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# Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

## 19th January 2019

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### Last Week

Our guest speaker last week was our good friend Ralph Duckett. Ralph had the unenviable task of giving us instruction on what makes a good Panel of Three (or Four). Ralph showed us many examples and asked us to comment on whether we thought they worked or not. It was interesting to hear the different views of the members and who liked what (or didn't). As usual Ralph, ably assisted by Lu, gave us an excellent evening in their normal humorous fashion. Very interesting.

Plenty of time to get thinking caps on for the MidPhot Panel Exhibition 12-19 October.

### This Week - Monthly Competition No.3 - 'Local Scenes in Your Area'

The third of our season long competitions. Hopefully we will see our local area in all its splendour, or better still dowdiness.

### Guest Speaker - 28th January - Graham Heywood

Our next Guest Speaker is Graham Heywood with his brand new presentation titled 'Fresh Imaginations'. This is a mix of Sports, Creative & Travel photographs. Graham also talks about self publishing photographic books. See Grahams website here: [Graham Heywood Photography](http://GrahamHeywoodPhotography)

### MidPhot 2019

Entries for MidPhot 2019 are now open. Full rules & conditions see here: [MidPhot 2019 Everything you need to know](#)  
If you wish to arrange and deliver your own entry, final date for entries is SATURDAY 9th FEBRUARY  
If you wish the club to deliver your entry, entries to be with Dave Perry by MONDAY 28th JANUARY  
Entry fee is a very reasonable 0.75p for each image entered. The club can only enter your print entries. If you are entering Projected Digital Images [PDI] you will need to do that online yourself.

### Club Photographic Exhibitions - Chasewater Innovation Centre & Rugeley Library

We still want your images for the two exhibitions we are putting on during February. Ideally we would like 1 or 2 prints from as many members as possible, but feel free to bring more in if you want. More the better. We will keep prints back from the next competition. Local scenes will be perfect for showing in the library. We don't just want competition winning prints, we want to show our club off for what it is. A camera club for all levels of photography. Please bring them in.

### MidPhot Audio Visual Competition 2019

A date for the diary. Saturday 26th January Start 10.00am  
This is the Audio Visual side of MidPhot. Go along and see how the experts do it, then have a go yourself.  
Priory Centre, Church Road, Stretton, Burton on Trent  
Details here: [MidPhot AV Competition 2019](#)

### Presidents Trophy Competition - 4th February

Donated and presented by our President Roy Hodgkiss. A lovely prestigious trophy to have on your mantelpiece. This is a print competition. Images may have been used in any previous club competition [but not previous Presidents Trophy competitions]. [Entries in by 28th January](#)

### Leicester & Leicestershire Photographic Society

Leicester & Leicestershire Photographic Society invites you to enter its Annual Photographic Exhibition for 2019. We welcome entries for the exhibition from club members and independent photographers. This is a great opportunity for photographers to showcase their talent. Details here: [L & L Photographic Society Annual Exhibition 2019](#)

### Margaret's Blog

I make no apologies for once again pointing you towards Margaret Cross's MND blog. If you have not yet added it as a Bookmark then I suggest you do. For a very difficult subject to write about, Margaret really has a wonderful way with words. Very interesting and informative, but most of all serious but very funny. Please read it here: [My MND Blog](#)

### Photography Show NEC 16-19 March

Date for the diary. As always, pop along and see all those lovely cameras and lenses you should have bought or would buy if you won the lottery. Look over the Hasselblad stand and drool at the [H6D-400c MS](#) and see what you get for £43,000...?? Better still go to the Disabled Photographers Society stand. They have all that kit you do want and can afford. Filters, lens caps, hoods, flashguns, bags and much more. To this end Roy Hodgkiss is again after your unwanted, unloved no longer used photography gear. Please look in your bags and drawers for all that stuff you bought but never use. Nothing is turned away. Please begin bringing stuff in. If you don't want it, someone else will. [Photography Show NEC 16-19 March](#)

### Birthday Wishes this week go to:



19th Jan: Karen Kreft

20th Jan: Roy Morgan

25th Jan: Rob Cross

Hope you all have a great day

### ...and finally...

I didn't feel too good last week so I went to the doctors.

After giving me a thorough examination the doc said:  
'I'm not sure what's wrong but I think you've got a touch of alice'  
'alice' .... I said..... 'what's alice?'

'I don't know' he said, 'but Christopher Robin went down with it'