

SILEBY PHOTOGRAPHIC SOCIETY

John Hoogerwerf, President, chaired the Annual General Meeting of Sileby Photographic Society which was held via Zoom on Monday, 24th May. A review of the current year's activities took place and officers were elected to fulfil the various committee positions for the new photographic year, 2021-2022.

The current worldwide pandemic, coupled with intermittent 'lockdowns', had prevented meetings being held at the Community Centre, and had thus forced the Society to look for other ways to hold its weekly gathering. Despite certain limitations, and cameras perhaps lying more dormant than they normally would, Zoom had come to the rescue which had enabled meetings to continue. An excellent programme had been arranged comprising outside speakers and many presentations given by its own members, and most of the competitions which would normally have taken place were able to continue.

John thanked all his fellow committee members for their help throughout the year, and all those members who had attended which had made the meetings worthwhile.

Particular thanks were given to Malcolm Coulton who had supervised access to the Zoom meetings and also for enabling a practice session prior to the meeting for those who felt they needed it. A very successful Exhibition, albeit a 'virtual' one, had been organised by Colin Machin whose technical expertise had made this possible and had resulted in many favourable comments being received.

John Hoogerwerf and Malcolm Coulton were re-elected as the Society's President and Vice-President respectively for the photographic year 2021-2022, when it is hoped that with Covid restrictions being lifted, meetings can once again be held at the Community Centre.

The next meeting will be held on Monday, 7th June when John Hoogerwerf, as President, will present an evening of his choice.

The Society is now reaching the end of its current photographic year, and it is envisaged that Monday evening walks will take place, weather permitting, throughout the summer months. Prospective new members are always welcome to come along to enjoy the local countryside followed by a visit to a local hostelry afterwards for liquid refreshment.

Further details relating to the activities of SPS are available to view on its website.