



Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

12th December 2015

www.rugeleyandarmitagecameraclub.com

We Are Moving...!!

As from Monday 4th January we will meet at Lea Hall Miners Welfare Centre, Sandy Lane, Rugeley
Information for Lea Hall can be found here:

[Lea Hall Miners Welfare Centre](#)

Christmas Dinner

Christmas Dinner at La Terrazza on Monday evening.

Please be there at 7pm for a 7.30 start.

The restaurant is in Lichfield Street. Enter postcode WS15 2EH into your satnav's.
For those without a satnav it is roughly half way between the turning to Argos and Morrison's roundabout. There is a large car park directly opposite the restaurant which is free for evening parking.

See you all for our Christmas celebration get together.
A splendid time is guaranteed for all.....



Our President

Roy Hodgkiss, has won another competition!

Every year the Lichfield RSPB Group holds a competition amongst members attending the Christmas Social Evening to choose the best wildlife image. The winner receives a small prize but, more importantly, the winning image is printed on the front of the group's annual programme.

Last year Roy's image of two Great Crested Grebes won the competition and is featured on the 2016 programme (shown on the left). On Tuesday evening he won again and his image of a Great Spotted Woodpecker will be on the front of the 2017 programme.

Well done Roy.

The Lichfield RSPB Group has evening meets the second Tuesday of the month (except June, July, Aug) and also has regular short walks. You would be very welcome. See Roy or George Lamb for more details – you don't need to be an RSPB member to attend.



Best wishes from all at the club to Kay Williams and Hillary Thomas following your recent spell in hospital

We all wish you a speedy recovery

Birthday Wishes this week to:

December 13th Alan Heeley

December 17th Robert Griffiths

December 19th Derek Matthews

Have a Great Day



**Looking Back
December Competition - Theme 'Movement'**

Our judge for the evening was Ralph Duckett. Ralph's style of judging always goes down very well at our club. It's done in a light-hearted way without the seriousness some judges often portray. After all it is only a camera club competition, not an exhibition for the National Gallery!

Ralph not only gives praise where due, but with any criticism he makes, he has the knack of making it feel like a compliment.... (well almost). I don't think anyone leaves deflated..!!

One area where Ralph did mark down, was that many of the images were too static. As the theme of the competition was 'Movement' he expected to see images which portrayed this. Some would have done extremely well in an open competition but unfortunately for the authors, not in this one.

We look forward to seeing Ralph and Lu again next year.

Upcoming Club Events

4th January 2016 - Welcome Back Meeting - At Lea Hall Club

PDI's required for next competition. Theme 'Local Interest'

11th January 2016 - Practical Evening

The 4th of our Practical Evenings

18th January - Competition - PDI - Subject 'Local Interest'

Judge - Ken Webb

Entries to be in by 4th January

Due to the diversity of members home addresses, the theme 'Local Interest' is deemed to be anything in or around the area where you live

MidPhot 2016

Entries are now open
for MidPhot 2016

The Exhibition runs from March 16th to March
20th

Closing date for entries
Feb 13th 2016

Please give your entries plus completed entry
form

and payment to Dave Perry
on or after 4th January 2016

Details & Entry Forms can be found here:

[MidPhot 2016](#)

**Staffordshire Wildlife Trust
Two Competitions to Enter**

Photo Competition

Staffordshire Wildlife Trust are offering you the
opportunity to have your image feature on the
cover of their May-August "What's On" leaflet. All
you have to do is submit an image of wildlife in
Staffordshire by the 13th of February

Full details available here:

[Staffordshire Wildlife Trust](#)

Calendar 2017

Staffordshire Wildlife Trust require 12 stunning
images for their 2017 calendar
Calling all nature lovers! We need your photos of
Staffordshire's wonderful wildlife and landscapes
for our 2017 calendar which goes on sale next
year.

Closing date: Friday 22nd April

Full details available here:

[Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Calendar 2017](#)

2016 Solihull Photography Exhibition

38th Open Exhibition of British Photography
to be presented by Solihull Photographic Society
Solihull School, Warwick Road, Solihull -
Saturday 27th February 2016

Entries now open until 20th December 2015.

Sections:

Prints - Colour, Mono, Nature

DPI - Colour, Mono, Nature, Creative

Full details available here:

[Solihull Photographic Society Open Exhibition](#)

**The
Photography
Show**
19-22 MARCH 2016
THE NEC, BIRMINGHAM

The Photography Show is the UK's largest event for people with a passion for photography. With over 200 leading brands, great show deals, live demos and inspirational speakers, it's a great day out dedicated to all things photography.

For more information: [click here](#)

**Gordon Buchannan - Wildlife Photographer &
Cameraman
Stafford Gatehouse Theatre - Wednesday
30th March**

An evening with Gordon Buchannan, the highly
acclaimed wildlife cameraman.

[Gordon Buchannan](#)
[Stafford Gatehouse Theatre](#)

**COMPETITION MONDAY 7TH DECEMBER 2015.
SUBJECT 'MOVEMENT' JUDGE RALPH DUCKETT**

ELEMENTARY

20	PETER BRIAN	SWOOSH
19	NEIL BUNTING	IRON MAN CHALLENGE
18	STEVE SETTERFIELD	ABBEY LIGHT SHOW
18	PETER BRIAN	BY A BABBLING BROOK

INTERMEDIATE

20	BRENDA PAGE	TIME GOES SO QUICK
19	NOLA LOVATT	ENDLESSLY TUMBLING
18	ROB INGS	GHOST TRAIN
18	ROB INGS	TIDE COMING IN, CAR GOING OUT

ADVANCED

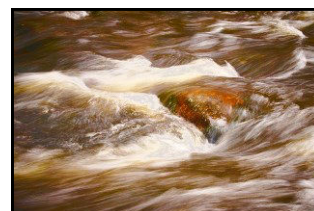
20	PADDY RUSKE	DANCER
19	ROY HODGKINSON	BUS IN A STORM
19	CLIVE DUNKEY	HOLDING BACK THE WAVES
19	ALAN GRIFFITHS	VIEW FROM THE OTHER SIDE
19	ALAN GRIFFITHS	FACEBOOK SOLITUDE
18	GRAHAM WILLIAMS	GIRL RACER
18	JEAN SIMONS	FIGHTING THE WATER
18	MARIE LAKIN	A TOUCH OF AUTUMN
18	PETER BELL	AT THE SPEEDWAY
18	JEAN SIMONS	FIREWORKS



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