The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain

The Compendium

Resources for Clubs and Federations

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INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this Compendium is to provide summary information about the many resources offered by the Photographic Alliance on behalf of Clubs and Federations, with direct links to all available support and documents.

The Alliance (PAGB) is an enabling organisation. It provides some direct events and services, saving every Federation having to develop the same independently. Likewise, Federations provide direct events and services, saving every Club having to develop the same independently.

Apart from its own events and services, the PAGB does not require its member Federations and their Clubs to adhere to any procedure or advice which the PAGB uses. All are free to follow or adapt as they think appropriate for their own use.

The Alliance has three websites:

- thepagb.org.uk A repository of definitive and historical information. The Compendium generally follows the structure of this website.
- pagbnews.co.uk A repository of all the **e-news** issues coupled with an email circulation for subscribers. Anyone can subscribe to **e-news**.
- pagbhost.co.uk Commonly called the 'CMS', this is the PAGB's delivery system for entries to competitions and events and increasingly for services delivery.

While reading the Compendium in a pdf reader, all the highlighted links will be available and live. That will not be the case for a printed out copy.

DISTRIBUTION

In the past the PAGB Handbook has been distributed every two years with one copy to each Club. Like all printed information, parts would be out of date before the next edition. The Handbook content could be broadly categorised as:

- Confidential contact information for the Executive and the Federations. This is now managed separately.
- Administrative and historical material. Anything not previously on the website has now been added. The website is now the complete record.
- Confidential contact information for Lecturers and Judges. This is now managed using the on-line Speakers register.

The Compendium is expected to be of most use to officers and committees of Clubs and Federations.

There is no limit to the distribution, and the Compendium is available for public access.

THE PAGB WEBSITE

The PAGB website at thepagb.org.uk is the place to find definitive and up to date information about all PAGB services and events. The following sections explain each part of the website with links to available documents.

- Many documents are also available via the website Library page.
- The PAGB's sponsors are shown on the Sponsors page: clicking on a logo there pops up the image. The caption provides a link to the sponsor's website.

The website has a page dedicated to the CMS (Central Management/Entries System), which is the PAGB system for on-line delivery of services.

Pages and documents on the website are updated as required. That means the live links in the Compendium will always be to current versions. If, when viewing, there is uncertainty about the status of a document, use refresh (F5).

The Home page carries a few current announcements, but the main source of news is PAGB **e-news** at pagbnews.co.uk.

Various pages on the website contain historical series of documents, set out by year. Likewise, there are annual albums of images, with each album having galleries for the events in that year.

ABOUT US

The Photographic Alliance (PAGB) is a membership organisation, where the member Federations and the affiliated Clubs are all autonomous.

Resources include:

- A history of the PAGB from its foundation up to 1987
- A map of affiliated Clubs. Accuracy of this map depends on Clubs maintaining the postcode of their venue
- A diary of activities

What We do

The page describes the PAGB and also has links to annual reports of activities.

Who's Who

The page lists the current officers of the PAGB, and the names of those responsible for various functions. Links from each function go to the relevant page for the function. Other resources are:

- Archive: The Presidents of the PAGB
- Archive: The Secretaries of the PAGB
- Executive members
- Current Executive appointments, including subcommittee memberships

Federations

The page lists all the PAGB member Federations and their boundaries, with links to their websites. Most Clubs are members of the Federation where they meet, but there is some flexibility through cooperation between adjacent Federations.

Standards & Governance

The page has resources including:

- The Constitution
- Data Protection Policy
- Website Security information
- Breach of Rules Procedure

Related Organisations

The page lists and explains several organisations related to the Alliance or providing supportive information..

SERVICES

The page lists the main PAGB services. (Awards, Competitions/Events and FIAP are in different sections.)

PAGB e-news

The page provides information about PAGB **e-news** including a direct link and how to submit articles and advertisements. All past issues are available for viewing on the **e-news** website.

PAGB **e-news** is published frequently and is the main resource for announcements and current affairs. Anyone can register to receive an email notification for each new issue. Ideally, every Clubs should have at least one person registered.

CMS: Management/Entries System

The page summarises the features of the CMS, which is the principal service delivery system for the PAGB.

Other than viewing the Club map and the diary, all use of CMS depends on registering a personal account and acquiring approval as one or more of:

- Club member
- Club officer
- Federation officer
- Speaker

What is available in CMS

Shows a Summary of the CMS and what level of approval is required for each use.

The CMS is also used to manage entries for the Awards for Photographic Merit and applicants receive specific instructions.

How Do I ?

Shows current instructions for:

- Create an account
- Obtain approval as a Club member
- Obtain approval as a Club officer
- Obtain approval as a Federation officer
- Obtain approval as a Speaker, including how to manage your Activities in the Speakers register.
- Obtain services as a Club or Federation officer

The Speakers Register

Explains about the register including recruitment of Speakers, which is under the control of Federations, and:

- Conditions for joining the register
- Conditions for bookings with Clubs

Club/Federation Data Management

As far as possible, data management including approvals of Club members, Club officers, Federation officers and Speakers is devolved to the level where the individual is known to a data manager.

Club data managers can manage Club members and Club officers, and documentation is provided.

Federation data managers can assist Clubs and also manage at Federation level and documentation is provided.

Frequently Asked Questions

The section is updated from time to time with answers to frequently asked questions.

Speakers (Judges and Lecturers)

The page describes the availability and the conditions of the Speakers register, including:

- Listing Terms and Conditions
- Bookings Terms and Conditions
- Code of Good Practice
- Sample Booking Forms (Word file)

All Speakers are entitled to charge expenses at the rates shown.

Some Speakers (not for judging) may charge a fee in addition to expenses and the maximum amount must be shown in the register.

PAGB Judges

The page further describes the procedure for nominating judges for PAGB level accreditation which is additional to their Federation approval.

- Guidance about Nominating a new PAGB judge
- Briefing Note for Judges

Recorded Lectures

The page explains the service.

Obtaining a lecture requires use of the CMS with approval as a Club officer or Federation officer.

PAGB Compendium

The page describes this Compendium, which is a resource for Club and Federation officers following cessation of the Handbook.

The PAGB Handbook was published every two years with copies distributed to Federations and Clubs. The final edition was published in 2022.

The administrative information in the Handbook is now on the website.

The judges and lecturers are now in the Speakers register.

Personal contact information for the PAGB Executive and for the Federations will remain a controlled circulation.

Insurance

Most Federations require Clubs to hold Public Liability insurance as a condition of membership.

The page describes the various policies available from the broker engaged by the PAGB. Clubs and Federations may use this broker or may use any other broker or underwriter as they wish.

Patronage

The page explains the purpose of Patronage for events and includes:

- The Patronage Rules & Procedures
- Historical lists of patronage grants

Applications by Federation officers or Club officers are made via the CMS, and require confirmation by the Federation Secretary.

Advice Documents

The page includes advice collated by the PAGB on behalf of Federations and Clubs to save all having to repeat that work. As Federations and Clubs are autonomous, PAGB advice documents are not mandatory but are available as guidance for local policies and implementation. Advice includes:

- Club Constitution/Rules
- Children, Young People and Vulnerable Adults attending Club meetings
- Health & Safety at Club Meetings and Events
- Data Protection
- Data Protection – Writing a Policy
- Guidance - Image Publication
- Recordings of Meetings
- Images of People – Opinion
- Links to the PAGB website

The PAGB Data Protection Policy is included for reference

Other advice includes:

- PAGB Standards for Projected Digital Images
- RPS Nature Group Code of Practice (refer to RPS website)
- About Creative Lives (formerly the Voluntary Arts Network)
- About the British Copyright Council

AWARDS

This section has information about the Awards for Photographic Merit (APM) and about the PAGB service awards.

Awards for Photographic Merit

The page describes the awards which are open to members of affiliated Clubs who qualify with the relevant criteria. A supplementary page adds more information about applying in AudioVisual.

A set of leaflets provides detailed information:

- 1. APM Description and
- Supplement FAQ

- 2. Guidance Notes for Entering Prints and PDI
- 3. Host Rota & Workshops
- 4. Applying with AudioVisual
- 5. Guidance for Host Federations
- 6. Online Advisory Service & Guidance for Advisers

Applications must be made via the photographer's Federation and each Federation has its own procedures. Potential applicants must read and follow both their Federation procedure and the information in the PAGB leaflets.

APM Advice Service

Potential APM applicants can ask for advice about their images.

The page explains the service and has a contact form to apply.

Service Awards

The page describes the awards available.

APAGB

The Award for Meritorious Service (APAGB) recognises extensive service to the PAGB community including Clubs and Federations. Resources and information include:

- Guidance about the APAGB Award
- Nomination form (Word file)
- Archive: APAGB Award Holders:
  - by name
  - by Federation
  - by date

HonPAGB

The J S Lancaster Medal is awarded for exceptional service to the PAGB. Resources and information include:

- Guidance about the HonPAGB Award
- Archive: HonPAGB Award Holders

Honorary Life Vice-President

Holders are elected by a General Meeting of the PAGB and become permanent members of the Executive..

- Archive: Honorary Life Vice-Presidents

EVENTS

This section describes the various competition and exhibition events organised by the PAGB. Generally each event has rules, a timetable for the next occasion, how to obtain tickets (if available), historical reports of results and links to galleries of winning images.

The page lists the events and how to see results and images.

Event Conditions

The page contains the general conditions with supplementary guidance, category eligibility and advice:

- General Conditions (for all events)

- Guidance – Only You Can Know (for all events)
- Guidance – 'Artificial Intelligence' (for all events)
- Guidance - Image Repetition (for all events)
- Guidance – Photographer Eligibility (for all events)
- Monochrome eligibility (for some events)
- Nature eligibility (for some events)
- Advice - JPEG File Size (for some events)

Inter-Federation Competition & Exhibition

The page has information about the event which is for Federation entry. Timetable information is sent directly to Federations. Resources include:

- Rules
- Exhibition locations
- Obtaining tickets
- Historical results
- Catalogues
- Image galleries

Inter-Club Print Championship

The page has information about the event which is for entry by invited Clubs. Timetable information is sent directly to Clubs. Resources include:

- Rules
- Venue information
- Obtaining tickets
- Historical results
- Image galleries

Inter-Club Projected Digital Image Championship

The page has information about the event which is for entry by invited Clubs. Timetable information is sent directly to Clubs. Resources include:

- Rules
- Venue information
- Obtaining tickets
- Historical results
- Image galleries

The GB Trophy

The page has information about the event which is for prints and is open for entry by any affiliated Club. Resources include:

- Rules
- Timetable
- Historical results
- Image galleries

The GB Cup

The page has information about the event which is for projected images and is open for entry by any affiliated Club. Resources include:

- Rules
- Timetable
- Historical results

- Image galleries

PAGB Masters of Print

The page has information about the event which is for prints and is open for entry by any member of an affiliated Club. A Club may also collate and submit the entries for multiple members. Resources include:

- Rules
- Timetable
- Historical results
- Catalogues
- Image galleries

Galleries

The page has links to annual albums of galleries.

Catalogues and Virtual Galleries

The page explains how to access the page-turning catalogues and the virtual galleries of PAGB events.

FIAP

The PAGB, and separately the Scottish Photographic Federation and the Welsh Photographic Federation are members of FIAP – the International Federation of Photographic Art.

FIAP provides patronage for international salons. Acceptances at salons by members of affiliated Clubs lead to the FIAP Distinctions.

About FIAP

The page describes FIAP, its website, and the FIAP reference book.

FIAP Contacts

The page lists the contacts for the three separate UK national members of FIAP.

FIAP Distinctions for Photographic Merit

The page describes the distinctions levels. Resources include:

- FIAP Life Card
- About the FIAP Distinctions
- Working Towards Distinctions
- Criteria for FIAP Distinctions
- Criteria for FIAP AV Distinctions
- FIAP Sanctions policy (refer to FIAP website)
- Frequently Asked Questions
- PAGB Applications Timetable
- Archive:
    - Annual lists of Distinctions successes
    - MFIAP Award holders

While some of this information is generic, exact procedures and timetable for applications refers only to Club members in England, North Wales and Northern Ireland. Members in Scotland and in the Welsh Photographic Federation have their own procedures and timetables.

FIAP Patronage

The page describes the availability of FIAP patronage for events.

FIAP Service Awards

The page describes the FIAP awards for service to FIAP and includes:

- Archive: UK FIAP Service Award Holders

FIAP Biennials

The page describes the Biennials which are for national entry (PAGB, SPF, WPF separately).

FIAP Clubs World Cup

The page describes the Cup which is open for entry by any Club. UK Clubs have traditionally been high achievers in this event.

LIBRARY

The page collates many of the documents used throughout the website and in this Compendium.

SPONSORS

The page shows logos of our sponsors, and any current announcements or offers for Club members. Each logo gives access to the sponsor's website.

CONTACT

The page has a contact form for enquiries. Please observe the conditions and make a reasonable search for the answer before making contact.