



Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

27th January 2018

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This Week - Simon Watkinson 'A Complete Guide to Landscape Photography'

We've been really spoilt this season with some excellent speakers. The trend is to continue this week with a visit by Simon Watkinson. Now I know I often go on a bit about landscape photography. I make no apologies for this as I like the Great Outdoors. However having looked at Simons website here is someone who really knows what he's doing.

Simon's presentation will feature colour and monochrome images of Landscapes from the UK (Peak District mainly) and Asia. Simon will talk in depth about use of Aperture, Hyperfocal Distance, Exposure, choosing light, planning and use of a tripod. This comprehensive talk will also include some process work in Adobe Lightroom and Photoshop. See Simons website here: [World in Focus](#)

Some really useful Advice and Tips

Hopefully some of you [why not all] have clicked onto Simons website World in Focus. If you have you will have seen what an excellent photographer he is.

But did you click onto any of the other pages on his website? This one takes a little finding but is well worth a look, especially so for the less experienced members of the club. Even Advanced members will find plenty of useful stuff in it, I know I did. There's excellent advice on subjects such as lenses, tripods, RAW plus good information for packing your bag when travelling by air - see left...

[Simon Watkinson - Photographic Articles](#)



Velbon Chairpod



We all love photography, but sometimes it's also nice to sit down. Well, thanks to Japanese manufacturer Velbon, these two pursuits need no longer be enjoyed separately. Soon to be released the Chairpod is a stool and monopod combined.



According to the advertising blurb it enables you to stabilise both your camera and bottom at the same time.

My birthday's coming up.....

Nubrella



Now while we're at it, how about this other bit of photographic gear you wondered how you've done without all these years. Fed up with putting your camera away when it's raining and missing all those atmospheric pictures? Well now you don't have to. The innovative Nubrella is a lightweight, collapsible umbrella worn

with a chest harness for hands-free shooting in bad weather while keeping you and your camera gear dry.

Still won't stop you looking like a div.....

MidPhot Audio Visual Championship 2018 Saturday 27th January

We've all seen the standard of AV Presentations produced by our friend Howard Bagshaw, so how about a day at the MidPhot Championships? Held at the Priory Centre, Burton-on-Trent For full details click on the link below:

[MidPhot Audio Visual Championships 2018](#)

The Photography Show

The Photography Show returns to the NEC for its fifth year, between 17-20 March 2018. Full to the brim with everything a photography enthusiast or professional photographer could possibly dream of including the latest technology from all the leading brands. Go along and see what you should have bought. Details here: [Photography Show](#)

Wilko Photo Paper

If you need any A4 photo paper in a hurry, I have it on good authority that Wilko Glossy Photo Paper is very good, and has the same characteristics as a well known brand. Only £2.50 for 20 sheets. Set it up with our club ColorMunki and results should be excellent.

BBC Winterwatch

You always know when spring is just around the corner when Winterwatch comes back on our TV screens. Begins on Monday for four nights. As always should be something for our nature lovers.

Now if only they'd bring back Kate Humble.....

Picture Frames

Brenda still has three very nice A3 sized picture frames awaiting an owner. One or all can be yours for only £10 each



Birthday Wishes

Birthday Wishes this week go to:
29th Jan - Linda Shaw
30th Jan - Lorraine Baker
2nd Feb - Colin Wiles
Hope you all have a great day

**Monthly Competition No.3
'Architecture' Judge John Lacey**

Elementary



2nd
'Fancy Tiles'
Glyn Heywood



1st
'The Corn Exchange Leeds'
Andrea Wheatley



3rd
'Remember'
Graham Phillips

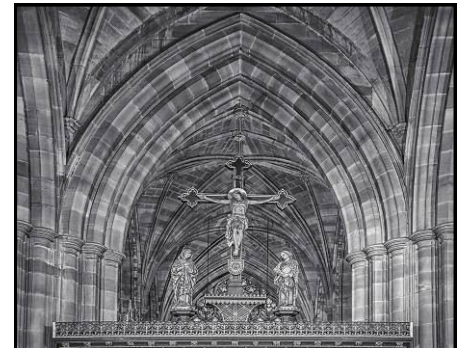
Intermediate



2nd
'Gateway in Provence'
Geoff Setterfield



1st
'Valhalla'
Karen Kreft



3rd
'A Stonemasons Nightmare'
Linda Shaw

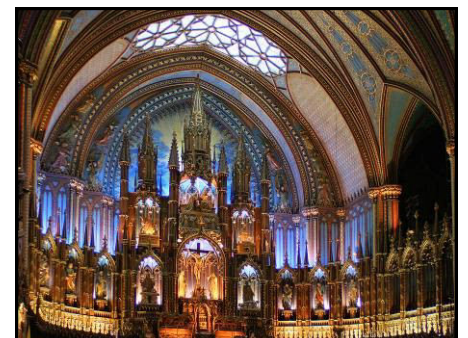
Advanced



2nd
'The Three Wise Men'
Alan Griffiths



1st
'The Diamond'
Brian Wheatley



3rd
'Montreal Cathedral'
Graham Orgill