



Northern Counties Photographic Federation

A Member Federation of the Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

<http://www.ncpf.org.uk>

Minutes of the Executive Committee Meeting held on Monday 05th November 2019 at Swalwell Community Centre.

The President opened the meeting at 7.45pm

Present: - Joseph Duffy, Jim Welsh, Margaret Welsh, Peter Yearnshire, Alan Wilson, Gerry Adcock, Pax Garabedian, Richard Speirs, John Smith, Debra Taylor, Keith Kirkland, Mike Allport

19/11/01 Apologies for Absence: - Alan McCormick, Jane Black, Trevor Walters, David Brown, Gerald Chamberlin, Dave Coates

Incommunicado: - Stan Bewick

19/11/02 The minutes of the meeting held on 02nd September 2019 were approved and signed.
Proposed by Keith Kirkland – Seconded by Gerry Adcock

19/11/03 Matters arising
No Matters Arising

19/11/04 Correspondence
Margaret said that the only correspondence she had received was a resignation from Mike Allport. She was surprised then, when it was pointed out that he was at the table. An explanation would be given later. Margaret then said that she had replied to Shelagh Williams of Amble PG regarding a photography competition at Brinkburn Priory explaining that the Executive thought it was a good idea but it was not considered viable for the Executive to take on. However, if Amble decided to pursue it further it was suggested that they contact the other clubs in the Northern Area only. Shelagh replied to say she was happy with the Executives response.

Tynemouth PS also sent a letter thanking the Executive for their support with their recent move to new premises.

19/11/05 Treasurer's Report **Appendix 1**
Peter read through his report outlining all changes.
Mike Allport explained why £477.00 had been frozen in the PayPal account. This was due to a mix-up with email addresses and passwords. Peter said that it will take time but should be sorted by the next meeting.
Report attached and accepted.

19/11/06 Reports

19/11/06-1 Acting Competitions Chairman **Appendix 2**
Margaret read through a short report. Gerry added that Durham PS had not informed anyone that they would not be entering the PAGB Competition therefore we could not give the place to the next available club. This meant that we only had one club entry for the event.
Report attached and accepted.

19/11/06-2 International Salon Exhibition **Appendix 3**
Margaret read through Jane's report.
Report attached and accepted.

19/11/06-3 Representative to PAGB **Appendix 4**
Richard outlined the important sections of his report regarding the PL insurance. Changes have been made to the collections procedure and clubs must now arrange their own insurance. An email will be sent out to all clubs regarding the new procedure. Margaret said that she had received a query from Trevor Walters regarding the PAGB's proposed geographical restrictions for club members. Richard explained the reasons behind this decision and said that this was only a proposal. He will also contact Trevor to explain it to him. It was also agreed that Richard would contact the clubs in reference to item 9 of his report regarding the decline of prints.
He then said that at the PAGB A.G.M. in April 2020 he will be resigning as the representative and Pax will be taking over this role. Approval was sought for Pax to accompany him to this meeting to introduce him to the PAGB Committee. The NCPF would have to fund his travelling expenses for this trip but further meetings would be covered by the PAGB. This was agreed unanimously.
Report attached and accepted.

19/11/06-4 Editor Northern Focus **Appendix 5**
John read through his report. He said that he is finding it very difficult to get a response from clubs regarding the club spotlight section of the Northern Focus. Because of the difficulty he has experienced over the last few months he said he will be resigning as editor after this edition. He thanked everyone around the table for their help over the years. If no one else steps forward to take over from him at the A.G.M. in March this will be the last Northern Focus.
Report attached and accepted.

- 19/11/06-5 Judges Sub Committee** **Appendix 6**
 In Alan's absence Margaret read through his report.
 Approval was given for the Judges' Recruitment Day on 1st March 2020.
 Proposed by Debra Taylor – Seconded by Gerry Adcock.
 All proposed promotions as listed in the report were approved.
 Proposed by Richard Speirs – Seconded by Peter Yearnshire.
 Alan will be asked to send the names of the judges who accept their promotion to Pax to update the Directory and also to John Smith for inclusion in the Northern Focus.
- 19/11/06-6 Publications Officer**
 No Report
- 19/11/06-7 Portfolio Secretary** **Appendix 7**
 Alan Wilson read out his report.
 Approval was given to reduce the cost of the DVD/USB sales in 2020 to those clubs who had to pay an extra £1.50 postage costs in 2019.
 Gerry asked if Alan could send him a copy of the portfolio's to add to the archive discs he currently holds. Alan said he would do so.
 Report attached and accepted.
- 19/11/06-8 Beamish** **Appendix 8**
 Joseph read through his report.
 Report attached and accepted.
- 19/11/06-9 Webmaster** **Appendix 9**
 Gerry read through his report.
 Gerry explained the 3 year renewal of the website. This was agreed with the Treasurer and renewed till 2022.
- Area Reports**
- 19/11/07-1 Northern – Jim Welsh** **Appendix 10**
 Jim read through his report.
 Report attached and accepted
- 19/11/07-2 North Tyne- David Brown**
 No Report.
- 19/11/07-3 South Tyne- Trevor Walters**
 Margaret said that there was no report from Trevor other than to say that he has notified clubs in his area that he will be retiring as Area Representative effective at the 2020 A.G.M. He has also said that he would like to stand as an elected member of the Executive Committee at the A.G.M.
- 19/11/07-4 Southern – Dave Coates**
 No Report
- 19/11/07-5 Wear – Debra Taylor** **Appendix 11**
 Debra read through her report.
 Report attached and accepted.
- 19/11/07-6 Western - Gerald Chamberlin**
 In Gerald's absence, Richard highlighted important points in his report. Mainly that the NCPF do not use any of Jo Knight's images as she is no longer a member of Penrith CC or any other club in the NCPF, therefore they do not qualify for competition entry.
- 19/11/08 Any Other Business**
 Peter said that travelling expenses would be paid as soon as he has the information from Margaret regarding attendances. He then said he had left the usual donation to Swalwell Community Centre.
 In response to Stan Bewick's suggestion to amend Rule 5 of the Constitution to take into account the payment of travelling expenses, it was unanimously agreed that this does not need alteration as the definition of 'honorary' in the dictionary covers the wording 'in an honorary capacity'.
 Joseph raised a query over expenses paid to a certain judge at the 2018 Annual Competitions who, over the same weekend, conducted lectures with local clubs and was also paid a fee including travelling expenses. In effect, he was paid twice for one journey. This equated to £95 expenses plus overnight accommodation and £65 expenses plus an evening meal to Whickham. He suggested that all future judges booked for the Annuals should be informed that they will not be paid twice for travelling.

Meeting closed at 9.15pm

Signed

Date

Future meeting dates: Monday 13th January 2020 Tuesday 11th February 2020 **A.G.M. Sunday 15th March 2020**
 Tuesday 05th May 2020



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	Budget	Expense	Income	Variation
NCPF Fees		0.00	3500.00	3500.00
Club C/ships	250.00	-171.96	108.00	-63.96
Annuals	1500.00	-712.70	0.00	-712.70
Exec Meetings	300.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Publishing	90.00	0.00	3.00	3.00
Judges Events	200.00	-120.00	0.00	-120.00 *
Area Meetings	30.00	-30.00	0.00	-30.00
PAGB-AGM	100.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Treasurer	50.00	-20.00	0.00	-20.00
Gen Sec's	87.00	-35.44	0.00	-35.44
President	35.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Printing for Directory	300.00	-314.00	0.00	-314.00
Events (Beamish)	150.00	-40.00	40.00	0.00
Events (Presentation)	250.00	-91.00	0.00	-91.00
PAGB (National Finals)	80.00	-160.00	0.00	-160.00
Webmaster	50.00	-8.00	0.00	-8.00
Medals and Ribbons	200.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Interest from Postal A/c	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Storage	30.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Travel Expenses	350.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
New Equipment 2019	0.00	-41.99	0.00	-41.99
Inter Account Transfer	0.00	-200.00	0.00	-200.00
Self financing items				
PLI (Including NCPF)		-1989.83	2019.93	30.00
PAGB Fees (Inclusive)		-1862.00	1813.00	-49.00
Portfolio		0.00	266.00	266.00 *
Running Totals		-5797.02	7749.93	1952.91 *
Bank Balance at 31.10.19				
Current Account	4513.39			*
Reserve Account	2274.40			
3 Year Postal Account	15232.41			
Bank Balance at 31.10.19				
International Salon	5056.51			*
Pay Pal	0.00			

Acting Competitions Chairman's Report

Presentation Event

Invitation letters to trophy winners were sent out in September. To date responses have been received from all except Saltburn PS. A follow up email has been sent to the club secretary asking for a response.

Gerry emailed an attendance form to all of the clubs and responses have been coming in steadily. To date we have had responses from 10 clubs with a total of 33 members confirming their attendance. Some of these could be trophy winners but this is a big improvement from last year's turn out (if they turn up).

As the results of the Beamish Trophy have now been published an email has been sent the club secretary of Ashington CC requesting that they forward the attached invitation to Richard Turnbull.

With the results of the International Salon now received, the script is complete. Alan Wilson should have all of the images to produce the CD. A sub committee meeting is scheduled to be held on 11 November when we will have a trial run before the event on the 24th.

The trophies have been engraved and are packed up and ready to be presented. The certificates are also nearly complete.

Cliff was sent the list for producing the memento labels in September. An update will be produced and resent. He will be contacted to make sure they will be ready on time.

Margaret Welsh

Report – 40th NCPF International Photographic Salon 2019

Appendix 3

The 40th NCPF Salon began well with 305 increase in entries led by England and supported by China, Scotland, Hong Kong and Germany all showing a three figure entry total.

We were pleased to welcome back previous judge Lip Tan Seng from Singapore to judge colour, Monochrome and Travel together with Peter Gennard from England judging all sections. Also from England we were pleased to welcome for the first time Ian Whiston to judge Nature. Representing NCPF Leo Palmer was judging Monochrome and Travel, Dave Coates Colour and John Webster Nature.

We were pleased to be once again judging in Tynemouth club rooms now moved to North Shields and we sincerely thank Tynemouth for their major effort to get their new club rooms ready in time.

On the first day judging of the Nature section went smoothly and the only problem was the firm bringing the lunch forgot and lunch was delayed until 1.30/2.00. Little did we know that this was just the beginning of many problems. The next day the software crashed and the judging had to be extended to Saturday. The result was a massive amount of work was created and the members of the team had to work hard to meet our deadlines. Over the following weeks, led by Dave, the team of David (Brown) Joe and Alan worked constantly to sort out the problems and save the Salon.

In forty years there had never been such a crises. Dave worked ceaselessly with the team of three supported him all the way, determined to save the Salon and they did. They deserve Medals. !

Salon Chairman

REPORT OF THE REPRESENTATIVE TO THE
PHOTOGRAPHIC ALLIANCE OF GREAT BRITAIN
TO NCPF EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE
5th November 2019

1. I attended the PAGB Executive meetings held on the 5th and 6th of October in London. The following are the main points of relevance for the NCPF.
2. Concern was expressed that a number of lecturers and judges in the PAGB Handbook and in Federation Directories were charging clubs more than PAGB agreed expenses. Federations are recommended to remind their judges and lecturers that they should abide within charging limits set by the PAGB unless they have come to a prior agreement of a higher fee from a club booking their services.
3. I had a meeting with the PAGB's insurance brokers in London before the Executive Meeting on Friday 4th October. They confirmed that the system for collecting Insurance Premiums from Federation Clubs will have to alter as a consequence of legal changes which prohibit third parties from collecting and holding Insurance Premiums on behalf of other people and organisations. This means that clubs will have to make their Insurance payments directly to the PAGB Brokers. In association with Darwin Clayton and members of the PAGB Executive I have produced a draft letter to go to all clubs explaining the change and what clubs must do when their current policies expire in January 2020. The draft letter is attached to this report and can be modified to suit each Federation. At the time of writing this report the draft is out for approval from members of the PAGB Executive.
4. Rules for PAGB Competitions are currently under review to address breaches of rules and procedures for effectively handling them. Following a number of requests a draft Constitution for Camera Clubs is being developed as it has become apparent that a number of existing ones may be ineffective or illegal in the terms they use
5. The structure for PAGB Competitions is also under review with proposals to modify and simplify entries for the Inter Federation Print and PDI contests and the GB Cup and Trophy. It is proposed to adopt the position that for Nature images "if it looks like nature it is nature." This it is hoped will resolve the use of nature entries in open categories in competitions.
6. Concern was widely expressed at photographers recycling pictures in competitions by joining new or additional clubs to allow their pictures to continue to be used in PAGB competitions. It is proposed that "once an image has been entered into a PAGB club competition it can never be entered into any other PAGB club competition by a different entrant".
7. It was also proposed that the following modification be made to rules for PAGB Competitions. "Only one entry is allowed from an author who lives more than 30 miles outside the geographic limit of the club's Federation" This was proposed to exercise some control over clubs who use external authors from all over the country to produce their entries.
8. There is also a proposal to change the rules regarding the use of similar images in competitions. The draft wording under consideration is "Where the principal element of a picture is so similar as to be nearly identical to another image". This has come about following concern that virtually identical images being repeatedly entered into competitions by a number of photographers. The exact wording has yet to be finalised.
9. Sunday morning was largely devoted to discussing what can be done to encourage the production of prints at local and national level. There was a general perception that camera clubs are deserting printed images in favour of projected images. Several of the delegates identified that in their Federations the opposite was the case. In order to quantify the national position each delegate was asked to report on the situation in their Federation by circulating their clubs on the question.
10. The next meeting of the PAGB will be on 1st and 2nd February 2020 followed by the AGM on Saturday 4th April 2020 after which there will be an Executive meeting on Sunday 5th. Barring any unforeseen circumstances I will be attending on behalf of the NCPF. As mentioned previously to this Executive, the April 2020 AGM will be my last meeting of the PAGB Executive. I have indicated that I am prepared to continue as the Insurance Officer until the publication of the next PAGB Handbook in order to simplify any queries from clubs during that period. I would recommend that this Executive authorizes my replacement as NCPF Representative to accompany me to the AGM to introduce them to the PAGB Executive.

Your Federation

Member of the Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

From: Responsible Officer

Street Name

City/Town

Name and photo honours

Post Code

Tel No.

October 2019

Insurance for Clubs

This information requires urgent attention by your Club and Committee

The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain advises that all clubs should hold Public Liability Insurance. This protection means visitors and the general public at events and shoots can claim for injury or property damage. Such claims can be very expensive and cover for £5 million is usual.

Nearly all clubs have used the policy negotiated by the Photographic Alliance (PAGB) with the broker Darwin Clayton. Each year Darwin Clayton has provided a schedule of premiums which is cascaded down to clubs, with each premium collected alongside the club's subscription to the (Your Federation). (Your Federation Acronym) then remits the total to Darwin Clayton who issues the cover certificates. (Your Federation Acronym) accounts show the premiums collected, with the same amount remitted.

Over the summer, the PAGB has been in urgent discussions with Darwin Clayton because of changes that prohibit an unregulated intermediary acting between the insured e.g. a Club, and a regulated provider of insurance. The PAGB has been considering the consequence of this change.

Choice of Provider

The PAGB will continue working with Darwin Clayton to ensure that policies suitable for Clubs are available. The PAGB will periodically undertake market research aimed at ensuring the chosen provider is able to supply clubs with suitable insurance solutions. Clubs can continue to use Darwin Clayton if they wish or can choose any other insurer.

Payment of Premiums

(Your Federation Acronym) will send the schedule of Public Liabilities from Darwin Clayton as before, however it will not collect the premiums and request that Clubs contact Darwin Clayton direct. Darwin Clayton will provide advice on other insurances that are available including but not limited to "All Risks and Management Liability". Although clubs may arrange cover with Darwin Clayton immediately, the documentation will be issued in the New Year before renewal on 31st January 2020.

Timing

Clubs should each have a copy of their current cover certificate, and that public liability insurance ceases at midnight on 31st January 2020. Clubs must have decided on their preferred insurer and have made arrangements for cover and premium payment by that date.

Verification

Because of the importance of public liability insurance in protecting judges and lecturers listed by (Federation Acronym) each club will need to provide verification of its insurance status. Darwin Clayton will furnish a list of Clubs who have arranged insurance with them to each Federation after 1st February.

Since the last Northern Focus I have tried to reach out to clubs within the Federation. I have invited clubs/societies to write about them for the Club Spotlight but to no avail at this present time. In this instance I have emailed clubs on two to three occasions asking them to contribute through the Club Spotlight. The response has been very disappointing – no reply, a straight “no thanks” or we have nothing for you at this time. This leaves very little time to seek others and for them to reply, that is if they agree to do something. At this present time the Northern Focus is going very slowly and will be late no matter how I try.

This is very disconcerting and it seems there is a bit of apathy about the clubs partaking and will no doubt affect the future of the Northern Focus. Unfortunately I will not continue after this Northern Focus but hand over to someone else who might be better at it than I.

I do thank the Clubs and Societies who have been very good at responding and I do thank all those around the table for their support, those who have stood in and filled the breach for me over the few years that I have done the job. Without them I would have really struggled and to them great thanks is all I can offer.

John Smith

Editor of the Northern Focus

JUDGES SUB COMMITTEE REPORT

Appendix 6

Minutes of the meeting of 7th October 2019 held at home of Stephen Fowler in Ryton.

Apologies for Absence – David Stout, George Ledger

1. Matters arising from the JSC meeting dated 3rd June 2019

No matters arising and the minutes were approved

2. Judges Training Day, Clara Vale 20th October 2019

Stephen Fowler confirmed that all was in hand and that there would be approx. 40 people present, including sub-committee members. All would be supplied with an identification badge which Margaret Welsh has kindly agreed to produce. The Chairman personally thanked Stephen Fowler for his work in arranging this event.

3. ‘New Judges’ Recruitment Day

It was felt very strongly that attention should be paid to the potential shortage of judges for the coming year. The first step was to discuss promotions and the JSC would like to propose the following promotions at the next Exec and to approve a new judge’s recruitment day on Sunday 1st March 2020 at Clara Vale, a date that has been agreed by Richard Speirs, our keynote speaker at this event.

Promotions Proposed from B list to A list

Gerry Adcock – Bill Broadley – Mavis McCormick – Margaret Elliott – Stephen Fowler – Keith Snell

Promotions from C list to B list

Linda Golightley – Peter Maguire – John Tillitson

Would the Executive please confirm approval to Alan McCormick after the next Exec so that the above named judges can be advised.

AOB

There was no other business

Date of next meeting – Monday January 6th 2020 at Stephen Fowler’s home in Ryton.

25 clubs ordered NCPF portfolio

19 clubs - provided on USB

6 clubs - provided on DVD

2 of these clubs requested Awards and Alliance Entry (AAE) only

1 club requested Selectors Choice (SC) only

7 clubs overpaid postage by £1:00 – providing cheques for £12:00 (should be £11:00)

1 club underpaid postage by £1:00 – providing cheque for £10:00 (should be £11:00)

USB earned = £204:00 + DVD earned = £62:00

£266:00 received from sale of portfolios.

Outgoings

USB's (4Gb x 20) purchased via Amazon £49:99

DVD's (100) purchased via Amazon £ 8:50

DVD/CD plastic wallet x 200 £ 8:97

Envelopes x 100 £13:84

Envelopes x 150 £15:10

Stamps (24) £15:96

£112:36 Receipts Expenses

Incoming = £266:00

Outgoing = £112:36

Profit = £153.64

Blyth PS	USB	£11:00	Alnwick CC	DVD	£11:00
Castleside + Dist. PC	USB	£12:00	Carlisle CC	DVD	£11:00
Chester Le Street CC	USB	£11:00	Gateshead CC (AAE)	DVD	£6:00
Copeland PS	USB	£11:00	Stokesley PS	DVD	£12:00
Cramlington CC	USB	£11:00	Sunderland PA	DVD	£11:00
Esh Winning + Dist. CC	USB	£12:00	Workington CC	DVD	£11:00
Gallery + Dist. PG	USB	£10:00			
Morpeth CC	USB	£12:00			
Morton PS	USB	£11:00			
Penrith + Dist. CC	USB	£11:00			
Richmond CC	USB	£12:00			
Ryton	USB	£11:00			
Saltburn PS	USB	£11:00			
Stanhope PS	USB	£12:00			
Stockton CC	USB	£11:00			
Tynemouth (AAE)	USB	£6:00			
Washington CC	USB	£12:00			
Wear Valley PC (SC)	USB	£6:00			
Whickham PC	USB	£11:00			
		£204	£62		

Apologies:

USB's were mailed with insufficient postage resulting in recipients being called to Post Offices to collect packages and pay £1:50 handling charge.

Prior to sending USB's a packet ready to post (of USB and DVD) was taken to local Post Office and weighed – incorrect postage stamps were supplied by Post Office Clerk – a complaint is in to Post Office – awaiting reply.

Trial: <https://wettransfer.com>

Portfolios were sent to various e-mails via Wettransfer.com; all arrived safely with transfer time <20 minutes. This could provide a postage free method of delivery.

Observation:

With spare DVD's and envelopes held by portfolio Secretary, costs will be reduced in future years and/or stock is available for other NCPF users.

Recommendation:

Portfolio booking form requires further re-write to ensure correct postage. Action Portfolio Sec.

To give options to clubs; Provision of 2020 Portfolio's should be via following options?

DVD

USB

And should be enhanced to include e-mail provision via WeTransfer

Costs for 2020 portfolio to be reduced by £1:50 as one -off for those 2019 USB purchasers inconvenienced via Post Office handling charge.

Sub-Committee should debate costs of Portfolios via different media i.e. DVD-USB-WeTransfer.

2019 Selectors Choice Portfolio's - Timing

Comment has been made that at 1hr 21m the Selectors Choice Portfolio with voice is too long for some clubs.

Portfolio has been reviewed and 6 minutes shaved from production.

Now available via Wetransfer at 1hr 15mins

Alan Wilson

NCPF Portfolio Secretary

Beamish Trophy 2019

Appendix 8

This year's PDI entries totalled 48 compared with 34 last year. I emailed the judge who had the results back to me within 24hrs. Stephen Fowler said it was something to do 'over a wet weekend'.

1st place Man by Window, by Richard Turnbull, Ashington CC

2nd place Horsepower, by Richard Turnbull, Ashington CC

3rd place Pretty in Mink, by D. Hopper, Durham PS

HC Class Wars, by Joe Finlay, Sunderland PA

HC Man in Window, by Nigel Stanley, Morton PS

HC In her Easter Bonnet, by Alison Leddy, Blyth PS

Next year's NCPF /Beamish Weekend will be held over the weekend of 6th/7th June 2020.

Joseph Duffy

Web-Masters Report November 2019

Appendix 9

The web site in its current guise will have been operational since 2015. Happily, there have been few operational difficulties to report.

The web site has been hosted by a company called Just Host since inception and they have been very reliable. The hosting was last renewed in November 2016 for 36 months at a cost of £245 and is now due for renewal.

Renewal with the present supplier was quoted at £246.83, a very slight increase on the last renewal 3yrs ago.

In view of the reliability / service / value for the features provided, and following consultation with the Treasurer Peter Yearnshire the Web Hosting has been renewed with the present supplier Just Host, at the quoted £246.83. This means there will be no further costs re hosting for 3yrs.

Gerry Adcock ARPS
(Web-master NCPF)

NORTHERN AREA REPRESENTATIVE'S REPORT
05th November 2019

Appendix 10

The first Interclub Competitions of the Northern Area are due to be held next week.

The Interclub Print Competition will be hosted by Morpeth CC on Tuesday 12 November 2019 and the Interclub Knockout Competition will be hosted by Alnwick CC on Sunday 17 November 2019.

Full results will be reported at the next Executive Meeting.

Jim Welsh LRPS, CPAGB, APAGB
Northern Area Representative

Wear Valley Report – November 2019

Appendix 11

The Wear Valley Area Battle is being held this month. Washington Camera club are hosting again, but have requested that another club takes over. Consett PS have agreed to run the event for the next two years and hope that another club in the region will then take their turn.

The Northern AV group held their bi-annual meeting at Snods Edge in October. Over 30 members attended and they had a successful day.

Club seasons are well underway with competitions, exhibitions and presentations around the region.

Debra Taylor
4th November 2019

Western Area Report November 2019

The Western Area Battle was hosted by Dumfries Camera Club at Houghton Village Hall Carlisle, on Sunday the 20th October 19

Before the judging started an excellent lecture 'Passion for Prints' was given by Ross McKelvey. This was an excellent insight to his work and an inspiration to all.

A wonderful buffet was had before the judging, laid on by members of Dumfries CC.

The overall victors were Dumfries, with Keswick in second place and Workington in third place.

Total scores as follows:

227 Dumfries Prints/PDIs 114/113

225 Keswick 111/114

222 Workington 107/115

219 Carlisle 109/110

211 Morton 109/102

208 West Cumbria 106/102

206 Penrith 104/102

206 Copeland 105/101

The overall winning print was 'Power Struggle' - from Keswick.

The overall winning PDI was 'Golden Eagle & Fox' - also from Keswick.

I have been asked by Penrith CC to inform the NCPF not to use any images of Joe Knight for competitions of publicity. She is no longer a member of Penrith CC or any club in the NCPF.

I have had a request from a W/A club for information about the closing dates for the NCPF Annuals competition so it can inform its members.

Gerald Chamberlin
DPAGB, EFIAP.

01-11-2019