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Hi

I am writing to you as Secretary of your Federation in the hope you can do me a favour and pass on this letter to the Club Programme or General Secretaries in your region.

Forty years of giving talks to Photographic Societies, which I have thoroughly enjoyed, has enabled me to see every County in UK and many of the Islands and even travel abroad, as far away as far away as Singapore to lecture and judge and best of all meet wonderful people many of whom have become friends. I am now at the stage where I have to consider how much longer I can continue and as Clubs often book up more than a year or two in advance I feel I should notify them of my future plans. I must make it clear I have NO intention of giving up just yet, but I will from the beginning of next year try to "cut down" especially on long distance bookings although do enjoy "Tours". I have cut down on car travel taking the train as an alternative, less pressure and much less expensive for the Clubs but this is not always possible. I have enjoyed Sponsorship for many years first of all from Ilford, then jointly with Fotospeed and when Digital Photography came into the photographic world, Fotospeed took over Sponsoring my talks, which results in me not having to charge a fee.

In the Alliance Handbook for 2018 to 2019 I failed to put in my new Print lecture Title which will be:- **"The Dragon's Journey"**. I intend to copy this new talk onto a Memory Stick so that the images can be seen on screen as I show them as Prints. This talk will include: **"Landscapes/Seascapes"**, starting with those taken in Slate land of North Wales and the Seaside in Prestatyn, showing you don't have to travel long distances to get pictures, but also around Britain and taken recently in New Zealand a beautiful country, which was a joy to see and photograph. **"Pictorial"** images were my first love, but over the past 19 years we have visited 37 different countries and I became hooked on **"Travel photography"**, from which I will select a small number of my favourites. I love **"People"** and have a wide range of **"Environmental Portraiture"** from all over the World. I will also include some **"Wildlife"** images, birds, animals, my favourites being wild Orangutans and Elephants and even Dragons! **"Creative"** photography, **"Humour"** and the **"Bizarre"**, are all fun to do, in fact examples of my Photographic Journey will be shown including my personal approach to many different subjects. All, shown of course, with the stories to go with them.

I intend to "launch" my new talk early in 2019 and have some available dates from 1st March. If you have not filled your programme or have a cancellation please contact me to discuss availability. Mainly of course this lecture is for 2019 to 2020 season.

I am continuing into next year doing my "favourite thing" which is helping people gain distinctions or Improve their photography, to gain awards and acceptances in Exhibitions and competitions. I am doing two **"One Day workshops"** on **"Going for Distinctions"**, **Saturday 12th** and **Sunday 13th February** for the **Fotospeed Academy** (please look on Website for this and other possible future Workshops or contact me for further details). I am also considering restarting my Workshops **"Dragonpix Improvers Group"** with a limited number of participants charge to cover expenses, held on Sundays, here in Prestatyn depending on how much interest there is. I also enjoy doing **"Fotospeed Print Days"** but these depend on colleague's availability. For all above, please contact me to discuss.

Although I gave up Club Competition judging I am still happy to do "Interclub or Federation Judging" Selecting Exhibitions and Workshops are all something I really enjoy.

My contact details are above, please note change of Email address, or Phone 01745855934 or 07939 790790.

Kindest regards

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