

Thank you Dwight! Thank you Rosseau! Thank you Baysville! The summer markets have concluded and, as of yesterday (at the Dwight Fall Market), I have achieved my goal of doubling my sales from about forty in 2025 to over eighty this year. I continue to be grateful for the warm response from everyone who has graced my little tent with their presence. The conversations have been wonderful!

There have been sales from additional opportunities. The "Collection of Connections" show at Partners Hall in the Algonquin Theatre was very successful and saw four paintings sell. I sold paintings at the Huntsville Art Crawl and the Muskoka North Studio Tour. I have sold paintings directly from my website as well. The mainstay of purchasing traffic continues to be from the markets.

Last week, I tried something a little different and painted a scene of the Northern Lights. I've included an image of it below, and no sooner did I hang it up in my tent then it was snatched up by an admiring buyer. I enjoyed painting the brilliance of the colours and, if you look closely, you'll see a twinkling star or two.







This year, once again, I gathered email addresses from those interested in being on my mailing list for this newsletter. In addition, one lucky person would receive a gift of the painting "Mew Lake".

Maria of Burlington, Ontario, pictured here, was the happy recipient. She entered her name at the Rosseau Market.

Congratulations Maria!

Mew Lake is in Algonquin Park. In this painting, I tried to capture an early morning mist, and so the rich Fall colours are subdued. The background is almost a ghostly portrayal of the background trees, still discernible but barely visible. It is a simple little painting, and one of my earlier attempts at capturing the landscape that is named Algonquin, or Muskoka. There are wonders to see around every little corner. Marvelous.

Other than my presence at markets, this newsletter is the main way I get the word out about my paintings. Thank you for being part of this community which has grown steadily to numbering almost 300 participants (and all in just one year!). If you know of a friendly acquaintance who might be interested in receiving this brief, monthly communication, please direct them to my website where they can sign up: www.tomdohertywatercolour.ca

The Fall season is upon us. As I write these words I am reminded of the beauty of the colours of this season (peaking over the next few days). Dear friends have invited us on their pontoon boat to view the beauty of Oxtongue Lake, and lots of future painting references.

"A river runs ..." (11x14, $400) is of Oxtongue River, and the sun lighting up the far shore, the beauty of the river reflecting some of the foliage, and the foreground branches offering a natural frame for the scene.

"Fairwater" (11x14, $400) is an image from our dock of one of the few "settlements" on our lake, which is rather sparsely populated, adding to the quiet we enjoy on Angle Lake.

Until next time ...





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