



Vignettes 130

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Club News

Hi everyone. Hope you are all well. We hope you had a pleasant Easter break in the sunshine. Lovely wasn't it. Bit of a short one this week. Are you ready for next week's Panel Challenge? If not there's (in photography terms) plenty of time to get your thinking hat on and come up with that Panel to die for. How about a series of guillotine images? - that's a Panel to die for!! The rules are in last week's Vignettes.

Don't forget also that, for the second part of the evening we've got "The Story Behind the Image" where you have the opportunity to give the low down on your famous image - or perhaps infamous one. Again, last weeks "V" gives you a heads up. So far, unless I've missed anyone off, at the time of writing Jill, Chris Donohoe, John Crew and Mike have offered but I'm sure a few of you have some interesting anecdotes or thoughts to import.

It's a bit of a short "V" this week, now all the comps have finished so there's no need to remind everyone of subjects and critical dates. The bank holidays have reduced our remaining meetings as we head towards the summer recess but we've got the AGM coming up on the 23rd May and a committee meeting next week 27th April on Zoom starting at 7.00pm. We'll post a link if you want to watch. If there's something you want to put on the committee agenda perhaps also for the AGM, do let us know.

Cheltenham International Salon of Photography - Results

Well, we had a few successes and a few near misses this year. Although We've not sure how many Cirencester members entered, Jill got two acceptances (scoring a 12 & 13, I (Martyn) got one (a 12) and Vikki came close with a 10 for "Sometimes Naughty" - definitely worth a punt Vikki. Three judges can score up to 5 points each so the maximum score is 15. The competition is global and pretty tough and we'll see the winning images in the CISP AV display, no doubt produced by Martin Fry, which we will run next season.

Mike decided to have a year off whilst John Smith, Jill and I had variable results with our other images. I decided to test out the judges sense of humour with a homage to Martin Parr entitled "St Ives Bouncer". It got a 9! Here it is:



Leigh Preston Day Course - 22nd June

Just a reminder that we are now up to 13 attendees which is very encouraging but there's still 7 places left if you want to attend.

Attendees

1. Liz Gillham
2. Sue Gunnee
3. Stephen Chapman
4. Stephen guest
5. Martyn Smith
6. Mike Cheeseman
7. Jill Bewley
8. Vikki
9. Carol
10. Patricia Lindsay
11. John Crew
12. Val Thomas
13. Alun Thomas

Photography Awards & Exhibitions

The 2021 Audubon Photography Awards

Not sure if we posted this last year but, if you are into birds, look no further. The finest images and videos from last year's competition showed birdlife at its most tranquil, clever, and powerful from nearly 9000 images entered. This year completion entry date has passed (March) so I'm sure we'll be seeing the winners soon. Check out the website here:

<https://www.audubon.org/magazine/summer-2021/the-2021-audubon-photography-awards-winners-and>

The Sony world photography awards 2022 winners announced

There's lots of on line stuff to see with this years SWPA which are designed to reach out to more people who perhaps can't get to the London exhibition of the winning images. We've seen virtual online galleries before and they are getting better all the time. Check out the winning images here:

<https://www.worldphoto.org/sony-world-photography-awards-2022-announcement-digital-programme>

Bath Photographic Society Annual Exhibition

We've received details from Dave Nicholson at the Bath Photographic Society about their annual exhibition.

Hi Cirencester Camera Club. I would be grateful if you could you please circulate the details of Bath Photographic Society's Annual Exhibition to your members. See:

<http://www.bathphotographicsociety.org.uk>. *Many thanks.*

BBC Pictures

Another selection from the BBC's news website.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/in-pictures-61098288>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-61060214>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-61066827>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-61092881>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/in-pictures-61072096>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-highlands-islands-61134704>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/av/world-australia-61033360>

Quote Of the Week

When I photograph I make love – Alfred Stieglitz (I think you need to get out more, Alfred)

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.