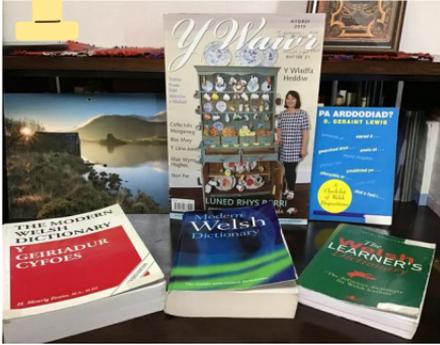


Winners!



1st place

Nagako Moriya



During the period of staying home, I have been learning Welsh as I had been doing before. Here are three Welsh dictionaries.

The smallest green one is practical for beginners, the blue one is useful as you study Welsh grammar and the white one is great to find words which are not in the rest of them. Anyway, I have been spending lots of time to learn this Celtic language but it is a long way to improve. Dal ati!

2nd place

Bike watching sunset in Yoyogi

Giuseppe Li

During social distancing cycling allowed me to discover more of Tokyo in places that I would have never discovered otherwise. Plus it's great fun and highly recommend singing "Bicycle Race" by Queen while going down the big hill on Roppongi-dori



3rd place



Christine Kobayashi

Been reading a LOT of whodunnits!

The door handle, Holmes? Impossible!
Elementary, my dear Watson - unsanitized.

Other Photos

Troubled Water / Darcy Fay



Politically speaking, during this COVID period I have entered my "Blue Period". And so, I have done a "blue arrangement" for the house. It is not, technically, a true work of Ikebana but rather a flower/sculpture work. I have called it "Troubled Water". There is no Bridge Over because we have not had the election yet nor found a vaccine or a way out of this COVID mess!. The sculptures were done by one of the few famous women artists in Zimbabwe where I used to live. The flowers are not real (not possible to get so many and keep them alive). I added some fairy lights for the evening because the piece is rather dark and I prefer to have hope that things will brighten up.



Madoc Batcup Founding President of CDS

Because of COVID I am working from home and have to confess that the lockdown has affected me rather less than many others, but the attached photos show the help nature can be in such times – I think tree bathing started in Japan.



Richard Powell Ex President of CDS

Here's a photo that encapsulates a lot about how the days of lockdown felt. It was taken overlooking Waitrose car park in Lewes, back in the spring. It was an extraordinary time - May was apparently the sunniest month ever recorded in Britain, so the sun just shone while so much of ordinary life was frozen.



Charles and Karen Bartlett

A poolside holiday in the age of Covid Lockdown!



Jon Elliot
Ex President of CDS

Keeping our daughter Cerys happy and safe was our main focus during this lockdown



Charles Bartlett

A cool Brains beer found in Marlborough helped made a challenging Covid shopping day bearable!



John Bartlett

My garden has never been better thanks to COVID which gave me the gift of time!



Maria Murphy

I took a cutting from a park last year and was able to nurture it as I had the time and was rewarded by this thankfully COVID does not affect Nature.



Bethany Cummings

A photo from one of my many walks during these months. This handmade goods shop was keeping up with the pandemic selling various patterned masks!



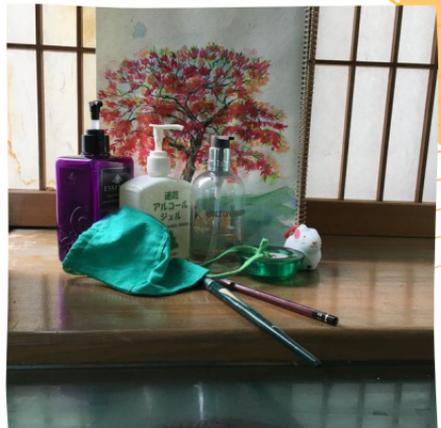
Because of COVID walks in nature were the only outings I discovered this mushroom and I thought of a poem about the 1970's hippie culture and I just thought. Wow I found the mushroom the 1970s were searching for! and it also is useless against COVID



I am a bread and cake maker and no tiny Covid Virus will stop me!



This image says it all. Everyone has seen, experienced, been amused or irritated or felt reassured by similar requirements. The question is how long will we be hosting this unwelcome COVID guest.



My take on a classic Dutch Baroque style Still Life arrangement using objects that kept me safe and sane I call this still life "My essential survival kit". Hand Soaps, Hand Sanitizers, Face Mask a candle to help me relax, a water colour of my garden Maple tree. The overhanging paint brush and pencil are references to the style used in Dutch Still Life paintings where a knife or fruit overhang the table. Examples of typical Dutch 17th Century Still life are attached.