

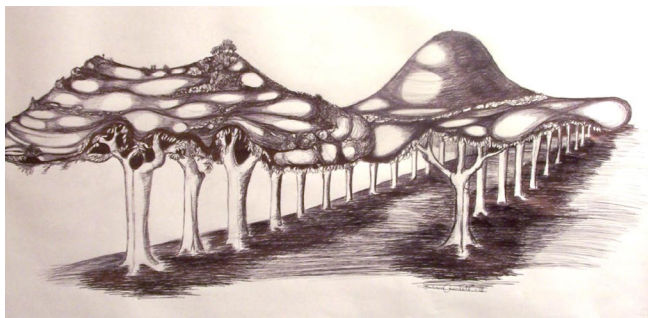
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CAMPERDOWN

surpassed our expectations. We anticipated 40 participants and 47 adults and children enrolled to create works of art in the Avenue. The weather was brilliant, the avenue was dotted with families and adults having a lovely time. 55 works were entered for judging and display in the evening. The exhibition which was very well attended with in excess of a 100 people in attendance. The following are the prize winners for their sections: 1st prize: Barbara Coverdale for her view of the Avenue



Barbara's work, done in black pen shows great technical skill and a truly original view. This well executed, thoughtful work was completed well within the time frame.



2nd prize was awarded to Kaye Mirtschin from Carlisle River.

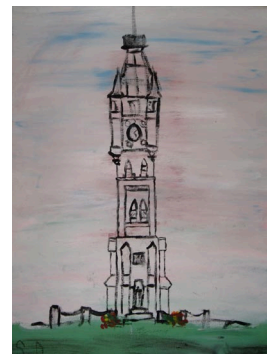
Kaye's whimsical work incorporated many aspects of the avenue

3rd prize was awarded to local artist Ian Currell for his finely drawn elm leaf.

Ian and his family - Sue, Oscar and Lily all took part in the event, setting themselves up in the Avenue to paint and have a picnic lunch.



One of the delightful surprises of the day was the number of entrants between 12 - 17 years of age. Thanks to the generosity of the sponsor, Gary Stephens, an extra prize was added to the pool. The winner of the 12 - 17 year old prize: Kylie Darcy Kylie's assured and remarkably mature painting of the clocktower was purchased by several Corangamite Arts members and donated to Corangamite Arts as the starting point for a childrens' art collection



The children under 12 entries were varied, ranging from drawings, painting, collage and even a sculpted clocktower. The energy and vitality in all the works was inspiring. The work of children and younger people added great exuberance to the Exhibition. The winner of the Children under 12 section: Caledonia Segafredo with her painting of the many aspects of the Avenue.



Thanks to all the families and artists who took part, to Gary Stephens from Camperdown Picture Framing for his generous sponsorship of this event, likewise to Corangamite Shire, Imagination Station and Madden's Commercial Hotel for their support. Special thanks to judges Brigid Cole-Adams and Merrian Dennis who took on the difficult task of judging artistic work and to the team of Corangamite Arts members who made it all happen.

The next Business meeting of Corangamite Arts will be held on Saturday December 6th at 10.30am in the Corner Room.

BYO lunch and stay on to celebrate the start of the festive season. Bring along a small Kris Kringle to put under the tree. Hand made contributions most welcome. Gifts no more than \$3 - now there's a challenge!

Wednesday evening art group ...

has gone into recess and will fire up again in late January, early February with a 6.30pm BBQ in the Camperdown Botanic Gardens followed by some creative activity "en plein air". BYO food and drinks. On behalf of all the members of the group, thanks to Jo Oakley for a wonderful year of creativity and friendship.

Wombeech Puyun Reconciliation Park...

was officially opened Sunday November 2nd at 1.30pm at the former Victoria Square. This significant park was launched to the smell of smoking gum leaves and the sounds of clap sticks, song and dance. Guests and speakers included: local elder Lenny Clark; Greg Edwards, Indigenous Liaison Officer for the CCMA (also a Kirae Wuurong man); Adeline McDonald who led the dancers and Jamie Thomas who conducted the Smoking Ceremony; Mayor Ruth Gstrein; Corangamite CEO Paul Younis, Josie Black and Father Dennis Denehy who - with the children - also conducted a small symbolic ceremony.

Lenny Clark introduced the artists Vicki Cousins and Fiona Clarke. Vicki and Fiona spoke about their associations with Camperdown and about their artwork for the site. He then introduced Josie Black who spoke about the long journey from the first desires of the Terang Reconciliation Group to have a project which would be a symbol of reconciliation in Corangamite to the reality now: the Wombeech Puyun Reconciliation Park. After the formalities, guests were invited to the grounds of St Pat's for afternoon tea, chat and music provided by Rob Bundle, Patricia Clarke & Brett Clarke.

Thank you to Josie Black and the Terang Reconciliation Group who initiated this project, to Bob Lambell from Camperdown Heritage Centre for his determination to have the "true" story of the Reserve told, to Craig Hanks the gardener in charge - who in the course of preparing the garden became an indigenous plant lover - and to Catherine O'Flynn who brought the project to fruition. Thanks to HeritageVic and Corangamite Shire and CCMA for funding and support.

Most importantly thank you to the members of the Kirae and Djargurd Wuurong peoples whose grace and good nature have made it possible for us to symbolically redress some of the injustices of the past.

Please visit the site respectfully, read the story and appreciate the lives of the original peoples of this place.

Thanks to Corangamite Shire for their support in printing this newsletter

Corangamite Writers Group

Childrens' Books

Last month's meeting of the Writers Group took place at Court A'Fair where we had lunch and shared the books that we held dear when we were children - books such as *The Water Babies*, *Alice in Wonderland*, *Milly Molly Mandy*, *Winnie the Pooh* and *the House at Pooh Corner*.

A special treat was in store when Robin Hyde - librarian from Camperdown College Brooke St campus - introduced us to some of the books that are winners with children today.

They include:

Stephen Herrick's: *Do Wrong Ron,*

Sonya Hartnett: *The Silver Donkey,*

Debra Ellis: *Parvana,*

Ruth Starke: *Nips XI,*

Cheryl Clarke's: *Sixth Grade Style - Not*

The Spiderwicke Chronicles

Lemony Snickett series

Emily Rodda series: *Rowan of Rynn, Deltora Quest and The Key to Rondo*

Better readers may love the books of Terry Pratchett and the *Artemis Fowl* series

Keep in touch with the books your children or grandchildren are likely to be reading. Buy a book for them for Christmas and best of all - read it along with them.

Thank you to Robin for such an entertaining and informative afternoon,

The final meeting for the year for Corangamite Writers will be held at 1.30pm, Saturday November 22 in the Corner Room, Cnr Bath & Manifold Sts, Camperdown. All welcome.

Camperdown CAE Book Club will meet at 7.30pm this Tuesday 27th November at the Corner Room. The book to be discussed is *The No. 1 Ladies' Detective Agency* by Alexander McCall Smith.

Welcome to new members:

Robin Hyde, Marg Gristede, Allan Woodward, Yonie Tiljak, Becky McCann and Regan Harris. Marg paints and does handcrafts while Becky and Yonie are both photographers and painters. Both Becky and Yonie took part in Paint the Town.

Thanks also to all members who have taken the time to re-new their membership.

SW TAFE Studio Show

An exhibition of student sculpture and painting will be held

Friday 21st Nov until Friday 5th Dec. 10am - 4pm

Where: Department of Arts Deakin

Art Lane, Deakin Campus, Warrnambool

Mercy College Senior Arts Exhibition.

will be held at Lava Arts Gallery Church St from 4th December to 9th Dec. This show has been organised by Jarred Lyn, senior art teacher at Mercy Regional College.

