was a great feel to the day. Our visitors were genuinely interested in the many forms of arts and crafts that were being demonstrated and on display. Thank you to all those groups who participated and set up tables and again a big thank you to the shop and cafe volunteers. We had quite a few enquiries to join NSACA.

Winter Exhibition - Coastal Expressions: Our main exhibition is fast approaching, so start thinking about what work you would like to exhibit. The theme this year is "**Coastal Expressions**". The theme is not a limitation to the work you can submit, so feel free to put

your best work forward. **Opening night will be 19th June, continuing through the weekend to the 20th and 21st.** Sandy Bolton, our local representative, has kindly accepted our invitation to open the exhibition. We will be holding a raffle and any donations will be greatly appreciated. Please call or email me if you are able to make a contribution to the raffle.

We are running low on bubble wrap and paper for use in the gift shop. If you have excess wrapping paper of any kind please leave it in the office.

Membership Renewals and New Members

We are fast approaching membership renewal time. You can renew from Monday 11th May online or in the shop. **A reminder that our banking details have changed.** Our new details are on our website or you can contact the office. The new card colour for 26-27 is pink.

We have continually had problems with would be new members signing up from April as many are unwilling to pay the 6 month fee with only a few months remaining. The committee has discussed this issue and have come up with a solution that has already started getting new members to sign up. From April, providing the upcoming year is paid in full, in this case 26-27, new members can pay a pro-rata rate of \$10 a month for the remaining current year. This is strictly conditional on paying the upcoming year in full and only applies from April. Under no circumstances can anyone just pay on a monthly basis. The trade off is there are no free periods of grace. Only those who have been issued a white card, indicating they have paid for the remainder of this year can attend groups up to 30th June.

Evening Groups: We have been getting a steady stream of interest for evening groups. Pottery will be starting a group from Wednesday the 13th May from 4pm to 9pm. We still need a few more people to open upstairs, and I am confident we will reach the necessary numbers in the near future.

Insurance: I am often receiving queries regarding whether we can hold workshops for one off events for children, and whether we have the insurance for this. I have contacted our broker and have been informed that we do not have insurance for children to attend activities on the premises. He also informed me that it would be costly to do so. We do though have insurance to hold adult groups in the evening.

Marketing: You can never have too much marketing. At present we don't have anyone on the Committee fulfilling the role. If you have experience in this field and would like to give a helping hand please let me know. Ideally we are looking for someone who has commercial

experience who can give us a fresh perspective in utilising the many forums available.

Fundraising

Donations Table: The donation table is an important part of Wallace House. It is not only an excellent source of income, but also provides a steady stream of materials for our art and craft groups throughout the year.

Wendy Goldsmith does an excellent job sorting through our many donations and maintaining the display. After many years of volunteering her time, she has decided it's time for her to retire. I would like to extend to Wendy on behalf of all of us at Wallace House, a big thank you for all your hard hard work and dedication.

Wendy has kindly offered to continue to help until we can find a replacement. If you would like to take over looking after the donations table please let me or Wendy know.

Bunnings: A roster has gone up in the Gallery for volunteers for the Bunnings Sausie Sizzle on 13th June 2026. Any help you can give will be appreciated. If you cannot do a full shift, a few hours would be a great help.

I recently attended an induction at Bunnings with Dave Gilbert and we were informed that as a non profit we can set up a table in the portico area selling goods on the day. When told what types of arts and crafts we have in our shop we were informed that it would be ideal.

If anyone is interested in setting up a table for the gift shop at Bunnings on 13th June please let me know. However, the trade off is that those who would like to sell their arts and crafts on the table would also need to volunteer some time manning the the Sausie Sizzle. If any groups are interested please come and talk to me. Margo, our shop coordinator and myself will be happy to assist you.

Soup-N-Bowl. This wonderful event will be held in the Gallery on 14th July at 12.00pm. Tickets are now on sale for \$25. You can purchase a ticket from the gift shop or online. We have a limit of 80 tickets and they have already started to sell so don't leave it too late. Master soup makers please make yourself known!

Grants: RSL Tewanin has kindly offered to pay for a First Aid Course. Katie has agreed to be our First Aider for Wallace House. Thank you Katie for taking on this important role.

We are still looking for a grant writer. If you fit the bill please let me know.

Keep well and be happy.

Tracy Preston



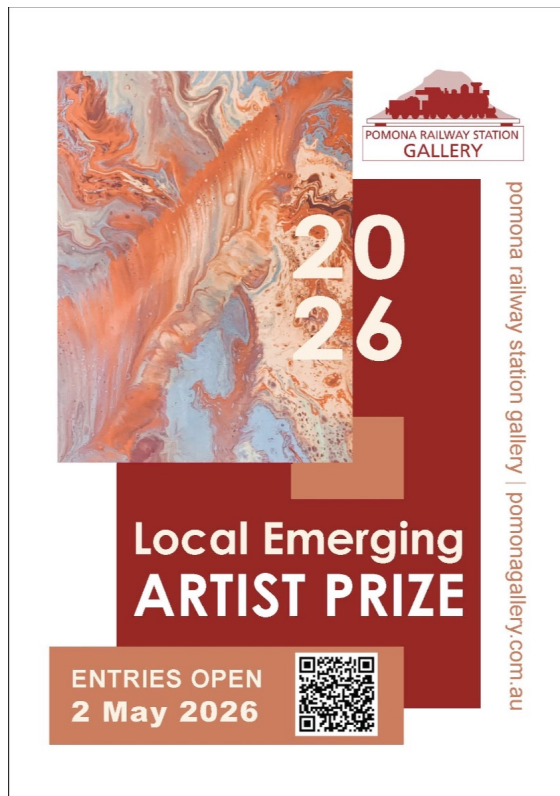
Abstract Landscape with Kym Barrett - May 16
 Animal Portraits with Maxine Thompson - May 30 & 31
 Expressive Landscapes with Ben Winspear - June 6 & 7
 Advanced Watercolour with James Mackay - June 27 & 28
[Bookings are open.](#)



This ceramic stack was made and donated to Wallace House by members of our Pottery group - Agi, Amanda, Katie, Kim and Lindsay. The stack represents some of the many creative art groups we have here at Noosa Arts and Crafts Association. These include knitting, quilting, painting, book and paper making, and creative writing.

It was an absolute pleasure to welcome Joan McFarlane to our Sunday morning tea, held in conjunction with the Formed and Fired Pottery exhibition. Joan's presence added a special touch to the gathering, and her enthusiasm was evident as she interacted with everyone. The

touch to the gathering, and her enthusiasm was evident as she mingled with everyone. The sense of community was truly highlighted by her excitement and the warm interactions throughout the morning.



Two events - our Creative Artist group is exhibiting at the Bendigo Bank in Tewantin and Pomona Railway Station Gallery is holding a Local Emerging Artist Prize.

Containers for Change

Please keep the bottles and containers coming. Thank you to Sandra and Paul Kelly for looking after them.

The bins are labelled and located inside the Ceramic Studio under the table on the car park side. Please support this fundraiser - every little helps as we endeavour to cover our increasing expenses each year.

If you prefer to take the bottles yourself to 26 Action Street, Noosaville our A/C no: C11576676

NSACA Management Committee

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