



# Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

## 24th November 2018

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### Last Week - Guest Speaker Tesni Ward

Once again we had one of those 'I was there' speaker evenings. Tesni Ward was excellent. All too often speakers turn up with boxes of prints inviting us to 'look at my pictures'. Nothing wrong with that of course, especially if the images are good and the speaker discusses how they got them. But just occasionally the chair becomes uncomfortable and the bum begins to ache waiting for that last image to appear. Not so with Tesni. We didn't want that last image to appear. In reality she probably didn't show that many images. She didn't have to. Her talking held our attention. Note to Programme Secretary - I think we would all like to see Tesni again (from a male point of view it's a shame she had to stand in the dark.....). For those who missed it, view Tesni's website here: [Tesni Ward Photography](http://Tesni Ward Photography)

*Would just like to say that it was a lovely evening listening to you speaking about your work and the passion you have for what you do. You are a wonderful photographer and the photos were stunning. I wish you well for your future hope you will come back to the club again.*

*Excellent. Held my interest from the beginning to the end.*

*What an excellent presentation the best I've seen yet.*

*As we said on the night it was so interesting and what a wonderful speaker one of the best nights ever.*

*Tesni was an interesting and inspiring speaker. I'm always envious of photographers who 'just go off and do their thing' for weeks at a time. I've recently purchased a mirror less camera and I would have found it useful to know more detail about the kit she is using, especially the filter system as I don't use my camera to it's full potential yet.*

*What a very interesting evening. Held my attention all the time with facts and figures. Tesni had a good sense of humour and excellent at speaking. A thoroughly good evening all told. Well done Tesni.*

*Excellent fresh speaker. Humour and the optimism of youth. Good photos too!!!*

*Have been to Buxton Art Gallery and Museum today as Tesni has an exhibition of the images she showed us. They look fabulous as prints and it's well worth a visit (free).*

*A great night. It was good to listen to somebody who is more concerned about nature than getting subjects on the thirds.*

*I really enjoyed Tesni's talk last night. She was quite refreshingly young and enthusiastic and shared her disaster moments as well as her good ones, and her photos were stunning. I thought it was interesting to hear that she researched then was willing to spend many hours trying to get the image she wanted. Lots of patience and determination needed.*

*A very enthusiastic young lady. I wish her well in her career. She certainly knows how to entertain an audience and knows her subject. Well done it was an excellent evening.*

*Fantastic night best yet so different.*

*Hello. Yes I would agree one of the best speakers we have had a very interesting evening. Thanks to Kay and Co for the booking.*

*Really disappointed that I couldn't get there. Tesni's website has some stunning shots.*

*Brilliant...!!!*

*A great evening and refreshing to hear about working with wildlife rather than just looking at the images, which by the way were inspirational.*

*Exceptionally talented speaker who entertained us with her own unique style. Her photography and her improving skill set in relation to the knowledge of the wildlife around us was just marvellous. Great to have her visit the Club.*

### George Lamb Trophy - 3rd December

Entries for the George Lamb Trophy need to be handed in by **Monday 26th November**. This is a **PRINT** competition and as always the subject is **LANDSCAPES**. There are no groups for this competition, everyone is lumped together. Images which have been entered into previous club monthly competitions are allowed to be used. Images entered into previous George Lamb Trophy competitions are not allowed to be used. Judge for the evening is Dave Tucker.

Remember, Landscape Photography doesn't have to be all lakes, rivers & mountains, it can be towns & city's as well.

#### Solihull Open 2019

Entries for the Solihull Open Exhibition of British Photography are now open. Prints & PDI. Last date for entry 15th December. For full information see here: [Solihull Open Competition 2019](http://Solihull Open Competition 2019)

#### Serif Affinity Photo - 'Black Friday Deal'

Until Tuesday 27th November Affinity Photo can be bought for a bargain £33.99p. From Serif's website:

*"Affinity Photo continues to push the boundaries for professional photo editing software. With a huge toolset specifically engineered for creative and photography professionals, whether you are editing and retouching images, or creating full-blown multi-layered compositions, it has all the power and performance you will ever need".*

Full information here: [Serif Affinity Black Friday](http://Serif Affinity Black Friday)



#### Birthday Wishes this week go to:

24th Nov: Christine Blackmore  
Have a great day Christine

#### This Week - 26th November - Members Evening

For our meeting this week we once again entertain each other. The evening will consist of Audio Visual presentations put together by members and also a debrief on the Staffordshire PDI Competition regarding our images and the judges comments on them. Time to say whether we think he was right and fair with his comments or otherwise. Should be interesting.

#### Passport Photograph

I'm sure we've all got or had passports with a photograph looking like something Shaw Taylor would have shown on Police 5. Those photo-booths are the devils work. That look on the passport control officer's face "is this really you?". Well it doesn't have to be like that. With the holiday season not too far away why not take your own picture. We're photographers aren't we? It's easy and better still it's cheap. Click on this web site to show you how: [How to take and print your own Passport Photograph](http://How to take and print your own Passport Photograph)

#### Remember....

Pick kit to suit your images..... not your image....