



# Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

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## Last Week - Colin Trow-Poole



Isn't it always the same. The one evening I couldn't make it to the club we have a wonderful speaker. These are comments from members who were there.

"Most of the pictures Colin showed us were monochrome. He began with images from Oradour-sur-Glane, a French village destroyed by the Nazi's in 1944. These images were very thought provoking and evocative. You could have heard a pin drop. Club members were so respectful of the images shown and the message they gave across. The mood lightened with a series of mono abstract images. Several of these were taken in Birmingham library. Many of us have been there and taken lots of pictures but missed seeing and taking these fantastic, simple, striking images. Pictures of 'travellers' followed which again were amazing. They were well planned out images for which he had asked permission from the people."

"Stark, thought provoking images of events of an earlier time in Oradour, also of those around us now in towns and cities. Powerful impact from the juxtaposition of light and dark, without the conflict when including colour 'seeing' the abstracts round and about which many miss. Compositions loosely planned for their effect."

Other members stated:

"That was the best speaker we have ever had"

"It was an amazing evening."

Looks like we'll be having Colin visit us again, and next time I'll make sure I'm there...!!

## 24th October - Members Evening - Judge For The Night

**At the moment we only have 10 images**

**Images will be accepted on the night, but please bring them before 7.00pm to allow time for the necessary paperwork and displaying.**

This is our ever popular "Judge for a Night" evening. We ask all members to take part in this fun evening by submitting a maximum of 2 prints. They don't have to be mounted, but it's fine if they are. A4 or above is a suitable size. They must have your name and a title on the reverse. These will then be displayed for all members to view and decide on their favourite five images. The scores will be totalled during the break and the results given for the most popular five images chosen. The members whose prints were chosen can talk about them if they want to, or any member can talk about any image. No pressure will be put on any member to stand in front of everyone to talk. This is purely a fun night (with no charge for prints), when all members can see what a judge experiences when faced with many super images to give critique about.

Prints can have been entered before in any competition or exhibitions as the scores will not be counted towards the league tables for the year. Prints will not be segregated into any group.

## 31st October - Instructional A/V Evening with Howard Bagshaw

Howard Bagshaw will again visit us and give us some guidance on producing Audio Visual Presentations. Howard is an expert in A/V's so if you would like to 'learn how' then this is definitely one evening not to be missed.

## 7th November - Monthly Competition - PDI - Subject 'Open'

Our next monthly competition is Projected Digital Images therefore entries are required to be in by **Monday 24th October**

PDI competition - Subject OPEN - Judge Keith Long

If you require any help on resizing images for PDI's then this page on the club website should help: [Resizing Images for PDI](#)

## Roadshow at Wolverhampton Photographic Society

After this weeks visit from Yoxall Camera Club and their wonderful presentation it is time for us to think about our Roadshow with Wolverhampton PS on Tuesday 7th Feb 2017. Any member interested in giving a presentation be it AV, slideshow or print display please speak to Hilary Thomas as soon as you can. You can get in touch via email at [misc@mypandas.me.uk](mailto:misc@mypandas.me.uk) or speak to her at any Club meeting. This is open to ALL members of Rugeley and Armitage Camera Club. Thank you. Hilary Thomas



## Club Day Out - Wolseley Wildlife Centre Friday Afternoon 28th October

Due to circumstances beyond our control, the trip to Doxey Marshes has been changed to Wolseley Wildlife Centre. See information below from Margaret:

Details of the Wolseley Bridges Trip (which replaces Doxey Marshes) Friday 28th October. Meet at the original time, 2.45 pm for 3 pm. (same day, same time just different place), Wolseley Wildlife Centre at Wolseley Bridges ST17 OWT.

There is always plenty to photograph around the Wildlife Centre, not too much walking and good surfaces - so if you don't have a big lens it doesn't matter. Park anywhere in the GARDEN CENTRE car park (the Wildlife Trust car park closes early) and walk to the WILDLIFE TRUST Building and wait inside. Afterwards we are going to the Stag's Leap, Wolseley Road, Rugeley WS15 2ET for some grub if anyone wants. It doesn't matter whether you are on the original list or not - just turn up. My mobile number is 07581 794111 if anyone wants more details.

### Martin Mere trip Thursday 17th November

Meet inside the CAFE at Martin Mere Wetlands Trust between 9.30 am and 10.00 am. Martin Mere opens at 9.30 am. The admission charge is £12.60 for adults, £9.20 concessions with a discount if you book online (if you are a Wetlands Trust member admission is free).

Please allow plenty of time for travel as the M6 is usually busy, and car share if possible.

We will spend the morning at the Wetlands Trust, then depending on what we feel like on the day, may go on to other wildlife sites in the area. However, sunset is 16.11 so there are not many hours of daylight!

Please put your name on the list at Camera Club if you 'think' you might come so car sharing can be arranged - also include your mobile number please.

If anyone wants to extend their visit and looking for a B&B, Derek and I have booked into a nearby B&B Brandreth Barn on the 16th and 17th November. We will be going to the salt marshes in Southport, probably on the Wednesday afternoon, and on Friday morning probably Lunt Meadows RSP Reserve. Formby is also close by. A double room at Brandreth Barn is £70 per couple including breakfast, single £40. There are only 8 bedrooms. [www.brandrethbarn.com](http://www.brandrethbarn.com) phone 01704 893510.



### Well done Paddy

Club member Paddy Ruske has once again had success on the international circuit.

Paddy has had two pictures accepted into three salons on the Greek Olympic Circuit.

Paddy's successes prove the saying "You have to be in it to win it". He rightly says "We have the talent why not show the world what the club and its photographers can achieve".



## Barton Marina @ Barton-under-Needwood Sunday 23rd October Vintage Cars & Classic Tractor Rally

Classic Cars, Vintage Tractors, Motor Cycles, Lorries plus a variety of Craft Stalls.

Free entry. All donations go to Macmillan & Help for Heroes. Information here: [Vintage Rally](#)

### Cannock Photographic Society Exhibition 1st to 24th November

Cannock Photographic Society present their 59th Annual Photographic Exhibition at Chasewater Innovation Centre. Over 200 images from club members on display.

See poster for more information

[Cannock Photographic Society Exhibition](#)



### Christmas Dinner

Tickets are now available for our Christmas Dinner.

Four Course Meal including tea & coffee

Cost £19.00 per person.

A splendid time is guaranteed for all