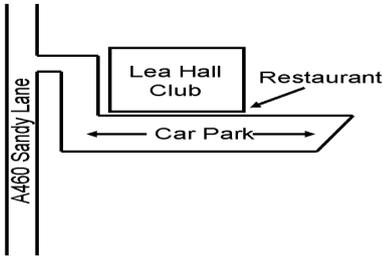




Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter

30th January 2016

www.rugeleyandarmitagecameraclub.com



DON'T FORGET...!!

We now meet at Lea Hall Miners Welfare Centre
Sandy Lane, Rugeley

Information for Lea Hall can be found here:
[Lea Hall Miners Welfare Centre](#)

Our meeting room will be in the Restaurant.
The entrance is situated at the rear of the main building.



Helen Relihan

Staff, volunteers and supporters of St Giles Hospice have united to pay heartfelt tribute to the dedicated head of fundraising, Helen Relihan, who died during a fundraising expedition in Vietnam.

Helen was taking part in the Vietnam Trek, a hiking trip held to raise money for St Giles Hospice, when she was taken ill.

Helen had been head of fundraising at St Giles for nearly eight years. She was instrumental in the development of many new fundraising initiatives for the hospice, including walks, cycle challenges, fun runs, treks and in particular the world record breaking Solstice Walk. Under Helen's leadership the team have generated over £10 million, enabling the care of thousands of patients and their families locally.

Helen had visited our club on many occasions. Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club would like to express their thoughts and condolences to Helen's partner and family at this sad time.

A 'Cherished Forever' tribute has been set up in Helen's memory. If you would like to donate then please go to [Helen Relihan Tribute](#)

Upcoming Speaker - February 1st - Roger Butler

Unfortunately due to circumstances beyond our control, our arranged speaker, Mark Humpage, has had to cancel his visit to us. Fortunately we have been able to find a last minute replacement who we are sure will provide us with an excellent evenings presentation.

Roger Butler has stepped in to give us a talk called 'Canal Heritage'. This is a colourful presentation covering all aspects of the waterways, and includes archive photographs dating back to the 1950's. Roger uses both traditional slides and digital images.

Roger has given this talk across the whole of the UK to dozens of clubs and societies. Feedback includes:
"That was the most interesting talk I've ever been to" - IWA, Milton Keynes Branch
"I hope this report can do justice to his pictures" - Harbury Civic Society
"The vibrancy and colour in your slides really came across" - National Trust, Sutton Coldfield Group
"The best talk we've ever had" Cheshire County Council

Last Week

Last week we had an Interclub 'battle' against Cannock Photographic Society. Unfortunately reading the result sheet it would appear to have been a pretty one-sided affair in Cannock's favour, but in reality the scores didn't really mirror the quality of pictures from both clubs.

Considering Cannock have photographers of International standard we did very well, and more importantly show we are improving all the time.

PDI: Rugeley 160-177 Cannock

Prints: Rugeley 155-178 Cannock

Total: Rugeley 315-355 Cannock

Upcoming Club Events

February 1st - Speaker Roger Butler
'Canal Heritage' - A History of the Canals

February 8th - Presidents Evening
Our President - Roy Hodgkiss

February 15th - Monthly Competition
Prints. Subject - Monochrome
Judge - David Keith Jones
Entries to be in by Monday February 8th

February 22nd - Speaker Mike Lane
'A Lane in the UK'
Mike is a full-time wildlife photographer
A presentation on British Wildlife

NEXT COMPETITION

Entries for the next monthly competition
PRINTS - SUBJECT MONOCHROME
To be in by MONDAY FEBRUARY 8th

Advanced Composition Techniques

The [rule of thirds](#) is probably the most widely known rule in photography

There are other methods though

This article is about six techniques you can use to improve your compositions and your photos

[Advanced Composition Techniques](#)

MidPhot Audio Visual Championships 2016

If you fancy a good days entertainment, this years MidPhot Audio Visual Championships are being held on Saturday 30th January from 9.30am until 5.30pm at the Priory Centre, Burton-on-Trent. Nearly 30 AV's will be displayed

[Midphot AV Championships Information](#)
[Directions to Venue](#)

Campaign to Protect Rural England

The Staffordshire branch of Campaign to Protect Rural England are holding a 80th year anniversary landscape photography competition to show the best of Staffordshire.

There are two age categories, 18 & under and adult. The most popular photographs voted for by the public will be printed in a CPRE Staffordshire 2017 Calendar plus being displayed in exhibitions throughout the county.

Many other prizes. Closing date 30th June

[Campaign to Protect Rural England](#)

Droitwich Camera Club David Noton 'Chasing the Light' Saturday 9th April

David is recognised as one of the world's leading landscape and travel photographers. His images sell all over the globe. Clients include Canon, the National Trust, Royal Mail, the BBC & Lonely Planet Magazine. The show is approximately two hours of photographic adventure and inspiration with an interval, and built in Question and Answer sessions. Tickets are £12 available here:

[David Noton 'Chasing the Light'](#)



19th—22nd
March 2016

The Photography Show is the UK's largest event for

people with a passion for photography. With over 200 leading brands, great show deals, live demos and inspirational speakers, it's a great day out dedicated to all things photography.

For more information: [click here](#)



Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Two Competitions to Enter

Photo Competition

Staffordshire Wildlife Trust are offering you the opportunity to have your image feature on the cover of their May-August "What's On" leaflet.

All you have to do is submit an image of wildlife in Staffordshire by the 13th of February

Full details available here:

[Staffordshire Wildlife Trust](#)

Calendar 2017

Staffordshire Wildlife Trust require 12 stunning images for their 2017 calendar

Calling all nature lovers! We need your photos of Staffordshire's wonderful wildlife and landscapes for our 2017 calendar which goes on sale next year.

Closing date: Friday 22nd April

Full details available here:

[Staffordshire Wildlife Trust Calendar 2017](#)

South Birmingham Photographic Society 'Image 16' Open Exhibition

Saturday 7th May 2016

Four Digital Projected Image (DPI) categories:

Colour

Monochrome

Natural History

Portrait

Entries close on 2nd March 2016

['Image 16' Open Exhibition](#)

[South Birmingham Image 16 Rules of Entry](#)

Gordon Buchanan - Wildlife Photographer & Cameraman

Lichfield Garrick—Thursday 24th March Stafford Gatehouse - Wednesday 30th March

Join Gordon Buchanan, the highly acclaimed wildlife cameraman and presenter of 'The Polar Bear family and me' as he hosts an evening of exciting personal recollections, and lets you into his world of weird, wild and wonderful wildlife.

[Gordon Buchanan](#)

[Stafford Gatehouse Theatre](#)

[Lichfield Garrick Theatre](#)

The Vale of Evesham Camera Club National Internet Exhibition

Is now OPEN to accept entries.

Colour Images

Monochrome Images

Natural History Images

Experimental / Creative Images

Entries can be made Online or Postal by CD.

CLOSING DATE Monday 29th February 2016

email: exhibition@eveshamcameraclub.co.uk

January Competition PDI Subject 'Local Images'



First
Essex Bridge
by Neil Bunting



Third
Across the Pool
by Sue Hartley



Second
Brindley Bank Sunset
by Steve Setterfield

Intermediate Section



First
Karting
by Rob Ings



Second
Candlelit Mass
Lichfield Cathedral
by Peter Thomas



Third
Blithfield Hall
Across the Reservoir
by Nola Lovatt

Advanced Section



First
JCB Digger Man
by David Perry



Third
Fawn
by Carole Perry



Second
Kings Bromley Road
by Roy Hodgkiss

League Tables After 4 Competitions

ELEMENTARY			INTERMEDIATE			ADVANCED		
1	Sue Hartley	72	1	Robert Ings	72	1	Roy Hodgkiss	68
2	Neil Bunting	71	1	Peter Thomas	72	1	Carole Perry	68
3	Geoff Setterfield	66	3	Nola Lovatt	67	1	Paddy Ruske	68
4	Val Sylvester	65	4	Brenda Page	64	4	Graham Williams	67
5	Peter Brian	63	5	Hilary Thomas	62	5	Peter Bell	66
6	Robert Griffiths	60	5	Kay Williams	53	5	Roy Westwood	66