

Interclub Competition - Rugeley v Lichfield v Burton

Well we did it. It's the taking part of course that counts, but if you win so much the better.

The print competition was close: Rugeley 156 - Burton 155 - Lichfield 149

The PDI was far more emphatic: Rugeley 165 - Lichfield 151 - Burton 149

This gave a total score of: Rugeley 321 - Burton 304 - Lichfield 300

This was a tremendous result for our club. It shows how far we've come in just a few years. Well done to all those members whose images were chosen, and to everyone else in the club whose images made the selection committees job extremely difficult. Thank you.



This Week - Annual General Meeting + Vice Presidents Evening May not be the most riveting of evenings, but certainly one of the most important. However on the plus side it usually doesn't last very long. PLEASE TRY TO ATTEND

The AGM will be followed by the Vice-Presidents Evening, where our Vice President Adam will show us a mixture of his Landscape and Nature pictures from last summer.

Last Monthly Competition - 21st May

Prints need to be handed in on Monday for the final Monthly Competition of the season. Subject is 'Transport' and the judge for the evening is Peter Siviter.

Roy Hodgkiss Natural History Trophy: 11th June

Prints for Roy's Natural History Competition to be in by Monday 4th June

Judge: Adam Belcher

See Page 2 for Rules & Definitions

Presentation Evening Monday 18th June

Tickets are now available for our annual Presentation Evening. Ticket price is £5.00 Members & £8.00 Non-Members For each members ticket sold the club will donate £3.00 to St Giles Hospice

Buffet Menu for Presentation Evening Monday 18th June 2018

Sandwiches on White and Brown Bread

Egg Mayonnaise Tuna Mayonnaise Beef Ham Cheese

Hot Food

Chicken – piri-piri/plain Sausage Rolls **Quiche Mixture** BBQ sausage/plain Asian Mix Chips

Birthday Wishes this week go to:

13th May: Nola Lovatt

18th May: Graham Orgill

19th May: Margaret Beardsmore

Hope you all have a great day

Cold Food Pork Pie Scotch Eggs Pickles-onions/beetroot Salad Coleslaw Potato Salad Crisps

Desserts Chocolate fudge cake Meringue nests Trifle Tea & Coffee

'Mach Loop'

The Mach Loop is a set of valleys in Wales situated between Dolgellau in the north, and Machynlleth in the south which are regularly used for low level flight training, with jets flying as low as 250 feet. Very popular with photographers. See links below: Mach Loop 'Official' Site Mach Loop Hints & Tips One Mach Loop Hints & Tips Two



Roy Hodgkiss Natural History Competition

Definition of Images for Roy Hodgkiss Natural History Competition

Qualification of Entry

Images for the Roy Hodgkiss Natural History Competition may have been previously submitted in any Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club internal or interclub competition but MUST NOT have been submitted in any previous Roy Hodgkiss Natural History Competition.

What Can I submit images of?

Images for the Roy Hodgkiss Natural History Competition must be of one or more zoological or botanical organisms free and unrestrained in a natural or adopted habitat.

What Can't I submit images of?

Landscapes, photographs of zoo animals, game animals, farm animals, domestic pets, marine subjects in aquariums, cultivated plants or any zoological or botanical organisms taken under *controlled* conditions are not eligible.

What Can't I do to my Images?

Images should not be composite, HDR, focus stacked or stitched images

Techniques that add, relocate or replace elements in the image are not permitted.

- Removal / cloning out or any processing that alters the nature story of the image is not permitted, for example cloning out a leaf that is partially covering the subject.
- "Putting in" for example a new sky or background or increasing the degree of background blur in post processing is not permitted.

What Can I do to my images?

- Removal of minor blemishes by use of clone or healing tools may be carried out provided such processing does not alter the nature of the image for example cloning out a bright, distracting pebble or an out of focus discarded beer can is permitted.
- Cropping images to remove unwanted elements of the image is permitted as is changing the orientation of the image (e.g. landscape to portrait format) and resizing.

The following adjustments which enhance an image but do not alter the nature story are allowed - for example sharpening, contrast adjustments, exposure adjustment, colour balance, noise reduction and straightening

<u>Titling Images</u>

Titles for images should be the correct recognised English name (and optionally the Latin name). This may be supplemented by a **brief** description of activity. For example - Grey Heron (Ardea Cinerea) with Stickleback. Humorous or 'twee' titles should **not** be used.

The club will be attending this event and putting on a small display of our images to promote our club. If you can attend then please do so.

