



MCPF General Meeting – 13th February 2010.

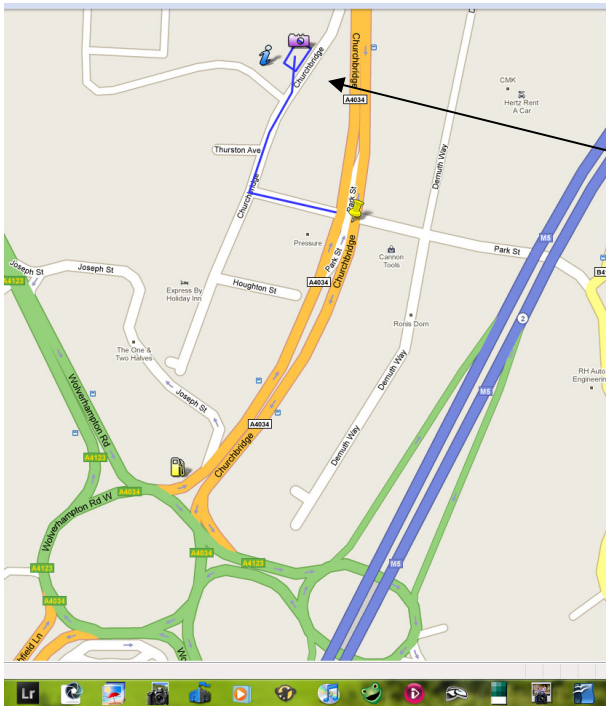
1. PAGB Affiliation fee – increase of £1 per club comes into effect 2010/11.
2. PAGB E-newsletter available by registering through PAGB website.
3. The PAGB are negotiating with Sun Alliance Insurance for a policy to cover member clubs to provide insurance against club members suing the committees of said clubs. Apparently under UK law once elected to a committee of a club a person becomes classed as a trustee and is therefore liable for any loss deemed to have been caused by action / inaction of any member of the committee. In several cases in other clubs (non-photographic so far) individual members have successfully sued committee members to the point where some have even lost their homes and been declared bankrupt.

Individual clubs are currently expected to provide their own cover for this, the normal cost of such a policy is around £250 per annum. Under the proposal from the PAGB a policy covering all member groups (if agreed at the PAGB AGM) would be provided at a cost of around £6 per club. The meeting was asked whether the MCPF members would back the proposal when raised at the PAGB AGM. On behalf of the Earl Shilton Camera Club I voted along with the rest of the federation members to accept the proposal. No members opposed it.

4. Audio Visual Music Licenses.

It was raised that clubs should technically be covered by 3 different music licenses two of which are available from the PAGB and one from the IAC. Currently again negotiations are being held with the IAC for PAGB to be affiliated. I'm assuming that somewhere within the PAGB handbook there is details on how to go about getting these licenses. I know we feel that the schools PRS license covers us but we may find ourselves in venues without such licenses wanting to show our AV's.

5. There have been changes to the PAGB competition rules, particularly in respect of projected digital images. Submissions for PAGB PDI comps should now be JPEG file format, S-RGB colour space and sized at 1400x1050 (the native size of the PAGB's Canon projector).
6. Finally a reminder for Andy and Martin, when booking speakers and judges please follow the rules laid out in the MCPF / PAGB handbooks. One of the local judges said please send the correct details including maps, to the people that are being booked and **don't expect** them to download location maps or information from club websites.



MIDPHOT 2010 – Held at Smethwick P.S., The Old Schoolhouse, Churchbridge, Oldbury

Smethwick Photographic Society meets at The Old School House, Churchbridge, Oldbury, West Midlands B69 2AS

Wednesday 24th March 7pm - 10pm – Opening evening and presentations.

Thursday 25th March 7pm – 10pm – Presentation of accepted Projected images General and Nature.

Friday 26th March 7pm – 10pm – Digital Lecture by John Wells FRPS – held in conjunction with Smethwick P.S. (at 8p.m.). No showing of the accepted DPI's.

Saturday 27th March 10am – 7 pm

Permajet printer ink flow system demonstration.

11 a.m. Still Life Studio session

11 a.m. Accepted DPI General and Nature

2 p.m. AV sequences from Midphot AV competition

4 p.m. Accepted DPI General and Nature

6 p.m. Accepted DPI General and Nature

Sunday 28th March 10 am – 4pm

10 a.m. Model Session in studio

10 a.m. Accepted DPI General and Nature

2 p.m. AV Sequences from Midphot AV competition

4 p.m. Accepted DPI General and Nature

Entry charges:-

£ 3 per evening

Sat 10am – 1pm or 1pm – 4pm or 4pm – 7 pm cost £3

Sat 10am – 4pm or 1pm – 7pm cost £5

Sat 10am – 7pm cost £7

Sun 10am– 1 pm or 1pm – 4pm cost £3

Sun 10am – 4pm cost £5

Refreshments available Saturday and Sunday.

