

# **Croydon CC Newsletter – 10 January 2021**

## **Chairman's Viewpoint**

As I mentioned in last week's newsletter and at our first meeting of the year, our club has started a "Photo-a-Month" challenge for 2021. The idea is simple, that we all share with each other one photo which we have taken every month. It does not have to be a competition standard image, just a shot which you enjoy. It is not solely an opportunity to maintain or improve our photography skills, it is a reason to use our cameras for the hobby we love. Whether it be around our homes or as part of our daily routine, there is always something to photograph.

More significantly, the act of creating imagery is therapeutic, a way to help boost our wellbeing and mental health. It is a positive act of self care which is more important than ever in these times. I hope everyone will want to participate and benefit from the experience.

We will share the images on our club forum for which you will need to be registered, which is straightforward. The link is in the blue band at top right. If you have already joined but forgotten your password, it is possible to reset it. Upload your images at this link:

<http://forums.croydoncameraclub.org.uk/viewforum.php?f=11>

We are now looking for images to include in our panel for our forthcoming competition with the Malta Institute of Professional Photography (MIPP) and I would like to see contributions from as many members as possible. It does not have to be new work; the only eligibility criterion is that the shot was not used for our previous match with MIPP last July. So, go through your archives and submit up to four of your favourite images via PhotoEntry by 25 January.

Finally, congratulations to those members who received a top mark of 10 in last week's DPI competition. Bett Atherton (2), Jack Bates, Steve Brooker, Wally Conquy, Frank Edwards and Iggy Tavares. Well done, everyone.

## **Club Matters**

### **13 January 2021 – "Underwater Photography" with David Keep**

David Keep ARPS DPAGB FBPE AFIAP is another presenter from further afield whom we would not normally see. His talk about a genre of photography which few of us will have the opportunity to experience and comes well recommended from those who have already seen this presentation.

### **20 January 2021 – Master Competition**

Our annual competition for a panel of three images, with marks awarded out of 10 for each image and out of 20 for the panel. With a possible maximum score of 50, the trophy will go the member with the highest set of marks. The judge is Marie-Ange Bouchard and entries close at midnight on **16 January 2021**.

### **Links for PhotoEntry and Instructions**

<https://compent.photoentry.uk/compent/>

<http://croydoncameraclub.org.uk/WebSiteArchive/PhotoEntryGuidance.pdf>

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