



Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

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This Week - CLUB 10 YEAR ANNIVERSARY EVENING

Free Buffet - Free Tea & Coffee - No Weekly Subs

Tonight we will be celebrating the clubs 10 years of existence. In such a short time we really have come a long way. From Spode Cottage, to Armitage Village Hall, to Hawkesyard Golf Club to Lea Hall. We will be looking back at many moments over those ten years. Please do your best to come along and help celebrate this milestone in the club history.

Note: Free Buffet is only for all current paid-up members of the club. Any visitors will be asked to pay a cost of £3.75p

Last Week - Guest Speaker Phil Brown 'The History of 3D Photography & Cinema' or . . . 'Ok Brenda you can come out from under the table now . . . '

Tonight we had a Master of his craft. Phil specialises in 3D Photography and from the films he showed us we could see he certainly does. This was certainly something different. We'll never think of a spider the same again. Excellent evening.

Personally I would have liked a little more on the technical side of 3D Photography, both in the taking stage and the viewing stage. However there's plenty of stuff available on the internet should we wish to find it. A quick Google shows that it's possible to make a 3D image in Photoshop just from one image! Now who's going to be the first to have a go...??

28th October - 2nd Monthly Competition - PDI Subject 'open'

This has soon come around. Our 2nd Monthly Competition. We had a very good entry for the 1st Competition so lets hope this is just as good. The judge for the evening is Mike Sharples. Mike has visited us many times both as a speaker and judge.

Mounting Your Prints - 50cm x 40cm or 20in x 16in . . . ??

Enter most photographic print competition, including our club competitions, and in the rules it will usually say that the maximum mount size is to be no larger than 50cm x 40cm. For those amongst us who still use pounds, shillings and pence that's 20in x 16in in old money. As they're both roughly the same it makes no difference which size you work to . . .

. . . or does it?

Let's just say you've produced a stunning landscape, entered it into the George Lamb Trophy and won. Now you'd like to use the same mount, frame it and shove it up on the wall. You mounted it in a 50cm x 40cm mount. A quick Google shows that 50cm x 40cm actually converts to 19.6in x 15.7in. As you can see not much difference but a little can often mean a lot especially when you come to mount it.

You pop out to buy a picture frame. Doubtful if you'll see a 50cm x 40cm frame in Wilko or Happy Snaps but you'll probably see 20in x 16in. So you buy the 20in x 16in frame. All's well until you come to fit your picture into the frame. Depending on the size of the frame rebate the mount sits in, your 50cm x 40cm mount may be too small for the 20in x 16in frame. There may be gaps around the edge. You might be able to centralise it but it'll involve a bit of fiddly and diddly and sticky tape.

My advice, for what it's worth, is to cut your mounts to 20in x 16in because that's the size of most picture frames. If you do get a 50cm x 40cm frame you can always cut the mount a little bit smaller, but you can't make it a little bit bigger.

Birdwatching Walk - Saturday 19th October

Apologies for the short notice but if you've read this and are up early and can get yourself to the National Memorial Arboretum at 9.00am you can join in the gentle 3 hour walk to see as many birds and wildlife as possible. Binoculars will be available to borrow. Best of all it's free . . .

PLEASE HAVE A LOOK

Could everyone who was at the club last Monday please look and see if you have accidentally taken home someone else's print by mistake.

The print we are missing is by Karl Riley and titled 'A Walk in the Park'.

PAGB Workshops

There are still places available at the PAGB Advisory Days on Saturday 2nd November and Sunday 3rd November at Smethwick Photographic Society, Oldbury
See what you need to do to achieve awards and letters after your name. Full information here: [PAGB Workshops](#)



Tony Slater - RSPB Talk Yoxall Parish Hall

Club member Tony Slater is presenting an evening of Wildlife Photography at Yoxall Parish Hall on Tuesday 29th

October at 7.30pm on behalf of Burton & South Derbyshire RSPB Group. Entry is £3.00 including refreshments.

As we all know, Tony is an excellent bird and wildlife photographer, so an excellent evening is guaranteed.

Cannock Chase Arts Council

Last week we received a £150 grant from the Arts Council. Many thanks go to all those who made it happen.