

Cornwall PA – Isle of Man PS – North Wales PA
SCOTTISH PHOTOGRAPHIC FEDERATION
Irish PF – Northern Ireland PA – Welsh PF
CELTIC CHALLENGE 2017

The Scottish Photographic Federation are delighted to host the Celtic Challenge 2017. We hope to catch up with the many friends we have in the 'Celtic' group of Federations, Associations and Societies, and hope you will all be able to join us over the weekend of 18th and 19th Nov 2017, and take part in the Celtic Challenge Competition 2017. The main event will take place on Saturday 18th November 2017 at Stirling Court Hotel (SCH), University of Stirling, FK9 4LA.

The full timetable programme for the Saturday will be issued shortly, but we can tell you that the Judges for the Competition will be Gwen and Phil Charnock FRPS, MFIAP from Wigan (L&CPU), and the Celtic Challenge Saturday Lecture will be by Colin Trow-Poole MPAGB, FRPS, FIPF from Arden (MCPF).

The hotel has given us preferential dinner, bed and breakfast rates which I have listed separately. To obtain these rates you will have to quote the Reference given. We will host the presentation dinner at the Stirling Court Hotel (SCH) on the Saturday evening. If you are not staying as part of the D,B&B rate the dinner will cost £28 per person, and requires to be pre-booked. Full details of the hotel and venue are supplied separately.

To ensure everyone who wishes to attend the dinner is accounted for, please let me know 'names and numbers' of those who book D,B&B at SCH for the Sat evening, or 'names and numbers' if you require me to 'pre-book' your dinner if you are staying elsewhere. The final deadline for booking dinner is by 30th Sept, after which spaces will be offered to SPF Club members.

Some of our Scottish Federation members are happy to show visitors around the very picturesque Trossachs - Callander area on Saturday or Monday mornings. Detailed Maps showing some of the photo locations will also be available for those of you who want to go exploring yourselves. If you would like a guide on Sat am or Mon am, please let me know asap so we can ensure that we can accommodate you - by 30th Sept at latest please.

On Sunday the SPF Digital Championship event, our PAGB Warwick pre-qualifier, (run in a very similar style) will be held in Stirling Court Hotel. You are very welcome to attend. Gwen, Phil and Colin will be our Judges for that event. Or you may prefer to go exploring historic Stirling.

Please confirm your intention to enter the Competition, and also let me know how many are likely to attend from your organisation, as soon as possible.

If you have any queries on the above, don't hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards, *Libby*

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The Competition Rules

The Competition will comprise of three Sections made up of –
10 Colour Print, 10 Monochrome Print & 10 Projected Digital Images per organisation.

- Prints should be mounted on 500mm x 400mm (20" x 16") boards. Please also supply PDI copies of the prints (file named as below, to match the prints) for a DVD to be made to accompany the event. (Prints will be shown by print capture to the audience, at the event)
- Projected Digital Images should be in jpeg format and not more than 1600px horizontal x 1200px vertical (smaller is acceptable) Please adhere to the file-naming convention supplied below using the organisation codes provided.
- There is no restriction on the number of entries per photographer but there should be a minimum of 3 photographers represented in each section.
- Please complete the Entry Form supplied with the titles and photographer details as required and return by email to Libby by 4th Nov 17. Please print off a copy of the Entry Form and enclose with your prints.
- Projected Digital Images to be received by the organiser by 4th Nov 17. Images can be sent by post to the address supplied, or via email using Dropbox or WeTransfer. (No account or software installation is required for WeTransfer)
- If using Dropbox please use - libby.neilsmith@btinternet.com
- Prints should be delivered to the venue by 9.30am on the day of the competition, or by post to Libby to arrive by 4th Nov 17. (Alternatively they can be handed over at the PAGB Print Championship, Blackburn (29th Oct).
- Each Federation will be asked to pay £15 as an entry fee. (Cheques payable to 'SPF' please or cash with prints)

File-naming – Please number your files to match your entry form **01, 02, 03... to 10** followed by an **underscore_** then the two letter **Organisation Code provided** followed by an **underscore_** then **the title of the image** followed by an **underscore_** then the **Author Name** - **Image Number_Organisation Code_Title_Author Name**

The filename should have no spaces in it other than in the 'title' or 'author name'. Please don't add distinctions to the filenames. You may add them to the Entry Form if you wish.

Your filename should look like this e.g. for the first Scottish entry titled 'Misty Loch Ard' by Libby Smith – **01_CC_Misty Loch Ard_Libby Smith**

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