



Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

9th April 2016

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Staffordshire Print Competition - Wednesday April 13th Lea Hall

As you all know, we are hosting this years Staffordshire Photographic Clubs Annual Print Competition on Wednesday April 13th at Lea Hall. This is a very prestigious event for the club.

Much work has been done by members in the arranging and promotion of this competition. We would very much like to see their hard work rewarded by a good turn out by the members of the club.

PLEASE come along and support the event. Lets show the other clubs that we really are the best club in Staffordshire.

Club Exhibition Weekend - May 21st-22nd

We still need many more prints for the Exhibition Weekend.

This is where we have the chance to show off our club to the public, and hopefully get to recruit more members in the process. But we can't do this unless we have pictures to show.

We need pictures from all sections of the club. It doesn't matter if they have been entered into competitions or not. We want the pictures. A maximum of four prints per member please.

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.

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

Jon and Sue Baker entertained us with a wonderful display of stunning landscape images taken in the mountains of the UK, the Alps and Iceland. Jon & Sue are both highly esteemed photographers in their own right and they proved this by being extremely meticulous in their quest for perfect lighting such that their images are full of drama, atmosphere and impact. For the landscape lovers amongst the membership this was an excellent evening.

The 'Presidents Trophy'

Our President Roy Hodgkiss wishes to donate a trophy to the club for an annual photographic competition to be held each May. The competition is open to all members with no restriction on subject matter. Pictures can be from any year and may have been previously entered into any of our competitions. Two prints per member will be accepted and the 50p per picture entry fee will all be donated to St Giles Hospice.

For this year due to being a last minute decision we will hold the competition after our Annual General Meeting on Monday May 9th.

Entries must be handed in between now and Monday April 25th with Roy being in attendance to accept your entries on Monday evenings. We know you will all support our President in this event.

To allow time for the competition on this occasion our AGM will commence at 7pm.

Upcoming Club Evenings

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

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

May 2nd - No Meeting - Bank Holiday

May 9th - Annual General Meeting
Followed by 'The Presidents Trophy'



This Week

On Monday we will be entertained by Aldridge Photographic Society who will present their Roadshow to us. We're sure this will be a very entertaining evening, with a mixture of prints and A/V slideshows.

UPCOMING EVENTS & COMPETITIONS

Events

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'](#)

23rd April. St Georges Day. Tamworth Castle

Medieval living history in the castle and re-enactments in the castle grounds

[St Georges Day Tamworth Castle](#)

30th April - 2nd May. Black Country Museum Tug Boat Gathering

See one of the largest tug-boat gatherings in the country. Tug boats from near and far will make a rare appearance at the Museum as they manoeuvre their way along the canal arm. The Newcomen Steam Engine will also be in action. Link here:

[Black Country Museum Tug Boat](#)

1st-2nd May. British Falconry & Country Fair Chetwynd Park, Newport Shropshire

Everything to do with Falcons & Birds of Prey and much more.

[British Falconry & Country Fair](#)

13th-15th May. Apedale Valley Light Railway 'Tracks to the Trenches'

WW1 Narrow gauge railway & Living History Event

[Tracks to the Trenches](#)

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](#)

Chasewater Railway

Chasewater Railway operates heritage steam and diesel trains on Sundays and Bank Holiday Mondays throughout the year, most Saturdays Easter to October and certain weekdays throughout the summer. More information here:

[Chasewater Railway](#)

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.



Birthday Wishes this week go to:

13th April - Peter Thomas

13th April - Arthur Davies

15th April - Julie Field

16th April - Dave Field

16 April - Scot Mitchell

Have a great day

And to Dave Perry

Who will be 70

On 15th April

Love From Carole & all at the club