

Dear Member,

The meeting was well attended with 12 members in the Hall, 3 on Zoom, and 5 apologies.

1. The technical problems

- 1.1 The presentation had been prepared with Libre Office software called "Impress"
- MS PowerPoint normally projects "Impress format" OK, but did not this time
 - For Presentation to continue, Brian Place had to download Libre Office
 - This took about 20 minutes before we were able to connect to Zoom
 - Then the Internet connection dropped out several times
- 1.2 To improve future presentations, the Committee will consider these options
- At start of meeting connect to Zoom, then we can inform Zoomers of problems
 - All presentations to be in MS PowerPoint format
 - Connect to internet by cable which has a stronger signal than WiFi
 - Use same laptop for presentations, settings then correct for Zoom, Speech and sound

2. "Portobello Road" Our August Photoshoot

On 29 August, it rained in the morning then sunny later. About 7 members went and had an enjoyable lunch and took some excellent photos. The 5 September was a lovely sunny warm day, three members went and they too had an enjoyable day and took interesting photos.

3. Presentation - "*Street Photography*" by Steve Binysh

Steve gave an overview of Street Photography, what it was, why do it, and how to do it. and recommended the book

- "**Street Photography Workbook**" by Brian Lloyd Duckett

Early pioneers of Street Photography were

- Henri Cartier Bresson, 1908-2004, French, used a a Leica
 - Defined the term "The decisive moment", which can take time to occur
- Garry Winogrand, 1928-1984, American, New York,
 - Portrayed U.S. life and social issues
 - Quoted "I photograph to see what the world looks like in photographs"
- Vivian Maier, American, 1926-2009, used a Rolleiflex
 - Vast quantity of photos, published only after her death
- Martin Parr, British, Born 1952, now uses hasselblad, leica, Fujifilm GFGX100
 - Intimate, Satirical and human aspects of modern live in the modern world

You would enjoy and learn much by researching details of their work on the Internet.

Street photography is allowed in all public places, and the photographer owns the copyright. One would need permission to take photos in private places e.g. Canary Wharf and cafes.

When taking Street photos, be unobtrusive and discrete, occasionally one might ask permission. Rarely, will people object if they do say you will delete that photo.

What you are photographing is modern life.

4. Competition Results - "Street Photography"- 23 Entries

All the photos entered were of a very high standard.

When there are not enough votes for every photo entered those that did not receive any votes are just listed in alphabetical order

U3A Hillingdon Photo Group - Sept 25			
Photographer	Portobello Road	Pos	Total
Norma Shirley	No space to 'swing a cat'	1	11
Susan Madigan	Anyone for a hotdog	2	10
Margaret Dorigan	The Hidden Door	3	9
Gowan Clews	Stick For Life	4	8
Carol Mitchell	Bargans Galore	5	6
Brian Hillier	Sun in Splendour	6	5
Malcolm Barwick	Flat out greetings card	7	4
Karol Schlachter	Tübingen Market	7	4
Gowan Clews	Worlds Apart	7	4
Denise Buckingham	A day out in Portobello market	8	3
Margaret Dorigan	Eye Eye	8	3
Carol Mitchell	If you want to get ahead	8	3
Sue Finch	Market in Valencia	8	3
Steve Binysh	Street Fight	8	3
Norma Shirley	The far end of the Road	8	3
Brian Hillier	Get ahead Get a hat	9	2
Susan Madigan	Chip kebab	10	1
Mick Madigan	Like a Rolling Stone	10	1
Denise Buckingham	Photo shoot	10	1
Mick Madigan	Crepes for lunch_2		0
Sue Finch	Fish Market in Cadiz		0
Karol Schlachter	Market Art		0
Steve Binysh	Taylor Taylor Hairdressers		0
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5. Competition - Shot of the Month - 23 Entries

All the photos entered were of a very high standard.

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U3A Hillingdon Photo Group - Sept 25			
Photographer	Shot of the Month	Pos	Total
Andrew Longhurst	The Eclipse Fades Away	1	11
Margaret Dorigan	For whom the bell tolls	2	9
Karol Schlachter	A Suburban Garden	3	8
Sue Finch	Geraniums	3	8
Malcolm Barwick	Communications	4	7
Steve Binysh	Saltaire_Methodist_Church_IMG_1099	5	6
Karol Schlachter	Denham tranquility	6	5
Malcolm Barwick	Dont disturb my business	6	5
Brian Hillier	Beep-Beep	7	4
Tony Mitchell	From The Southbank	8	3
Andrew Longhurst	LLynnau Cregennen	8	3
Steve Binysh	RIP_Kurtstone_IMG_1049	8	3
Malcolm Barwick	Feline Friends	9	2
Gary Cooper	Pink Ring	9	2
Gowan Clews	Room for one more	9	2
Denise Buckingham	Sun before the rain	9	2
Jackie O'Dowd	Cream tea? Yes please	10	1
Gary Cooper	Into the web 4	10	1
Sue Finch	Speckled wood Butterfly	10	1
Susan Madigan	Autumn crocus		0
Margaret Dorigan	Downton Abbey Memorabilia		0
Denise Buckingham	Egg Boxes		0
Brian Hillier	Facial rendering		0
Mick Madigan	High Street, Chichester		0
Jackie O'Dowd	Jewel anemones and feather stars		0

Gowan Clews	New Life From Old		0
Carol Mitchell	Pyrocantha Berries		0
Norma Shirley	So Handy		0
Norma Shirley	Sweetpea		0
Susan Madigan	Tunnel of gourds		0
Mick Madigan	Whee, all this nectar is for me		0
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5.1 The Eclipse fades away - Technical details

Andrew Longhurst took this photo at 9:29 p.m. on Sunday 7 September.

He mounted his Nikon Coolpix P1000 on a tripod just inside his kitchen doorway

Settings were F5.6 - 1/500 - 234mm lens - ISO 250, final magnification about 110 times

Andrew mislaid the time for actual eclipse and only caught the end of it.

However, if moon was photographed during eclipse Andrew would have seen nothing.

6. Meeting for 27 October

6.1 Presentation-> "**HillingVision**" by guest speaker James Carson

6.1 Comp Theme - "**Street Photography**"

6.2 And "**Shot of the Month**"

6.3 - Each member can put two entries into each competition

7. Meeting for 24 November

7.1 Presentation-> "**Artificial Light**" by Brian Hillier

7.1 Main Comp Theme - "**My Hillingdon**" - Photos of places or events in Hillingdon

7.2 And "**Shot of the Month**"

7.3 - Each member can put two entries into each competition

8. Thank you to

- Brian Place for setting up Projector and computer
- Steve Binysh for his excellent presentation
- Anna Hillier and Sue Madigan for preparing teas and coffees
- Tony Kemp for maintaining our website with winning photos and presentations

Kind regards,
 Brian Hillier,
 Photography Group Leader