

52nd Annual Exhibition October 1983.

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## Alton Art Society

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## Artist's advice on picking a winner

MR. HUGH B. POWELL, a professional artist of some standing and distant relative of Scouts founder Lord Baden-Powell, gave his own brand of "be prepared" advice when he opened the Alton Art Society's 52nd annual exhibition at the Assembly Rooms on Monday.

But, in this case, he was urging the Alton public to "be prepared to buy" when they visited the exhibition.

"It occurs to me," he said, "that a lot of new buildings have gone up in Alton recently and there must be an awful lot of bare walls that would be graced by any of the works on show here."

He was supported in this by Art Society Chairman (Mr. Pat Edwards), who said a painting was something that would give pleasure to someone for all their days.

Mr. Powell complimented the work of the artists involved in the exhibition and quoted Turner, saying: "Art is to the artist and comes back mostly to the artist. Love is to the lover and comes back mostly to him."

He said it was this love and enjoyment of the artist for what he was doing that was reflected in the painting and that this should be a prime consideration in deciding which to vote for in the "Exhibit of the Year" award.

The award, made and presented by blind sculptor Jack Riviere last year, is currently on display at the Alton Gazette office.

Mr. Powell had earlier given his expert advice to a party of East Hants Councillors who visited the exhibition on Mon-

day morning and, with Mr. Powell's help, bought two pictures for old folk's homes.

A special display of photographs by Tony Boxall is featured in Alton Camera Club's annual exhibition, which is also being held at the Assembly Rooms in conjunction with the Art Show.

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