

## **KEN GOUGH**



**26th June 1929 - 11th April 2019**

A true gentleman, it is with great sadness that the WCPF had the sad task of reporting the passing of Ken Gough, after a long illness. For those of you who don't remember, or never knew him, Ken was a President of the WCPF from 1981 to 1984. He also served on the Executive for many more years.

He liked to be kept informed about WCPF matters, so a twice yearly contact was maintained with him. Ken also served as President of the PAGB from 1993 to 1995.

Ken's working life began as an analytical chemist with the Food and Hygiene Standards Agency in Bristol. A chance opportunity arose for him to photograph food related subjects, when it was known that he was a keen photographer. This was to lead to his ultimate career as a professional photographer.

During his time as President of the PAGB the Awards for Photographic Merit were begun. He was secretary and treasurer on this subcommittee and also served on the FIAP services committee at the time the UK first hosted a FIAP Biennial, where Margaret Collis was involved, because the WCPF hosted the national selection. Ken both judged and lectured for the WCPF.

His son Mike, recalled visiting the Concorde project in Filton, with his father, who was involved with it as a photographer. Mike also recalled their lounge and dining room being full of prints as his father fulfilled his many appointments as a judge. This was to lead to Mike's own interest in photography, which in turn, led him to his present enthusiasm for solar eclipse photography, now taking him around the world.

Ken also worked for Fry's, which is why he was a member of the 'Fry's' Camera Club. When that disbanded, he first belonged to Bristol Colour Club then Bristol Photographic Society, where he was Vice Chairman. It is understood that a 'Fry's Shield' trophy is still with the WCPF to this day, although mothballed at present.

Ken leaves his widow, Ann their two sons and a daughter, and eight grandchildren and three great-grandchildren - to whom our sincere condolences were extended.

My grateful thanks to Michael Gough for his person memories of his father, and to Margaret Collis who provided further photographic involvement information, and also the photograph of Ken.

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