

DUNHOLME CAMERA CLUB

I think it must be because of my age that the years seem to be flying by! No sooner was it January than it is now July and we are heading into the second half of the year. At the time of writing, we are not sure what will have been announced regarding the final stages of the easing of the lockdown, so I am not able to say whether we can start at the camera club as a group yet. Hopefully we can and all of you can begin to get back to a little more normality after 18 months of uncertainty.

During this time the members have not been able to get out and take as many photographs as usual and don't have as many ready for the competitions that we hold each year, so it's a case of searching in our past library of images and getting the best of what we.

I want to stress the importance of making sure that you archive your images for future use and for future generations to be able to see. I think most of you reading this will have images in print form, both black and white and colour, from your parents and family which are treasured memories from years gone by. You can get them out and take a look at life as it was when you were a child, what people looked like, the fashion, the cars, places that you visited and so on. If you don't properly save all of the photos you have on your phones and cameras photos when your children and grandchildren get to our age there will be no family history because, in general, we don't get our images printed. If anything goes wrong with the memory cards that these images are saved on then that is it; all your images are gone. So please make sure that you get a second copy of those image files saved somewhere safe, onto an external hard drive or in the cloud. Please don't just save them on your laptop, tablet or computer, because someday these will break. If you want any help with saving images then please drop me a line and I will try to help.

What has the camera club got on in July? Well, as I said, the meetings will either be online or back at the club room at The Old School at Dunholme; please go to our website where you will find what is happening during July on our home page. While you're there, visit the *Recent Images* and the *Members Images* pages where there's a huge library for you to look through. While the weather is nice, why not get out and take some great images?

If you would like to join us get in touch via the *Contact Us* page on the website for further details.

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