

Did You Know?

.....that, during the past year.....

55 of our members have attended Monday Workshops, 28 members have attended Wednesday Workshops, and 81 members have attended Thursday Workshops.

Roughly 80% of our membership attend workshops during the year.

If you are one of the handful who have never been to Highfield Hall, why not come along sometime. You'd be most welcome. Thursdays can be quite noisy as several people, believe it or not, spend the entire evening just chatting.

108 members have participated in our various Exhibitions (other than the Last Drop), whilst 40 members have participated in the Last Drop Art Fairs.

54 members attended Demonstrations.

However, 15 members have not been involved in any activities but remain loyal members. These tend to be "country" members, or artists who have enjoyed the Circle in the past but can no longer attend events for a variety of reasons.

This year we have averaged 28 people at the Monday workshops; the highest attendance was 36. Wednesday afternoons attracted an average of 10, with a maximum of 13. However, Thursday evenings continue to be the most popular, averaging 32, with 40 on several occasions.

We occasionally struggle to find enough space on Monday afternoons and Thursday evenings as the Bruce Room tends to feel overcrowded when more than 40 artists are present. It is felt by some members that we should make more use of the Wednesday afternoon workshop. There is no reason why other than portraiture cannot be done on Wednesdays.

Last Drop Art Fairs

Book your slot at the next three Art Fairs on: -

17 November, 15 December and 19 January.

Members' News

New members since last edition:-

Thomas Hill	Daubhill
Andrew Bradburn	Worsley
Mike Weall	Horwich
Alan Cash	Atherton

E-mail or Snail mail

Do you have an email address and haven't yet told our Secretary?

If so, please contact Roland at secretary@boltonartcircle.org.uk

Apologies to those of you who have recently tried to get our web site. There was a hiccup with the Home Page file extension. We are now up and running again.

The Annual Exhibition

There have been mixed feelings about the use of the Octagon Theatre as a venue for the "Annual". Although the ambience was good, we know of several people, and there must be dozens of others unknown to us, who couldn't find access to the pictures, even after they'd entered the Theatre. Members on duty often saw no one during the daytimes and the evening play audiences gave the works scant viewing. ***But next year we should be "back where we belong" in the Art Gallery proper.***

Christmas Lunch at the Pack Horse

Wednesday 4 December (about £12 each)

Christmas Dinner at Smithills Coaching House

Friday 6 December....7.30 for 8.00 (about £16 each)

If you want to go to either, or both of these, and can't get into the Workshops to put your name on the lists, please contact our Social Secretary, Liz Laird on 01942 812772, or any Committee Member.

The small print

Have you a burning issue you'd like to share with your fellow members of the Circle? We invite you to send in your letters and will print a "Letter of the Month"

This single A4 sheet will only be "posted" to those who we rarely see, but have remained members of the Circle over the years.

It will be e-mailed to anyone who has given the Secretary his/her email address. Email, address above, for a personal copy in Microsoft Word format.

Copies will be displayed for members to view at the Last Drop and at the Highfield Hall Workshops.

EDITOR'S FOOTNOTE

Topical Items for this publication should be sent by mail, email, or by hand to your Secretary, whose details are on the front of your Membership Card.

Articles etc., will still be published in the periodical *Newsletter* and should still be sent to Jolyon Coombs.