



AUGUST/SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER 2021

Welcome to the August/September Newsletter. It will soon be time for the new season.

SYLLABUS 2021/22

The new season will start in September, the syllabus is almost complete and all meetings up to December 2021 will be on Zoom. As with last season, we will be sharing our Zoom program with Kirkcaldy PS and Dunfermline CC.

The first talk will be hosted by Kirkcaldy and is arranged for Monday 13th September - "Each to his own way" presented by Ian Boulton.

Our first DPA meeting has been scheduled for Tuesday 14th September and will be a members night (details to follow). Our first arranged Zoom talk will be on the 21st September; it's entitled "Chasing the Light" and will be presented by Simon Van-Orden.

The syllabus will shortly be uploaded to our website. There are likely to be amendments/updates during the season. Keep an eye on the website for alterations.

I would like to thank Linda Cooper for her hard work in preparing the syllabus.

CLUB PREMISES

The Dell Farquharson Community Centre has extended its contract as a Covid Testing Centre and will not be available to DPA until after March 2022.

Some of the arranged talks in 2022 are either not possible on the Zoom platform or the presenter has indicated that they would rather give the talk at a normal club meeting. The committee is therefore looking at alternative premises for the period from January to March 2022.

I look forward to being able to see everyone in person on a regular club night.

CLUB PROJECTOR

The club has purchased a new projector. I would like to thank Colin Joyce for his input, and our secretary David Bolton for arranging the grants and purchasing the projector. As a result of the grants from Exxon-Mobil and the Dunfermline Carnegie Trust, the projector will cost the club 60p and our treasurer Dennis Brooks has assured me that this will not break the bank.

The new projector will allow us to increase the size of DPIs for competitions to meet current SPF criteria.

CLUB COMPETITIONS 2021/22

Club competitions will be run on a similar line to last season, will be in a DPI format and split into two sections (COLOUR and MONO). The maximum size of DPIs will be increased to 1600px on the horizontal side and 1200px on the vertical side. This is in line with SPF criteria.

The hand in for the first monthly competition is 28th September.

MASTERS OF PRINT

Our secretary has the club copy of the Masters of Print catalogue for the 2020 competition. Anyone who wishes to view the catalogue should get in touch with David. I also have a personal copy.

The Masters of Print 2021 competition is now open for entries. Full details can be found on the SPF website.

LEE FILTERS

The club has joined the Lee Filters Photographic Project.

Club members who purchase Lee Filters directly from the LEEDIRECT website will be able to obtain a 10% discount by applying the code **15CCDPA** at checkout. The code can also be used, in most cases, on special deals which are already reduced in price.

In addition we will receive invites to presentations on Zoom plus copies of their newsletters. The talks are normally recorded and will be available to watch later, up to one month after the date of recording.

The last **Lee Filters Newsletter** is attached and Future **LF newsletters** and **Zoom meeting details** will be forwarded when received.

POSSIBLE CLUB OUTING in JUNE 2022

We have the possibility of arranging a club outing to photograph the Argaty Red Kites next year in mid/late June.

It is proposed that we would have sole use of the facilities (ie it will be closed to the public). We would have access to the squirrel hide and the red kite feeding in the afternoon. The Centre would also lay on the opportunity to photograph moths and damsel/dragon flies. Centre rangers/guides would be available to answer any questions.

The cost of the private hire would be £500 tbc and we would be limited to 10 participants. The individual cost for each attendee would be £50.00 tbc. You would have to bring your own lunch.

It is proposed to hold the outing on a weekend (Saturday or Sunday) , probably the 18th or 19th of June

Members who are interested should get in touch with me at goodfellow330@virginmedia.com and I will make the necessary arrangements with the centre. We will need 10 members to make the day viable. The cost of this full day is good value when compared with the cost of other photo experiences/courses.

CLUB OUTING AUGUST 2021

A club outing has been arranged for Wednesday 18th August.

The outing will be to East Lothian and we will be visiting the Dunbar harbour area, the famous bridge to nowhere at Belhaven, Seacliff Beach and Seaton Mill/Phantassie Doocot. If time permits, refreshments can be enjoyed at Smeaton Garden Centre.

We will be meeting at 09:00hrs in the Inverkeithing Park and Ride. Please bring your own packed lunch and £2:00 for the beach entrance fee. Car sharing can be arranged.

SPF COMPETITIONS

The club entered the SPF Print competition and congratulations go to David Scott who received the maximum 15 marks for two of his prints and also to Gillian Temple who received 14 marks for one of her prints.

The club has an entry in for the SPF Portfolio which is likely to be judged in late August/early September.

Thank you to all club members who have entered images to both the Print and Portfolio competitions.

AND FINALLY

I hope that you are enjoying the good summer weather, the relaxing of restrictions and have been out taking lots of photographs/images ready for the new season. I look forward to seeing everyone on Zoom in September and hope that we will all be able to meet in person in 2022.

There is a small error in the summer safari - there are two image 26s. The first image will remain number 26 and the second image (the seascape) will be numbered 26A.

The subscription for 2021/22 was agreed at the AGM and will be £25:00. The arrangements for paying the subscription will be the same as last year. Anyone who has forgotten the Clubs bank details for payment should contact the treasurer at dennis@djbrooksca.co.uk and he will gladly forward the details.

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President DPA

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