

# WESTWARD HO! & BIDEFORD ART SOCIETY

## March Newsletter 2018

**Summer Exhibition 2017** Just to recall again, we were concerned that the early timing for the exhibition might have an adverse effect on the sales but in the event we had the second best show for over five years. You never can tell. The revised commission no doubt helped things along and once again the combined effort of a hard core of helpers reaped just rewards. As you see below, we're back to a favourable time for this year.

2017 saw the last show under the stewardship of Jenny Smy as exhibition secretary and we owe her a debt of gratitude for the many years of commitment made. Bert Bruins will be taking over that office and will get some help and guidance along the way, thanks Bert. There is a real need for more, and younger, members on the committee so any members interested in joining please get in touch with Linda who will forward the contacts (contact: [lindahaj@googlemail.com](mailto:lindahaj@googlemail.com))

*Tony Williams, chairman, February 2018*

### **Membership Renewals**

It's that time again! Membership fees for 2018/19 are due by 31<sup>st</sup> March and from this year we have put a system in place for renewals to be paid by standing order. Many of you have already set this up, but if you are yet to do so, please could you ensure that you organise this with your bank in good time for the fees to be paid by the end of the month. If you need the Society's bank details, please can you drop me an email (details on the website) and I will send them to you.

I am also working on an electronic version of the membership card which you will be able to either print off yourself or show on your device to the shops where discounts are available. The reasoning behind this is that in the past few years many cards have remained uncollected or unrequested, and this way I will be able to ensure that every member gets one, should they wish to use it. I will endeavour to get these out to everyone by the middle of April, however if you would still prefer to receive a 'hard' copy, can you please send me an SAE to my address which you can find on the website.

Many thanks,

*Jill Harker, Membership Secretary ([membership@whobidarts.co.uk](mailto:membership@whobidarts.co.uk))*

**Annual General Meeting 2018** will be on **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> April. 7.00 for 7.30** at the **Burton Art Gallery**. A glass of wine and the opportunity to voice any suggestions or concerns you may have. Please contact Linda to send any apologies, to ask to join the committee, or contribute.  
[lindahaj@googlemail.com](mailto:lindahaj@googlemail.com)

**New Member Selection – Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> May** – Hand in work 10.00 – 11.00 a.m. – Selection 11.00 onwards – contact [membership@whobidarts.co.uk](mailto:membership@whobidarts.co.uk) for more information on timings and what to bring.

### **Dates for the 96<sup>th</sup> Summer Exhibition 2018 – 11<sup>th</sup> August – 15<sup>th</sup> September**

- Handing in Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> and Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> August
- Private View evening of Friday 10<sup>th</sup> August
- Opening Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> August
- Ends Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> September
- Collection Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> September

Entry forms and further information will be sent to members nearer the time.