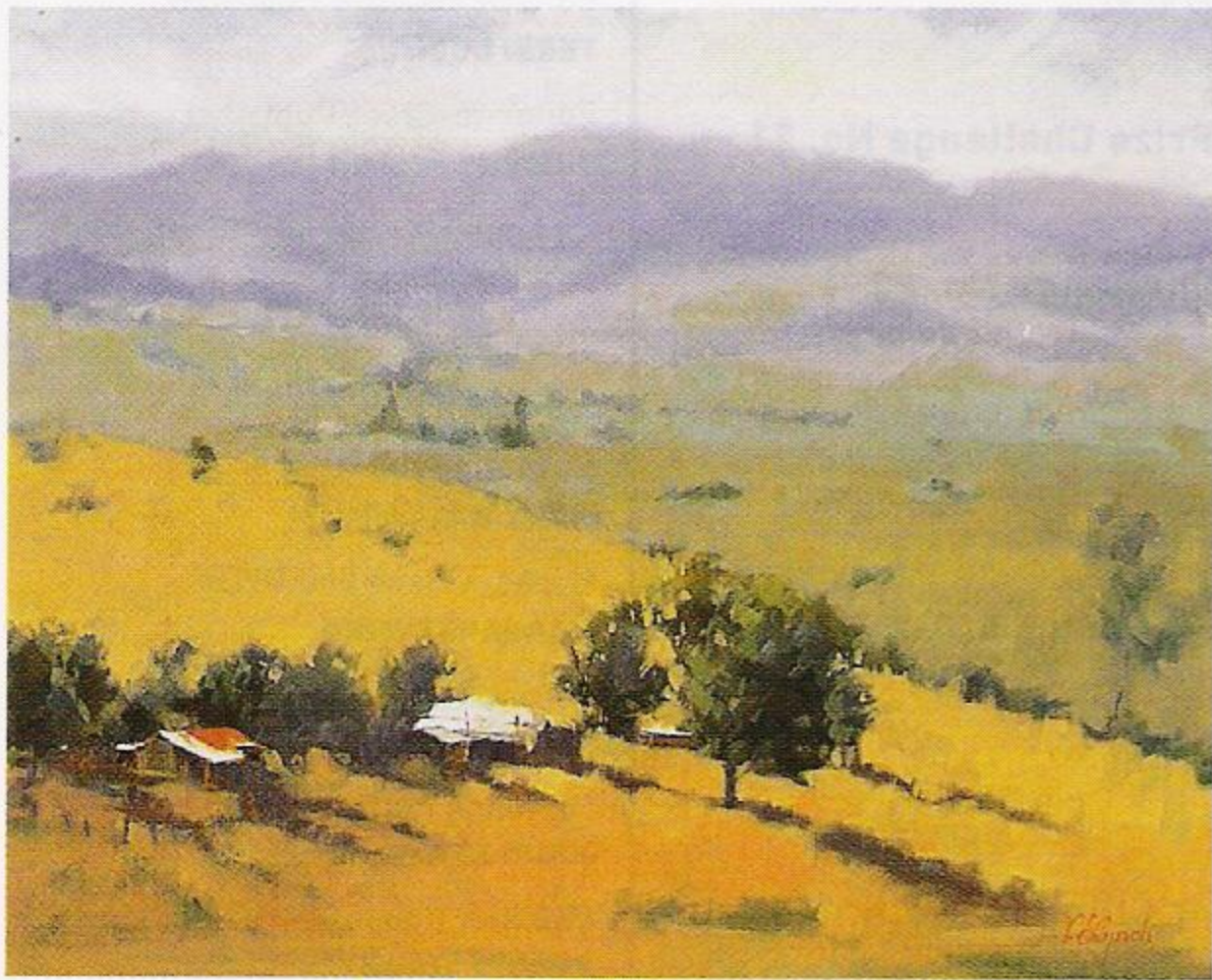


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The Streeton,



VALERIE LYNCH, *The Ranges*, Sir Arthur Streeton Award

Judge's comments: This painting has a wonderful sense of outdoor space and volume, with very sensitive perception of colour, tone and saturation of background and foreground. It portrays excellent colour perspective and finely measured levels of cool and warm colours.

There is excellent representation of sunlight on foreground subjects with the motion of the trees and shimmering atmosphere. The composition of darks to the lower left to the upper open space, contrast to give a spontaneous encounter.

The Sherbrooke Art Society recently announced the winners of its 37th Streeton, Roberts & McCubbin Awards named after Australia's most popular artists, particularly Streeton, who was a local resident. This year's judge was Malcolm Webster, and you will enjoy reading his comments on the winning paintings shown here by Valerie Lynch, Molly Roche and Diane Withers.

The Sherbrooke Art Society is recognised as one of the major contributors to the arts and cultural activities in the Blue Dandenongs region of Victoria. It was formed in 1966 as a non-profit organisation with the aim of providing students and artists of all ages with a home to meet, learn and display their work. However, their building was destroyed by the devastating bushfires of 1968. The group eventually found a new home in the historic tearooms and gardens of The Red Mill (circa

1925), in the heart of "puffing Billy" territory at Belgrave, and close to Tom Roberts' cottage. When the tearooms came up for sale, the Society members banded together, formed a co-operative and bought the property as its permanent home for meetings, activities and as a gallery.

The Sherbrooke Art Society and Gallery remains true to its original charter and provides monthly meetings, demonstrations by leading artists, classes in traditional painting techniques, sculpture classes and a wide range of exhibitions and awards to encourage talent of all ages and abilities.

For more information about the Society write to Valerie Lynch, 23 Kumala Road, Bayswater, Victoria 3153, or visit the Gallery at 62 Monbulk Road, Belgrave, Wednesday-Sunday 11am-4.00pm