



# Vignettes 110

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## Club News

Hi everyone. Hope you are all well. Sorry I couldn't be with you on Monday night. Hopefully I'll have recovered by next Monday.

Monday's presentation was a slideshow of the 2020 WCPF DPIC competition. Here are some of the top images:







## Next week

We're back together again next week, finally, to see the return of Martin Fry who will be presenting this year's Cheltenham International Salon of Photography (CISP), which is one of the most well-known Salons in the UK. It always falls on Martin's experienced shoulders to produce the AV presentation which brings the entries alive. He'll be bringing along some catalogues for sale and will give you an insight into next year's competition with fires up early in the new year. Cirencester members have traditionally supported the Salon and we've had some notable successes in recent years. Getting just an "acceptance" is no mean feat given the huge number of entries. The 2021 Salon attracted 9,006 images from 738 entrants in 55 countries.

Don't forget also that it's Comp B submission date so hopefully you've already downloaded the PDI's of your prints and PDI's to help Jill. This just leaves you to bring your prints along. The judging is the following week which is also the submission date for Comp C so don't rest up.

## **Meet The New Member - Patricia Lindsay**

This is the third in our "meet the new member series". This week it's Patricia Lindsay:

*Hi Martyn,*

*Thank you for inviting me to introduce myself. I took up photography as a hobby approximately 7 years ago as a total beginner. After attending several courses, I bought a Lumix G9 and have various lens - my favourite ones being my Sigma 105 Macro lens, the faithful nifty 50 and a range of lensbaby lens.*

*In the early years I did not really specialise in any one area and just enjoyed using my camera when out and about. Two years ago I enrolled in a part time A Level course studying Creative Photography. This took me out of my comfort zone and got me hooked on photoshop! For my A level I studied the work of 4 main artists: Andy Warhol, Monet, Imogen Cunningham and Pep Ventosa. So most of my photography over the past two years has been inspired by these artists.*

*Last year my husband bought me a Canon RP for a "big birthday", which with moving house I have not had much chance to use very much. I am really looking forward to learning from the vast experience in the club, meeting people and gaining knowledge from the amazing speakers I have heard so far!!*

*Hope this is okay. Regards. Patricia*

Thanks Patricia. Glad to see that you've come over from the dark side with a Canon! Mirrorless at that!

### The Churn Auction outcome

Brian's been in touch with an update about the Churn Project which we posted a few "V's" ago:

*Hello Mike and Martyn,*

*Firstly thank you for spreading the word re the Churn Online Auction to our Members through Vignettes. For any of our Members who were online for the Auction on Friday please, through Vignettes, give my thanks and those from all at Churn. Of the 59 Lots and Promises all were sold with the exception of the one item which had a Reserve – that was the Wing Walking Experience. So if any of our Members fancy the experience (a good way to raise monies for a Charity!) please do let me know. Alternatively some Members may have a particular person they did not like and it could make an ideal gift?*

*The sum raised was just in excess of £4,000.00. There are now some donations coming in from folk who could not make the Auction so we may get close to £4,500.00 which is absolutely terrific*

*Renewed thanks again to everyone for their support – kind regards, Brian*

Wing Walking Experience eh? Wonder if they allow you to take your camera with you. That would be interesting.

### Bird Photographer of the year 2021 (BPOTY)

Not sure whether we posted this article before but even if we did, it's worth revisiting again. Just such a wonderful entry and worthy winners. Here's the link:

<https://www.birdpoty.com/2021-winners>

### Comedy Wildlife Photography 2021 Competition Winners

The Comedy Wildlife Photography 2021 Competition winners have recently been announced and there's some real corkers.

<https://www.comedywildlifephoto.com/gallery/comedy-wildlife-2021-competition-winners.php>

## Kingswood Salver Competition results

We posted the upcoming Kingswood Salver Competition a few weeks ago and the results have now been made available on line. Here's the background and link from the WCPF Sec:

*To all WCPF Club Reps*

*This is the link to download the Kingswood Salver Competition sequence. There is no commentary, but it contains more than 200 images of all 31 entries and winners. It is Windows only, we are unable to provide a Mac version. It could fill a good part of a Club evening*

<https://www.dropbox.com/s/oykw16ludsnbjqd/Kingswood%20Salver%202021%20Windows.zip?dl=0>

*Eddy and Pam Lane, Kingswood Salver Secretaries*

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## **BBC Pictures**

Another selection from the BBC's news website.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-derbyshire-59318780>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/world-us-canada-59355012>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/uk-wales-59332407>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-59368894>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-wales-59337844>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-59283940>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/in-pictures-59339567>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-manchester-59344065>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-59262318>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-59333941>

## Internal Competitions

Subject	Competition	Submission Date	Judging Date
Water (in all its forms)	A	September 27 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	October 25 <sup>th</sup> , 2021
Architecture	B	November 8 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	December 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2021
Sunrise, sunset	C	December 6 <sup>th</sup> , 2021	January 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2022
Coastal	D	January 17 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	February 14 <sup>th</sup> , 2022
Winter	E	February 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	March 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2022
Farming in the Cotswolds	Pitchers Trophy (annual Competition)	April 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	May 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2022
Various	Annual Competitions	April 11 <sup>th</sup> , 2022	May 9 <sup>th</sup> , 2022

The Dropbox link is now up and running and is featured on every Comp submission page, along with as a News item - here is the link.

<https://www.dropbox.com/request/DpAdq7inLJSz17gWu2Bg>

### Quote of the Week

*When I say I want to photograph someone, what it really means is that I'd like to know them.  
Anyone I know I photograph - Annie Leibovitz*

That's it for this week. Catch up next week.

Cheers and stay safe

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## **Appendix 1: Club Face to Face (F2F) Meetings - Covid Measures**

*The easing of Covid restrictions over the summer as part of the Covid roadmap has made physical club meetings a practical proposition and Watermoor Parish are now permitting hire of their hall facility again. To enable this and to satisfy their insurers there are a number of things that hirers have to provide to gain approval for hire. After some consideration, below is a summary of the club's approach to enable meetings to take place within the requirements. We will aim to put the relevant docs on the website if members want to have a look.*

*Clearly members will need to make their own judgements in light of their individual circumstances, but it is hoped that the pragmatic approach taken allows the club to recommence face to face club (F2F) nights as per the season's programme in an enjoyable manner. As always with these things this is subject to any changes in guidance. Please get in touch with me, or other committee members, if you have any issues arising. Many thanks. Stephen*

### **Watermoor Church Hall Hire Covid Measures**

*Our activities must remain consistent with government guidelines at the time of the event. The requirements from the hall involve some element of cleaning by the club before and after the evening's programme.*

*Emphasis will be on precautions taken and as such the club:*

*(i) advises that anyone feeling unwell or having been notified for quarantine under Track and trace or NHS App or as a result of travelling requirements should not attend club meetings.*

*(ii) will ensure that seating, social distancing and ventilation are consistent with government guidelines.*

*(iii) request that members bring personal crockery/cutlery for any refreshments - some disposable items will be made available. We will not utilise hall crockery, just the kettle/boiler as appropriate.*

*(iv) suggest members consider continuing to use facemasks during meetings when appropriate.*

### Club Approach

*1. The club will provide hand sanitiser for members use on entrance and exit from the hall.*

- 1. The hall has QR posters displayed for members who wish to utilise the NHS app.*
- 2. In accordance with general "Health and Safety" good practice, a log will be kept of attendees on a F2F club night in case of the need for evacuation from premises which facilitates a roll call.*
- 3. Access to kitchen facilities will be restricted to reduce contacts and users will sanitise hands before and after use of kettle etc. It is noted that no cleaning of switches is to take place*



*(for safety) therefore the emphasis is on sanitising hands before and after any such operations, ensuring hands are dry.*

4. *Access to W/C's is restricted to one person at a time under the hall guidelines. Members should sanitise hands on entry and exit. At the end of evening contact points are wiped down as part of the exit process.*
5. *The club will use readily available Covid appropriate cleaning materials in the form of spray /paper towel and/or sanitising wipes to facilitate cleaning and provide bags to remove used material from the hall on completion.*
6. *Hard contact points e.g. door handles/locks, window handles/locks will be wiped on first contact when being operated and on final use when closed prior to exit.*
7. *The club anticipate utilising a restricted number of members on a given night to clean and handle equipment/chairs etc. thus reducing the number of potential contacts.*
8. *Those members should sanitise hands before commencing any handling, using spray/wipes to clean contact points when moving /setting up chairs etc. On completion of set up handling, members should sanitise hands again before commencing the actual event.*
9. *It is assumed that club materials in the locked storage may also be potentially contaminated and therefore contact points should be wiped before handling and on replacing in store.*

*Although it all sounds a bit complicated, I hope that we will soon get into the swing of things in managing what we do to minimise impacts. Do get in contact if you have any queries. Stephen.*