



HERVEY BAY COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS INC.



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Presidents Report

Hi All. Don't you think sometimes that decisions you make don't always run to plan. Well so it is with me this month. It seems a power bigger than me wants to keep some of our festivals going so I am pleased to announce the Easter Festival, Kids Christmas Concert in the Park and the Queensland Day Festival will still go ahead. I thank all those who have rallied behind me and we are working towards making these events great, but with less work placed on the shoulders of a few. Funding still remains a major problem but we will look at ways of addressing this too in the coming months. In the meantime there is plenty to do during August and September, and the winter months can be a glorious time to attend the smaller more intimate indoor activities. After a brilliant front page promotion in the Observer, entries are coming in thick and fast for the Senior's talent quest. No one in the audience should be disappointed this year with several new and *VERY* interesting acts applying. Make sure you don't miss this event. Seats are filling up for our first bus trip away. Noosa is obviously an attractive destination and the Jazz Festival is a bonus for those who love the music. If you want to join us for a great day out please book soon to avoid disappointment. The bus trip is open to everyone but we do have a discount for arts council members. In fact we have several events coming up which makes being a member even more worthwhile. Membership is still increasing even with the economic downturn and we are pleased to see a good turnout at meetings. Although many people avoid meetings it is a good time to share ideas, have a say and be part of forming events to reflect what the people want. We are lucky to have a well organised committee who like to present a partly formed idea for discussion so members can add or take away components they like with out long winded banter back and forth. This cuts meeting time to a reasonable hour and a quarter and leaves time

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for coffee and chat afterwards. Although we are pleased to see a good turn up at our meetings we have missed the company of Jean Jennings who is currently busy with ZPAC's new show "Running Riot". I think this is one not to be missed. The Whale Festival entertainment line up looks interesting for those who like to listen to music written by the performing artists. With a 50/50 line up of local and touring musicians there should be some great music about. I believe all the artists employed write their own material. What a great opportunity for our local songwriters. Seniors Expo is also putting on a great day of entertainment so make sure you pick up a seniors week program and head out there for good food, good information and great entertainment. It's not too soon to secure your place in the Poetry Workshop with Graeme Nunn (Poetry and Poetry Slam performer extraordinaire.) Thanks to a RADF grant we are able to keep the prices right down on this Hervey Bay first. If you don't write poetry the evening's entertainment including wine and supper will keep you smiling all week. (Laughing in some cases). It is best to book for this so we don't run out of wine and food. The event is restricted to over 16 as some poetry will be controversial, could possibly contain some coarse language which we are asking to be kept to a minimum and wine will flow through out the evening. Have a great month **Kerrie**



Web Site: Next time you are on your computer check out our new web site for all the latest information, to download membership application forms and forms for stall holders etc. View the photo gallery!

www.herveybayartscouncil.com.au

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting for the Hervey Bay Council for the Arts will be held on 8th August 2011 in the Lakes Room - Hervey Bay RSL. Meeting starts at 7pm or join us at 6pm for dinner in the Bistro first, if you enjoy the social chit chat. We usually sit at one of the large round tables in the middle of the dining area.



Creative Showcase

Sunday 21st August from 9am to 1pm at the Arts and Craft Village on the corner of Colyton and Bideford Streets in Torquay. Local artists display, sell and demonstrate their work.



Cost for each site is \$10 or \$15 if you need to hire a table.

Application forms are on the web

site. Members are currently busy knitting and crocheting Hoot Owls which will be donated to the Children's Ward at the hospital. (in place of trauma teddies). If you would like to help the pattern can be

found on www.jennykingdesigns.com or contact

Rhonda on 4194 1463. rhondasimonis@bigpond.com

A leather shoe making demonstration and wool spinning and wheel throwing pottery demonstrations will be happening during the day.



Music in the Park –

Urangan Pier Park every Sunday afternoon.

Stall holder permits and BBQ available for first Sunday of the month from 11am – check the website for details. Laid back music in a beautiful setting. Bring your own chair and relax.



ZPAC Theatre

Running Riot - set in mid Europe during the running of the Olympic Games. A little Yorkshire grocer is escaping the clutches of his domineering wife. Arriving at a small hotel, he is mistaken for an Olympic runner. Include spies and a fearsome woman trainer and you have all the makings of a 'riot' of a play.

August 5th, 6th, 12th, 13th, 19th 20th at 7.30pm and matinees on 7th and 14th at 2pm.

Directed capably by Jean Jennings.

Tickets at Mary Ryan's Bookstore.



Noosa Jazz Festival

Saturday September 3rd. Bus departs Hervey Bay at 9am and drops off in Hastings Street, returning from Noosa at 7pm.



Bus trip only - \$25 for members of Arts Council and \$30 for non members.

If you wish to attend any of the paid shows go to

www.noosajazzfestival.com.au

Enjoy the cafes, shop, find great food and wine with free entertainment in Noosa's heart.

Great range of fringe music. Bus seats filling quickly so book early – phone Kerrie on 41251867



The Scribes Writers Group



meets on the 1st Wednesday of the month from 1-4pm in the Lakes Room at the RSL. Explore the joy of writing with fellow writers. Learn to improve and write for pleasure or profit. Members listen, encourage, suggest, motivate and support. Be inspired and meet new people.

HBCA membership is required.

Contact Lynn on 4124 5531

Pam Swain, who has been a Scribes member for some time has recently had more success with two of her submissions.

'Photo Opportunity' was placed in the final 10 in New Zealand Romance writer's short story competition and will be published in their anthology. 'It's All in the Name' has also been placed in the top 10 of the Romance Writers of Australia 'Little Gems' competition and will be published in their anthology. Congratulations Pam!



Senior's Talent Quest

Sunday 21st August

Hervey House – Hervey Bay RSL



Great prizes to be won and a brand new format. If you are over 50 and think you have what it takes to be a star, get your entry in for the Talent Quest.

Entries are limited so go to our website

www.herveybayartscouncil.com.au and download an entry form.

Junior Talent Quest is in September – more on that later.



Poetry Slam

Urangan Community Centre

Saturday 17th September. MC for this event is Graeme Nunn a Brisbane based writer and current director of Qld Poetry Festival. All poets of all genres welcome to register to perform. Go to our website for more information. Musical interludes with Brisbane guitarist Sheish Money and local saxophone player and Qld Eisteddfod winner James Clark. Time: 6.15pm for a 7pm start. \$15 per person, \$10 for Arts Council members. This includes great entertainment, nibbles and first glass of wine on arrival plus delicious supper.

Adults only as some contributions may contain coarse language.

Day workshops with Graeme from 10am – 2pm
(byo lunch, morning tea provided)
To book ring Kerrie on 0417718490.



Cool Country Music Club Inc. News

Cool Country - 6.30pm Thursday nights at the Hervey Bay Hotel. Great upbeat country and old time music. Come and listen or bring your favourite song or guitar and have a go with the band. Small entry fee. Open Days at Hervey Bay Hotel on the last Sunday of the month commencing at 1pm. Entry fee is just \$3 with children free.

The inaugural **Hervey Bay Country Music Festival** will be held at Susan River Homestead Resort on the Maryborough/Hervey Bay Rd on Saturday 5th and Sunday 6th of November. The Resort lends itself beautifully for our Festival with its carefully groomed lawns and gardens and many facilities and activities. Norm McLean and his team will be providing the catering and some of the accommodation for the whole Festival and most of their ensuite rooms are already booked. We have a terrific lineup of top artists and will also be featuring our club artists and of course our highly acclaimed Cool Country band.

All entry tickets, accommodation, camping and vendor bookings must be made through the Susan River Homestead by emailing info@susanriver.com or by contacting them direct by phoning Norm or his friendly staff on 07 4121 6846

Anne Watson



Jewels of the Bay

Do you have your copy of the diary that was unveiled at the Queensland Day celebrations?

If not, why not?

Being a perpetual diary it is ideal for use as a gift for relatives and friends, overseas visitors or just for your personal use. It is full of interesting poems, snippets of information, recipes, photos and art work by Arts Council members, making it a truly delightful piece of work. Many hours of hard labour have gone into producing it and all contributors can be proud of their effort.

Make sure you get a copy or two. They are available at the Hervey Bay Art Gallery, the Tourist Information Centre or by dropping in to Karen's office (Bay Connect) in Bideford Street Torquay.

Price is \$15 a copy or \$12 for Arts Council members.



HBCA Inc. Scribes Poetry Class

meets regularly at various venues.

Learn to write better poetry, brainstorm ideas, be inspired and have a fun time.

Membership of HBCA Inc. is required.

Contact Lynn on 4124 5531 for more information.



Zephyr Street Acoustic Club – Z PAC Theatre

The Club meets on the first Sunday of the month from 6pm – 10pm and was set up to provide a live venue for local artists e.g musicians, comedians, singers, poets etc to entertain the local residents and visitors.

Variety is definitely the order of the night. Coffee and tea available as well as licensed bar.

Gold coin donation

Phone Phil on 4124 1815

