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## NEWSLETTER

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## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

### **Creativity as a form of resistance.**

This is taken from the introduction to a book about a traditional kite maker in Occupied France, WW11. He showed his resistance by continuing to make and fly kites.



### **Resistance is a crazy circus:**

*It comes in bursts of love and flashes of beauty, and explosions of loss and sorrow, too.*

*We expend and scatter and consume our imagination and effort like breath, like sandwiches, like confetti, until we grow winded, hungry, empty-handed.*

*And what happens next is not what really matters. What matters is that all around you, other people are launching the fragile and fallible products of their hearts into the sky.*



*While you are gathering your courage, someone else is springing into the air. As you come down, others are launching into brilliant flight. Take a moment to marvel.*



*Let the flutter of all that grace and colour lift your spirits. Breathe as you watch it glimmer through the air. And when it comes down, don't mourn it too long. Praise the maker for its beauty, and then carry the memory of it home with you and make another kite .....*



*President, Mary Brown with her kite giving the new bench seat outside the back of the studio a test run.*

### **Coming down to earth ...**

The Oxley Men's Shed has made us a bench seat. We have placed it out the back where you can sit and dream and maybe fly a kite.

### **Really down to earth ...**

A new look coming your way with our plans for the toilet block.

See you at our next art event ...

## ART in the PARK ART SHOW and MARKET STALLS

This is another good opportunity to fly your kite ... show your work. *Come and enjoy the day! Mary.*

## WEEKLY WORKSHOPS

**WORKSHOP CONVENOR**  
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**MONDAY 10am to 1pm.**  
Barbara Ryan, 3374 1660.

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Ed Johnson, 3397 3896.  
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Clive Watson, 3289 7257.  
[cwatson@rag.org.au](mailto:cwatson@rag.org.au)

**FIRST FRIDAY of the MONTH**  
**1.30 to 3.30 pm**  
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### **NOTE RE COPYRIGHT**

Your art group communicates in several ways, including this newsletter, Facebook and the website. You will note that we need photos of members and their work for promotional purposes, and also to let members know what is happening in the workshops and events which they can't attend. If you do not wish to have your photo or photos of your work used for these purposes, contact the President.

The Half Dozen Group of Artists Inc.  
PO Box 303, Corinda 4075.



Here is a photo of the head I made at Derek's workshop a few months ago. It's of my husband Hans and it is now in the garden sprouting begonias. A friend of mine is a potter and she fired it for me. Regards ... Linda Olsen.

*To write with a broken pencil is pointless.*

## CHECK THIS OUT ...

It's so easy ... just click on the sites below to see what's going on.

### WEB SITE ...

[www.hdg-artists.com](http://www.hdg-artists.com)

### FACE BOOK ...

<https://www.facebook.com/halfdozengroupartists/>

### MEETUP ...

<https://www.meetup.com/en-AU/The-Half-Dozen-Group-of-Artists-More-than-just-6-of-us/>

## new MEMBER

Welcome to **Fraser Miller** who has joined with the Tuesday Group.

*I didn't like my beard at first. Then it grew on me.*



Lindeman Is. – poster by Frank Rowland, ca. 1940. John Oxley Library, State Library of Queensland.



## FRANK ROWLAND

Born in 1912. Died in 1976. Frank Rowland was a member of the Half Dozen Group of Artists and he regularly exhibited his art in Brisbane and Sydney.

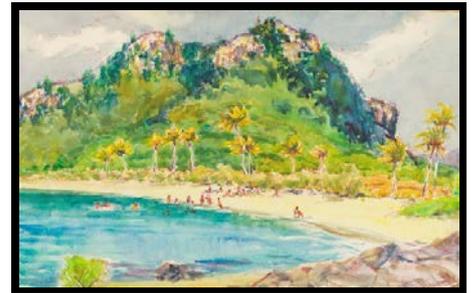
He was educated in Sydney and served as a camouflage artist in the N.T. during WW2.

After the war, he started work as a freelance commercial artist in Brisbane. In 1948 he became a



Commercial art by Frank Rowland.

part-time instructor in art at the Central Technical College and in 1949 he joined the Brisbane Telegraph Newspaper as an artist/illustrator. He stayed with the Telegraph until 1961.



Across from Lindeman Island.

He was also a judge for many years at the RNA Exhibition.

The State Library of Queensland's Collection includes a large tourist poster by Frank and a collection of 32 of his original artworks which are mostly watercolours.

**Frank Rowland's artworks are on show at the State Library of Queensland as part of the 'Islands - Hidden Histories' Exhibition.**

It is in the Philip Bacon Gallery on Level 4 and is on until January 2019.

Thanks to Frances Rowland Wregg (Frank's daughter) for alerting us to this very interesting exhibition.



Commercial art by Frank Rowland. 2

# GIVIT

## Goods for Good Causes.

Are you downsizing and have a lot of "STUFF" which needs to find a new home? GIVIT ... Goods for Good Causes could help solve our problem.

**One request that caught my eye.**

**Item Required ...** Art and Craft Supplies - origami paper, sketch pads, pens, pencils, canvases, brushes etc.

**Recipient ...** Crisis accommodation service organising activities for women experiencing homelessness. **If you have something that you don't want there is someone out there who does ... check out the website.**

[www.givit.org.au](http://www.givit.org.au)



## Western Suburbs Clayworkers 2018 Exhibition

Our 2018 Exhibition will be held on 13-14 October in the Richard Randall Studio at the Mt Coot-tha Botanic Gardens.

<http://wsclayworkers.org.au/>



Well I never ... the Dali Dog.



## From best-selling author Nick Earls, WILLIAM ROBINSON: A new perspective. The book chronicles the life and career of renowned artist William Robinson.

It was a thrill to be present at the Brisbane Writers Festival function when Ashley Hay interviewed the two Brisbane identities.

This new book is published by the QUT William Robinson Gallery.

The book will be available for sale from 3 October in-store and online at the QUT Bookshop, William Robinson Gallery and book stores.

*Robinson was once a HDGA member.*



## 2018 KENILWORTH ART AWARD WINNER!

VISTA #7, 84x106 cm.

Oil on board.

Won by HDGA Member, **Laura Phillips, \$2000.**

## FRYER LIBRARY

The University of Queensland Fryer Library notified us that they had updated The Half Dozen Group of Artists collection of records and would be returning three cartons of material.

Derek Johnston and Trevor Downes have volunteered to check if there is anything of interest in the cartons.

The records they hold are comprehensive for the years 1941 to 1987, while the group was largely made up of professional and semi-professional artists.

Owing to the change of the group into an amateur art society during the 1980s only annual reports, flyers and correspondence are held for the period after 1991.

## HONOURING OUR LONG-STANDING MEMBERS

- VAL WARING, LM 1973.
- ROSEMARY FRAME, 1988.
- IRENE Mc KEAN, 1988.
- LOUISE TONEL, 1989.
- DELL HARRINGTON, LM 1993.
- SANDY ABERNETHY, 1999.
- ANNIE ATKINSON, 1999.
- ROBYN BOADLE, 1999.
- MARY BROWN, 1999.
- ROBENA ELDER, 1999.
- JOAN Mac NAUGHT, 1999.
- GERTRUDE MESCHERS, 1999.
- SUE VICTORSEN, 1999.
- LEONIE WILSON, 1999.
- ROSE-MARIE MALYN, 2000.
- WENDY ALLEN, LM 2004.
- LM ... Life Member.

The HALF DOZEN GROUP of ARTISTS Inc.

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Hives Park, 37 Quarry Rd, Sherwood.

# ART in the PARK ART SHOW and MARKET STALLS

## 10am to 4pm, SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2018.

We have another great event planned for this year. We'd love for you to join us for another fantastic day of Art in the Park and Art Show at our Studio and Gallery in Hives Park, 37 Quarry Road, Sherwood.



There will be plenty of exciting art work displayed in our Studio/Gallery. You can see artists demonstrating and you will have the opportunity to talk with them. Shown here are some of the paintings exhibited at our 2018 Annual Exhibition in June. **Paintings are FOR SALE.**



## ART ACTIVITIES for CHILDREN!

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Arts and Crafts, Pottery, Coffee, Cakes, Sausage Sizzle and enjoy the Live Music.

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Enquiries: The Secretary [hdg.artists@gmail.com](mailto:hdg.artists@gmail.com)

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These photos are from last year's ART in the PARK.

# Follow the Brush

*An Exploration of the Chinese Brush and Ink.*

## **DONALD BLUE - WORKSHOP REPORT**



There were twelve enthusiastic “pupils” on an exploration with the Chinese brush and ink. Who could forget the “Four Treasures” and the “Four Gentlemen” and the challenges of scale, various qualities and different papers and brushes. **A very successful workshop on two consecutive Wednesdays. Thank you so much Donald.**





# MARIA FIELD

## ADVANCED **WATERCOLOUR** WORKSHOP

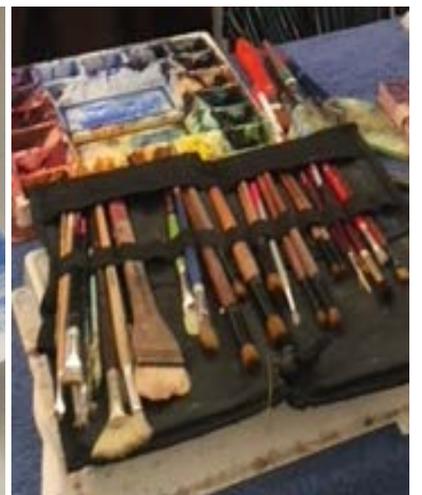
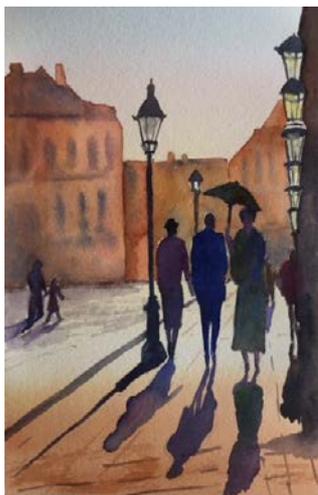
Saturday 15 and Sunday 16, September 2018.

Thirteen lucky artists learned heaps from a well-structured, informative and advanced watercolour workshop with Maria Field.

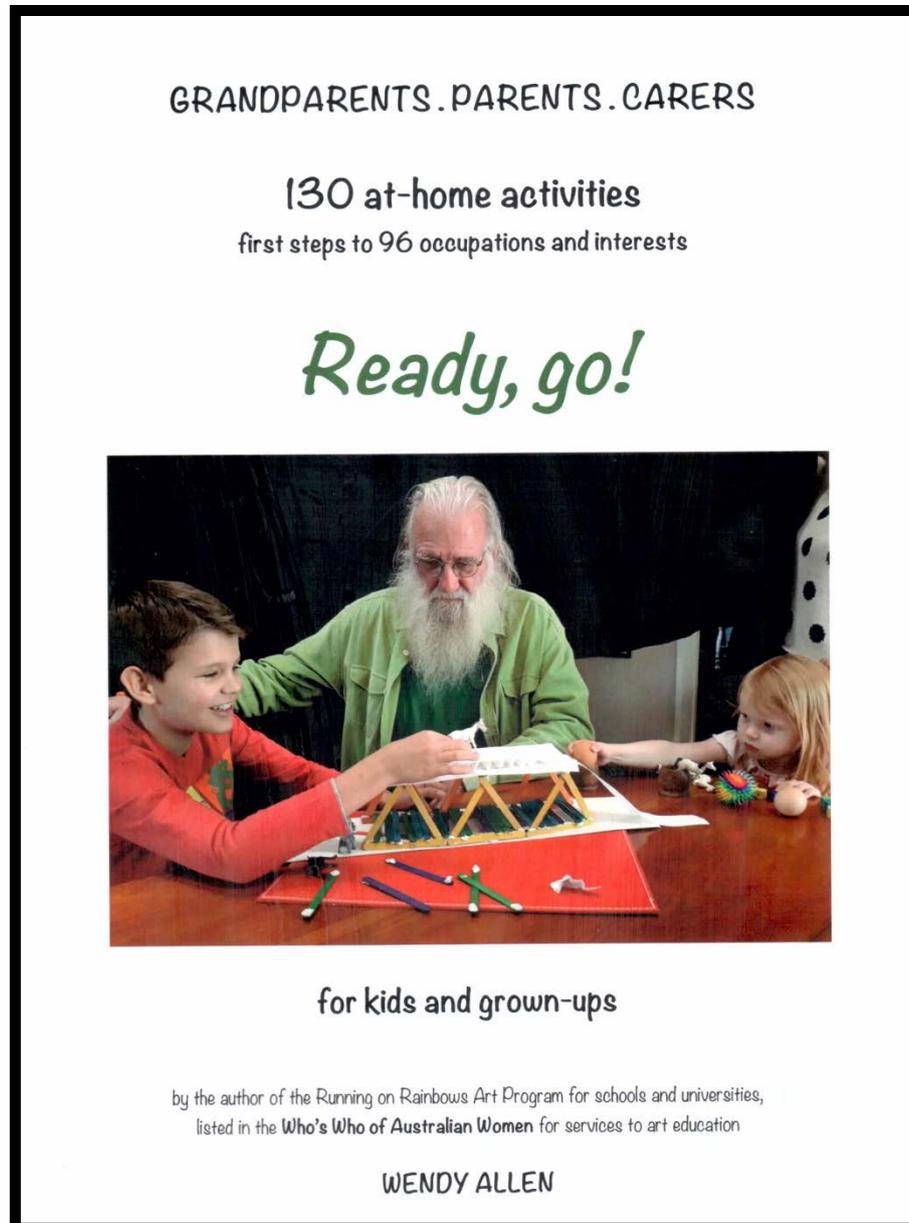
Day one was emphasis on tone. Day two was how to put people in paintings.

Great demonstrations, plenty of practice with an encouraging teacher made everyone very happy.





This is a photographic record of  
**The BOOK LAUNCH and SIGNING of  
“Ready, go!” by Wendy Allen.**



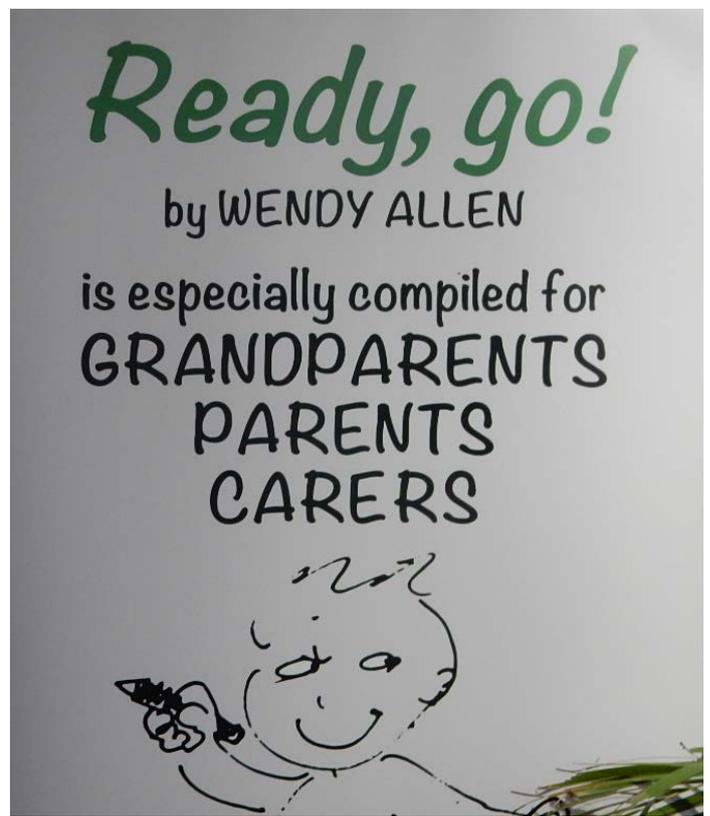
**Official launch by The Hon. Matthew Foley.**

2 to 4pm, Saturday, September 8, 2018.

The Richard Randall Art Studio, Mt. Coot-tha Botanical Gardens.

There was a display of artworks relating to the book done by the Members of the Half Dozen Group of Artists and others.

Wendy talked about the book's history,  
its future and the end of the world.

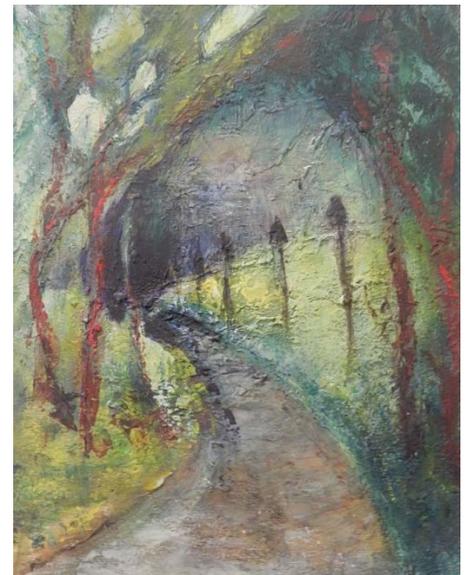


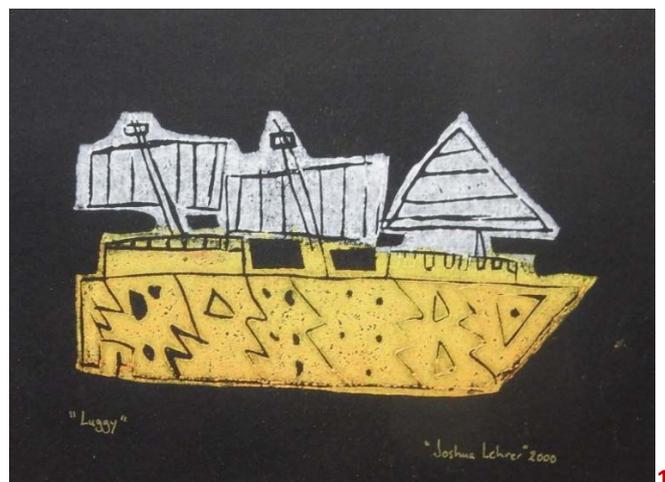
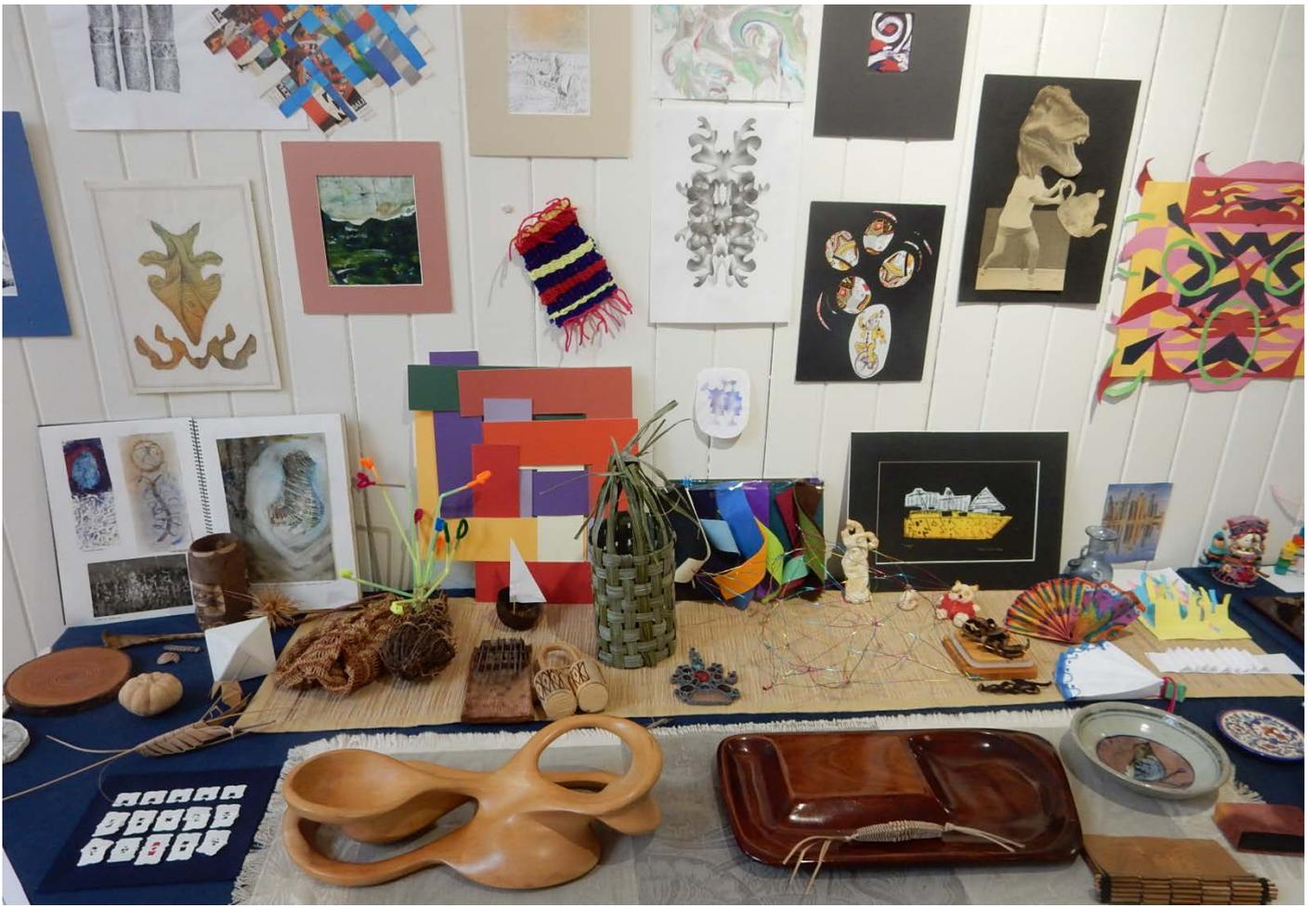
The welcoming "Ready, go!" Mascot! Now there's no excuse when asked "What can we draw?"

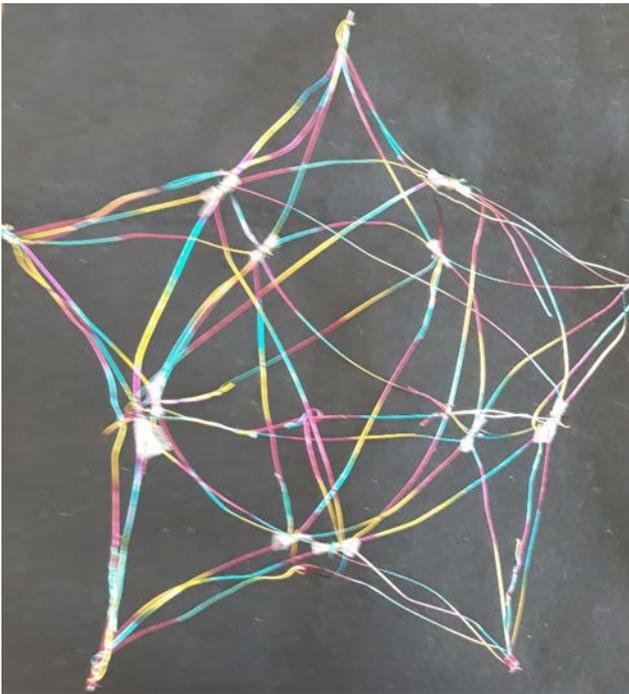
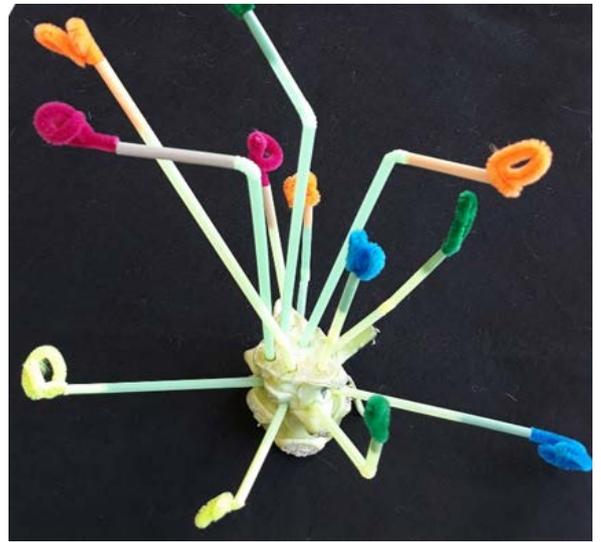


Left ... Wendy being helped by Tim while she was busy signing her book "Ready, go!".  
Right ... The Hon. Matthew Foley in full swing making his speech to launch Wendy's book. 10





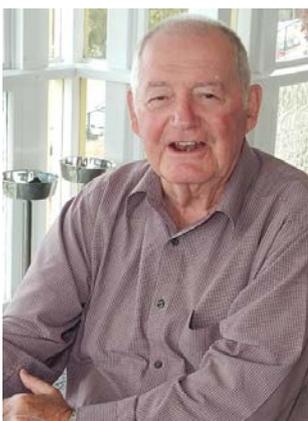
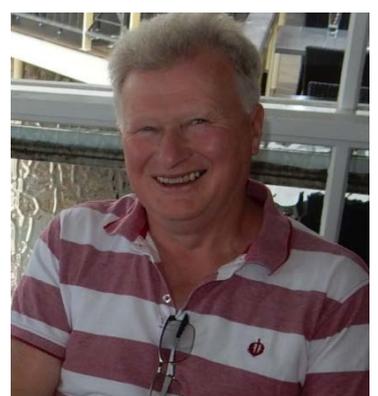






# HDG-ARTISTS CONVENORS' LUNCH

The Summit Restaurant, Mt. Coot-tha, Wednesday 12.08.2018





**“THANK YOU” to our tireless convenors who turn up week and week out to keep our studio ticking along. Great to have the fellowship of our artist friends in a delightful setting to get to know each other and talk shop.**



# **HDGA MEMBERS ... A QUICK FOLIO DAY SALE!**



9am to 4pm, SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 2018. RICHARD RANDALL ART STUDIO

## **ARTISTS HAVE BEEN CLEARING OUT THEIR STUDIOS.**

HUNDREDS OF ARTWORKS, drawings from life classes, etc. BARGAINS! From 50 cents to \$150 all for sale.



Thanks to Wendy Allen for organising this wonderful Artists' Folio Day Sale. Enjoyed by visitors and artists alike. **18**