



Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

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Last Week

Only our 2nd meeting of the season and already our first Guest Speaker. Darren Leeson was the man given this task with his take on Street Photography. To say Darren entertained us is like saying Lionel Messi is a footballer. Darren's images were excellent, he could see pictures on the street where most of us wouldn't. All of this was delivered with great humour. Most of Darren's pictures were taken with a Fuji X100 and Leica M8 fixed lens cameras. He would set the aperture to f8 to give plenty depth of field ensuring both near and far were in focus. He also used a Pentax K-5 dSLR. Obviously a man who likes to use the best... 😊

Darren made a very thought provoking quote: "The only machine ever made that can stop time is a camera ..."
Unfortunately Darren has made himself a very difficult act to follow. Great night.

This is a thank you sent from a club member to Darren. I'm sure all of us present last Monday echo these words:

Hello Darren

Just thought I'd drop you a line to say how much I enjoyed your presentation on Monday. You are a very engaging speaker and I thought your photos were great. So refreshing not to look at images that conform to what judges consider perfect! Best wishes and hope we have you back again.

This Week - Practical Evening

Hopefully you have put your name down for one or more of the subjects to be covered. Don't worry if you haven't as no-one is turned away. Topics are here if you need a reminder: [Practical Evening Subjects](#)

8th October - First Monthly Competition

Please start to bring in your pictures for the first monthly competition of the season. PRINTS - Subject OPEN
Any new members who would like to enter, and we hope you do as competitions are an excellent way to improve your photography, but are not sure of what's required, please have a word with any of the committee on Monday evening. There's no need to feel nervous about it, as the only time names are read out is if a picture does well, and no-one minds that. As with lots of things in life, there has to be a first time. All the experienced members of the club at one time had to enter their first competition. So this time why not let it be yours.

Last date for entry: Monday 1st October. Judge Steve Clifford

End of World War I Commemorations

As yet we have few details of the events taking place. What we do know though, is that our club together with Cannock Photographic Society have been asked to put on a display of photographs depicting the involvement of the Cannock Chase area in WWI. Could we ask that members look through their family photographs and see if you have anything which may be suitable. We can have the pictures scanned and reprinted, and maybe with the help of Photoshop give them a better look. If you have something please have a word with me or Rob Ings.

Some dates and timing are here: [Cannock Chase World War I Commemorations](#)

So you want to know about Printing....??

Then look here. Literally hundreds of video tutorials. All you wanted to know about printing.... and more. Once you've got used to his voice he sounds ok.

[Jose Rodriguez - Photo Printing Techie](#)... his words

Backing up your Images

I'm sure all members back up their images on a regular basis. If not why not! External storage hard drives are very cheap nowadays so there's no excuse not to. 1TB drives are less than £50 from [Argos WD Hard Drive](#)

Mount Cutting

With competitions coming up, a quick video on how to cut mounts. Or better still see Dave Perry on Monday

[Basic Logan Mount Cutting Video](#)

[HobbyCraft Mount Board](#) [The Range Mount Board](#)

Club Website Members Gallery

As you know the website has a Members Gallery where club members can have up to twelve of their images displayed. If you would like yours to be on then bung them onto a disc or flashdrive and I'll do the rest. Don't worry about resizing them as I'll do it.

If anyone with an existing gallery would like to update their images, then the same applies.

Click here to view the [Members Gallery](#)



Birthday wishes this week go to:

23rd Sept: Paddy Ruske

Hope you have a great day Paddy

Black Country Boating Festival

A few pictures from the recent club outing to the Black Country Boating Festival

