

# Croydon Camera Club Newsletter – 29 March 2020

## Chairman's Viewpoint

Later this week our club will have its first ever virtual meeting when we hold the 4<sup>th</sup> round of the DPI competition via videoconference. Details were in my last newsletter, so I will not repeat them. There is also a thread on the forum where members can make observations and suggestions. I would particularly draw your attention to this post, which describes how I envisage the meeting will run:

<http://forums.croydoncameraclub.org.uk/viewtopic.php?f=2&t=3425&start=10#p15355>

We shall shortly be appearing in Amateur Photographer magazine's "Join the Club" feature. Currently it is scheduled for the issue dated 25 April 2020 which will be on sale for a week from Tuesday, 21 April. I will be the first to admit that the timing could be better. A lot better. When I met the editor, Nigel Atherton, in mid-December and he agreed to publish the article to coincide with our 130<sup>th</sup> anniversary, no one outside of a few doctors in Wuhan had ever heard of Covid-19. And let's be honest. Who had heard of Wuhan, either? How quickly and dramatically the World has changed in the interim.

Given its relatively modest circulation and niche interest, the magazine is not widely sold outside of larger retail chains such as WH Smith, many of which are now closed. I did try, without success, to order a copy of this week's issue from my local newsagent. The easiest way to obtain a printed copy of the edition with our article might be to take out a subscription. There is currently a trial offer of six copies for £6. It will be necessary to apply in the next day or so while the offer is still available and to allow for the distributor's lead times. There is no obligation to continue the subscription beyond the trial period.

See this post on the forum for further details:

<http://forums.croydoncameraclub.org.uk/viewtopic.php?f=2&t=3353&start=10#p15349>

Finally, there was not space in my last newsletter to congratulate Bett Atherton, Jack Bates, Steve Brooker, David Beard and Iggy Tavares who scored a maximum 10 marks in the 3<sup>rd</sup> round of our print competition on 11 March. Well done to you all.

## Club Matters

### DPI Competition 4<sup>th</sup> Round – 1 April 2020

This competition is now open in PhotoEntry for entries, with a closing date of midnight on Monday 30 March 2020. The judge will be Rob Bonfield. This will be a videoconference. Look out for your invitation to the meeting in your e-mail.

### Links for PhotoEntry and Instructions

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

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

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