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Bolton Art Circle

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Brian Thomas sent these quotations:-

-*Art is making something out of nothing and selling it.*

Frank Zappa.

-**There** are painters who transform the sun to a yellow spot, but there are others who, with the help of their art and their intelligence, transform a yellow spot into the sun.

Pablo Picasso

-**Creativity** is allowing yourself to make mistakes. Art is knowing which ones to keep.

Scott Adams.

-**Each** painting has its own way of evolving, when the painting is finished the subject reveals itself.

William Bazivtes.

And lastly, **from Brian himself:-**

-**If** you have enjoyed doing your painting and you're happy with it, then it was all worthwhile.

Members' News

New member since last edition:

Welcome to

Beryl Rushton of Westhoughton

Monthly Competition

Last month's competition, created by our Treasurer Eric Tatton drew much interest. The answers were:-

1. Sir Henry Raeburn
2. Anigoni
3. Salvador Dali
4. Paul Nash
5. Brian Organ
6. Landseer

And the name of one of our members, made from the initial letters of the artists' surnames, is **ROLAND**. Correct answers were received from too many people to list.



This month's competition.

Can you name the picture and the artist (he had a nick-name)? Answers to Roland by end of month. The answer and names of correct submissions in next month's edition.

(N.B. To prevent anyone having an "unfair" advantage, I have again reproduced the image in black and white.)

Ilkley Success

We were delighted to hear that Paul Titterton had a very successful "Nostalgic Transport" week at the "British Society of Painters" Exhibition at Ilkley in November. Well done Paul !

The "Annual"

It was a resounding success this year. As many people said in the Visitors' Book, they thought the quality and variety of works on display was a credit to our Circle and Bolton. Sales were up too, with a total of 23 pictures purchased. Thanks must go to all those members who helped out at the Handing-In, Judging, manning and Handing Back. But especially to Sheila Booth (Exhibition Secretary) and Jolyon Coombs (Exhibition Officer) who did most of the planning and the Catalogues.

Popular Poll

No...this isn't a well-liked new member! It was the voting done by members of the public after they had viewed our Annual Exhibition. We asked everyone to cast a vote for the artwork they liked best. The winner was **Tom Watkins** with his painting entitled "My Pet".

Full results showing "who received what votes for which work" are on our website. But if you don't have access to the web, and would like a copy posting to you, please give Roland a ring.

Last Drop

The **Last Drop Art Fair** in **November** was almost a non-starter. The Hotel was staging a Bridal Fair that took over the whole place on our usual date. But, after much frantic telephoning, the ever-enterprising Art Circle, moved along to the following Sunday on the 23rd.

Don't miss the next three Art Fairs

21 December, 18 January and 15 February

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

Please save your Circle postage costs by sending Roland an email asap. 39 members are already on-line.

Diary Dates

**Wednesday 3rd December –
Christmas Lunch at the Pack Horse Hotel**

**Friday 5th December –
Christmas Dinner at Smithills Coaching House**

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.

**HAPPY CHRISTMAS TO
ALL MEMBERS
from the Chairman and Committee**

