



Vignettes 15

Hi everyone

First of all, a big thanks to Shaun for a great talk on Monday night on Cornwall and for stepping into the breach at short notice. Another excellent presentation and one to remember on your next trip to Cornwall. Plenty of places to visit and great to see the camera settings used as well - a point raised by members in last year's questionnaire. If he hasn't got sick of us all, Shaun will be back on the 2nd March to give us a talk on Photoshop. Thanks again.

Keep an eye on the club website as we are now looking to fill the date originally down for Shaun's talk which is the 27th Jan. Work in progress.

Our new venue

Despite David Wallis's advice, I arrived too early on Monday night and blocked the car park. Needless to say I got moaned at. They really do run the Pilates class until 7.15. You (and I) have been warned.

The Churn Project

Thanks to Brian Dinage for donating £30 to club funds plus a box of biscuits for Vignettes assistance in promoting the Churn project! A worthy cause so we wish every success for race night. See the poster below for full details. Brian can be contacted via email for ticket requests: Brian Dinnage <cbd@123cbd.com>

"Meet the judge" - Monday 20th Jan - a reminder

Hopefully everyone will have digested our note, which Mike sent out last week, on how to get the best out of next Monday's "Meet the Judge" event so this is just a reminder not to leave it too late to download your images onto DropBox for consideration on the night by Michael Krier. Here's the DropBox link again:

<https://www.dropbox.com/sh/4m2d8htf9xeg8vo/AACQaJQd61pluV2uPPGurIkQa?dl=0>

Ikea trip

As I mentioned on Monday, I'm heading off to Ikea in Bristol over the next 10 days to buy some "Ribba" picture frames. You may never see me again!! I hope you had the opportunity to have a look at the sample sizes I brought along on Monday night. They are great value for money and are regularly used in exhibitions. To save you a trip to the temple of doom, not to mention the petrol, I'm quite happy to buy additional ones for members. Have a look at the "Ribba" range on the Ikea website and let me know. The website is not the easiest to navigate to see the full range but there's 11 black frame sizes to choose from. I can buy the ones requested and you can pay me back. Please note that, although the picture frame thickness for different sized frames looks different on the website, they are all the same thickness. It's just the way the photos on the website have been scaled up or down to fit the web page. Just email me (Martyn) your frame size requirements and the number you want preferably sooner rather than later.

BBC website picture gallery

Here are the latest links to the BBC website.

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/science-environment-51066892>

<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/in-pictures-51020455>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/in-pictures-50822442>
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-51034911>

In 50822442, look out for Jill Bewley's "jumping" photo. Well done Jill for sending it in and getting it on the BBC's website. She'll have to tell us how to do it.

VE night

As you know, this year's 4th May bank holiday Monday has been moved to Friday 8th to commemorate the 75th anniversary of VE Day. So the 4th becomes an extra camera club night which will be our "VE night". Members are invited to display old family photos (processed or unprocessed) dating from the end of WWII. We are planning ahead so if you think this idea looks to be a little optimistic, please let us know in case we have to amend the programme. It seemed like a good idea at the time!

However, if we are to go ahead and to assist in making the night a success, I can scan old negs for members to a digital resolution capable of being processed in Photoshop. It's quite surprising how much quality can be extracted using a Photoshop from an old negative, particularly black and white ones. Even scanned prints are capable of amazing restoration using Photoshop. So, if members would like some assistance in having some old family negs or prints scanned please let me know. Any member who can similarly assist in scanning images for other members please also get in touch.

Competitions

The WCPF 2020 Members Exhibition (competition) is now open for entry and will remain so until 7th March 2020. Any member of a WCPF affiliated club (which includes Cirencester) may enter. There are 3 print sections (Mono, Colour and Nature) and 4 projected image sections (Open, Creative, Nature and Photo Travel). For more information see:

<http://www.wcpf.org.uk/pages/members-exhibition-2020.php>

Next year's competition subjects

Jamie has sent me a list of possible competition subjects for next year's competitions. These include suggestions some members have already given him. Jamie has asked if members could review and consider the list and if there are other subjects that you would like to add could you email him with any ideas and he'll add them to the list (jamierstenson@gmail.com). The intention is to get members to vote on their favourite during a future tea break. If necessary, we'll also agree a definition of any selected subjects which might be open to interpretation to avoid overly-strict judging. Here's the draft list so far:

Genre based subjects

Wildlife
Landscape
Portrait
Rural life
Architecture
Travel
Event

Technique specific subjects

Flash
Black and white

Multiple exposures
Shallow depth of field
Birds in flight / aviation
Product photography / still life
Macro / close-up

Creative subjects

Shapes and patterns
Passing of time
Water
Wonder
Winter
Texture
Colour
Contrast
Rainfall
Silhouettes
The skies have it
Straight lines
Sunrise, sunset

That's it for this week. See you next Monday

Cheers

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