



Newsletter, January 2019. Happy New Year !

### Important dates for your Diary:

26<sup>th</sup> January: Exhibition ends, Salisbury library.

28<sup>th</sup> January: Taking down the Exhibition ..... helpers needed!

1<sup>st</sup> February: start date for uploading entries for the SCPF Championships

28<sup>th</sup> February: Final date for uploading entries for the SCPF Championships

24<sup>th</sup> March: SCPF Championships, Hungerford.

12<sup>th</sup> May: Finals Day, Littleton

### SCPF Exhibition 2019 now open at Salisbury Library

We had a splendid turnout on 4<sup>th</sup> January for the official opening of the Exhibition by the President of the PAGB Gordon Jenkins APAGB, who was very complimentary about the high quality of the images on show. This was followed by presentations to the award winners. The Exhibition continues until 26<sup>th</sup> January.

A gallery of photos from the evening by Steve Kirkby will be available on the SCPF website. Steve is happy for clubs to use any of the images on their own websites without credit.



President Peter Rocchiccioli welcoming Gordon Jenkins.



Gordon Jenkins opening the Exhibition

## Stewards still needed for the Exhibition : final call!

At the time of issue, seven half-day sessions are not covered by stewards, so the visitors will not be able to see the PDI Exhibition or obtain catalogues, which will be a great shame after all the efforts made, and very poor for the image of the SCPF when this is our only interface with the public in the year. Please can we have a few more volunteers to fill these sessions? This can be done online, see details on the SCPF website.

## Taking down the Exhibition

The Exhibition will be taken down on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January. Once again we are asking for volunteers to assist, from 10.00am; we should be finished before lunch.

It would be really helpful if as many prints as possible are collected on the day by the clubs. If your club representative can't get along, please see if you can arrange for another club or person to collect on your behalf.

## Storage of Exhibition Frames: Urgent!

The current arrangements for storing the Exhibition frames has to come to an end at the end of the Exhibition. So, we desperately need to find a new home for these. Has anyone got some spare space in a shed or garage or the like where these can be safely stored? The frames are in storage boxes, and altogether fill a space about 4ft x 3ft x 6 ft high ( 120 x 80 cm x 180cm high) for the 12 boxes. They are heavy, so a loft space would not be suitable! If anyone is able potentially to offer some space then please contact any member of the Council, or John Hodge at [vice.president@southerncountiespf.org.uk](mailto:vice.president@southerncountiespf.org.uk) , tel 01256 771232 or 07775 630 289 to discuss. We need to have a new home for them by 28<sup>th</sup> January when the Exhibition is taken down.

## SCPF Roll of Honour: Dave Charlton



On 13<sup>th</sup> December, President Peter Rocchiccioli presented a Roll of Honour Certificate to Dave Charlton of Andover Camera Club.

Dave has been a member of Andover for over 50 years, he has done most of the committee roles in that time and has been a meeter and greeter for many years. He has always been ready to welcome and mentor new and prospective members. He is always happy to explain different aspects of photography from composition to how to present a panel of images. Dave has always got a story to tell and is always

prepared to explain how he produced an image or how to improve an image you are showing him. When a primary worker asks him to look at an image he is always positive with his response.

A well deserved award.



On 9<sup>TH</sup> January Peter attended Yateley Camera Club to present a Roll of Honour certificate to Ernie Loft LRPS. This presentation was different, however, as Peter also presented a Certificate from Yateley C.C. to recognise both Ernie and Pam Loft's dedication, help and support to the club and its members over twenty years. Pam is already on the Roll of Honour, having been nominated by her other club Wokingham and East Berkshire C.C. in 2011. Ernie and Pam Loft have been long standing members of Yateley Camera Club for well over 20 years, carrying out the duties of Internal and External Competition Secretary and have served on the club committee in the early years until 2012.

**Club Reps' meeting in February** Something special to look forward to at the Reps' meeting on 19<sup>TH</sup> February: we will be having a presentation from Epson on an 'exciting new product.' Tantalising! .... so make sure your club Rep is aware. Also at this meeting any remaining prints from the Exhibition need to be collected.

## PAGB Awards for Photographic Merit

Latest update from Leo Rich, Awards Officer:

**Leaflet Change:** The PAGB have completely reviewed Leaflet One of the Awards for Photographic Merit and, at the same time, have combined Leaflet Two (FAQ's) into it which is a very sensible move. The new leaflet is downloadable from the PAGB Website and those intending to do so should look for issue 12th December 2018.

### Watford Adjudication 23/24th November 2019

Daphne, the Awards Secretary, has again repeated that the Credit Section for this event is filling rapidly. I do know that a couple of Federations are planning Workshop/Advisory Days which is bound to fuel the demand for places. Anyone keen to enter should get in touch asap.

Note: we need to make a couple of corrections to the Awards Info on the Website following the change above and this will be done as soon as possible

## Judging Seminar for Clubs

Date: 3rd February 2019. Venue: Littleton Memorial Hall. Time: 10am – 5pm (arrival from 9:30)

SCPF would like to invite up to two people from your club to a Judging Seminar on 3rd February 2019. It is aimed at club Chairpersons and Competition Secretaries in particular, but anyone interested may attend.

As you may know, SCPF provides training for the photography judges who visit clubs in our region for competitions. Judging, along with competition itself, is probably the most talked about topic in the clubs. Whilst we have invested a lot of time and energy, for training purposes, in understanding what clubs and photographers like or don't like when it comes to appraising images, there is always room for dialogue.

So this seminar has several purposes:

- To enable us to share, with examples, the methodology we use in training
- To enable us to hear from you what you feel the issues are around judging and competition
- To enable you as photographers to understand how judging works

Hopefully this will engender a greater appreciation and understanding all round of what judging is about. The day will consist of discussion, presentation and some practical exercises using images. There will also be the opportunity, for those who wish, to try it in a safe environment.

There will be no charge, and refreshments will be provided, but we would ask that you bring your own lunches.

Please would you indicate your interest and names of interested attendees to the Judging Advisor – [judging@southerncountiespf.org.uk](mailto:judging@southerncountiespf.org.uk) by December 31st, and we will then issue full joining instructions.

## Club Directories

Eric Bennett, our Handbook Secretary, has issued a plea for clubs to please update their information, both for our website and for the next issue of the PAGB Handbook. It is of crucial importance that all the information about our clubs is always up to date, but we rely completely on the clubs to send us updates whenever things change.

*John Hodge, Editor*