

NIPA CONTACT SHEET

Issue 4 - February 2023

President's Welcome

Another incredibly busy month for NIPA. Two more Inter-club rounds complete, a bit of shuffle in the placings of Clubs... who will be on top of the podium after Round 5! Our Inter-Regional with IPF. The Masters of Print in Birmingham. Read on!

NIPA Council met recently and we are looking at a NIPA Development Plan. Whilst I was at the Masters of Print I met with CEWE and we have a special offer for clubs and members. Details are in this newsletter.



I want to acknowledge with sincere thanks all the NIPA Volunteers who run the Inter-club each round. Thanks to Wex as the collection point, Dave Beattie for collecting and organising prints with labels for judging, to Vittorio Silvestri, Ian Lyons, Kevin Vernon and Dave Beattie for help on judging night, to three judges for coming to judge at Morton Community Centre, Vittorio for the behind the scenes work on the photograph database and website, for printing certificates and for projection on the night, Ivan Stewart usually transports the photo stands, Peter Knott for the audio, Chelle McGaughey for help with certificates and John Belshaw for photography of each event. For the same three judges who come to the adjudication to comment on the images. A hosting club member for selling raffle tickets and of course the hosting club. Outstanding teamwork to make our Interclub a real success. Thank you all. *Anita*

Treasurer & Assistant Secretary

I'm delighted to announce that NIPA Council approved the appointment of two volunteers.

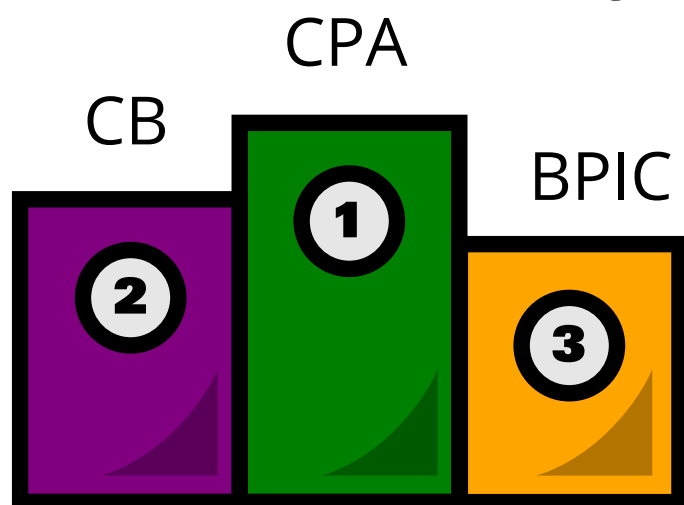
Claire Russell fulfils the role of Treasurer for NIPA and Marlene Hazlehurst fulfils the role of NIPA Assistant Secretary. I look forward to their support and their contribution to the smooth running of NIPA.



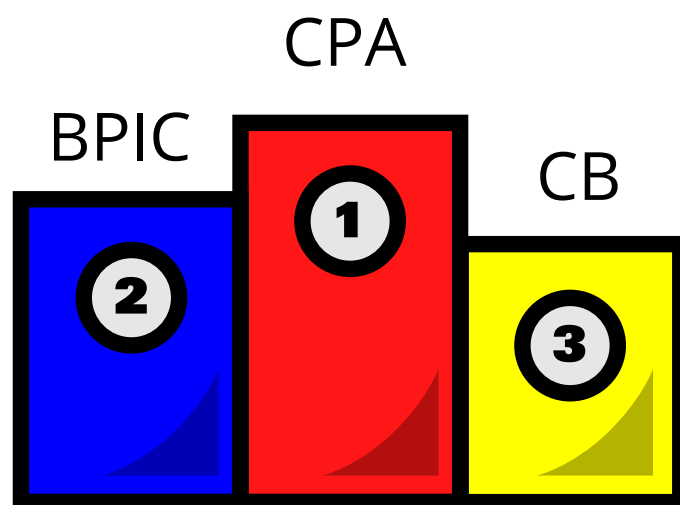
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NIPA INTERCLUB 2022 - 2023

Placings after **Round 3**



Novice Competition



Principle Competition

Stars - Round 3 - Open



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Colour Prints

15

Mono Prints

20

PDI



[https://www.nipphoto.co.uk/Competitions/NIPA-Interclub-Competition-2022-2023/Round-3-Adjudication-\(Open\)](https://www.nipphoto.co.uk/Competitions/NIPA-Interclub-Competition-2022-2023/Round-3-Adjudication-(Open))

Sincere Thanks to our Sponsors



For each Round in our Inter-club:

£25 to Top Colour Print

£25 to Top Mono Print

£25 to Top PDI

£30 for the raffle

1st £20

2nd £10

Round 3 - Open - hosted by Larne Camera Club

Larne Camera Club kindly hosted Round 3

Daria Casement, William Allen, and Leonard Ferguson judged this competition - Thank you!



Stars - Round 3 - Open

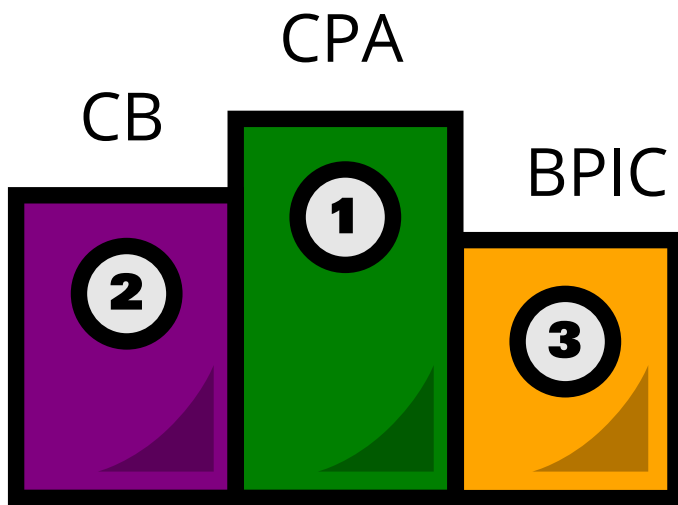
**Colour
Print
Stars**



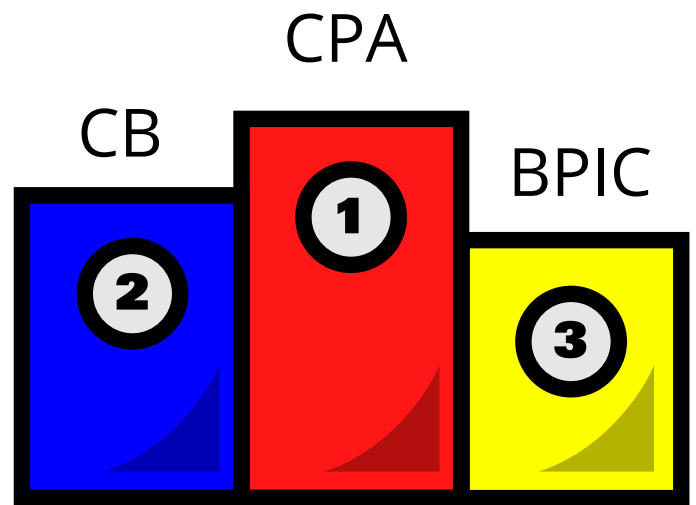
**Mono
Print
Stars**

NIPA INTERCLUB 2022 - 2023

Placings after **Round 4**



Novice Competition



Principle Competition

Stars - Round 4 - Industry Photography



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Colour Prints

6

Mono Prints

3

PDI



[https://www.nipphoto.co.uk/Competitions/NIPA-Interclub-Competition-2022-2023/Round-4-Adjudication-\(Industry\)](https://www.nipphoto.co.uk/Competitions/NIPA-Interclub-Competition-2022-2023/Round-4-Adjudication-(Industry))

Round 5 - Open - at Banbridge Camera Club



Prints and bags will be returned from Round 4

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Round 4 - Industry - hosted by CB Camera Club

CB Camera Club kindly hosted Round 4

John Miskelly, Brian McClure and Stephen McWilliams judged this competition - Thank you!



Caroline Johnston, Claire Russell, Marlene Hazlehurst, Jacqui Agnew (plus Alan and Leanne)



Round 4 - Industry

**Colour
Print
Stars**



**Mono
Print
Stars**



**Colour
Prints**



Round 4 - Industry Stars



Congratulations to:
Brendan Hinds (above left),
Caroline Johnston (above right),
Keith Wilson (side),
Robert Johnston (below left), and
Steve Haydon (below right) who were
presented their Stars by
NIPA President Anita Kirkpatrick.
Thanks to John Belshaw for
photography.



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Catchlight Camera Club	Laurie Campbell, Jennifer Willis, Pamela Wilson, Roger Eager, Leo McCourt, Ian Humes
Dungannon and Cookstown Camera Club	Rosemary Hughes
Enniskillen Photographic Society	Anita Kirkpatrick Also Awarded a Silver Medal



**Quarterback by Ian Humes LRPS
Catchlight Camera Club**



**Three Trees Triptych by
Anita Kirkpatrick
LRPS AIPF FPSNZ
PAGB Silver Medal
Enniskillen Photographic Society**
Anita receiving her
Silver Medal from
PAGB President Ron Parry.



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**Blonde Gelding by Laurie Campbell DPAGB, AIPF
EFIAP BPE3 Catchlight Camera Club**

**Bobby and me - Rosemary Hughes LIPF CPAGB
Dungannon and Cookstown Camera club.**

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**Roker Pier by Roger Eager LIPF BPE1 CPAGB
Catchlight Camera Club**



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**Carla by Leo McCourt LIPF CPAGB
Catchlight Camera Club**



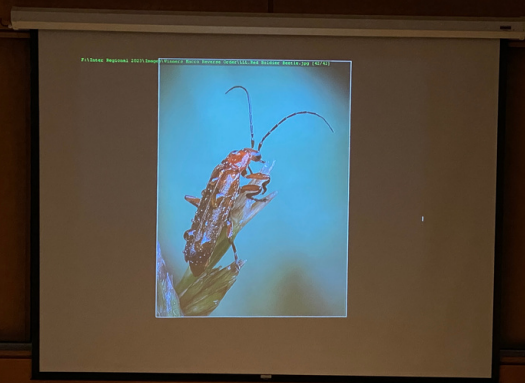
**Alaskan Coastal Brown Bear Cub by Pamela Wilson
CPAGB Catchlight Camera Club**



**Locked and Loaded by Jennifer Willis DPAGB FIPF
FRPS BPE4 EFIAP Catchlight Camera Club**



INTER REGIONAL COMPETITION 2023



L to R

Anita Kirkpatrick NIPA President
Patrick Chair of the IPF Nature Group
John Butler IPF President
National Botanic Gardens, Dublin
Sincere thanks to Judges:
Gordon Rae & Rod Wheelans

Judges Gordon Rae MPAGB ARPS & Rod Wheelans
MPAGB FRPS MFIAP FIPF HonPAGB HonSPF



INTER REGIONAL COMPETITION 2023



This year's Inter-Regional Wildlife Competition, the 5th running of this perpetual competition was hosted by the IPF.

We had a fantastic entry from both the IPF and NIPA, with a total of 368 images across the two sections, Wildlife and Macro.

On Saturday 11th Feb results and feedback were given at the Botanic House in Dublin, a great day enjoyed by all.

These were independently judged by Gordon Rae MPAGB, ARPS and Rod Wheelans MPAGB, FRPS, MFIAP, FIPF, HonPAGB, HonSPF. Both judges provided excellent feedback on all of the images, many thanks, Gordon and Rod.

Congratulations to everyone who entered and to those who had placed images.

Congratulations to the IPF who just pipped us by 29 points to take the overall honour of the top Federation.

While NIPA may have lost out on the overall honours, we did win the gold and bronze medal in each section. Well done!

Full results are available on the NIPA Website (see link below), along with all the NIPA images.

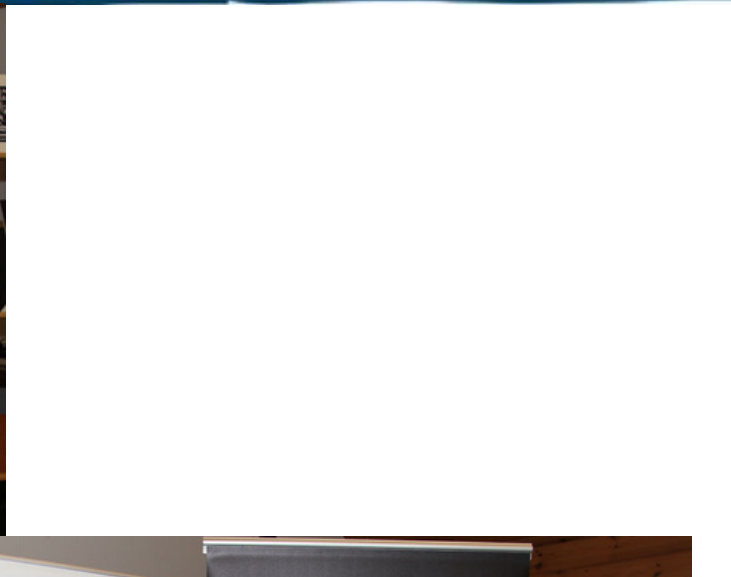
Looking forward to next year when NIPA will host!



Of particular mention are Alan Hillen (Chimpanzee watching a fly) and Leanne Simpson (Red Soldier Beetle) who took Gold medals in each section (shown here in the photo) and Steve Haydon and Pamela Wilson who took Bronze.



INTER REGIONAL COMPETITION 2023



Congratulations to
Leanne Simpson (above),
Brendan Hinds (side)
and Mark Magee (below)



NIPA Virtual Coffee Morning



Every Friday at 11am

A quick chat, via zoom, with your morning cuppa.
No more than 40 minutes as I'm just using the free zoom,
on purpose, to keep this short and sweet!



I'm away for a few weeks and Rosemary Hughes of Dungannon and Cookstown club will kindly host the first two March meetings with a DIFFERENT ZOOM link to usual.

Friday 3rd March & Friday 10th March - Join Zoom Meeting

Different zoom link as Rosemary Hughes is hosting it from her zoom account.

<https://us04web.zoom.us/j/76377423259?pwd=0RkjSFa5qi6Kw7bXy8x7x5viL2JhbO.1>

Friday 24th March & Friday 31st March - Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/83643949355?pwd=eHNuZU5sMEcveTVZUlPpLL0ZpYzBTdz09>

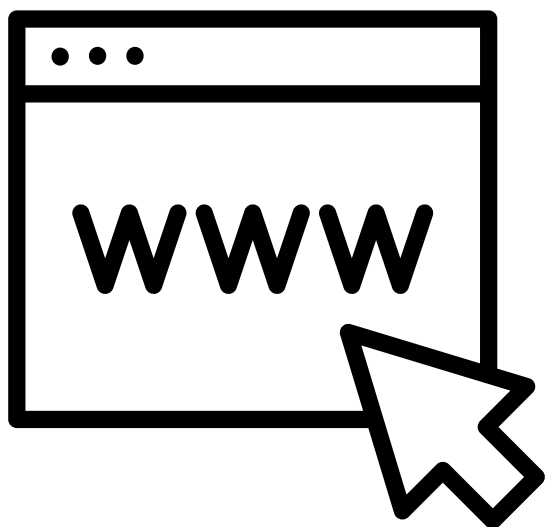
Meeting ID: 836 4394 9355 Passcode: 0Ww6JM

Please rename to your NAME and CLUB

**Check NIPA Facebook page in case of any last minute issues with zoom etc.,
or for any time changes.**



Have you explored the NIPA website?



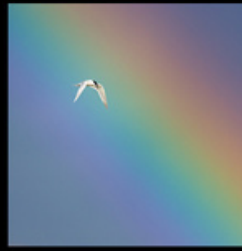
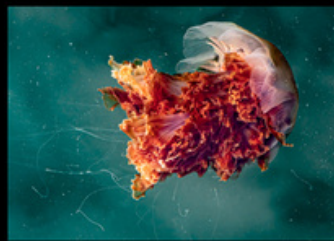
www.nipphoto.co.uk

Take a look.... all the results and images from our Inter-club rounds, back to 2017, and the NIPA Exhibition, back to 2016, and other competitions are there. Plus lots more.

Sincere thanks to NIPA volunteer
Vittorio Silvestri
who keeps the website current.

JESSOPS
image is everything

A printing offer for prints A4 - A3
50% discount, just mention to
staff that you're a NIPA club
member and what club

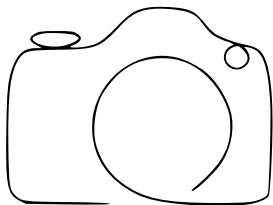


NIPA Nature Group

This group is for NIPA members who share a passion for nature photography. You can upload your nature images, ask for photography advice, etc but we would just ask when...

 facebookapp

There is a NIPA Nature Group running on Facebook. Please consider joining in!
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1605562813064258>



Photography Opportunities

Daria Casement has a great spreadsheet of all things related to Photography! Check it out (especially all the tabs along the bottom) and let Daria know of more items that can be added.

<https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1BDBtkHtCnDqv-2BG04Blrz74HNYdex-keGU6j7oaNy0/edit?usp=sharing>

Congratulations

The GB Trophy - Open and Nature Open

1	Rolls Royce Derby Photographic Society	162
2	Smethwick Photographic Society	153
3	Wigan 10 Foto Club	150
4	Catchlight Camera Club	147

Congratulations to Catchlight on gaining 4th place out of 24 clubs in the GB Trophy! Catchlight were the only club from NIPA to submit an entry.

Club Snapshot: Ards Camera Club

February 2023

Origin: Ards Camera Club has been going since around 1960

Location: The Club was given premises over 50 years ago and we meet there or use Zoom.



Ards Camera Club, 196 Circular Rd, Newtownards BT23 4JS.

Current Membership: In 2023 we have 54 members with regular audiences of 15 to 25.

Meetings: The Club meets every Wednesday and Friday from 7.45 pm to 10.00 pm (though Zoom has gone on through the night!. We also continue to meet occasionally and informally through the holidays. Last year a few club members made major improvements to the ventilation system within our club to enable members to work and meet safely. This has enabled more face to face meetings and reconnections to be made.

Programme: Our Wednesday evenings are casual and we usually have practical evenings in our clubhouse (focussing on flash and lighting recently) or out and about. On Fridays we have a more formal visiting speaker evening, members night or Zoom sessions.

Outings: Around our local area we have done some night photography, visited Groomsport, Ward Park, Kiltonga, Ards Town Centre and Bangor Town Centre. We aim to keep outings free or affordable, accessible and inclusive.



Club Snapshot: Ards Camera Club continued February 2023

Partnerships with other clubs or NIPA: We work closely with NIPA to manage the Roy Finlay Memorial Natural History Competition initiated in honour of our fondly remembered past member. Our local Council has funded our programme and exhibition for the past few years and through this, and joint projects we have developed a great working relationship with the other clubs in our Council Area – Bangor and North Down and Donaghadee Camera Club.

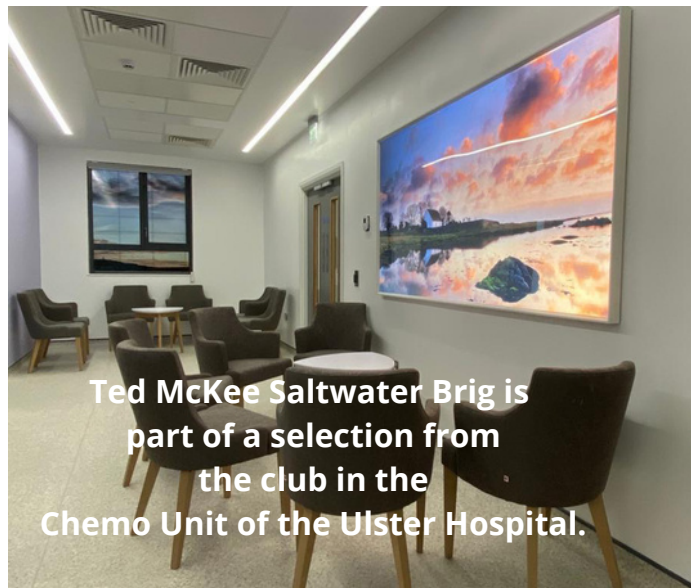
Top subjects: We cover all styles but have achieved particular success recently in wildlife, natural history, portraiture and landscape.

Points to know: Several members have achieved their LRPS and LIPF certification, CPAGB, salon successes and we continue to encourage members to set personal goals.

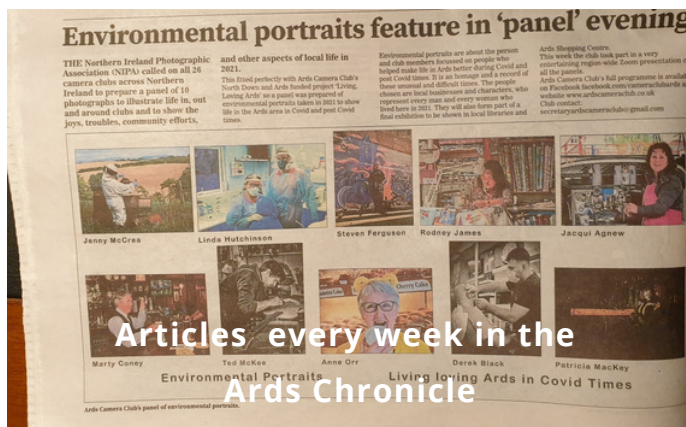
Website: www.ardscameraclub.co.uk

Facebook:

www.facebook.com/cameraclubards



Ted McKee Saltwater Brig is part of a selection from the club in the Chemo Unit of the Ulster Hospital.



Articles every week in the Ards Chronicle



Monday 31st January

Ards Camera Club 2022

Environmental Portraits

Living loving Ards in Covid Times

Club Snapshot: Ards Camera Club continued

February 2023

Member Profile: Our current Chair is John McKernan who many will know as he has been a member since the early 1990's. He has recently returned to the Club and kindly stepped into the role of Chair. His other interests include Pet's as Therapy, Special Olympics and Guide Dogs for the Blind.



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Judging Observers

Monday 20th March
See Round 5 being judged.
20th March 2023 at 7pm

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Space for 2 people available
Contact Anita on
NIPA.president@gmail.com
to book your place.

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“Tell us a Story” - Panel Project 2022 - 2023

The **NIPA Project Initiatives Committee** has been initiated to continue with projects that are non-competitive. The Panel Project for 2022-2023 is **to produce a panel of 10 images telling a story reflecting the interests of each entering club.**

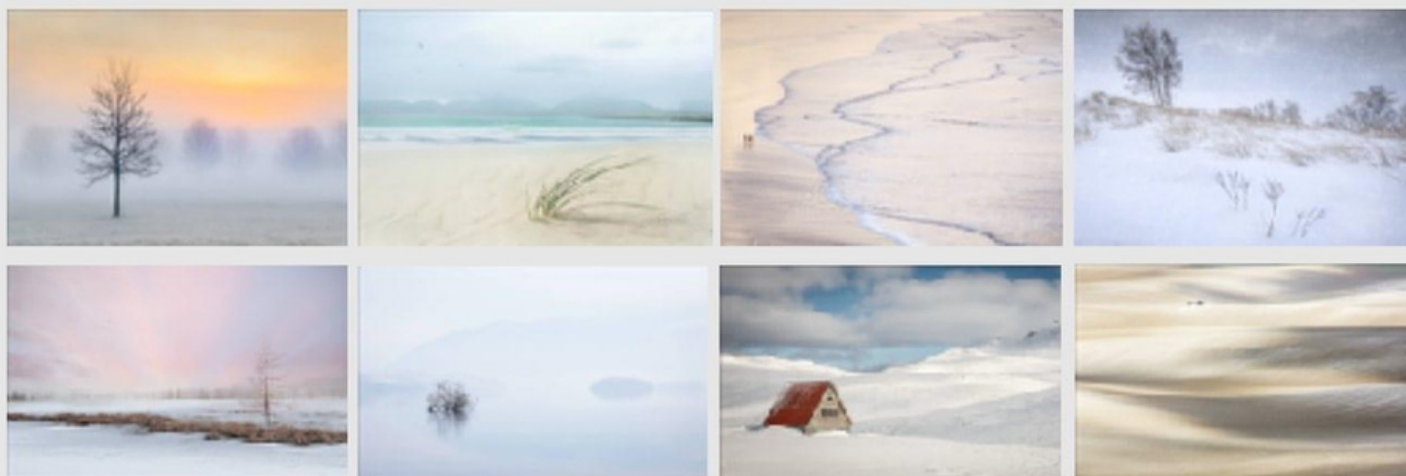
This year the geographic element is encouraged but not made compulsory - it is much preferred that the “Story” has elements of the location and geographical area for each club to reflect the fact we are scattered across the Province, each club with a unique perspective, but all the images do not have to comply in the interest of freedom to tell the story.

What is your Club's Story?

Photos to be taken between 1st May 2022 and 30th April 2023 and submitted to NIPA by the third week of June 2023.

FIAP Entry Selections

2023 Colour Biennial



Some Print Images from the Winning 2021 Print Entry



Every year the FIAP hold a number of Prestigious Biennial Competitions for its member countries. The PAGB makes an entry on behalf of 'Great Britain and Northern Ireland'.

This year we would like to invite you to take part in this selection process for the FIAP Colour Biennial by submitting up to 16 colour images across the following four categories;

- a. **Still Life**
- b. **Architecture**
- c. **Sport and Action**
- d. **Creative Animals**

The FIAP Biennial Competition is both a Print and PDI Competition, so we would be asking for high resolution versions of your images, if selected for the print entry.

30 Images will be selected in total and all images scoring more than 8 points in the actual FIAP Biennial can be used a part of a FIAP Distinction Application.

Out of the thirty Images we will select and Print 10 for our Print Entry and 20 for our Digital Entry.

Entry via <https://pagbhost.co.uk>

Online Entry

Opens: 17th February 2023
Closes: 15th April 2023
Selected: 16th April 2023
<https://pagbhost.co.uk>

Images should be saved as .jpg with a srgb profile and 3600 pixels on their longest side, before uploading to the Competition Entry System.

All submitted images will be scored and the higher scoring images along with the selected images will be included on a Digital Slideshow available from the PAGB Recorded Lecture Service.

A unique limited edition PAGB Enamel Badge will be given to all authors selected to represent 'England, North Wales and Northern Ireland' in the FIAP Biennial Competition.



Please Note. Authors from clubs in the Scottish and South Wales Federations are not eligible, as their Federation makes a separate entry.

Please contact 'fiapbiennial@thepagb.org.uk' if you require further information.

CEWE

Whilst I was over at the Masters of Print in Birmingham, I was introduced to the printing lab CEWE. I have negotiated a deal for NIPA Clubs and members with CEWE.

Each club can print 20-25 images on their 7 different paper types.

CEWE have asked that when the images are uploaded that they include the club name so they can create sets for each club. If more than 1 person from each club submits images then CEWE will split the images across the materials, for example a different image on each material or have 1 image across the photographic papers and another image across the wallart range. Either way each club will receive a set of images on 7 types of material. A suggested deadline to submit is by 31st March.

The upload link is active <https://docs.cewe.de/s/jbEarRcwid5Y7Jk>

As a follow up on the papers, I am in discussion with CEWE about a **virtual lab tour**, via zoom as an online talk, discussing their papers and printing processes.

Discount offer

There's a discount voucher code for NIPA on most CEWE photo products - the full information is on the next page. The code is NIPA and this will give an introductory 25% off for members. This will end 11pm 31st May 2023.

CEWE will then change this to the 10% off for orders over £30 but a new code will be provided for this at the time.

CEWE Photo Award

This competition is completely free to enter and you can enter up to 100 images! There are some amazing prizes on offer and anyone can enter, check out the link which contains all the information.

<https://www.cewe.co.uk/cewe-photo-award.html>

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Offer code: NIPA

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