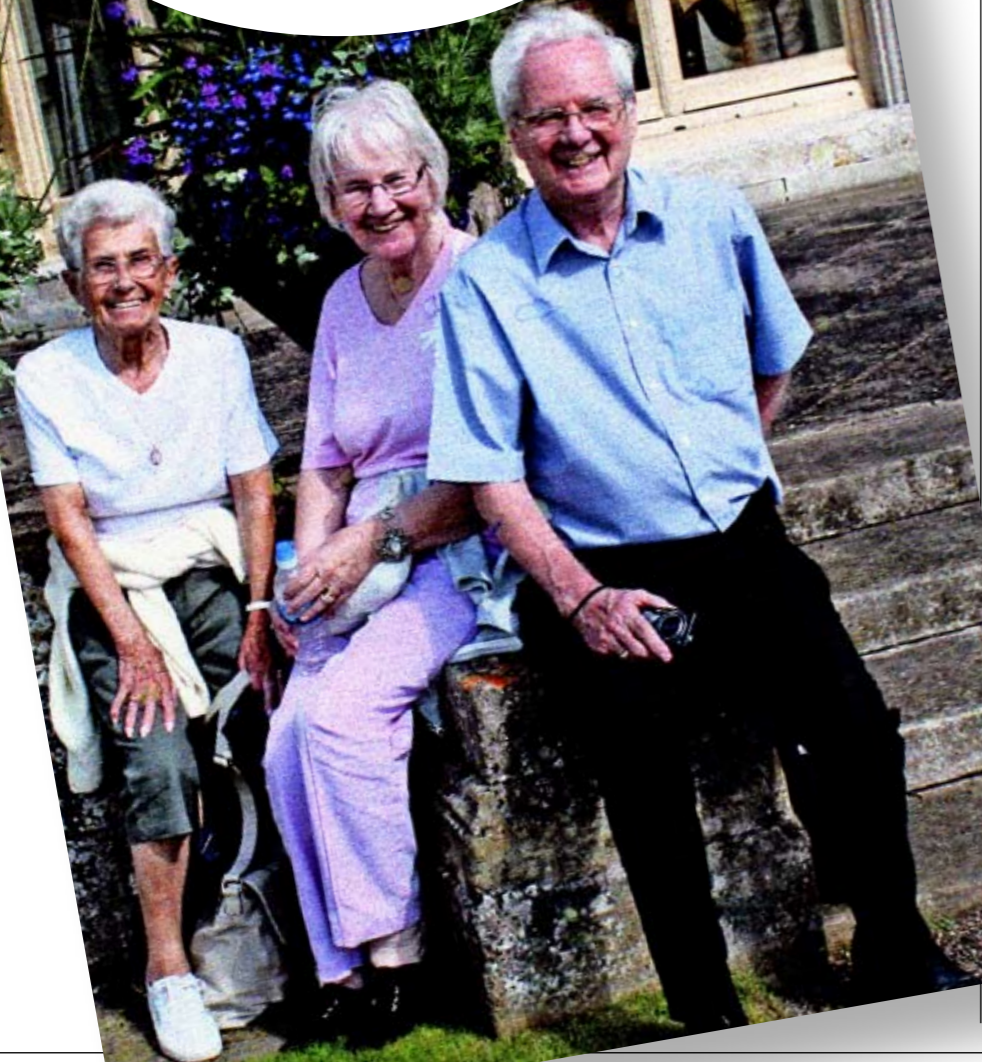


## Some of our members recently enjoyed a day out to Balmoral...

Philip, those senior citizens from Bolton are with us again



### From the Archives

The main social event of 1951 was given the prestigious name of "The Arts Ball". A member recalled "...that they were very grand affairs held at the Empress Ballroom in Mealhouse Lane. Fancy Dress or Evening Dress was the rule and most people came in Fancy Dress." Older Boltonians will probably recall seeing photographs in the Bolton Evening News of dancers dressed as Harlequins, Pierrots and even Chimney Sweeps. Russell Young played a big part in organising these events and his responsibilities in 1952 included an authorisation "To buy 1 gross balloons at 15/- (75p), 1 gross of hats at 36/- (£1-80), and 10/- (50p) worth of streamers."

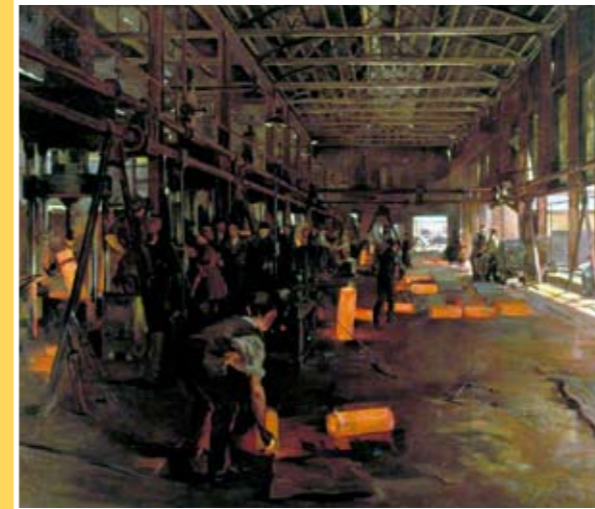
They really knew how to live it up in those days!

1951



**The Eccles Exhibition** is now under way with more than 12 artists showing over 30 paintings. You will find it at Unit 4, 4 Booth Way, Eccles M30 0EB in the shopping precinct near to Wilkinsons. Best parking is on John William Street. The gallery is open Tuesday's and Friday's approx 11am to 2pm and Saturday's 10am to 4pm closing on January 6th.

## Artist of the Month



This month I am featuring Anna Airy who was an English oil painter, pastel artist and etcher. She was one of the first women officially commissioned as a war artist and was recognised as one of the leading women artists of her generation. Exceptional considering how society perceived women at that time. Members who made the trip to York in 2016 will have seen the above painting, amongst others, and would have been impressed with the sheer size. Born June 1882 Died October 1964

▼ **Ted Holden** 'Passing Ships' Acrylic on hardboard



▲ **Kevin Gillibrand** 'Garden Tools' Watercolour

By the time you are reading this the changeover at the King William and Main Hospital Corridor will have been completed. Any pictures not selected for the King William will go to the Hospital.

## Bolton Art Circle Picture POST EXTRA

