18th Annual Bickerton Village Hall Art Exhibition (26th July - 3rd August 2025)

We have had an extremely successful exhibition this year in terms of the number of artists participating, standard of the artwork, public attendance, picture sales, raffle - and cakes consumed! It was not only a financial success, but a very enjoyable social event, bringing together the local & wider communities - we have received many positive comments on all aspects of the exhibition.

Some facts and figures:

- 134 artists exhibited paintings, 24 of whom also displayed greeting cards
- There were 483 paintings on display, 378 of which were framed and hung or standing on chairs; the other 105 were unframed & stacked in boxes for visitors to flick through
- There were more than 850 visitors over the 9 days of the exhibition
- 130 paintings were sold (a record!), which is 27% of those on show, and over 800 cards
- Over half of the artists sold at least one picture
- The cafe was amazingly successful almost unmanageably busy at times
- and the quality of the cakes, savouries & sandwiches was as good as ever
- It was a good year for the raffle which sold over 500 tickets and 17 lucky entrants won prizes
- We ran a best-in-show poll again and the top 3 this year were:
 - 1st: "I Didn't Mean It" by Malcolm Dodge
 - 2nd: "Distant Hills" by Kay Dacey
 - 3rd : "Sailing at Midnight" by Don Wilson

[Photos of these paintings can be seen on the Hall website: bickertonvillagehall.com]

As always, the exhibition could not have been so successful without the assistance, enthusiasm, dedication and energy of all the participants who are too numerous to name here but deserve our full gratitude. We estimate well over 60 volunteers were involved, including many of the artists, and members of the BVH committee, Bickerton Parish Church, the BVH Art Class, local art groups & the local community in general. Many thanks to you all and -

here's looking forward to next year!