This month we welcome three more new members - David Rees-Peskett, Philip Whyte and Kirsti Brown. Please make them welcome and support and encourage them!

Some of you may have noticed that we have now - a little reluctantly - stopped taking further membership applications for the time being. To keep the Society friendly and to avoid overcrowding the hall or overwhelming our visiting judges, we set a guideline cap of 75 members which we have already reached.

We don't want to have to turn people away so we are happy to keep further potential members on a waiting list for places once they arise. With other clubs struggling to sustain their numbers, it's a nice 'problem' to have!

Jon Cowdock

TPS IN THE COMMUNITY

TPS members Marcus Scott-Taggart and Allister Frost recently helped judge a photography competition at a local school. The competition, the brainchild of fellow TPS member Jane Gautrey, invited photo submissions from the children and staff of St Mary’s School in Oxted across three categories: “Happy”, “Nature” and “Colour”. The quality and diversity of the images were high and the children really enjoyed this new photographing the world as they see it. Both Marcus and Allister commented that experiencing scenes through a child's lens gives a new perspective on the world, bringing back memories of our own playful, care-free primary school years. We’ve posted a few of the winning images on our website. Please take a look and get in touch if you think you could promote a similar initiative in your local community.

Greylag Goose © Thomas Shaw (Y5)

Snail Playing Tennis © Evie Odell (Y4)
TPS TRIPARTITE COMPETITION – 21st NOVEMBER

This is our annual friendly inter-club competition, which has been running now for many years. This year it’s TPS’s turn to host guests from Sevenoaks and Old Coulsdon Camera Clubs - unfortunately Selsdon CC have had to drop out and we welcome Old Coulsdon for the first time.

The three clubs go head-to-head, each sharing 30 of their best images (15 Prints & 15 PDI’s). With expert judge, Rosemary Wilman Hon FRPS BPES5* AFIAP APAGB, on hand to comment on and mark the entries.

TPS OUT AND ABOUT

RECENT EVENTS

Buoyed by England’s success in the Rugby World Cup semi-final and keen to dodge the predicted rain, eleven of us (including seven new members) met up in Limpsfield on 26 October for a morning’s photography. With local resident John Nathan on hand to provide expert guidance, we strolled around the village, taking in views of the churchyard, high street and woods before sheltering in the local pub just as the skies opened. See attached images of the walk; more are available on the TPS Out and about Flickr page.

FORTHCOMING EVENT - SUNDAY 17th NOVEMBER (LATE AFTERNOON / EARLY EVENING)

The first four bridges of the London Illuminated River project (https://illuminatedriver.london/) are now lit up at night. This celebrates London’s historic links with its river. At twilight, we will view and photograph London, Cannon Street, Southwark and the Millennium bridges from the Southbank (and, doubtless, much else in this thriving part of the city).

Clare Picket’s brother, John Proctor, has been commissioned to install these lights and will be coming to speak briefly to club members on Thursday 7th November about the project. Take a look at his website - https://proctorelectrical.com/

Photo © Dominic Murtagh
**FORTHCOMING EVENT CONT.**

The schedule for the evening is as follows:

- **3.30 pm - meet in Pret A Manger** (40 Stoney St, London SE1 9LB) This is on the river bank walk, about 50m west of the Golden Hinde.
- **4.00 - 6.00 pm (approx) - take photographs** of the bridges and the South Bank area. Sunset that evening is at 4.08pm. It will be crowded, so we will probably splinter into groups.
- **6.00 pm (approx) - meet again in Pret A Manger** for refreshments before heading home.

Please let Dominic know (outings@tpsinfo.org.uk) if you’d like to come along on this trip.

**Dominic**

‘Out and About’ is the name we give to outings organised on an informal basis which enable members to visit places of interest, practise their photography and spend time together (with suitable refreshment stops included).

In order to remain as inclusive as possible, we try to offer a range of outings – weekdays and weekends, daytimes and evenings, local and further afield, town and country. Where possible, there is no restriction on numbers; friends and family members are very welcome.

There is no set schedule for the year, but members are kept fully informed of forthcoming events. Members are invited to offer suggestions for outings (or even to organise them).

Outings are overseen by our ‘Out & About’ co-ordinator – Dominic Murtagh (outings@tpsinfo.org.uk)

A TPS ‘Out and About’ Flickr page exists for members to publish (and comment on) photos taken. Please take a look. You can let Dominic know if you would like to join this Flickr group.

**WHY NOT ENTER EXTERNAL PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITIONS ???**

For those of you who love putting your images into our internal competitions why stop there? How about going that step further and entering them into external competitions? You will start to build more confidence and character to your images as you learn which creative risks to take. Most importantly of all, you will develop a one-of-a-kind personal style and discover ways to let the uniqueness of your character wow an audience.

These are the forth coming competitions that TPS will be entering as a club:-

- Tripartite between three clubs - ourselves, Old Coulsdon and Sevenoaks. Date 21st November.
- Surrey Photographic Association Open and Nature prints. Date 23rd November at East Horsley Village Hall.
- SPA Open and Nature PDIs. Date 2nd May at East Horsley Village Hall.

Our entries have been selected from the high scoring images entered in our previous season’s internal competitions. We will soon be letting members know which of your prints and PDIs have been selected for these competitions and hopefully many of you will go along to support the club.

There are also some competitions that we are considering entering next year or are reading about for future years ahead:-

- SPA Rosebowl competition
- American competition – George W. Glennie Nature Salon
- The federation of South London competitions
- Keith Hunt A/V comp

Why not take the plunge and consider entering competitions as an individual? For example:-

- Photographic News competition
- SPA individual competition
- SPA biennial exhibition

Please let us know if you know of any other photographic external competitions you think TPS should consider entering. Or if you would like to enter a photographic competition in your own right we are more than happy to help you with this process.

**Carole and Clare**

External Competition secretaries.
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HANGING AROUND

'LOCAL' EXHIBITIONS
For the latest information on current and forthcoming photography exhibitions in London see:
  http://london-photography-diary.com/exhibitions/current-exhibitions

If you hear of any other 'local' Exhibitions that members may enjoy please let Steve know.

AND FINALLY – GOING VERY SMALL
The OmniVision OV6948 is an ultra-compact 1/36-inch backside-illuminated sensor that measures just 0.575mm x 0.575mm. The sensor, designed specifically for medical applications, features a resolution of 200 x 200 pixels*, a 120-degree field of view, a 30 fps framerate and 1.75 µm pixels.

It works hand-in-hand with Omnivision’s OVM6948 CameraCubeChip, a 'fully packaged, wafer-level camera module measuring [0.65mm x 0.65mm x 1.158mm],’ to open up a whole new realm of medical imaging capabilities thanks to its compact form factor and low-light capabilities thanks to Omnivision's OmniBSI technology.

* In a couple of years will it could be up to 20MP+ and who knows where it will be used then!

Thanks for reading, and happy snapping,

Steve

28th October 2019

PS Don’t forget, this is YOUR News Update, and I welcome any contributions from members. Send me your: comments, ideas, articles, events, exhibition details, etc. Send all contributions to: newsletters@tpsinfo.org.uk

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