



*A Happy New Year
to All Art Circle
Members*

Monthly Competition

Last month's picture was **Jean-Auguste-Dominique Ingres. "Joan of Arc on Coronation of Charles VII in the Cathedral of Reims"**. 1854. Oil on canvas. Louvre. I had correct answers from **Beryl Rushton** and **Carole Hawthorne**.

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

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

Membership News

We have had no new members last 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 Exactly 102 of our 186 members are now "on-line".*

Social Events on the Horizon

Social Secretary **Jean Faulkner** is still happy to take more bookings for our Annual Dinner Dance which takes place on Friday 22nd of this month. It will be held at Ridgemont House at Horwich. Some of you may have been there before, and I am told it is an excellent venue.

Jean would like a few more donations for the Raffle which will raise money for our chosen charity. (*Do you really need all that after-shave!*)

More details from **Jean** on 01204 460832.

Last Drop....Thanks !

The Last Drop Art Fairs finished in November. However, many of the artists at the last exhibition on the 22nd, felt that over the past 10 years certain people had put a great deal of work into the organisation and running of the Fairs to ensure that everything ran smoothly for the exhibitors. A "thank you" collection took place for **Paul and Norma Titterton, Paul Gerrard**, my wife **Pat** and myself, with the

intention that, with **Paul Gerrard's** wife Lynne, we should be able to have a "thank you" meal out. All five of us were all very surprised when **George** presented us with £150. It is a lovely gesture and we thank everyone concerned for your generosity, consideration and thoughtfulness.

.....Any Last Offers????

Members who exhibited at the Last Drop will know that there were about 40 stands stacked in one of the Hotel's containers. Swinton Art Club took a dozen a few weeks ago. But in the absence of any other clubs now wanting to take any, we need to transport the remainder in a Transit-type van to Highfield Hall during this month. We really need some help from our 'more-able-bodied' members to assist with this. If you can, and are willing to help, please contact me, **Roland** (01204 847607) or **Paul and Norma** (01942 814437) or any Committee Member asap.

Art in the Precinct x 2

As mentioned last month, we are having two exhibitions in the Precinct this year. A May Bank Holiday weekend Precinct Exhibition in addition to the one in August.

May AITP will run for three days from Saturday 1st to Monday 3rd May (Early Spring Bank Holiday weekend).

The May stands will cost £20 for one stand for the 3 days and £40 for two stands for the 3 days.

August AITP runs for four days, as last year, from Friday 27th to Monday 30th August (August Bank Holiday weekend). **In August stands will cost £23 for one stand for the 4 days and £44 for two stands for the 4 days.**

BAC members can book stands for both from January 1st. It's open to the public from 1st February.

As far as we know, the location and stand layout will be as before. Booking arrangements will be similar to previous years. To reserve stands, contact **Roland**, (by post, by phone, (answerphone), by email, or face2face, from now on). Our website will show the up-to-date booking situation as far as possible.

BMBC Snippets

BMBC offered us stand(s) on the Traditional **Christmas Markets** last December. However, after investigations the arrangements were found to be not very suitable for exhibiting art works.

We have been informed that, because of renovation works, our **Biennial Exhibition**, due to take place this autumn in Bolton Central Art Gallery, is now postponed until February/March 2011. It will again be a joint one with Bolton Camera Club.

As far as I know, no-one took up the offer of getting involved with BMBC's Paderborn **Twining** Exhibition.

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