Sorry to see you go

Since the start of the new membership year at the beginning of May many members have chosen not to renew. From a total of over 80 we now have 50 members who have renewed their subscriptions.

We are sorry to see you go and to help us in future decision making we would like to ask why you have left. Any reason you give will be taken seriously and may help us to grow the membership in future years.

A stamped addressed envelope to Kevin, Membership Secretary, has been included with this newsletter to make it easier for you. Those members who receive their newsletter by email will also be sent a stamped addressed envelope to allow you to reply anonymously. Also, we will continue to email the newsletters to you unless you ask the editor (email address on back page) not to do so.

David Editor

King Bill changeover

The King Bill changeover will take place on Thusday 7th of July. Pictures in to Cath by 6th July at the latest! Please ensure they are well packaged or bubblewrapped and have strings on theback ready to hang,non-compliance may result in rejection.

Trip to Ripon

Blackrod Art Group are organising a coach trip to Ripon Cathedral to see the Great Northern Art Show on the 21st September. The coach will leave Blackrod Community Centre, BL6 5TG, at 9.00am and will be back at 5.00pm.The cost is £15 per person (including gratuity for the driver) entry to thr exhibition is free. For more details contact Jean Spencer on 01942 817456 mobile 07767 154895

Highfield Exhibition

The special evening of June 22 was an event for members and friends to get together and enjoy a social event. Twenty six members attended, not as many as previous years, but this was actually just over 50% of the new membership total! This could have been because the event was in June, start of the holiday season, and also the very warm weather has to be taken into consideration. Wine and soft drinks were provided,

many thanks to those who brought cakes and snacks, much enjoyed by everyone!

> Thanks to everyone who gave their time to set up the displayboards and prepare the room for the evening.



Secretary's Challenge



Unfortunately, Catherine Lansdale could not make the June demonstration but we were fortunate that Debra Jones could stand in at he last minute and Debra did a demo using indian ink. Thank you Debra. We hope to see Catherine at a future date. The August challenge is to produce this picture in the style of Lea Nixon. You can choose any medium you wish and Lea will pick the winner at his demonstration on the 9th of August so entries in by Monday the 10th August at the latest. Usual rules apply. There is a £10 cash prize for the winner.

The winner of the June Challenge was June Catterall and here's her winning entry chosen by Debra Jones at her demonstration, well done June!



