

Portland CEMA Inc. - Council for the Encouragement of Music and the Arts

Newsletter - June 2004

President's Report

Thanks to all those who attended a rather lengthy, but essential executive meeting last Thursday. Karl Hatton was our guest and showed us some visual options for "Signage" of the Cema Arts Centre, and also talked about the upcoming "Lease Agreement" which will be negotiated soon.

An important sheet about "possible" restructuring is included in this newsletter. Please insist that your group members report back, whilst some housekeeping matters may be boring, it is essential that your opinions are filtered through to the Executive.

CEMA Arts Centre 30th Anniversary Celebration

I am pleased to report that we have received a grant from the Arts Advisory Council towards mounting our exhibition to celebrate 30 years since the opening of the CEMA Arts Centre. The money will be used to reproduce some photographs that show a range of activities held at the centre in the last 30 years.

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED URGENTLY... Groups who have held activities in the Arts Centre are asked to provide photographs that can be copied for our archives.

I would like photographs to be submitted by the end of June, to ensure plenty of time for preparation of the exhibition. Photographs should be labelled on the back if possible and left in a folder or envelope with Karl or Joy at the CEMA Arts Centre office. Thanks to those of you who have responded to my phone calls and nagging. Our aim is to have "something" to show from each of the 30 years

Mark your calendars now: 30 years in the Cema Arts Centre : Exhibition dates 9th August - 8 September

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED URGENTLY... Bev Martin and Allen Jones need a team to co ordinate activities on Saturday 21st and Sunday 22nd August. Rather than an opening for the exhibition...there are lots of possibilities, and a good chance for a get together.

Collin Woolcock's interview about CEMA's quest for a building, and the final achievement of the CEMA Arts Centre, is now available for all members to read on our website portlandcema.org.au. Thanks to Warren Mars for a huge ongoing commitment to that project.

Before our next executive meeting (third Thursday of the month) We have decided to meet at the CEMA Arts Centre at 6.30 pm for pizza and refreshments. All work and no play....come and join us.

Another calendar date : AGM 15TH JULY.....GROUPS NEED TO HAVE AGM'S BEFORE THIS DATE.

Stay tuned for some great fundraising ideas from Allen Jones.. Enjoy your arts,

Jan Colliver (Acting President)

Membership Secretary's Report

We have finally reached a membership of 200, one more than last year, this despite the move to independence by Music Glenelg and the increased membership fees. Congratulations must go to the groups that have recruited new members to replace those lost, especially Pam Travers who has 15 paid up members, three times last year and still coming in.

Unfortunately health problems have consumed a lot of our time this year and we are doing a check that should have been done in February. Many of the groups had their memberships completed by September and have only joined new members since. But some group have members who pay in April and finding memberships being due in July a bit of a problem. We have a list of over fifty people who for whatever reason including forgetfulness have not rejoined CEMA this year. Lex and Allen offered to take a list and assist us.

Bill & Bev Martin (Membership Secretaries)



"Peacock" made by Pam Travers and the Leadlighters' Guild, the prize in their recent raffle.

THE ARTS COMPANY

I am very pleased to be involved once again in the administration of The Arts Company: the hub of visual and decorative community arts in Portland. Thanks to all groups and Committee members for their continuing support of our organisation.

Special thanks to Mavis Jennings: our outgoing Secretary, Mary Sharrock: Deputy Chair, Maria Christie: Treasurer, for all their input during the last year. Thanks also to Paul Worden: our new Secretary for his assistance to me, as once again I get used to the chairperson's responsibilities.

The coming month at The Arts Company includes:

- Leadlighting Workshops. Contact Pam Travers.
- Mosaic Workshop. Sat. May 29th. Contact Annette Taylor.
- Cutting down Council Coat of Arms Tapestry, by Councillor Bill Collett, June 3rd. Contact Mary Sharrock.

Don't forget to let the CEMA or Arts Company Executive know, if you have any thoughts about the structure of CEMA, The Arts Company, or their inter-connection.

Berice Jones (Chair)

Choral Group

Numbers are down substantially at present with 9 members off on holiday and various others on the sick list, however practices proceed as usual, Monday nights at 7:30 at the CEMA Arts Centre.

Even when numbers are low we still manage to enjoy singing together, and in fact, a smaller ensemble just opens the door to a more informal and intimate style.

Warren Mars (Bass)



“Between Worlds” from the Gallery at the Arts Company

Fall of the Roman Umpire

Dennis Coard, star of 'Home & Away' and 'Blue Heelers', performs a poignant one man autobiographical play.

It depicts his early life in Ireland and emigration to Australia, before going to drama school at the age of 35.

8.00 pm, Saturday, 26 June
Dartmoor Community Hall

ARTISTS' SOCIETY

Our weekly meetings are well supported, so much so, that we are finding we could do with more room. Each month we have a competition where we are given a subject to paint, and points are awarded to each artist. A “major” prize will be given at the end of the year.

We are having a social afternoon on the 27th, for the Cancer Appeal at Betty Trewavis' home.

We would welcome anyone interested in joining our group. We meet every Thursday afternoon at 1 pm at the Arts Company.

Betty Trewavis (Convenor)

FILM GROUP LOVE'S BROTHER

Saturday, 29th May, 7.30 pm, CEMA Arts Centre.

Screening this late release film: a gentle romantic comedy about love, destiny, and the first espresso machine in Australia.

In a small rural town in 50's Australia, two Italian brothers work hard to make a new life. In southern Italy a young woman is about to travel 12,000 miles to marry one of them, based only on a letter and photograph he has sent her. The question is -- which brother?

Filmed in Melbourne, the Italian village of Civita di Bagnoregi, and principally in the Hepburn Daylesford district in central Victoria. PG

ADMISSION: Adult \$10 Concession \$6.

OSCAR AND LUCINDA

Friday, 11th June, same venue and time.

Based on the Booker prize winning novel by Peter Carey. Set in the mid 19th Century, an English clergyman and Australian heiress meet while travelling to Australia by ship. With Ralph Fiennes and Cate Blanchett. M

ADMISSION: By Donation

Allen Jones (Secretary)

Historical Society

The Society meets on the first Thursday of the month at 2.30 pm in the CEMA Arts Centre. The program at the next meeting on June 3rd will be an audiotape featuring Tom Newton and Ken Hodge describing the furnishing and opening of the Cottage in the Botanic Gardens in 1965.

The display in History House of the Society's 40th Anniversary will continue until the end of June.

Betty Vivian (President)

Leadlighter's Guild

Our next meeting will be Sunday, 6th June, 1:30 pm - 4:30 pm. We need new ideas for the next fundraising project. Come and have a cuppa & cake and look at new leadlight books.

A big thank-you to members who helped with creating the Peacock Window, you can visit the website portland-cema.com.au and have a look (soon).

We are into the 3rd week of Leadlight & Copperfoil Classes, the students are creating Lamp Shades, Windows & Mirrors.

Our August Classes are full already.

The next class will start February 2005.

The Guild will be open most Wednesday Afternoons and the 2nd Wednesday 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm of the Month.

We need more volunteers for 3RPC Hobbies Expo in July 3rd and please ring me if you can display your work

Pamela Travers (Convenor)

PIONEER QUILTERS

The next meeting of the Pioneer Quilter's is on Monday, 21st June at 10 am. (* Please note change of date due to the long weekend in June.) At this meeting the group will work on cutting out a quilt to be worked on at the Expo being run by 3RPC on Friday, July 2nd and Saturday, 3rd July in the Civic Hall. Please put these dates in your diary as the quilter's have committed to having a stall at the Expo - you will be asked to nominate a time when you can help on our stall at the next meeting.

Our sit 'n sew day for June will be on Monday, 28th June at 10 am.

New members always welcome! Any enquiries ring Elvie.

Happy Quilting!

Chris Parker (Secretary)

The Arts Of Glass

An exhibition of glass, by Robert Buddle. Robert is a talented, highly reputable glass - maker in Victor Harbour, SA. This exhibition provides a sample of his imaginative, vibrant and colourful glassware.

7 June - 9 July
CEMA Arts Centre

Poetry Reading Group

Our next meeting is our AGM, scheduled for Sunday, June 27, 2 pm at the CEMA Arts Centre.

Our last meeting was attended by 14 members with, as usual, interest in the ever-varying moods of the poetry selected.

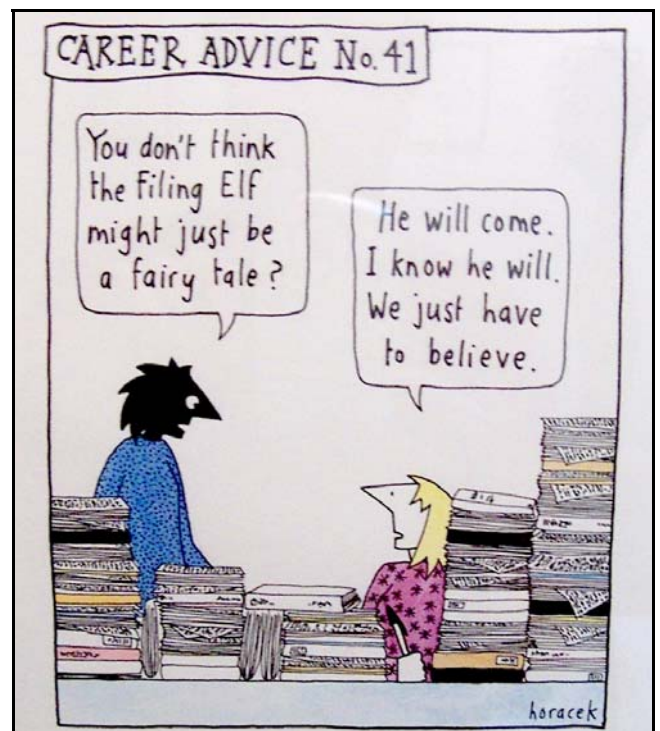
There is continuing pleasure derived from the individual selection of poetry presented and we welcome readers and listeners to our group.

Dawn Turner (Convenor)

CEMA Online

Our website is growing so well that it has used up all its allotted room on our server. To solve this problem I am moving it to a new server which will allow us far more room to expand. This should happen within the next week if all proceeds according to plan. Keep your fingers crossed.

Warren Mars (Webmaster)



From the "I Am Woman Hear Me Draw" exhibition at the CEMA Arts Centre

Glenelg Shire Arts Program

You are invited to promote your Community Arts Events through "Artspace" our monthly information sheet. Contact the Assistant CSO, Joy Ralph - Ph. 5522 2263; E-mail: jralph@glenelg.vic.gov.au

The July to December 2004 Arts Calendar is currently in the latter stages of compiling and is hoped to be available mid to late June. It will be available from the Tourist Information Centres, The Arts Company, the CEMA Arts Centre

and the Portland Library.

Mosaic Workshop

Annette Taylor is running community arts mosaic workshops. The next workshop....

Date: Sunday, 22 May

Venue: "Leadlighters", The Arts Company, Julia Street

Admission: Donation

Joy Ralph (Assistant CSO) 5522 2301

Love's Brother

(2004) A Romantic comedy set in the Italian community Melbourne circa 1950. In despair of finding love, Angelo uses a photo of his handsome brother Gino to convince a beautiful girl to cross the sea to marry him. Written and directed Jan Sardi (Shine)

Dates: Saturday, 29 May 7.30 pm

Venue: CEMA Arts Centre

Admission: Adult \$8 Conc. \$6

Flame and Still

Look Look Theatre presents two one act plays by two Australian playwrights.

8 pm, Wednesday, 23 June

CEMA Arts Centre

Adult \$20 Conc. \$15 Student \$10 Family \$52

CEMA Community Theatre present:

Oscar Wilde's Comedy Classic:

The Importance of Being Earnest

See external advertisements for more details.

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CEMA Arts Centre

Fri & Sat 4, 5, & 11,12 - June

Adult \$15 Conc. \$10 Family \$40