



Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

26th March 2016

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Reminder!

NO MEETING THIS WEEK

No meeting this week due to it being Easter Monday.
Please don't turn up at the club as you will be quite lonely.....

Reminder!

THANK YOU

On behalf of the committee and club members who entered MidPhot 2016, we would like to give a big thank you to Carole and Dave Perry for all their hard work in taking, fetching and sorting the pictures. Without them it would not have been possible to enter.

Thank you again Carole and Dave.

Last Week

Last week we held our sixth competition of the season. This was a print competition with the subject of 'Architecture'. The judge for the evening was a regular visitor of ours, Peter Clark. Peter as usual was very helpful with his comments and consistent with any criticisms needed, along with added humour which always goes down well.

Peter said that if we wish, we are welcome to look at his website where he has useful tutorials to help make improvements to our photography. Link to Peter's website below:

[Peter Clark - MonoLandscapes](#)

Monthly Club Competitions - Important Information

When entering club competitions, could members please ensure that they adhere to the following club rules.

Competition Rule 10. All entries must have typed or written in block capitals on reverse of mount (top left) the following:

1. Title of Print
2. Section / Group Entered
3. Members Name
4. Club Name

Competition Rule 16. It is a members responsibility to check that once an image has been used in a monthly club competition it is not used again.

It is understood that with eight internal competitions each season plus other external competitions it is not easy to keep track on whether images have been entered into previous competitions. Please do your best to follow this rule.

Upcoming Club Evenings

April 4th - Speakers - Jon & Sue Baker
'There and Back Again'

April 11th - Aldridge Photographic Society
Entertain us with their Roadshow

April 18th - Monthly Competition - PDI
Subject - Open - Judge David Graham

April 25th - Speaker - John Hartshorne
'Digi-re-do'

Next Speakers - April 4th - Jon & Sue Baker 'There and Back Again'

Jon and Sue Baker are both highly esteemed photographers in their own right. They will be presenting a stunning print show of mainly colour and monochrome landscape images focussing on England, North Wales, Scotland and the French & Swiss Alps. Jon and Sue are meticulous in their quest for perfect lighting such that their images are full of drama, atmosphere and impact.

Link to Jon Baker's website: [Jon Baker Images](#)

Nik Collection Software

Google have now made the Nik Collection software a FREE download.

For more information and to download click here:

[Nik Collection Software](#)

THE RPS
ROYAL
PHOTOGRAPHIC
SOCIETY

For anyone who is looking towards obtaining either a LRPS or ARPS awards, the RPS are holding an Advisory Day on 27th March at Smethwick P.S. More details here: [RPS Advisory Day](#)

UPCOMING EVENTS & COMPETITIONS

Events

Saturday 26th March - Rob Ings

If you fancy a trip out on Easter Saturday, club member Rob Ings has an exhibition of his prints on display at Lichfield Guildhall from 10am - 4pm I'm sure Rob will be very pleased to see you.

Wednesday 30th March Stafford Gatehouse Gordon Buchannan - Wildlife Photographer

Join Gordon Buchanan, the highly acclaimed wildlife cameraman and presenter of 'The Polar Bear family and me' as he hosts an evening of exciting personal recollections, and lets you into his world of weird, wild and wonderful wildlife.

[Gordon Buchannan](#)

[Stafford Gatehouse Theatre](#)

[Lichfield Garrick Theatre](#)

Saturday 9th April Droitwich Camera Club. David Noton 'Chasing the Light'

David is recognised as one of the world's leading landscape and travel photographers. The show is approximately two hours of photographic adventure and inspiration.

Tickets are £12 available here:

[David Noton 'Chasing the Light'](#)

The Lichfield Mystery Plays - May

Lichfield Mystery Plays are a community based arts project involving over 600 participants performing 27 plays held over two days in May next year. The tradition of the plays go back to medieval times, being most common in the 15th & 16th centuries.

The organisers would like to promote the event by displaying photographs which depict the different themes of the plays. The photographs will be put on show in the Garrick Theatre.

For more information see the links below

Or contact Bob Bell

[Lichfield Mystery Plays](#)

[Lichfield Mystery Plays - Pictures](#)

Club Exhibition Weekend - May 21st-22nd

Will all members who wish to have their prints exhibited at our exhibition weekend please start bringing them in. Maximum of four prints per member. Also please supply John Sylvester with a jpeg digital copy of your prints with title, your name, and section you are in so he can produce the exhibition catalogue. Prints which have been in any competition or previous exhibitions are allowed.

As usual we want to display images from all sections of the club. It is thought that Lea Hall will prove to be a better venue than Hawkesyard.... But we need your pictures....

Competitions (Dates are Closing Dates)

22nd April - Staffordshire Wildlife Trust 2017 Calendar

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](#)

30th April - British Wildlife Photography Awards

Your chance to win a prestigious award, with cash prize of £5,000 plus Canon Cameras. Details here:
[British Wildlife Photography Awards](#)

30th April - WildPix - British Wildlife & RSPB Young Persons Awards

For those young enough to have children or those old enough to have Grandchildren.

WildPix is the young person's category in the British Wildlife Photography Awards.

There are two age categories: Under 12's and 12-18 years of age. More details & rules here:

[WildPix Young Persons Awards](#)

30th June - Campaign to Protect Rural England

The Staffordshire branch of Campaign to Protect Rural England are holding a 80th year anniversary landscape photography competition to show the best of Staffordshire.

There are two age categories, 18 & under and adult. The most popular photographs voted for by the public will be printed in a CPRE Staffordshire 2017 Calendar plus being displayed in exhibitions throughout the county.

[Campaign to Protect Rural England](#)

Staffordshire Print Competition

As you all know, we are hosting this years Staffordshire Photographic Clubs Annual Print Competition on Wednesday April 13th at Lea Hall.

Most of the arrangements are already in place, but there will be much work to be done on the night.

If you are able to help, please have a word with Kay and Graham Williams or any committee member. This is a very prestigious event so we wish to do it right.



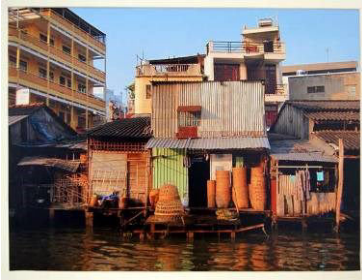
Birthday Wishes this week go to:

2nd April - Graham Argent

Have a great day Graham

March Competition - Subject - Architecture

Elementary Section



First
Riverside Living
by Sue Hartley



Second
Looking Up
by Sue Hartley



Third
Schwerin Palace
by Geoff Setterfield

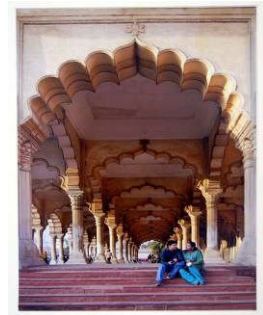
Intermediate Section



First
Little Taj - Agra
by Kay Williams

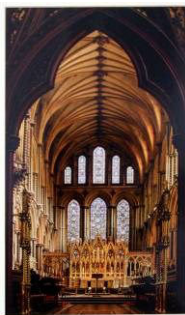


Second
Wells Cathedral West Front
by Hilary Thomas



Third
Fatehpur Sikri Jaipur India
by Kay Williams

Advanced Section



First
The Knave Ely Cathedral
by John Simons



Second
Not Awarded



Third
Hallgrimskirkja
by Paddy Ruske

LEAGUE TABLES AFTER SIX COMPETITIONS

<u>ELEMENTARY</u>		<u>INTERMEDIATE</u>		<u>ADVANCED</u>				
1	Sue Hartley	110	1	Robert Ings	110	1	Paddy Ruske	103
2	Neil Bunting	107	2	Peter Thomas	106	1	Graham Williams	103
3	Geoff Setterfield	100	3	Nola Lovatt	102	3	Roy Hodgkiss	101
4	Steve Setterfield	96	4	Hilary Thomas	101	3	Carole Perry	101
5	John Sylvester	65	5	Karen Kreft	96	5	Margaret Beardsmore	100
6	Val Sylvester	60	6	Brenda Page	93	6	David Perry	99