



Monthly Competition

Last month's picture was a detail from 'La Primavera [Springtime]', [c.1475-78] executed in tempera on a panel, by Sandro Botticelli, and in the Uffizi Gallery. I had correct answers from **Geoff Brazier, Bill Stocker, Edith Ellen Sutton, Doreen**

Bromby and Beryl Rushton.

Edith and Doreen tell us that this particular figure is Flora, the Goddess of Spring, who is scattering flowers.

Do you recognise this horse? It is displayed in a Gallery in London. Can you tell me the painting's title and the name of the artist?

Answers to **Roland** please by the end of May. The answer and names of correct submissions will be published in the June edition.



Membership News

It is with great sadness that I have to record the sudden death of **Les. Taylor**. With her partner, **Ian Trotman**, she was a very keen, popular and regular attender on Thursday evenings. Her expertise with pyrography fascinated many of our members.

We welcome new members.....

Dorothy Moores of Tyldesley
Margaret Cornish of Atherton

If you have an email address and haven't yet told our Secretary, please do so asap. It will save your Circle postage costs. Send Roland an email asap. 76 of our 179 members are "on-line."

Subscriptions

If you wish to enjoy membership of our Circle for another twelve months, you will have to renew your subscription which is due on May 1st. Please send your £16 to our new Membership Secretary, **Kevin Gillibrand**, 191 Henfold Road, Astley, Tyldesley, Manchester. M29 7FU. Tel 01942 879105. Cheques payable to "Bolton Art Circle". Please note, we do not send personal reminders out to our 180 members.....but there are several reminders in this Newsletter. So, if our Treasurer **Norma** hasn't heard the clink of £16 falling into her coffers by the end of July, then sadly, we shall have to assume that you no longer wish to be a member.

AGM

As forecast in the April 'In Touch', there was discussion at the AGM about the occasional overcrowding at the Monday and Thursday Workshops. However, it was agreed not to seek yet another Workshop session each week, but rather

to use both the upstairs rooms simultaneously on the Mondays and Thursdays. We shall only overflow into another room at Highfield when occasion arises, since it is likely that we will have to pay the full hire cost. Regular attenders at these workshops will know that the problem only arises a handful of times each year.

Art Circle Walking Group

The next walk will be at Lyme Park, on Friday 18th May. Meet at Trinity St. Station at 10.00am, ready to catch the 10.13 Buxton train to Disley, arrive 11 am. Excellent views across the Cheshire plain and Peak District. Largely firm paths with café/toilet stop half way round at National Trust shop. Return on 3pm or 4pm train to Bolton. Ring **Paul** or **Norma** on 01942 814437 for more details.

The Merry Month of May

Don't forget this special **Last Drop Art Fair** on Monday 7th May, May Day Bank Holiday. There are still some stands left if you want one.

Our Annual **Highfield (Intimate) Exhibition** takes place on Tuesday 22nd May at 7.00 pm.

And at the end of the month we are staging our first Spring Bank Holiday Monday '**Art in the Precinct**' Exhibition. On Sat 26, Sun 27 and 28th May we shall be flying the Art Circle Flag right in front of Bolton Town Hall. We still have a few stands left for May.

We shall be presenting another AITP at the end of August. There's only one stand left for that, but see our website for the latest situation.

Christmas is coming....

So popular have been **Jean's** recent venues for meals that she has now booked for our:-

Christmas Lunch on Tuesday 27th November at Bolton Technical College Catering Department Restaurant, and

Christmas Dinner on Friday 7th December at Farnworth Masonic Lodge.

Jean says that she will shortly be putting notices up at Highfield regarding these two meals.

(Further details from **Jean** on 01204 460832.)

Patchings, again !?

When our Social Secretary **Jean Faulkner** advertised a repeat trip to Patchings this year on Thursday 7th June, she couldn't, unfortunately, raise enough people to make it viable. However, the North West Federation, through our Representative, **Charles MacDonald**, has suggested that we link up with Salford and Davyhulme Art Clubs and resurrect the trip. **Charles** and **Jean** are both trying to sort this out. If you are interested in this extremely worthwhile trip, contact **Jean** on 01204 460832

May Demonstration at Highfield Hall

On Tuesday 8th May, ex-member Rob Miller will be demonstrating 'Mixed Media'. Further details from Demonstrations Secretary **June Catterall** on 01204 840191.

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