

Kirriemuir Photography Club Season 2021/2022 Syllabus

Meetings start at 7.30pm

2021

Sep

- 1st - Opening Meeting -
Pay fees - preview season - show summer challenge images -
mount cutting/framing demo - set September challenge
- 15th - Guest Speaker Margaret Soraya - confirmed
- 29th - Workshop demo - tbc
September challenge image share + outing photos
Set October challenge

Oct

- 13th - Members Night -
1st, 2nd, 3rd Division + POTY/DOTY winners discuss their competition
images
- 27th - Workshop demo - Mini Panel/Portfolio construction
October challenge image share + outing photos
Set Nov/Dec challenge
Open Competition submission date

Nov

- 10th - Guest speaker Andy Hall - confirmed
- 24th - Open Competition - Judge David Watson confirmed

Dec

- 8th - Christmas Quiz
Deadline for KO competition submissions

2022

Jan

- 5th - KO Competition
- 19th - Open Competition review and discussion
Nov/Dec challenge image share + outing photos
Set Feb/Mar challenge
Themed Competition submission date “Empty Spaces, Abandoned Places”

Feb

- 2nd - Guest speaker Jeremy Walker - confirmed
- 16th - Competition - “Empty Spaces, Abandoned Places” - Judge Stewart Dodd confirmed

Mar

- 2nd - Workshop - tbc
Members night - Themed Competition review and discussion
POTY/DOTY competition submission date
- 16th - Members night - Mini Panel/Portfolio + 5 minutes of fame
Feb/Mar challenge image share
- 30th - POTY & DOTY Competition Judge David Hay confirmed

Apr

- 13th - AGM
- 20th - Annual Awards

Monthly Challenges -

We will be setting regular challenge topics, single subjects or a multiple challenge, for members to go out and photograph. For the first two of these will be a 4 week challenge period, a little bit longer over the winter period. The idea is for everyone to share what they're shooting on a regular basis and to talk about where, when, how and why. These would also be good opportunities to highlight topics for workshops or demonstrations.

Members Nights -

Competition Winners Discussion-

Last years' competition division winners and print/digital of the year winners will (hopefully) talk briefly about one of their winning or highly marked images - where, when and how for example. The rest of us can ask questions on techniques, camera craft, and discuss what impact the images had on us.

Competition Review/Discussion -

We want to try something new for this season. In some previous competitions our judges' comments have sparked some lively debates. Unfortunately we haven't had time set aside to expand on them so this time around we've decided to have a proper discussion. We're not setting out to tear down the judges, but to talk about advice or criticisms the judge has made and hopefully clarify the reasons for them.

Mini-Portfolio & 5 Minutes of Fame -

Following on from the Mini-Portfolio demonstration night we'd like to see some of your images put together in a set. Hopefully some of you will be inspired from last season's examples and share your work.

5 Minutes of Fame will be a session for members to share something photographic that interests and inspires them. A short presentation of "This is what I like!".

Workshop demo nights -

Not all of the workshop nights have been decided on as yet, but we have a couple already planned. One in particular we hope will inspire you for a Members night later in the season. In October we'll have an instructional session on how to put together a mini-panel or small group of images to showcase your work. From this we'd like you to prepare a set of images for the Members night in March next year.

Suggestions are always welcome for topics or techniques you'd like to see covered in our workshops.

Guest speakers -

We have booked three guest speakers for this season. First up will be Margaret Soraya, who is a landscape photographer and film maker based around Loch Ness. We contacted Margaret and she happily agreed to give us a talk on her work. Given the distance she would have to travel to get here she may prefer to give her talk on Zoom, but we'll keep you posted on that.

We also have Andy Hall coming to talk about his latest book being published this year. Many of you will already know Andy, either from his previous visit to the club or having attended one of his photography workshop days. Andy is always interesting and enlightening and has a great way getting information across, you won't want to miss it! Our third guest will be Jeremy Walker, a Dorset based photographer who is also a Nikon ambassador and well respected in photography circles. He has visited the club as a speaker before during one of his regular working trips to Scotland. Unfortunately it was a meeting I missed so I'm looking forward to catching him this time around.

Margaret Soraya and Jeremy Walker both have their own websites with some stunning examples of their work.

Competitions -

The judges have been confirmed for our two marked competitions and for the end of season print and digital image of the year competition. The first marked competition will be open and the second will have the theme "Empty Spaces, Abandoned Places".

We will also have our annual post-Christmas knockout competition starting us off in the New Year.

For details of competition requirements and rules of entry please visit the Competitions section of the Kirriemuir Photography Club website.