



# Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

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## Staffordshire Photographic Clubs Annual PDI Competition

I never thought I'd ever hear Carole utter the word 'Fandabbydozy'. Must admit it did seem an appropriate word under the circumstances. For many years we have usually been languishing somewhere in the bottom half of the result sheet lagging behind the big guns like Stafford, Burton & Tamworth. This time though we left them in our wake finishing a wonderful third and only four points behind winners Leek. Runners up were Cannock Photographic Society.

Thirteen clubs from around Staffordshire took part and all helped provide an excellent competition. The judge Roger Evans had a very difficult task in wading through 130 images. Unfortunately due to time he wasn't able to talk at any length, but his judging was in my opinion accurate and fair. He didn't seem to be swayed by great use of Photoshop either, preferring

more 'straight' images instead, as can be seen by the winning image [above] taken by Philippa Wheatcroft of Burton PS. Thanks go to everyone involved in getting our entry together, but most thanks must go to all members of the club who have entered images into club competitions. Without them the Selection Committee wouldn't have images to choose from. The hardest bit was not what images to put in, but which images to leave out. Thankfully the judge liked what we put in.

Please click here for the full results: [Staffordshire Photographic Clubs PDI Competition](#)

## This Week - Guest Speaker Bill Allsopp 'British Landscapes, Colour & Mono'

As I do when we have a guest speaker I usually Google them first to find out a little about them and what we can expect. Most times I like what I see. Occasionally I can't find anything so just hope for the best. This time I have found something and very much like what I see. Ok it's no secret I like landscapes, but they have to be good landscapes. Good landscape photography is not easy. The only 'easy' bit is that generally landscapes unlike people, sport & wildlife don't usually move. To quote Bill's words: *'An evening's tour around Britain to get your juices flowing for trips to the beautiful areas offered by our country. Lots of tips on techniques for landscape photography. Hopefully we will all learn something'*.

Please click here to see a good selection of [Bill Allsopp British Landscape Photographs](#)

## Christmas Dinner - 9th December

If you wish to join the revellers at the club Christmas Dinner & Social Evening can you please add your name to the sheet as soon as possible please. Cost £17.95 per person. Payment required to be made in full by 25th November.

## 25th November 'Judge for a Night'

Our annual evening of being both judge and jury. Please bring in 1 or 2 prints any size mounted or unmounted. Prints can already have been entered into club competitions. Write your name and images title on the rear of the print. As this is a 'fun' evening there is no charge for entering. This competition does not count towards the monthly league tables.

## George Lamb Trophy - 2nd December - Closing Date Monday 25th November

Please get your entries ready for the George Lamb Trophy. Print competition and the subject is 'Landscapes'.

Maximum of 2 Prints per member @ 0.50p per Print. Proceeds from the competition to St Giles Hospice.

Images previously entered into club competitions may be entered ( but not into previous George Lamb Trophy ).

## Lee Chapman 'Chappers Photography'

Following Lee Chapman's visit to us last week, some members have asked about the courses which Lee provides.

Please click on these links for full details: [Photography Course](#) [Workshops 2020](#)

## Staffordshire [Campaign to Protect Rural England]

The CPRE is launching a FREE photographic competition to celebrate its 85th year with a view to producing a 2021 calendar showcasing Staffordshire's wonderful and diverse countryside. Entry open until 31st January 2020.

Full information here: [CPRE Staffordshire Photo Comp](#)

## Club Member to receive award off Princess Anne

Many congratulations to Roy Alexander who is to receive a Royal Yachting Association Lifetime award presented by HRH The Princess Royal on Friday 22nd November. This award is n recognition of Roy's service and commitment.

From all at the club, well done Roy.

## Birthday Wishes this week go to:

21st Nov: Roy Westwood

Have a great day Roy



## Burton Photographic Society Photographic Exhibition

Our good friends at Burton have their annual exhibition on 16-17 November. See their website below for full details:

[Burton Photographic Society Photographic Exhibition](#)