DECEMBER 2019 NEWSLETTER

TPS CHRISTMAS QUIZ & DRINKS 12th DECEMBER
NOTE: Due to the election the venue will be the BAPTIST CHURCH HALL.

It’s time for our festive quiz, this year hosted by Dominic Murtagh and Brian Smith.

This is a fun social evening for all TPS members, with no specialist knowledge required.
Working in a small team, you’ll get to answer a selection of general knowledge questions, with (mercifully) few photography-related questions peppered in for fun.

With snacks and drinks, this is a great way to get your Christmas festivities off to a flying start!

TPS NEW MEMBER SESSIONS
Nine new members attended the final beginner/new member session on 11 November. The session concentrated on how to process images once taken and how to prepare them for competition entry. Jon introduced some basic editing tools and concepts, and also demonstrated print mounting. So look out for some entries from our new members in forthcoming competitions!

Jon Cowdock

TPS OUT AND ABOUT
RECENT EVENTS - LONDON - 17th NOVEMBER
On a cold but dry Sunday, conditions favoured the photographer. Our twilight Out and About to London was to see the new lighting installations on the Millennium, Southwark, Cannon Street, Southwark and London Bridges. Nineteen members and two guests spent a convivial early evening taking photos of this Illuminated River Project and street life on the busy south bank of the Thames.

Photo © Roger Matthews
FORTHCOMING EVENT - DECEMBER OUT AND ABOUT
Trip to Earlswood Common Lakes - Sunday 8th December (10.00am - 12.00 noon)

We will assemble at **10.00 am** at the outdoor cafe by the lakes. I can recommend the freshly made bacon sandwiches. There is ample car parking at **Earlswood Common car park** (off **Woodhatch Road, Reigate RH2 7QH**), but, if full, extra spaces can be found opposite by the allotments at Connicks Tree Care.

Lesley has kindly offered to be our guide for the day - she suggests that we can walk around and photograph the two lakes and nature reserve. Keep your eyes open for kingfishers, Canada and Egyptian geese and a variety of ducks.

We will meet again at the cafe at **12.00 noon**. From there, some may wish to head home while others may prefer a brisk 10 minute walk northwards across the common to **The Plough pub** (**Church Rd, Redhill RH1 6QE**) for more refreshments in the warm.

Nearer the time, I will provide final details, together with more information on the area.

Please let Dominic know (**outings@tpsinfo.org.uk**) if you'd like to come along on this trip. Friends and family members are, of course very welcome.

**Dominic**
**TPS OUT AND ABOUT Cont.**

‘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](mailto: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.

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**SPA INTER-CLUB PRINT CHAMPIONSHIPS**

The Surrey Photographic Association's Inter-Club Open Print and Nature Print Championships were held on Saturday 23rd November 2019.

The Judges this year were: **Glyn Edmunds** APSA EPSA EFIAP/g ARPS APAGB DPAGB ABIPP AMPA, **Trevor Davenport** ARPS DPAGB BPE5* and **Mike Edwards** ARPS DPAGB/AV ABPE.

**OPEN PRINTS** – The **winners** were **Godalming Photographic Club**, 2nd were **Bookham Camera Club** and 3rd **Windlesham & Camberley Camera Club**. **Tandridge were 14th** of the 21 Clubs who entered. See: [http://tinyurl.com/yx32e5r2](http://tinyurl.com/yx32e5r2) for the full score sheet.

TPS’s highest print, scored 13 (out of a possible 15). Well done to **Sarah Bedwell** LRPS for Shades of winter. Closely followed with a score of 12 by: **Jon Cowdock** LRPS - Heading for home, **Marie-Ange Bouchard** ARPS CPAGB - Proper Gander & **Mike Barker** – Platforms.

**NATURE PRINTS** - The winners were **Molesey Photographic Club**, 2nd= **Ludshott Photographic Club** and **Mid Sussex Camera Club**. **Tandridge were 11th** of the 18 clubs who entered. See: [http://tinyurl.com/uj3eaes](http://tinyurl.com/uj3eaes) for the full score sheet.

In the Nature Print category congratulations to the following with scores of 12: **Geoff Spriegel** for White Pelican, Greece and Leopard, Serengeti, **Jeff Vianna** for Juvenile Starling.

Images from the top three clubs in both competitions along with the Best Image and Judge's Choice will be available via the links on the SPA website at: [http://tinyurl.com/smwhf4x](http://tinyurl.com/smwhf4x) soon.

We mustn’t forget all our members who had prints entered into this competition, as they have consistently scored highly from judges throughout our selection process.

Thank you to those TPS members who came to support on the day. We were made very welcome and our participation was noted.

Our next external competition will be the SPA biennial exhibition at Guildford. It will be fabulous for TPS members to individually enter. More details to follow for deadline of 31st January.

**Carole & Clare**

External Competition secretaries
THE ARENA SEMINAR 2020

Arena is pleased to announce details of the 2020 Arena Seminar, bookings the Arena Seminar 2020 are Now Open. The Seminar has become established as a major weekend event in the photographic calendar.

2020 Seminar dates: Friday 6th to 8th March 2020 at the Riviera Hotel, Burnaby Road, Alum Chine, Bournemouth, BH4 8JF

The Seminar brings together a first-class group of speakers and photography enthusiasts for a weekend of lectures, discussion and the opportunity to share inspirational photography.

This year we are pleased to announce another excellent line-up of speakers: Tim Smith, Steve Bloom, Chloe Dewe Mathews, David Gibson, Leigh Preston and Paul Foley.

To see full details of the Seminar and to book your place please visit the Arena Seminar 2020 page on our website where you will also find links to download booking forms and a seminar timetable.

In addition to the lectures we will be running the hugely popular ‘Print Walk’ where guests can show their work to other delegates. The seminar will also feature the well-received ‘Arena Print Raffle’.

We are pleased to be returning to The Riviera Hotel, Burnaby Road, Alum Chine, Bournemouth, BH4 8JF once more where we can look forward to the excellent service and facilities that we have enjoyed on previous seminars (the screen will be back in its’ usual position so that all delegates can see).

Please note that places for the seminar are limited and the seminar is regularly sold-out well in advance, so please book early to avoid disappointment!

For booking form an event timetable see: http://arenaphotographers.com/arena-seminar-2020/

THIS YEAR’S SPEAKERS

TIM SMITH
A freelance documentary photographer and writer, Tim is a member of Panos Pictures, the London-based photo agency that represents photojournalists worldwide. Covering northern England for The Observer throughout the 1990s, he has for the past 20 years concentrated on self-initiated long term projects and commissions. This has led to the publication of twelve books and many exhibitions across the UK and internationally. www.panos.co.uk/photographer/tim-smith

STEVE BLOOM
Steve swapped his successful career in the graphic arts industry to become an international travelling photographer in the early 90s. Having been brought up in South Africa much of his award winning work concentrates on the cultures, colours and wildlife of the African continent. He is a prolific author and exhibitor, and one of many highlights has been his major outdoor exhibition ‘Spirit of the Wild’, seen in eleven European cities by over 1.4 million visitors. www.stevebloomphoto.com

CHLOE DEWE MATHEWS
Since graduating in Fine Art from Oxford University, Chloe has dedicated herself to ambitious and long-term documentary projects covering a diverse range of subject matter. As well as solo exhibitions at Tate Modern and the British Library, her projects have been exhibited in several major international cities. Her most recent book ‘Caspian: The Element’ records her journey around the Caspian Sea and its neighbouring countries. www.chloedewemathews.com

DAVID GIBSON
A street photographer for over 30 years, David is a founder member of In-Public, the international collective of street photographers. His work is published and exhibited widely and he is commissioned by some of the UK’s leading design groups. Additionally, he is a teacher and writer on photography and his books include best selling ‘The Street Photographer’s Manual’, published by Thames and Hudson. www.dgibsonphotography.co.uk

LEIGH PRESTON
Chairman of Arena for a total of 12 years, Leigh has devoted much of his life to photography – organising, teaching, mentoring and leading workshops. A master printer, his own work is epitomised by images of gritty industrial areas and dramatic wilderness landscapes. This work has been the subject of two books, ‘Shadows of Change’ and ‘Five Essays’. A double Fellow of the RPS, he also served on the distinctions panels for many years. www.leighpreston.co.uk

PAUL FOLEY
Paul’s distinctive landscape images focus on pattern, structure, texture, and the often-overlooked detail found in nature. He shares his photographic vision through a series of residential workshops and has held four solo exhibitions of his intimate landscape work. He holds two RPS Fellowships and served on the RPS distinctions panels for many years. Since 2007, he has organised the programme of speakers for this Seminar. http://arenaphotographers.com/portfolio-items/paul-foley
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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.

THE SOCIETIES 2020 LONDON PHOTO CONVENTION & TRADE SHOW
All photographers from professionals to enthusiasts are welcome to attend our Convention and/or Trade Show. Put the dates in your diary now! Both Societies' members and non-members are welcome.

Full Convention: Wednesday 22nd - Saturday 25th January 2020
FREE* Trade Show Dates: Thursday 23rd - Saturday 25th January 2020

Venue: Novotel London West, Hammersmith

The 2020 Convention is a veritable feast of education, with four days of action packed programmes designed to help you put your imagery ahead of the game. The three day Trade Show spanning the Thursday to Saturday is a gathering of the who's who in the photographic industry, with the 'big guns' present and eager to show you the latest in technology and design.

*Pre-register before 6 January 2020 for FREE and avoid £10 entry fee to Trade Show.
See: https://thesocieties.net/convention for all the details of exhibitors and speakers and to book you free ticket for the trade show

Thanks for reading, and happy snapping,

Steve

27th November 2019

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

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