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## Arty Facts

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### President Report March/April 2016

The Easter festival has come and gone. What a great weekend everybody did a fantastic job as usual and made it a great success. Karen in particular breezed along organising the stalls and sideshows in her usual calm manner. The entertainers were great, the sausages perfect and all the kids got chocolate bunnies or a bubble wand if they couldn't have chocolate. My special admiration goes to the costume wearers in all that heat!

The only problem is that again we have only got a few hard working people to run these events, please step up if you are willing to help in some way we'll be glad to have you.

Unfortunately Daniel has decided to resign as secretary and we can only thank him for the time he put in for us and hope we will see him at our get togethers' as a member. Anyone who wishes to help as secretary is welcome to speak to me or put their hand up.

The Hall is still moving forward with some glitches that can be sorted in the next few days and I am looking forward to getting in with others to refurbish the interior with a coat of paint etc. Although changing the keys remains a minor issue it has been solved but the cost will be a little more than expected due to our requirement for extra special keys. I'm looking forward to having a base where all the arts can meet and greet. Congratulations to the new Councillors, we still have some familiar faces although we have lost one friend in Rob Garland. We now have to get up and build new relationships with new members and the new Mayor. That's it for this month

*Roger Jennings*  
President

### **Changes to Membership**

Please note there are now changes to the Arts Council membership. Annual memberships will be due annually on due July 1<sup>st</sup>. For members paying their annual membership which would normally be due now or prior to July 1<sup>st</sup> under the old membership system - anyone paying now will be covered until July 2017.

### **Retraction for Craft Competition**

Regretfully, The Arts Council Music & Craft Competition will not proceed this year due to lack of funding for the Project. For those who have created an item, we are sorry for the inconvenience. All monies will be refunded.

**Fraser Coasts Got Talent** Saturday 23 July, Great Hall, Beach Road Pialba. If you are 9-21 years of age - this could be the talent quest for you. Entry forms can be found on our website or can be collected from Bay Connect on Fridays ONLY. Information can also be found on either Facebook site page.



**Easter and Harmony Carnival** What a fabulous day we had the Easter Weekend- perfect weather and the crowd came and stayed all day.



My thanks to Karen Chatfield stall organiser extraordinaire - Kerrie Marshall my wonderful MC for the day - Jon Veava our fabulous sound man - Robyn, Liz, Roger and all the folks who were manning the sausage sizzle and working their tushes off keeping the hungry crowd fed and watered – Lynn, Jean & Josie who sold and folded up numerous raffle tickets. My thanks also to the people who helped set up, pull down and clean up. It's everyone working together as a team which makes me proud

to be an Arts Council member. Kudos to Mark McManus - Storm Trooper and photographer, the Easter Bunny, Pepper Pig, Olaf and Shawn The Sheep, the Stallholders who support all of our functions and last but definitely not least, my heartfelt thanks to all the performers and workshop presenters who donated their time and expertise to make this such a great event and my job easier.

*Evelyne Grenfell - coordinator*  
[www.flamingsandsbellydancers.com](http://www.flamingsandsbellydancers.com)

**Maryborough Ukulele, Strings and others** (M.U.S.O.s) have started on 7th March - 10am at Maryborough RSL. Doors open 9.30am. Everyone welcome. Go along and give them your support.

## Vibroacoustic Therapy

The most amazing sound healing experience - Healing frequencies fill your body as you relax on a special sound table equipped with low frequency transducers. The bass of the song vibrates your whole body. Listen and feel a variety of Healing and Transformational Sounds and Music pulsing through your body, mind and Spirit.



- Penetrate every cell of your body, creating a relaxation response
- Send energy through each part of the body, energizing every cell leaving you invigorated
- Create a consistent vibration in bodies and cells, counteracting chaotic frequencies that attack our bodies throughout the day (noise, electricity, cell phones, traffic, etc.)
- Drive energy from cell to cell, clearing blockages and stimulating neural pathways

**Ring Kerrie Marshall** for more information and to make an appointment on 0417718490

**Arts Council Garage Sale** held in February was a successful event with a big thank you to Josie Street - coordinator. The Arts Council made \$44 Raffle; \$26 Bric a Brac table & \$182 from the stall holders. Doesn't sound much but everyone involved was very pleased with how the day went. Raffle Winner was Ken & Lynette Hunting. The Graffiti Grannies also did well with their stall - \$242. Next garage sale will be held in September this year. More information will be sent out in the next newsletter.

**Volunteers Wanted** Hervey Bay Council for the Arts get enormous pleasure from holding events of which the community & public get great enjoyment. For these events to be run so successfully we count on our volunteers. Volunteers play a very important role within any organization and the Arts Council is no exception. Volunteering can be very rewarding. Hervey Bay Council for the Arts volunteers tasks range from helping with BBQ's to selling raffle tickets to setting up (and packing up of an event) to working on a stall. If you would like to have your name added to our list of volunteers please phone Josie on 0408 827 917.

## **ZPAC Theatre Upcoming Show – Plaza Suite.**

If you wish to volunteer and meet new friends – Front of House for Plaza Suite gives you an opportunity to be part of a great team. Volunteers will be asked to dress up in costume/uniform of staff from 1950's New York Hotels. i.e. **black and white** - staff in kitchen, little white caps and aprons - bar staff with black waistcoats and black bow ties, ticketing staff can have black jackets - men bow ties, ladies scarf, other staff can be waiters, porters etc. If you have any difficulty sourcing a costume, the cottage at the back of the theatre can be a help. (Full of costumes).

If there are any further enquiries, please do not hesitate to contact Christine Downie, Front of House Manager on Mobile 0438284912 or email her on [cwgoldie@optusnet.com.au](mailto:cwgoldie@optusnet.com.au)

**The Graffiti Grannies (Yarn Bombers of Hervey Bay)**

Are seeking donations of knitting yarn for their Yarn Bombing projects. Phone Josie on 0408827917 for it to be collected. New members are always welcome & are appreciated. Should you feel you would like to join the group but are not crafty we would still like to see you. There is always other ways for you to become involved. "The Graffiti Grannies" meet the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of each month at Scarness Park (opposite Beach House Hotel) from 9-30am to 11-30am. For further information please contact Josie on 0408827917

**Arts and Crafts Showcase** : 6th and 7th August, please go to the website for application form, this is a two day inside event, or call into Bay Connect FRIDAYS ONLY.

**Whale Festival** : 20<sup>th</sup> August 2016 from 12 noon till 7pm. More information to be advised- Yes Scarness Park has been booked and confirmed.

**Tombola in August**: To ensure this event is a big success we are appealing for donations of items which can be used for prizes. Donations can be left at Bay Connect, Hunter Street (FRIDAYS ONLY) or Josie Street, 3 Washington Drive, Wondunna. Enquiries can also be directed to Josie on 0408827917



**Showcase in the Park** Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> May Mother's Day Special, with Bronco Jensen at the Scarness Park from 10am – 3pm. Great entertainment, open mic & plenty of stalls, so bring a chair or blanket along for a relaxing afternoon. A sausage sizzle will be available and are provided by Hope for Humanity. We welcome stall holders to all of our events and have Discounts for Arts council members. Site prices as below

- \$ 10.00 for arts council members. Stall size 3 x 3
- \$ 20.00 for non-arts council members. Stall size 3 x 3
- Strictly limited spaces - waiting list currently held

**MORE COMING EVENTS.....**

**General Meeting for the Arts Council** Monday 11 April 6:30pm RSL Conference Room on level 2. Everyone is welcome to attend. A draft new Arts Council letterhead will be discussed at this meeting.

**Country Rock and Blues Club** Every Sunday night at ZPAC Theatre - a weekly Music Event open to the public with a live Band. Come along with your music and you can join in or sit in comfort and enjoy 'live music' from 6pm – 10pm. Cost: Z-PAC Members \$2; Non-members \$5. Bar facilities available including tea and coffee. For more information contact Ken Sutton on 0419654560 [countryrockblues.zpac@gmail.com](mailto:countryrockblues.zpac@gmail.com).

They have their first concert for the year at Z-PAC featuring the fabulous award-winning group, Forbidden Road on April 17. Tickets only \$5 or \$2 for Z-PAC Members. Book online <https://www.trybooking.com/KUMM> - a night not to be missed!

**HBCFA Annual Adults Writing Competition:** Open Theme - Closes 15<sup>th</sup> June 2016

**HBCFA Annual Youth Writing Competition:** Closes 5pm June 15<sup>th</sup> 2016

**Scribes** Scribes Poetry Group - Poetry Group meets every 3rd Wednesday at 1pm at the Hervey Bay RSL, for sharing, learning and lots of prompts to get the mind working. If you don't like poetry the lessons provide writers with new ways to express themselves. Scribes Writing Group - Meets every 1st Wednesday at the RSL from 1 - 4pm. A fun group of writers, keen to learn and share writing tips, feedback, prompts and friendship. Anyone interested in forming a Script Writing Group please contact Lynn 0401767127 Anyone interested in being a part of a Haiku Discussion Group to meet monthly please contact Lynn 0401767127

**ART & Mixed Media** Art's Council Mixed Media Art group starts 9.00am till noon every Monday morning, at the Art and Craft Building, Bideford Street, Torquay. (in front of Tennis Courts, next to Seagulls sports ground) Meetings cost \$2 when attending and \$17 per year membership with HBCA a requirement. Try Collage, Paper Mache, Clay, Beading, Mosaic, Sculpture, painting, or any form of Visual Art. If interested drop by for a cuppa and chat (coffee van around 9.30am), or bring along a project you want to work on or share your ideas. Inquiries please Contact Karen Roberts or email [birchwoodnt@live.com.au](mailto:birchwoodnt@live.com.au)

**Art and Mixed Media** Our group, led by Artist Karen Roberts, commenced in 2015 and is up and running now with a permanent venue. We meet every Monday at The Arts and Craft building, Bideford St, Torquay (in front of Tennis courts, next to Seagulls.). The group offers a great venue where artists can sit or stand with plenty of room to move around. Any art form can be practiced, worked on, demonstrated and shared during the morning. You can come along any time after 9am and usually we finish around midday.

With no committees, members are unencumbered from tedious meetings and discussion. The aim is to provide a place to work and share, along with keeping informed about the Arts in the Bay. Plenty of opportunities are available if artists are interested in applying for grants through Arts Council. Membership (a requirement) with HBCFA \$17 per year, which allows any artist an opportunity to exhibit anywhere in Australia.

When attending we pay just \$2 for the room hire and no requirement to pay if away. There's a coffee van for morning tea break or coffee and tea included on site. Everyone is invited to come along and check it out while there are still lots of room to expand.

**SCRIBES Writers and Poets** Writing and Poetry Groups, for writers' to learn, share and meet like-minded writers. Scribes have been operating in the Bay for the past 15 years. Members meet once a month in the Lakes Room at the Hervey Bay RSL

- Writing on the first Wednesday of each month at 1pm
- Poetry the third Wednesday of each month at 1pm.

Sessions are interactive where members discuss and learn new techniques. Members gain information, writing prompts and feedback in an informal and friendly manner. Several members have been published over the years as well-being self-published. Everyone is welcome by dropping by on meeting days