



Did You Know?

Our web site is now quite comprehensive. On it you will find:-

The **History** of Bolton Art Circle, with anecdotes and the history of our Logos. Do you know who designed them?

Galleries of members pictures – some for sale, some not.

Masoud Mottaghi has just sent in three pictures which are now displayed for sale on the site.

Photographs of about 25 **members** “at work”. Are you on there? You might be!

Membership details for new members.

Diaries of forthcoming events, demonstrations and exhibitions.

Lists of **Prizewinners** at exhibitions.

News.

TalkBAC letters.

....Lots of **photographs**,..... and lots, lots more.....

It's your web site.....take a look!

Last Drop Art Fairs

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

15 December, 19 January and 16 February

Members' News

We are sad to report that **Frances Walker**, a member of the Circle for very many years has died. Messages of condolence have been sent to Frances' husband Les on behalf of Circle members.

Also, **Alan Howson**, a regular attender on Thursday evenings has also died after many months of illness.

New member since last edition:-

John Barker - Ainsworth

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

Google, Yahoo and MetaCrawler now have us on their listings and we also have a counter to see how many people have visited the website.

Outdoor Exhibition – August 2003

A meeting was held on 5th December with Jon Finch (BMBC Art Gallery) to discuss next year's August Bank Holiday Weekend Outdoor Exhibition. Bolton Metro are unable to find (fund?) the staff to run the event.

A small working group has been set up to discuss how it can be run. This includes Dave and Jeannie Latham, and Peter Hilton (ex.BAC members) and ourselves. If you feel you'd like to help plan, organise or run this popular annual event, please get in touch before the next meeting which takes place on 30th January.

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 exhibition, even after they'd entered the Theatre! Members on duty often saw no one during the daytimes; and the evening play audiences generally gave the works scant viewing. **But next year we should be “back where we belong” in the Art Gallery proper.**

The Christmas Lunch at the Pack Horse (Oak Room) and **Christmas Dinner** at Smithills Coaching House (Cottage Suite) were enjoyed by all 49 who attended. Requests to “paint the town red” after each meal were resisted with a brush-off.



Thanks to Liz Laird (Social Secretary) for organising the two events, to Eric Tatton (Treasurer) for sorting out the finances and to George for his speeches.

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.