Good Morning All.

Here is a briefish summary of our meeting on 23rd May 2022

- and <u>a request for volunteers to give short talks & some photos illustrating</u> "Where I've been taking photos this Summer" for the July meeting (see section 6 below).

1. Introduction

There were 11 attendees in the Baptist Hall, 4 via Zoom and 3 apologies for absence.

Brian was unfortunately unable to attend due to a hospital appointment, and so we began with the day's presentation, followed by the competition results, and then discussions on possible future presentations and meetings.

2. The Presentation: "Digital Photography Workflows" by John Allen

This was a brief overview (& suggested overall approach rather than an-depth examination!) of the subject of "Workflows" in the context of digital photography.

What does this term "Workflow" mean?

-> something like "to methodically & efficiently take / store / process /"distribute" shots without missing/losing anything critical at the time, **OR** later on!"

Thus, it aimed to address most of the basic steps in the overall "process" of:

- Preparing for, and taking, successful photos in various types of locations,
- Secure storage (both local & "cloud") of the resulting digital image files, both before & after processing & editing
- Various possible Apps, methods & approaches to editing those files
- Preparing the processed image files for display (in various forms) and/or uploading to various locations (e.g. club competitions, web libraries, social media, etc.)

An updated & amended pdf version of the presentation is attached; it has many embedded hyperlinks taking you to online locations for more info – including many relevant previous Hu3a Photo Group & Computer Club reports & presentations.

3. The May Competitions results

Andrew presented, & we all discussed, the results of the two May competitions, as below:

May 2022 Themed Competition "Letters and Numbers"					
Title	Photographer	Posit	ionTotal		
How Inconvenient	Karol Schlacter	1	15		
W1	Steve Bynsh	2	10		
Cyclists Dismount	Steve Bynsh	3	8		
Letters and Numbers	Freda Longhurst	4	6		
2 B or not 2 B	Brian Hillier	5	5		
A Bakers dozen	Brian Hillier	5	5		
Home	Ralph Watson	6	4		
l'm Bricking It	Ralph Watson	6	4		
Toll Sign	Freda Longhurst	6	4		
V for Victory	Janet Nicolas	7	3		
Kings Cross	Margaret Dorigan	7	3		
Sampler Cross Stitch	Freda Longhurst	7	3		
How do you slow it down	Malcolm Barwick	7	3		
City cruises from London Bridge	Malcolm Barwick	7	3		
Five Pence	John Bentham	8	2		
Relief in 200m London 10 K run	Malcolm Barwick	8	2		
Jubilee Gate	Ralph Watson	8	2		
An A Tray	Janet Nicolas	9	1		
A Horse U	Janet Nicolas		0		
St Mary's Church Denham	Margaret Dorigan		0		
Please do not park here!	Margaret Dorigan		0		
Alfred's Cart	Andrew Longhurst		0		

May 2022 Themed Competition "Letters and Numbers"					
Title	Photographer	Position	Total		
Milestone Ricky	Andrew Longhurst		0		
Whisky Box	Andrew Longhurst		0		
Tee for Two	Karol Schlacter		0		
Metered	Elizabeth Curran		0		
Royal Thames	Elizabeth Curran		0		
Globe in Stone	Elizabeth Curran		0		
Sovereign figures and words	John Bentham		0		
K - Gravel Pit	Steve Bynsh		0		
20 Swans a-swimming	Brian Hillier		0		
May 2022 "Shot of th	e Month" competition				
Title	Photographer	Position	Total		
Rape Field	Andrew Longhurst	1	10		
Criss Cross(*)	Elizabeth Curran	1	10		
A Needles Sunset	Karol Schlacter	2	9		
Stratford-upon-Avon	Brian Hillier	2	9		
Parasols	Steve Bynsh	3	8		
BusyBusyBee	Ralph Watson	4	7		
River Bure Norfolk	Andrew Longhurst	4	7		
Wisteria at Eastcote House and Gardens	Margaret Dorigan	4	7		
View from Hay's Galleria	Elizabeth Curran	5	3		
St Georges day Parade Pinner	Malcolm Barwick	5	3		
View from A38:A64m London Bridge	Malcolm Barwick	5	3		
Teasel	Freda Longhurst	6	2		
Socialising and sunshine	Margaret Dorigan	7	1		
Regents Park Canal	Margaret Dorigan	7	1		
What do we do now?	Janet Nicolas	7	1		
The Merry Month of May	Karol Schlacter	7	1		
Mr. Robin	Elizabeth Curran	7	1		
In or Out	Steve Bynsh	7	1		
Tulip and Fly	Janet Nicolas		0		
Norfolk Boat and Wind Pump	Andrew Longhurst		0		
Wisteria in Denham Village	Janet Nicolas		0		
Lonely Pine meets Friend	Karol Schlacter		0		
Pansy	John Bentham		0		
Clematis	John Bentham		0		
Holy Trinity Church, Stratford-upon-Avon	Brian Hillier		0		
Anna Hathaway's Dispensary	Brian Hillier		0		
Cyclists on London Bridge	Malcolm Barwick		0		
Spring in London	Steve Bynsh		0		
lt Ain't Half Hot Here	Ralph Watson		0		
l'm Not Scary	Ralph Watson		0		

Congratulations to the Winners and their winning shots should be on our website pages by early next month after Tony Kemp has been able to spare the time to put them up, as per these links:

- **Themed competition** <u>https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1jrxY2aSx0wSzGwYc7pL9tmy3XzIYM6cD</u> (and also on the June Hu3a Monthly Slide Show):
 - "Shot of the Month" https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1jrxY2aSx0wSzGwYc7pL9tmy3XzIYM6cD

(*) BTW: None of us could guess what Elizabeth's "Criss Cross" shot was - turns out to be a backstage floor area at a theatre where scenery is painted, so, well spotted and shot!

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4. The June Competitions

We've chosen the "obvious" subject for the Themed Competition because it's got to be "**The Queen's Platinum Jubilee** Celebrations"!

To give you some ideas (*not probably needed!*) look at Members' shots for the 75th VE Day Celebrations competition in May 2020, as here <u>https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1ASpg1x8-47Z2-FY3sJWhDiarHGXEU5yl</u>

And, of course, we'll be having the "anything goes" "Shot of the Month" competition.

- but, if you enter both competitions, please try to avoid Shot of the Month entries that would be more appropriate In the Queen's Jubilee competition (& vice-versa),

5. Important June Dates

- **13 June** Mon 3pm Committee meeting (on Zoom)
- **19 June** Sun midnight Final submission of photo entries (with titles!) to Andrew andrewlonghurst@yahoo.com)
- **25 June** Sat midnight Final submission of your votes
- **27 June** Mon Group meeting at Baptist Church and via Zoom

6 Future Meetings

Monday 27th June Meeting

- Ian Brown will give a thought-provoking presentation on "Why I take Photographs".

Monday 25th July Meeting (Provisional)

- We hope the main "presentation" will be by 4 or 5 members giving short (only 5 mins!) presentations of where, why & how they've been taking photos this Summer that should give the rest of us ideas & insights on good places to go and to take shots.
- <u>Therefore please tell us where you've been and provide 5-6 relevant shots we'll put them into a</u> <u>"presentation" format and then all you'll have to do is to tell the audience some interesting titbits about</u> <u>when/where/how the shots were taken!</u>

Monday 22nd (NB: NOT Monday 29th!!) August Meeting

- An outdoor (*we hope dry!*) Photo Shoot at **Horsenden Hill** (*between Perivale, Sudbury & Greenford*). Further details to follow, but, in the meantime, more on this interesting location is <u>here</u> on Wikipedia.

6. AOB – Update on the Microphone in the room so that Zoom attendees can hear us.

At this meeting, I experimented with a combined mini tripod & selfie stick to support the microphone for the feed to the Zoom participants, and that appeared to work pretty well for both those present and at home –so we'll hopefully use a similar same approach in future.

However, it was time-consuming to find that combo tripod/selfie stick as many others wouldn't have worked as well. Nevertheless, while being quite compact, it's **also** capable of supporting a camera phone (*needs a cheap accessory clamp*) OR even a smallish mirrorless camera/DSLR & lens - so could be useful for holidays, etc.!

Here's a <u>link</u> for anyone who wants one – Warning: you'll likely also need a remote control (a camera brand-specific one, or one of these phone/tablet <u>Bluetooth ones</u>).

After that the meeting finally ended by 4pm - and so we hope to see you all again on **Monday 27th June!**

John Allen

& on behalf of the rest of the Photo Group Committee: Brian Hillier (Chairman), Andrew Longhurst & Judy Peddy.