



Hello and welcome to the second newsletter!

Visiting Artists.

Rachel Connolly will be coming on 28th October and Dave Woollass on 25th November to give demonstrations. Rachel will be continuing from where she left off last time -adding people and animals to the foreground. Dave Woollass will be covering landscapes including buildings.

After her much praised demonstration on adding texture to paintings, we are planning to book Jan Osbond for a demo and workshop early next year.

Ron Freeman.

Ron will be giving some short demos on seascapes and the sea edge, mixing greens, trees and composition during the next few weeks.

Don't forget to let the committee know if there are any particular subjects you would like covering.

Social Events.

Most of you were enthusiastic about having a Christmas Lunch on 16th December at The Ferry Inn, North Muskham. This will be a buffet costing about £6.50 per person. Members and their partners are invited. Names and a deposit of £5.00 per person will be collected soon. Let us know if you have any special dietary requests.

Borrowing books, videos, DVDs and buying paper and supplies.

As a number of books, videos and DVDs have still not been returned we have decided to change the system: Dianne and Barbara have kindly offered to look after our library and equipment and they will be available once a month after coffee break for you to borrow or buy items. Any borrowed items can be kept for one month and then must be returned or booked out again.

Barbara has recently bought in a selection of texture gels so see her if you would like to buy some (£1.80 for 3 different gels).

If there are any items of equipment or materials you would like the Club to hold as stock, please let Barbara know and she will obtain them for us. Barbara will also order items from the SAA for MAG members. SAA prices are very competitive!

Table Top Sale.

We have a few items which have been kindly donated for the sale. Please look through your art kit and see if there is anything that you no longer need that someone else might be able to use. You might as well make a bob or two and make room for some more materials!

It's That Time of Year Again!

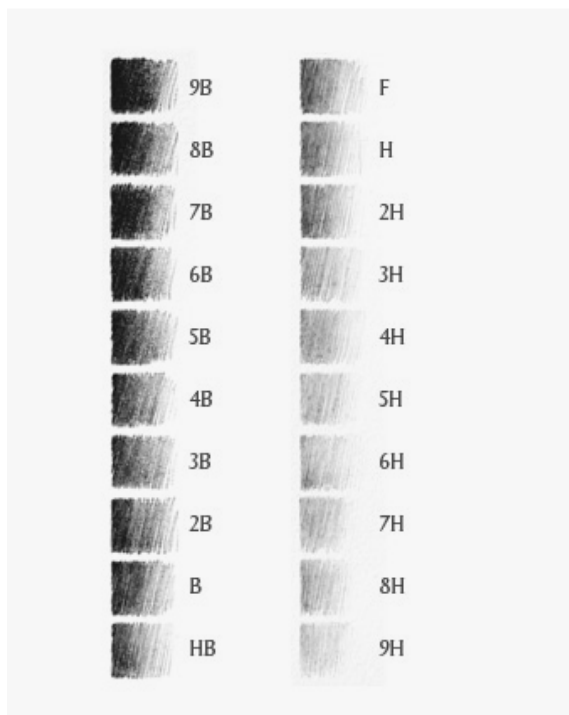
Yes, annual subs are due again. £10.00 per member in September please.

Library Exhibition.

This will take place in Newark Library from 13th October to 7th November. We should have room for three paintings per person. The purpose of this exhibition is to attract more members so we would like paintings of all standards from beginners to more accomplished works. Jo will give out more details and entrance forms in September.

MAG Top Tips.

Pencil numbering indicates the softness or hardness of a pencil. B stands for blackness, H for hardness and F for Fine or Firm. HB is roughly the half way mark (no pun intended!). The higher the B number the softer the pencil and the higher the H number the harder the



Pencil Grades

pencil. Most artists would use the range HB to 9B to get the required tonal range. Harder pencils tend to be difficult to erase and can damage the surface of the paper. Invest in a pencil extender to avoid wastage when pencils get too short to hold easily.

If you have any tips (or any other information) that you would like to share with other members via the newsletter let Jo Longmire know. Jo can be contacted at the meetings or by email: jo@jkl.co.uk

Meeting Times.

Just as a reminder – the Group meets every 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of the month from **9:45 am to 12:15 pm**. If we exceed these times we have to pay extra for the hire of the hall.

Dates for your diary

Oct 13th – Nov 7th Muskham Art Group exhibition in Newark Library.

Oct 28th Rachel Connolly at Muskham Art Group.

Nov 25th Dave Woollass at Muskham Art Group

Dec 16th Muskham Art Group Christmas Lunch at The Ferry, North Muskham

And finally...

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!

