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Welcome to a new year and I hope that this one is better than last year.

I would like to welcome our new member Matthew Groves to the club. I would also like to welcome Allan Petrie back into the fold.

I hope everyone has enjoyed the Zoom meetings, either live on the night or via the recordings we have on line. The talk on 10/02/2021 (yes it is a Wednesday) by Guy Edwardes will not be recorded - we do not have permission to record the talk so you will have to watch this one "live". It should be a good evening.

We have enjoyed some superb talks on a variety of different subjects. Most of the Zoom meetings have been recorded and are available as unlisted videos on our Your Tube platform. Links are shown on the Syllabus recently forwarded to members by Linda Cooper.

The 2020 SPF DPI, Colour and Mono Prints Portfolio videos will be taken down at the beginning of February 2021. You only have a few days left to view them.

We are in the process of upgrading our web page and moving it to our own web space. Ian Monk has been working hard to set up the new website and transfer over the existing material. Further information will be provided towards the end of February along with the new links. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Ian Monk for his hard work and to Peter Stanford for his previous work in maintaining and hosting the old site.

The YouTube links to the Zoom meetings will also be available on the new website in the members password protected section.

The Committee had their first look at the new website on Wednesday and it is looking good and more user friendly.

The Dell Farquharson Community Centre has been converted into a Covid Testing Centre and will not be available for club meetings for the foreseeable future. We will therefore be planning next season to be continued on the Zoom platform at least up to the end of December 2021.

The entry date for the third Monthly Competition is 09/02/2021 and Mike Dunn will soon be looking for entries. He has distributed, via Linda Cooper, details of the

requirements for labelling entries. Please read them and use the letter “M” in the title to indicate that the image is monochrome and the letter “C” for colour images.

The Inter Fife competition will be an all DPI event this year. Mike Dunn will be looking for entries for both Mono and Colour DP Images. Images can be up to 1600 x 1200 pixels (the same as for the SPF DPI Championship). Full details will be forwarded by Mike Dunn.

The winter Safari is now open and it should still be possible, despite the current restrictions, to take the photos in the park and Dunfermline town centre. Please follow the guidelines on social distancing etc. Please note that the “greenhouse” (Photo 12) is the Glasshouse”.

I am now on the SPF Executive Committee and can report on the following items which affect the club’s participation in SPF events:-

1. The SPF DPI Championship has now been held and judged with the results yet to be announced. A provisional date has been set for a Zoom meeting to announce the results. Mike will provide details at a later stage.

2. The SPF Print Championship has been postponed because of the current position with regard to Covid Restrictions. The entry date is likely to be at the end of March. Any prints entered must be unmounted and on A3 paper (the image can be A4 or any other size but it must be submitted on A3 paper). Further details will be provided when the competition details have been finalised.

I am aware that David Bolton is considering entering and if anyone else is interested in submitting mono or colour prints, please let Mike Dunn/David Bolton know.

3. Entry for the SPF Portfolios have also been delayed this year and it is not yet known whether there will be a print section. It is hoped that the prints sections will go ahead on an unmounted A3 basis. It is likely that entry dates will be after the finish of the current season.

Kind Regards

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