

MARGARET HODGE

FRPS, APAGB

I've only just learned the sad - albeit old - news that Margaret Hodge passed away last November.

A past President of the WCPF, Margaret was a very respected and loved lady in the photographic community.

When her presidency at the WCPF came to an end, she moved to Swansea, where she joined the camera club there, and really enjoyed her time in Wales.

About ten years ago, she moved to Norfolk. to live with her daughter, who was concerned about her mother living on her own so far away.

Margaret never really found a camera club in Norfolk which matched the fun and enjoyment she had in Swansea.

A few years ago, John Long and Margaret Collis, both past Presidents of the WCPF, found themselves in Norfolk, and they called on Margaret for some happy reminiscences.

John kindly wrote an article for me in the Newsletter (No 206 May 2014) and with his kind permission - I reproduce it below.

“A FEW RECOLLECTIONS!”

from John Long Hon.PAGB, DPAGB, ARPS

After seeing the article by Margaret Collis in a recent edition, I thought some of my older reader's might like to see a recent picture of three “Very Past Presidents” This was taken in October 2013 at the home of Margaret Hodge in Great Yarmouth



From Left to Right - Margaret Hodge : John Long and Collis

I have known both Margaret's for more years than I care to remember – especially as Margaret Hodge FRPS, APAGB preceded me as WCPF President and Margaret Collis DPAGB, APAGB, Hon.EFIAP, ARPS followed me. I was in office from 1990 - 1992.

Margaret Hodge lived in Saltash when I first knew her, but after moving to Swansea, I was invited to stay with her on many occasions when I lectured or judged at Swansea Camera Club.

I have known Margaret Collis since 1973 when she was Margaret Milne and joined Kingswood Photographic Society.

Finally – to accompany the latest photograph, you will be amused to see the same people paddling in the sea on Welsh Federation Territory in 1995!



Three paddling presidents!

My grateful thanks to John Long for kindly helping me with this reminiscence.

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