



Monthly Competition

Last month's picture was "Ingrid with Hat" by Andy Warhol; 1964. I had correct answers from **Carole Cormack, Keith Sloane,**

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

Answers to **Roland**

please by the end of March. The answer and names of correct submissions will be published in the April edition.



Membership News

We have two new members this month.

Janet Kenyon of Carlisle

Stef Lorenz of Worsley

Brenda Chappell of Winton

Deb Openshaw of Brightmet

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 88 of our 181 members are now "on-line."

Dates for the "Annual" Exhibition 2008

After protracted discussions with Bolton Metro. Museums Department, we are now fairly certain that these are the actual dates for our Exhibition at Bolton Central Art Gallery.

Handing In, Judging and Handing Back of unselected works.....Saturday 13 September 2008
Launch..... Thursday 18 September 2008
Exhibition opens.....Saturday 20 September 2008
Exhibition closes.....Saturday 22 November 2008
Handing Back.....Thursday 27 November 2008

Details of times, etc., will be given nearer the event. As mentioned before, the Gallery will be shared with the Camera Club who will simultaneously display their photographs on the stands in the middle of the floor. We shall have all the wall space.

We're almost Skint

Our finances are going so fast that very soon we shall be bankrupt.

Last year, when our Treasurer proposed an increase in our income, it was overturned. But now, doing nothing is not an option, and it is everyone's responsibility to think about what we do about it. Your Committee is agreed that substantial changes in our finances are need now.

Our Auditor, **Ena Mann**, says, "... the club cannot keep operating on a deficit any longer. A club the size of Bolton Art Circle needs a healthy reserve to underpin its activities.

We are already eating into reserves, without which we would have had £1500 overdraft by early January. The club is grossly under-funded for the level of activity and the amenities it offers to members. What is £1 for a good night/afternoon out with a cuppa included?" **Ena** believes that, judging by the attendances, members will want to see the club thrive by properly funding it.

Full facts, details and food for thought are appended to this edition of "In Touch". Discuss it and let **Roland** know your feelings now, before the AGM on April 22nd.

WE WANT TO HEAR YOUR VIEWS NOW!

Last Drop

The next Art Fair at the Last Drop is this month on 16th March. 22 artists have booked already, but there are stands available in all parts. So contact **Roland** if you would like to sell some of your pictures at this venue.

Good news regarding our Treasurer

I am pleased to report that **Norma Titterton** has withdrawn her resignation.

The Royal Bolton Hospital - Main Corridor Exhibition.

The first two pictures sold in 2008 from our Royal Bolton Hospital exhibition, were:-

"Bedtime Teddies", (right) by **Sylvia Mitchinson**, to Mr. Jim Wells, seen here taking delivery of his picture, sitting at the console of the Hospital Radio Service, which he and other Bolton Lions operate on a daily basis...and "Busy Bradshawgate", (right)

by **Paul Titterton**, which was bought by Mrs. C. Briers of Westhoughton, who had been visiting a sick relative for some weeks on a daily basis. "We kept on seeing this picture on every visit," she said, "and eventually decided we would have to buy it! We were impressed with Bolton Art Circle, who delivered it to our home two days later."

Selection Day

Thanks to the many members who participated at the RBH selection. It took longer than expected due, sadly in part to judge Morton Murray's ill health, and partly to the 80 plus pictures submitted! We wish Morton a speedy return to better health.

The standard was amongst the highest we've yet seen, especially from newer members, **Paul Titterton** said to people at the Selection, that when we get the exhibitions up and running at the Health Centres, it should be possible to hang many of the works there instead.

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