

Review of "The Club"

New Paintings by Peter Ferrier

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Love of Football is in the Air – its final time and time for art and I popped in to this exhibition today to get to see Peters work again. He used to be in a Gallery on St.Kilda Road and I used to drive back on my way home from work, and check to see what team was being displayed. Being in the heart of St.Kilda, it was often our Sainter boys being on show.

Today, I saw a great variety, 31 paintings in all, 30 after I left with a small one. Two large ones have already be sold, and when I heard who bought them (that remains private), I couldn't resist my inclinations already leaning that way. He also gets requests and does commissions in case one of your team is not done.

I loved "The Melee", a sold one with Geelong and St.Kilda players in a brawl. Loved the passion and the lines and the mess. Titles are "Three Pies", "Four Cats", "Five Dogs"you get the drift. There's lots of Saints ones, being in the right area of the southern suburbs and more accurately, Saints territory. There's even one "Roy Boys" for those longing or remembering the past.

I didn't have the good fortune to meet the artist but I hear he drops by every day to check how it's going and to take commissions if they are there.

A now a funny story, if you look behind the desk of the owner of the gallery, you see a St.Kilda painting with three guys with the colours around the wrong way, black, white and red. Apparently, I'm the first visitor who has picked this up. The story is that it was originally a Collingwood painting but this area sells more St.Kilda, so he quickly changed it in one of his afternoon visits and must have had a "moment" and painted the right hand side red. Love it.

This exhibition just made me happy and content. Good work, fun painting and a good lead into the final four weeks of the season.

Yvette Wroby

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