

NAMBUCCA VALLEY ARTS COUNCIL



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NVAC Presidents Report 2007/2008

Presented at the AGM May 2008

by Dorothy Knight

I firstly want to thank the hardworking and helpful committee that have guided me through my first year as President. Pat Richardson and Bonnie Tardiani have been there for me whenever I needed help, reminding of up and coming happening and events that need to be attended to, as well as keeping our membership up to date. Our super efficient Treasurer June Harrison and Secretary Mal McNay have made the President's job easy. Pat has also toiled away at her computer as Publicity Officer keeping everyone up to date with information on what the NVAC, sub-committees and affiliated groups have been doing and about forthcoming events. Pat was also my assistant as Concert Coordinator. Lynne Greentree ran her first Art Show like a veteran. Unfortunately Joie Erikson our vice president and concert committee member has battled ill health for the whole year. Our thoughts are with her and we wish her well. We had a very successful Art Show in October 2007. Lynne worked very hard and Mike and Anne Powlesland helped with their previous experience of many Art Shows. We sold 15 works and raised \$3,189. These funds help us support our donations, scholarships and other local activities. All our concerts made a profit. The Sydney Conservatorium returned in August after a spell and was welcomed by all. The wind quintet "Bella Vente" gave us an enjoyable concert. Our next concert was the "Janet Seidel Trio" in September. Janet is a great performer and was very popular. We made over \$600 and decided we must have more jazz concerts. Next was Renate Turrini in recital towards the end of November. We called it our "Christmas get-together". Our concertgoers always enjoy Renate's piano playing and engaging personality and once again we made a profit!! February brought us a lovely concert by Jonathan Mui and Jeanelle Carrigan. Jonathon was the winner of the 2007 National Kendall Violin competition. Jonathon at 16 was the youngest winner yet. He showed tremendous sensitivity and will surely go on to a successful career. Jonathon returned his fee and asked that the funds be donated to further the arts. We thank him and will do our best to find a worthwhile cause! Due to Jonathon's generosity we made a nice profit. Our overall concert profit for the year was \$1325.61.

Donations

We awarded 10 scholarships to the value of \$1500 to local students, (ages ranging from 9 to 16) to attend camp creative. Some of our members and the VAG donated a scholarship each.

We donated \$300 to the Nambucca High School students who had won their way into a prestigious art course in Sydney to help them with their costs for travel and materials. We also gave \$250 to Joshua Vidovich-Munsie to assist him on an educational overseas trip to France and Italy.

Sub Committees

The Torchies are no longer giving concerts due to Joie Erikson's ill health. They have returned the sound system and microphones we assisted them to purchase. They will be sadly missed by the community as they have brightened many occasions with their lively performances.

We have also lost the Spinners and Weavers as a sub-committee. They have decided to go under the umbrella of the Weavers and Spinners Guild of NSW to cover their insurance. Some members are choosing to stay as members of the Arts Council. We have enjoyed their demonstrations and participation at Arts Council functions. We wish them well for the future.

Our only remaining sub-committee the Valley Art Group, has gone from strength to strength with many new members for the year. The gallery is looking great and sales are good. They ran the Art Show, the "Biggest Morning Tea" and gallery crawl bus trips. Keep up the good work!

Our affiliated groups

The Valley Community Arts has had a difficult year with the loss of significant members and sales are down but they have fought back and have some new members and their shop in Bowra street is looking good.

The Nambucca District Band continues to delight and serve the community with performances and trying to encourage new members.





Welcome

to all new members since our last newsletter (June 2007)

Suellen Stubbs, Valerie Stevens, Selwyn Sutcliffe, Rory & Rita Kaine Keith Graham, Maureen Griffin, Lorraine Sweeney, Gary & Evelyn Barnes, Brian Carter

Our sympathy to the families of Fay Coaldrake, Alan Loveland, Peggy Channells and to those who have lost their loved ones during this time.

'Get wells' for Joie Eriksen, Judy Thompson , Bev Swan.....

Forthcoming events

The Sydney Conservatorium will be here late July. We will notify you when we have final details.

We are presenting The Sebastien Lipman Harp Duo on the 5th of September at the Nambucca Entertainment Centre.