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Hello and welcome to the thirteenth newsletter!

The Committee

As no new members were recruited to the Committee the existing Committee members have agreed to stay on in their posts for another year. Sadly however, Dianne Greig has decided to resign from the Committee for personal reasons. We would like to thank Dianne for all her work on the Committee and we look forward to still seeing her at our meetings.

Dates for your diary

There are several events coming up so please make a note of them so you don't double book! They are:

22nd June Mike Webster demo

19th **June - 11th July** Profusion

exhibition at CalkeAbbey. See John Pearson if you would like

to go.

3rd July Day trip to York – please see

John Geeson for details

 $\mathbf{3}^{\text{rd}}$ - $\mathbf{17}^{\text{th}}$ July Workshop and Concerts at St.

Wufram's Church, Grantham.

6th July MAG Summer Lunch

9th Sept Vic Bearcroft workshop

25th - 26th Sept Scarecrow Weekend and paint-a-long at North Muskham Church.

Wullain's Church, Grantham

Please look on the notice board where you can find more information on many of these events.

Mike Webster's demo will be a seascape using acrylics. Do invite any friends or anyone you think might be interested. The entrance fee for non-members is £4.

The MAG Summer Lunch will be at 12 noon on 6th July at the Ferry Inn, North Muskham. All members, partners and associates are welcome to come. It will be about £7 per head for a sumptuous cold buffet with mountains of strawberries and lashings of cream. Yum! Make sure you sign the list by 22nd June if you want to go. We need to let Liz at the Ferry know the final numbers as soon as possible.

There will be a raffle so please bring prizes on the day.

Quiz:

Once again we are having a fun quiz. John Pearson has very kindly set the questions this year and he will hand the questions out during the Summer Social. After completion the papers will be marked and the person with the most answers right will win 2 free sessions at the club.

Vic's pastel workshop will be on the 9th September from 10:00am to 4:00pm. It has been booked in response to his last demo where several members and visitors asked

for a workshop. If we can get 15 people to attend it will cost roughly £20. If we can get 20 people it will be less. £6 of the cost is for materials that Vic provides and you keep afterwards. This is much cheaper than going to one of Vic's own workshops! The subject will be a seascape. Please sign the sheet on the notice board if you want to go. It is limited to 20 people on a "first come first served" basis. If we cannot get a full quota from our group, members from other groups will be invited.

Ron's demos:

Ron will be giving a few short (15 minute) demos on requested subjects over the next few weeks. The topics are:

- Foamy seas (all media)
- Where the sea meets the sky
- Getting animal heads right!

If you have any other topics you would help with, please let the committee know.

Put your art on the website:

Don't forget that you put your work on the web site for all the world to see! You can include a few words about you and your work and even offer it for sale. Let Jo know and she will arranged to photograph your work and publish it on the web.

Words of wisdom:

There are painters who transform the sun to a yellow spot, but there are others who with the help of their art and their intelligence, transform a yellow spot into the sun. Pablo Picasso (1881 - 1973)

Painting: The art of protecting flat surfaces from the weather and exposing them to the critic. Ambrose Bierce (1842 - 1914), The Devil's Dictionary

Every child is an artist. The problem is how to remain an artist once he grows up. *Pablo Picasso (1881 - 1973)*

Creativity is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep.

Scott Adams (1957 -), 'The Dilbert Principle'

You cannot depend on your eyes when your imagination is out of focus.

Mark Twain (1835 - 1910)

Don't forget, this is your newsletter. Please let the committee know if you like it and what you would like to see in it. Contributions, comments and ideas are all welcome.



Happy painting!