EAST ANGLIAN FEDERATION OF PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETIES





EDITORIAL

We've got lots of great images in this edition of the Bulletin, including the winning shots from the recent EAF PDI Championship. We've also got a selection from Beyond Group's entry to the FIAP World Cup and images from some of the recent successful APM submissions from Club members within the EAF. The Member Club profile this time features Ampthill & DCC that won the Cambridge Digital Interclub competition in January. With Spring coming and Covid restrictions at an end I think all of this work will inspire all of us to get out there with our cameras. Our new President, Vic Hainsworth, has written his first article for the Bulletin and there is also an article by Colin Westgate of Colchester PS on Vic's recent award of APAGB for Meritorious Service.

We have advertisements for three EAF events this year - the Annual Exhibition, the APM Advisory Day and the Judges' Workshop so put these in your diary now. Enjoy the Bulletin

Nick Akers ARPS BPE3

Cover photograph: 'Alert Gannet' by Judith Wells CPAGB of North Norfolk PS. This was one of the images in Judith's recent successful CPAGB submission.

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PRESIDENT'S PIECE

What a few weeks it has been for me: firstly, my receiving an APAGB (the PAGB Award for 'Meritorious Service') from Colin Birch, then President of the EAF. The citation had been collated and written by Colin Westgate, FRPS, MPAGB, MFIAP, APAGB with help from Naomi Saul, ARPS, EFIAP, DPAGB, APAGB for which I thank them both most sincerely. It came as a total surprise, but I am very honoured and pleased to receive it. Secondly, there was my installation as the 51st President of our Federation at the AGM on February 13th which was something I never expected to happen when I joined the Executive in 2013. Another great honour and thanks to the Executive

Committee for the nomination. I would like to pass on my sincere thanks to the retiring President, Colin Birch LRPS DPAGB BPE3* and to his wife Sheila, who has supported him in his duties. It was a challenging two years for Colin as for much of his tenure we were in lock-down and not meeting in person. Most of the usual Federation events were cancelled so he was unable to visit clubs and meet the membership. However, he worked diligently and digitally to lead the committee in their efforts to keep EAF business on track during the pandemic.

The Executive Committee decided to go ahead with a live 2022 AGM and PDI Championship which, in present circumstances, were both reasonably well supported. It was good to meet up with friends who we haven't been able see over the past two years. Club entries were slightly down on previous years (to be expected in the present circumstances). Congratulations go to the Beyond Group for winning and taking the Championship Cup (again) and to Photographic Imaging Co-operative (PICO) as runners up. Equal 3rd place was shared between Cambridge CC and Wayland & DPC. A more detailed report from Colin is elsewhere in this Bulletin. By the time you read this the Print Championship will be less than a week away. Hopefully, we will get a few more members attending (within the limits allowed at Fulbourn). Finally, I would like to welcome to

the Executive Committee three new members who have joined us: Jim Bennett from Bottisham & Cambridge CC, Julie Hutson ARPS, DPAGB from Brentwood & DPC and Hugh Spence CPAGB, EFIAP from Biggleswade & DCC.

I am looking forward to my stint as President and am aware we have some challenges ahead, not least to find a new Treasurer for 2023. I hope that events being put on for affiliated clubs will be well supported and hope to meet many more of you in the coming two years.

Vic Hainsworth, ARPS DPAGB APAGB

GENERAL SECRETARY

With great relief it was possible for the Federation 2022 AGM to go ahead live. The pandemic was still very much in our minds as numbers in the hall had to be limited to ensure we could meet social distancing regulations. However, with diminished numbers in the hall, the business of the meeting was carried out seamlessly.

This was an important year as we saw the change of President. Colin Birch, who took over the Presidency in 2020, immediately prior to the onset of the pandemic, had no idea that his term of office would be so different to any in recent history. So now we welcome Vic Hainsworth to the Presidential role. Not to be outdone Vic will continue as APM Secretary during his Presidential term so any enquiries relating to the APMs should still be passed to him. The pandemic seems to have taken its toll on a number of our smaller clubs and at the AGM I reported that six had resigned their membership of the Federation in the past year and unfortunately another has left us since. Good news is that for the first time in two years we welcome a new club. For details see elsewhere in this Bulletin.

I'm looking forward to meeting more of you in person in the coming year as our activities return to normal.

Sue Dobson CPAGB APAGB

CHAMPIONSHIP SECRETARY

EAF Inter-Club PDI Championship -13th February 2022

It was a very different PDI Championship this year compared to what we normally have but nevertheless, it was great to be back after the cancellations of last year. We were very limited by the Covid restrictions, so we only had about 50 people in the hall at Fulbourn rather than the 150 we've managed before, but the numbers were boosted by 43 on Zoom. We will have to make some improvements to the Zoom experience for the Print Championship, though. Twenty-nine clubs took part and after the 15 images from each were shown in Round 1, the top 11 clubs progressed to Round 2 and a further 10 images were shown. The judges were Jean Brooks EFIAP/b BPE2*, Glyn Edmunds ARPS APSA EPSA EFIAP/g and Sue Wilson ARPS DPAGB, all of whom who braved the weather on the Sunday morning. This year we had clear winners and the results were:

- Winning club gaining the EAF Trophy – Beyond Group
- Runner up club gaining the Eric Saul Memorial Trophy – Photographic Imaging Co-operative (PICO)
- Third placed clubs receiving certificates Cambridge CC and Wayland & DPC

The judges selected the following images as their personal choices and their joint choice as the best image in the Championship, so congratulations to all:

- Best PDI of the Championship: 'Polar Bear Family Resting' by June Sparham of Welwyn Garden City PC
- Personal selection of Jean Brooks:

'The Family Seat' by Marcia Mellor of Beyond Group

- Personal selection of Glyn Edmunds: 'Valley View in Winter' by Justin Minns of Beyond Group
- Personal selection of Sue Wilson: 'Blackbird Tossing Back a Pink Berry' by Alec Fraser of Chelmsford CC My thanks to everyone who helped to make the day possible – the clubs and their Competition Secretaries,

the Executive Committee, their spouses and other helpers and of course the three judges.

EAF Inter-Club Print Championship -13th March 2022

If you are lucky you may just be in time to buy tickets for the Print Championship, either at Fulbourn or via Zoom. This should be another good day so fill in an application form from the EAF website and email it to championshipsec@eaf.org.uk.

PAGB Inter-Club PDI Championship in Warwick, 16th July 2022

Following the PDI Championship, Beyond Group and PICO have been invited to represent the EAF at the PAGB Inter-Club PDI Championship to be held in Warwick in July. It is a good event, and our representatives would welcome some support. Tickets need to be bought in advance from the PAGB website.

Colin Birch LRPS DPAGB BPE3*

'Polar Bear Family Resting' by June Sparham of Welwyn Garden City PC which was selected as Best Image of the Championship.





'The Family Seat' by Marcia Mellor of Beyond Group which was the personal selection of Jean Brooks.





Above: 'Valley View in Winter' by Justin Minns of Beyond Group which was the selection of Glynn Edwards.

Left: 'Blackbird Tossing Back a Pink Berry' by Alec Fraser of Chelmsford CC which was the personal selection of Sue Wilson

CLUB CONTACT CHANGES

New Club : **Dunmow PC** Venue: St Mary's Room, Dunmow CM6 2AD Secretary: Sue Couling suecouling@btinternet.com New Club Secretary: Bungay CC Secretary: Sue Grief suegrief@btinternet.com

PA EXECUTIVE MEMBER

I attended the January meeting of the PAGB Executive at Warwick. The PAGB Treasurer gave his report, stating that the finance sub committee had agreed and recommended that the annual subscription be maintained at £32/club. The budget for 2023 was presented but with the caveat that this was prepared assuming we would be having a 'normal year'.

Insurance

All Federation representatives were asked to remind all clubs that as face to face meetings are starting to return, clubs should make sure that their PLI insurance is up to date.

PAGB Handbook

The Handbook Secretary reported that the Handbook had been printed and was in the process of being packed up and despatched to the Federation representatives. (See also my Handbook Secretary report).

e news

e news continued to be published and has reached 300 editions. The editor again asked that instead of clubs forwarding the e news they should encourage individual club members to sign up for their own copy.

Awards

Since the last meeting there was one nomination for APAGB which was recommended to the Executive and unanimously approved.

PAGB Judges

Three new judges were added to the PAGB list of approved Judges these are Carol McNiven Young FRPS DPAGB FIAP/b BPE5*, Vincent Scothern DPAGB EFIAP BPE5* PPSA, both from the North and East Midlands Photographic Federation, and Paul Radden DPAGB EFIAP/s PSA4* from the East Anglian Federation.

PDI Championship

For those that like to keep diaries in advance the PDI Championship will be held in Warwick for at least the next three years and the dates are as follows Saturday 16th July 2022, Saturday 15th July 2023 and Saturday 13th July 2024.

GB Cup and Trophy

The PAGB Trophy was judged on 22nd January 2022 and the GB Cup judging was concluded on 26th January 2022.

The GB Trophy had 833 prints submitted by 27 clubs. The winning club was Rolls Royce Derby PS.

The GB Cup had 3449 PDIs submitted by 90 clubs. The open section was won by Nottingham and Notts PS and the Nature section by Rolls Royce Derby PS.

FIAP

The FIAP liaison officer is in the process of dealing with 120 applications for FIAP awards.

Paul Radden DPAGB EFIAP/s PSA4*



Some of the successful APM applicants were presented with their certificates at the EAF AGM. L to R: Judith Wells CPAGB from North Norfolk PS, Carole Harvey CPAGB from Rushden & DPS, Stephen DeHavilland CPAGB from Melbourn & DPC, Vic Hainsworth ARPS, DPAGB, APAGB, Federation President, Diane Le Count CPAGB from Bishops Stortford CC and finally, Gillian Steyn DPAGB BPE3* PPSA of Photographic Imaging Co-operative (PICO).



APOLOGY - In the December 2021 edition of the Bulletin 'Unloading the Marit Maersk' by Graham Frost LRPS CPAGB BPE3* was included in the article on Wayland & DPC. Unfortunately the gremlins got at the image and it was cropped. My apologies to the author. I'm pleased to reproduce it in full. Ed.



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ANNUAL EXHIBITION

2022

PRINTS AND PROJECTED IMAGES

at WINGFIELD BARNS,

CHURCH ROAD, WINGFIELD, EYE SUFFOLK, IP21 5RA

SATURDAY 30th APRIL 2022 to SUNDAY 15th MAY 2022

(INCLUDING WEEKENDS AND BANK HOLIDAY MONDAY – 2nd MAY – BUT EXCLUDING MONDAY 9th AND TUESDAYS)

OPENING TIMES - 11.00 hrs. to 16.00 hrs.

- TO THE FINAL DAY - SUNDAY 15th MAY - WHEN IT WILL CLOSE AT **13.00 hours** – to allow dismantling during the afternoon.

OFFICIAL OPENING AND PRESENTATION OF AWARDS BY OUR FEDERATION PRESIDENT VIC HAINSWORTH ARPS DPAGB APAGB

SATURDAY 30th APRIL 2022 at 14.00 hrs. FOLLOWED BY PROJECTION OF ACCEPTED DIGITAL IMAGES



Sunday 6th November 2022, 9.30am - 5.00pm for new judges and a refresher/promotion group for existing judges

Foxton Village Hall, Hardman Road, Foxton, Cambridgeshire CB22 6RN

> Application form available from Judges Secretary, Jonathan Vaines email : JudgesSec@eaf.org.uk

VIC HAINSWORTH'S APAGB

I am delighted to announce that Vic Hainsworth has been awarded the PAGB distinction of APAGB. The letters signify 'Award for Meritorious Service' and are in recognition of services over many years within the PAGB community of member Federations and affiliated clubs. Vic's service to photography lies in three main areas - to his club, Colchester; to judging at clubs throughout the EAF and beyond; and in his service to the EAF and PAGB, mainly through his enthusiastic promotion of the APM (Awards for Photographic Merit) scheme.

Colchester PS

Vic joined Colchester PS (then known as Colchester & District CC) in 1973, some 48 years ago. He soon found himself on the committee, taking on various offices, including the Presidency, which he has held on three separate occasions, the last being from 2010 until the present time. In the early/mid 2000's, the Society went through a bad spell with a much lower membership than that of today and it was largely through Vic's commitment and determination, helped by a few other dedicated members, that it survived. Since then, the Society has gone from strength to strength and it is now one of the largest clubs in the EAF.

• EAF Judging

Vic has been involved with judging at Clubs since 2000/01, and his over 20 years of service as a premier judge has been of huge benefit to clubs in the EAF and their members.

• PAGB Awards for Photographic Merit (CPAGB, DPAGB, MPAGB)

Vic has always been a keen supporter of EAF events and at the instigation of Naomi Saul, he was elected to the EAF Committee as the EAF PAGB Awards Secretary in 2013. He has undertaken that role with immense enthusiasm and has encouraged numerous successful applicants from members of EAF clubs. This he has achieved by arranging regular advisory meetings, where those interested in applying for the distinctions were able to submit work for review and guidance by experienced members from EAF clubs.

In summary, Vic has been a tireless and selfless member of Colchester PS, the EAF and the PAGB over many years. He is now the President of the EAF. He is also an ARPS and DPAGB. I can think of no one more deserving to have been honoured with the distinction APAGB.

The presentation of Vic's Certificate and badge was made by the then EAF President, Colin Birch, at a meeting of Colchester PS on 4th January.

Colin Westgate FRPS MFIAP MPAGB Colchester PS



L to R: Colin Birch LRPS DPAGB BPE3*, Vic Hainsworth ARPS DPAGB APAGB and Naomi Saul ARPS EFIAP DPAGB APAGB

HANDBOOK SECRETARY

Copies of the new 2022-2023 PAGB Handbook were sent to all Club Secretaries, Judges and Lecturers by the 25th January within a week of receipt from the printers. This will be the last PAGB Handbook to be printed. The PAGB will be moving to an on line version after 2023. I must apologise to Nick and Liz Akers as their details on page 25 should read Nick Akers ARPS BPE3* and Liz Akers ARPS BPE3*.

If further copies are required by any club please contact me at Handbook-Sec@eaf.org.uk. The cost for these will be £8 including post and packing.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

13th March 2022 EAF Print Championship

30th April - 15th May 2022 EAF Annual Exhibition (See opening times on page 9)

4th September 2022 PAGB Distinctions Advisory Day

6th November 2022 EAF Judges Workshop

Paul Radden DPAGB, EFIAP/s, PSA4*

FIAP WORLD CUP SUCCESS

The Beyond Group entered the 16th FIAP World Cup this year and they came third. First place going to Italian club, Cuppolone, second to UK club, Wigan 10.

The three judges came from New Zealand, Finland and India. What a fabulous result for such a small group of dedicated photographers. Beyond Group has only 15 members but each and every one is active and progressive. The aim of the group is to push their photography to another level. Unfortunately membership is capped in order to keep sight of these goals and also not to have to move to bigger premises. We don't compete with one another but analyse each other's work with a critical eye, which obviously works. 14 of the 20 images entered will be printed and displayed in Paris where a presentation of awards will be given. The Beyond Group will be awarded a Silver medal.

Barbie Lindsay Beyond Group

Two of Beyond Group's successful entry in the FIAP World Cup. Right: 'Box of Bulldogs - French' by Marcia Mellor. Below: 'The Experiment That Went Wrong' by Barbie Lindsay.







APM SUCCESSES

Images from some of the successful Credit and Distinction submissions at the November 2021 adjudication are reproduced on the next three pages.

Left: 'Little Bee-Eater Sallying' by June Sparham DPAGB of Welwyn Garden PC.

Right: 'A message for the bottle' by Gillian Steyn DPAGB, BPE3* PPSA of PICO.





Left: 'The Salisbury Arts Centre' by Desmond King ARPS CPAGB of Buxton PC.

Right: 'Heron and Buzzard Confrontation' by Stephen DeHavilland CPAGB of Melbourn & DPC.



Right: - Blue-tailed' Damselflies' by Diane Le Court CPAGB of Bishops Stortford CC.





Left: 'Duchess' by Carole Harvey CPAGB BPE1 of Rushton & DPS.*

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Left: 'Ivy' by Jo Kelly CPAGB BPE3* QGP QPSA of March CC.

Below: 'Lesser Yellowlegs with water trail' by Judith Wells CPAGB of North Norfolk PS.





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AWARDS FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC MERIT (APM) ADVISORY DAY



Images from recent successful CPAGB entries

The EAF is hosting an APM Advisory Day supported by the PAGB

Foxton Village Hall, Hardman Road, Foxton, Cambridge, CB22 6RN. on Sunday, 4th September 2022, 10.00am – 5.00pm

Foxton is situated south west of Cambridge, five miles from the M11 at junction10. The centre is fully accessible for the disabled.

The advisory day will be led by Rod Wheelans with other members of the PAGB APM Team.

In the morning they will clearly explain the various PAGB Photographic Awards and the standard of work necessary to achieve the CPAGB, DPAGB and MPAGB awards. In the afternoon delegates will get the opportunity to have an initial panel of work assessed to give an overview of their current standard, plus guidance about which level they might aim for and what they will need to do to achieve this.

The cost of the event, including light refreshments, will be £18.00 for those requiring assessments and £10.00 for observers. (Please note that lunches are not available at the venue). Numbers will be limited and the event is likely to be popular so an early application is recommended. A completed application form, together with your cheque payable to EAF, should be sent to: Vic Hainsworth ARPS, DPAGB, APAGB 5 Magazine Farm Way, Lexden, Colchester, Essex CO3 4ER. E-mail: AwardsOfficer@eaf.org.uk Applications to be received by no later than Monday, 22nd August 2022.

CLUB PROFILE AMPTHILL & DCC

Ampthill & District Camera Club was founded in 1986, is based in Bedfordshire. It currently has 54 members, consisting of full, associate and friend membership categories. We are an informal, friendly club with an emphasis on enjoying our photography. Our programme sub-committee works hard to provide a variety of activities for 35 weeks of the year. Prior to the pandemic, we met weekly on Thursday evenings from early September to early July in Millbrook Village Hall. Since March



Images from Ampthill CC members.

Above: 'Boats at Anchor' by James Marson. Right: 'Drink Me' by Lee Odell.

2020 we have met via Zoom and are pleased to have been able to maintain a full programme with good attendance. We even recruited four new members during this period. The programme reflects members' feedback through a survey held every 2-3 years. It includes presentations by members and external speakers, skills evenings, field trips, as well as seven competitions which are critiqued by external judges and two which are judged by members. Topics for the competitions are challenging, great fun, and have the potential to move members out of their 'comfort zones', for example, Complementary Colours, Celebration, Intimate



Landscape, as well as Open competitions. Our skills officer offers oneto-one support, small group support and mentoring as well as facilitating member participation evenings. Various members engage with local organisations to photograph local events. We have two social events each year – in summer and at Christmas. Our endeavours culminate in an annual exhibition which has previously been held in a local hall, but for the last two years took place virtually. As a club we take part in and host competitions with local clubs. Individual members enter national and international competitions and salons. We were delighted to win the Cambridge Digital Interclub Competi-



Right: 'Hebridean Dunes' by Richard Burn LRPS CPAGB. Below: 'Osteria La Zucca' by Angela Dunn.



tion in January.

We look forward to a challenging, changing and uncertain future that will require new ways of working as a 'new normal' emerges. Virtual meetings via Zoom have afforded opportunities, for example, being able to use speakers from a wider geographical range, as well as maintaining contact with former members who have moved away from the area. At the time of writing, we hope to be able to meet in person more frequently, while retaining a 'hybrid' approach.

David Hallworth Chairman, Ampthill & DCC





Top: 'Old Jug' by Helen Castle. Below: 'Proud Mum' by Katrina Wilson LMPA.