

# MAY 2021

## Newsletter

### ARUNDEL ART SOCIETY EXHIBITION CATHEDRAL CENTRE 20th to 30th AUGUST 2021

We are very pleased to announce we are able to go ahead with our exhibition in the Cathedral Centre in August.

In preparation we have decided to go with The same format as our previous exhibitions structured as follows:-

Framed paintings / box boards up to 76cm(30"approx) £4.. Paintings/boards over 76cm (30" approx.)£6. unframed paintings, flat boards and prints (15 max.) £1.50.

Cards £4 for 40 maximum.

No need to do anything at the moment forms will be sent to you in June.

**We will be asking for volunteers to help with:-**

**Erecting screens, tables etc. help on hanging day and of course stewarding.**

Pauline lovell



*Watercolour by the  
late  
Alan Burnett  
Former chairman of  
the Society*

It is indeed sad news that Alan Burnett passed away peacefully on 10th April 2021

He was a kind friend, especially to new members, and served for many years as Chairman of the Arundel Art Society.

I remember he finally persuaded me to take over by telling me it was "only a welcoming role"! Which he did so well!!

Sue

# Chairmanship of art society in new hands after seven years

**L**ife goes on in Arundel, war or no war, thank God, and it was heartening to attend the 26th agm of our Art Society at the Norfolk Centre last Monday when Cameron Weller handed over the chairmanship after seven splendid years.

Standards gone up and up, and so have the overall sales at our annual exhibitions. The regular demonstrations are adventurous and well attended, speakers have given some absorbing slide shows, and models have been entertaining – especially a Turkish belly dancer (sorry, I didn't take my camera).

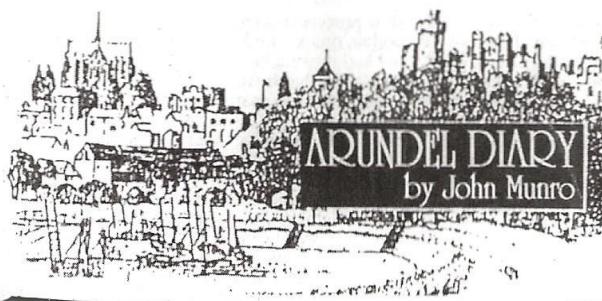
I joined back in 1977, when Thelma Hall first formed the club and was its first chairman. When she sadly died Roy Wilson took over, until he too left us for the heavenly realms in 1996.

Cameron went 'professional' during his chairmanship, and is now so popular as a teacher he's had to hand over the reins to Alan Burnett.

Alan is a retired architect from Lymminster, and as he took the chair he remarked to president Neil Holland that it looked like an architectural take-over!

Nevertheless, Neil was unanimously re-elected as president, and he treated us to a wise yet humorous address.

Those interested in joining can phone secretary Marion Griffiths on 01243 551549.



New chairman Alan Burnett showers gifts upon retiring chairman Cameron Weller at the Art Society

*Alan Burnett accepting the chairman's role from Cameron Weller  
(our current president) on the 10th March 2003*

Those wishing to pay tribute to Alan may do so by visiting

[www.hgkingfuneralservices.co.uk/alan-john-burnett-riba](http://www.hgkingfuneralservices.co.uk/alan-john-burnett-riba)



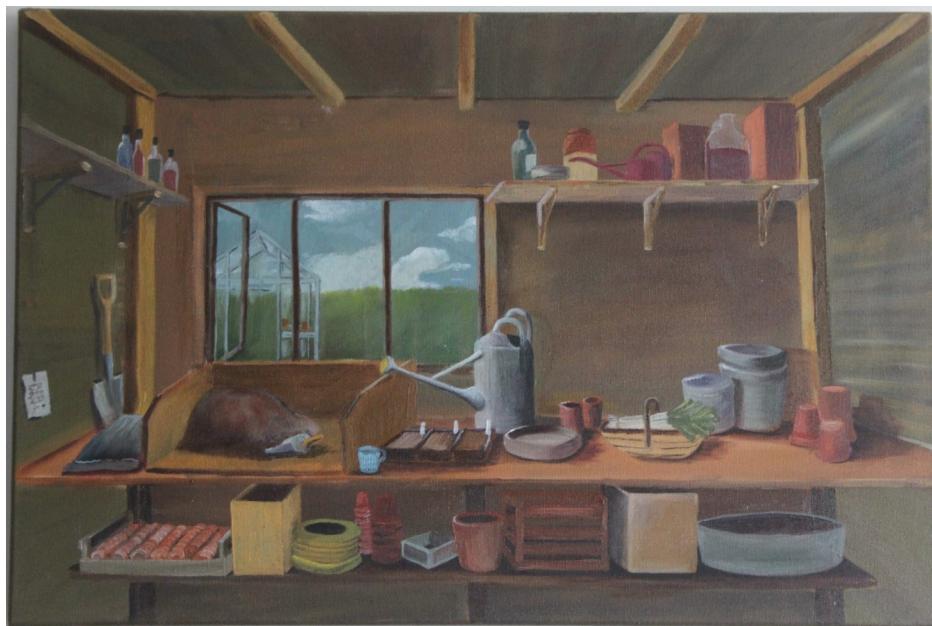
*Rustington beach*

*Before sunset*

*Acrylic by Joy Wyhers*

*The South Downs  
from Michael grove*

*Acrylic by Joy Withers*



*The Potting Shed*

*Oil on Canvas*

*By Andrew Wallis*

**spotlight on... art trails, open studios, exhibitions**



**A Light at the End of the Tunnel is a phrase which will be well used this year. I feel there is Light on My Easel. Light on the palette knife and paint to cheer and enthuse me to begin spring work. As I write, the sun shines and warms through the glass towards my easel – even though the cold north and east winds blow outside.**

There is important news about Chichester Open Studios Art Trail – the date has moved from May to July (see below). New Trail dates in Summer give an opportunity to display some work in the open air which makes viewing easier in the current circumstances. Full of enthusiasm, I have spent a year on new paintings still not seen in public. There is an eagerness to safely share. QR codes will be displayed,

test and trace will operate, plus any other covid-related government guidelines.

My paintings in oil or acrylic remain cheerful and bright. I love the open air, live near the sea, with lots of weather and clouds. My paintings are also exhibited by The Little Art Gallery, West Wittering.

For more information visit the art trail website: [www.chichesterarttrail.org](http://www.chichesterarttrail.org). You will find me at Venue 38, on the eastern side of the Trail's geographic area, Regis Section. It is a short drive on the A259 from Littlehampton to the Felpham roundabout, exit Flansham, PO22 8NJ. The venue is a spacious barn with wheelchair access.

Dates: 10th, 11th, and 17th, 18th July 2021.  
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pictured: **Susie Olford, Song of the Sea, oils**

Chichester Art Trail is normally held the first two weekends in May but for 2021 the Organizers have moved it to July. The dates coincide with the Annual Chichester Festivities and so the Trail will be included in their publicity too. There will be an opportunity to view a very limited selection of the Trail's art at Chilgrove. AAS Members Fiona Champion, Rupert Head and Sue Olford are registered for the Trail and will exhibit their work. Of course, you will all be most welcome to visit *we three* personally, Covid guidelines will be operating. So here is the information you need:

Chichester Art Trail: Sats & Suns 10 & 11, and 17 & 18 July 2021, open 1030 'til 1700

Venues for the Trail: Venues 44 and 45, Fiona and Rupert at Rupert's BN18

OJY.              Sue (Venue 38) at Hoe Lane, Flansham, just one mile from Rupert, PO22  
8NJ

Full Colour Brochures will be available after 12<sup>th</sup> June. Trail website is chichester-arttrail.org

Viewing at Chilgrove (PO18 9HP) is between Sat 19<sup>th</sup> June and Sun 4<sup>th</sup> July 2021, opening times tba. (This is one piece of work from each Trail artist.)

See you there.....

Sue O



*Norfolk Broads*

*An oil by Sue Taylor*

*"Experiment" using  
palattte knife and  
fingers*



*Daffodils*

*Acrylic on canvas*

*By Joy Withers*

## **Website and Facebook and programme from 21st June**

Regarding the website the committee have agreed that a new website is the best way forward and that is now in progress. Over the next few weeks I will be chasing you for recent pictures of your artwork to share with the world.

Ongoing programme As from the 21st June we are planning on starting our weekly sessions in line with the Covid roadmap. The programme is published on the website and has been distributed to you all via email.

Membership as from now its planned to wind the clock back and offer membership on a two tier level as we did some years ago. Anyone interested in painting can join as an associate but will not qualify to hang paintings at exhibitions until a portfolio is approved, thus qualifying them for full membership.

Since our last newsletter a new face book page is up and running, I know many of us were and are very wary of all social media. During lockdown I have found face book a very useful means of sharing, gathering and exchanging information. Do take a look it's a great way to stay in touch with fellow members.

Looking forward to meeting up again on 21st June

My special thanks to Sue Olford for coming up trumps with the archive photos of Alan Burnett and his painting.

Andrew