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Club News

Hi everyone. Hope you are all well and enjoying the Jubilee weather. It's surprising how little there is to impart once the club season is over and we've got our lives back on a Monday night. I guess it goes to show that the club and its activities generates a momentum of its own. Fear not. We're still here albeit, with holidays and other stuff going on, there's less to report. So, bit of a reminder catch up this week. Here goes.

The Presidents Trophy - 'Images Taken at The Quenington Fresh Air Exhibition'

Just a reminder that our President's choice of subject for the Pitchers Trophy (as above) relates to images taken at the Fresh Air Sculpture show which runs from 5th June - 26th June. As the website (link below) states:

Fresh Air Sculpture is a biennial sculpture exhibition held in the expansive organic garden of The Old Rectory in the Cotswold village of Quenington and affords a unique opportunity to see a creative mixture of traditional, modern and cutting-edge sculpture in a stunning outdoor setting. The Old Rectory gardens offer vast lawns joined by a bridge over the River Coln, hidden walkways through trees, pergolas and around tennis courts, beautiful flower and vegetable plots, and large impressive green houses. Fresh Air Sculpture gathers over 130 contemporary pieces of outside sculpture together in this tranquil setting, many of which have been created specifically for the gardens. The excitement of Fresh Air Sculpture is the huge diversity of materials exploring a variety of media: from stone to textiles, ceramic to glass, sound to video, mosaic to metals, rubber to resin. Monumental pieces sit alongside smaller works to suit every size of garden or outdoor space.

<https://www.freshairsculpture.com/>

Bristol Balloon Fiesta - 11th August - 14th August

Mike and I are tripping down to the Bristol Balloon Fiesta at Ashton Court on Friday 12th August for the (very) early morning 6.00 am traditional balloon ascent, subject to weather. He's got a couple of spaces left in his car and is leaving Cirencester at 4.45 am (yes really). So contact Mike if you want to grab a lift. Although the Festival is free to enter, there's a £25 'per car' charge so Mike would appreciate a contribution (and a cup of coffee!). Just to be clear, this is not an event which counts towards the club's Miles Shield annual award (images taken on a club outing) on which we are still formulating a Policy for 'complement' club events. Here's details of the Fiesta event:

<https://www.bristolballoonfiesta.co.uk/>

Ever got caught short?

Of course I'm referring to that vital moment where you see a potential killer image which might work for one of the annual competition set subjects but you can't remember which comp, what the submission date is and what the set subject is! Dooh! We have the solution. In fact we might have a few solutions but here's the first which our tech wizard John S has been working on - based on using an iPhone

iPhone shortcuts.

As a camera club member, I like to have an aid memoir for the competition subjects and submitting dates when I'm out and about and, to this end, I normally create a note in the 'Notes' app on my iPhone. This generally works well but I've found that the note can get lost in amongst the many other notes that I create.

So, I decided to see if I could create a shortcut icon from the main screen of my iPhone to directly display a list of the competition subjects/dates which I will share below:

First, find a document that you wish to display, It will need to be a word .doc or apple page .page format (PDF does not work).

1. *This can be created from the comprehensive list of comps below which Jill has created. It's a pdf but can be converted into .doc doc in Google.*
2. *Store the document on your iPhone - let's call the document 'doc.doc'*
3. *Open the 'shortcut' app on your iPhone.*
4. *Select the '+' to create a new shortcut.*
5. *Select 'Add Action'*
6. *Select 'apps'*
7. *Select 'Pages' app*
8. *Select 'Open Document'*
9. *Now click on the 'Pages Document' (light blue) and browse to the doc.doc*
10. *Now click on the round blue icon top right.*
11. *Select 'Add to Home Screen'*
12. *Give the new shortcut a new name 'comp 22-23'*
13. *Click 'add'.*
14. *A new shortcut will now be on one of your home screens.*

Let us know how you get on. Here's a short video to give you a heads up.

https://1drv.ms/v/s!AsZzxajrGoYWisBXDOcZN_84sLQ8IA?e=QSmQB

Here's the schedule of Comps:

Next Season's Club Competitions 2022 - 2023 - DPI's and Prints

Cirencester Camera Club Competition Schedule 2022/2023			
	Competition	Submission date	Judging night
A	Abstract + Open	03/10/22	31/10/22
B	Reflections + Open	31/10/22	05/12/22
C	Urban / Street photography + Open	05/12/22	16/01/23
D	Fog / steam / mist / smoke + Open	16/01/23	20/02/23
E	Multiple exposures + Open	27/02/23	27/03/23
Annual	2021-22 Annual competition	03/04/23	08/05/23

CCC Annual Competition categories - submission deadline 03 April 2023		
Award	Subject	Format
Pitchers Trophy (Topic chosen by Club President)	Quenington Sculpture exhibition 5-26 th June	DPI, 1600 x 1200, sRGB
Dennis Moss Trophy	Open	Print 1600 x 1200, sRGB
Leonard Jones Cup	Open	DPI, 1600 x 1200, sRGB
Cavendish Cup	Black and white Open	Print 1600 x 1200, sRGB
Miles Shield	Open (Club outing)	DPI, 1600 x 1200, sRGB
Gladiator Trophy	Aviation	DPI, 1600 x 1200, sRGB
Pitchers Cup Open to new members only.	Open	Print or DPI, 1600 x 1200, sRGB

Summer Cup and Ted Parrott Trophy DPIs – Submission date 05 Sept 2023	
1.	Look up
2.	Snail's Eye view
3.	Bird's Eye View
Ted Parrott Memorial Trophy	
Theme: Sporting Action	

Leigh Preston Workshop - 22nd June - Update

Just to update you, here's the list of attendees. Please check to see if you are still coming, not shown, can't now make it or want to come. We still have spaces.

Attendees

1. Liz Gillham
2. Stephen Chapman
3. Stephen's guest
4. Martyn Smith
5. Mike Cheeseman
6. Jill Bewley
7. Vikki
8. Carol
9. Patricia Lindsay
10. John Crew
11. Val Thomas
12. Alun Thomas
13. Brian Dinnage
14. John Jones
15. Paul Norris

I've been in touch with Leigh and he has asked if you could bring one or two prints along which he will critique for you (but he stressed not judge). We are going to order some mixed sandwiches and drink from Waitrose to pick up so any dietary requirements (veg, vegan etc) let me know. There'll be tea and coffee as well. As for cost, it's still a bit work in progress but in the range £10-£15 per person. We'll let you know.

BBC Pictures

Another selection from the BBC's news website.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/newsbeat-61592569>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/in-pictures-61607954>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-61626286>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-61543212>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-scotland-61556530>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/world-africa-61591198>

Quote Of the Week

When you photograph people in color, you photograph their clothes. But when you photograph people in Black and white, you photograph their souls - Ted Grant

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

Cheers and stay safe

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