



### Monthly Competition

Last month's picture was "Giovanni Arnolfini and his wife" or "The Betrothal of the Arnolfini", (and other titles) painted in 1434 by Jan van Eyck. I had

correct answers from **Stef Lorenz, Paul Gerrard, Carole Hawthorne, Edith Sutton, Anna Chadwick, Doreen Bromby, Geoff Brazier, Bryan Gallagher, Steve Larkin, Beryl Rushton, Ken Arstall, Russell Eaton and Pauline Kaushal.**

This month we have a painting by a French artist. Can you name the artist and the title of the work?

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



### Membership

#### News

**There are no new members this month.**

*If you have an email address and haven't yet told our Secretary, please do so asap. It will save your Circle postage costs, and you'll get this **IN COLOUR**. Send Roland an email asap on [secretary@boltonartcircle.org.uk](mailto:secretary@boltonartcircle.org.uk) 87 of our 181 members are "on-line.*

### Oh, I do like to be beside the seaside !

Prom Art is a major free event in the Northwest artist's calendar. This year, there will be more than 80 artists, including many of our own members, selling art and crafts along Grange-over-Sands promenade in the open-air on April 27, May 25, June 29, July 27, August 31 and September 28 from 9.30 am. to 4 pm. It is free to the public. The booking fee for artists is £10 per visit or £30 for the whole six sessions. Web-site [www.promart.info](http://www.promart.info) To book, tel 015395 35297 or [email:Robert@promart.info](mailto:Robert@promart.info) Contact **Paul** and **Norma** for more information on 01942 814437.

### Patchings

**Jean Faulkner** has asked me to remind those of you who have booked to go on the trip to Patchings on Saturday 7th June, that she needs the balance of any monies paid **now**. The total cost is either £16 or £17.

If you have already paid the £10 deposit and you are a Senior Citizen, you need to pay the balance of £6.00. If you are not a Senior Citizen, the balance is £7.00.

Please make cheques payable to "Bolton Art Circle" and post to **Jean Faulkner**, 5 Holmebrook Drive, Horwich, BOLTON, BL6 6RH. Or hand the money direct to **Jean** or our Treasurer, **Norma Titterton**.

Please note also that the coach will be at **Stand Z** on Moor Lane Bus Station. **It will leave at 8.00 am PROMPT.**

otherwise it will be fined. So please be there by 7.45 at the latest. For more information, contact **Jean** on 01204 460832. *The event is fully booked.*

### Walking Club

The first walk of 2008 will be on April 11<sup>th</sup>. It's to Roger Worthington's Grave. Meet at the Barlow Institute, Edgworth for 10.15 start. (Turton Bottoms, Birches, Walves reservoir, Hawshaw, Boardmans and Edgworth.) There are 2 principal hills from Turton Bottoms to Top O' Quarlton farm, but well worth the effort for the views! It can be muddy, so wear boots! The walk is 7 miles; about 4 hrs. New members and their friends are welcome. Bring your camera/sketch book for some great landscape views to paint later! For further information contact **Paul & Norma** on 01942 814437.

### Bolton Precinct

All the stands for the Newport Street August Bank Holiday Art Exhibition have now been snapped up. Almost all went to our members, who were given a preferential booking period in February.

### + ve Contributions

Thanks to all the members who have sent me constructive comments about our financial situation. Many of you have spent considerable time analysing the figures and considering the options. You can rest assured that all ideas will all be taken into account when we make the decisions at the AGM. Ideas sent in so far, include raising the subs. and workshop fees significantly, dropping the biscuits, running demonstrations at full cost to attendees and even closing one of the workshops altogether. Most responses feel that a thriving club like ours should not be running on a shoestring. There is still some time to go. So if you haven't already had your say, contact me as soon as possible. (Details below.)

### Are you a 'Committee' person?

With the foregoing in mind, would you like to influence how your Circle is run by serving on the Committee? This year there are two Ordinary Members posts up for election, and, as usual, ALL the Officers' positions. Also, the post of Highfield Hall Representative is still vacant. So there are several opportunities open to you. Your Committee meets in the evening of the third Tuesday of each month in Doffcocker.

As in past years, the Nomination Forms have been displayed on the Notice Board at Highfield Hall. If you wish to be nominated for any post, but cannot get to Highfield, contact any Committee Member, who will be glad to discuss it and to do the paper work for you. By the way, nominations can be taken right up to and including the AGM which, as noted on your Membership Card, is on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> April at 7.30 pm. at Highfield Hall.

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