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WE WIN TRIANGLE TROPHY AGAIN!

Epsom Moviemakers were the hosts for the 2017 Triangle Trophy. Spring Park's 30 minute programme included "The Wrong Note", "Reflective View of London", "Salute to the 1940s", "The Alphabet", "The Creature from Eynsford Castle" and "Where Time Stood Still". There were also programmes from Orpington and Shooters Hill. The judges decided that Spring Park's programme was the most entertaining and Orpington won the trophy for the Best Film of the Evening.

Chairman holds the Triangle Trophy



Photo by Graham R on his mobile phone.

FORTHCOMING ATTRACTIONS

2nd March - Movieground

Time once again for members to "premiere" their new films and receive comments from a "distinguished" panel.

16th March – Story Films Without Words

Bring along the story film you have made without words or one made by someone else.

30th March – ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Members should have received an agenda for this meeting. After the election of Executive Committee Members and the reports, members will be able to discuss matters

relating the club. This will be followed by cheese and wine/grape juice. Please come along.

PREVIOUS MEETINGS

2nd February – Special Effects in Filming

Peter gave an excellent presentation on this topic as well as other recent technical developments in movie-making. He explained how he made the scene in the "The Creature from Eynsford Castle" where a giant duck crushed buildings in this Kent village. This included "masking" a normal duck walking across a park railing so that it could be super-imposed on a street scene. He went on the show how he made real buildings explode and crumble on the screen. Members of our nearest club, Orpington were invited and some came along to this presentation. Peter has kindly listed some of the web-sites that he mentioned that evening so that members can find out more. Thanks Peter.

Music library for Film & TV: www.audionetwork.com/
Free sound effects: <http://soundbible.com/>
Cd ripping and music management software for Windows:
Mediamonkey.com
Software for capturing streaming video from sites like
YouTube: applian.com/replay-media-catcher
Cat videos:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCNo5PGwGmfnEprEUUb9AGgw>

YouTube Vlogger:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/caseyneistat>

Free teleprompter app for Android tablets is called "Simple Teleprompter"

Wireless microphone: Rode Filmmaker Kit £286 at Amazon.

Digital sound recorder: Olympus LS-P1 £89 Amazon

Cameras: Sony A6300, Canon EOS M5

16nd February – Bird Talk

Our very own Roy showed us footage of his recent bird filming experience in Australia. He showed us no less than 7 (yes seven!) well edited short films featuring birds and other wild life:

"Pelicans at Hastings"

"Emu"

"50%" – using "slo-mo"

"Bush Walk"

"Birds of the Suburbs" including parrots

"The Beach"

"Cooltown" – suspect my spelling is wrong!

Afterwards Roy gave us a fiendish (and for once this is not an over exaggeration!) quiz about Australia. Clive was the winner and received a bottle of Australian wine. Another bottle of Oz vino was won by Peter in Roy's other competition; this time the best bird film shown by members that night. The contesting films included:

"Kelsey Hooligans" by Roger

"A Year at the Rainham Marshes" by Peter

"The Birds" by Graham R

"Birds of a Feather" by Dorothy

"Just Penguins" by Alan

Tony also showed a film made on real film and converted to video. It was filmed in Minorca in 1984.

This was an excellent evening by Roy who even brought pencils to complete the quiz! Thanks Roy.

PAYMENTS TO SPRING PARK FILM MAKERS

Members have in the past been asked to pay subscriptions and other similar payments (eg to special events like our Anniversary Dinner) by cheque rather than cash. The exception to this rule is payment of the regular entrance fees at our meetings.

With the closing of the club's local branch of the HSBC bank in West Wickham, it makes it easier for our Treasurer if payments can be paid by members via BACS or direct transfer (eg using electronic banking). For those able and willing to make payments this way the appropriate codes of

the club's bank account can be obtained from Club Committee members.

Subs for 2017/18 are due on the 1st of April 2017 and are unchanged: £15 per year for members and £5 for any other members of the same household.



Preparations for our 50th Anniversary Dinner (see poster above) are progressing well. We already have over 30 guests attending, so it should be an evening to remember.

DAVID HUNT

After 10 years of excellent service on the Spring Park Executive Committee, David has decided to step down to the "back benches". David was Club Treasurer for many years and also sorted out our invaluable ladder for us! He used his past engineering skills updating our lighting for the Annual Show and adding his brawn to putting up the giant screen for that event. We all hope that he will still lend a constructive hand to the club in the years ahead. Anyway, this is my BIG thank you to David for all your hard work on the Committee.

Graham E

TEA ROTA

2nd March – Keith B

16th March – Mike Shaw

30th March – to be confirmed

Please bring a 2 pint bottle of milk and some biscuits – Keith Burrows, our Membership Secretary, will reimburse you.