



# Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club

## Newsletter

30th September, 2023.

*Affiliated to the Photographic Alliance of Great Britain, through the Midland Counties Photographic Federation*

**Last week** saw the first PDI Competition of the club year. There were 74 entries with all three groups being well supported. It was good to see that new members also submitted entries, some not having entered a competition before. Well done to all members who had a go, there were lots of excellent images making it a very hard decision for the judge, Alan Lawrence.

The 3 winning images from all groups - Advanced, Intermediate & Elementary.



1st Place - Avocet - Les Arnott



2nd Place - The Cyclist— Paul Duckhouse



3rd Place - Green Energy - Graham caddick



1st Place - Robert Daish - Robin



2nd Place - Key of Life - Roy Harrison



3rd Place - Light & Shadows - Roy Harrison



1st Place - Dancing with the Sun - Simon Wilberforce



2nd Place - Prairie Dog - Lea Foster



3rd Place - Wave Rider - Simon Wilberforce

The [Museum of Cannock Chase](#) invited members of Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club to attend the 'World War 11 - Home Front' event. Four of our members had a free pass to this and enjoyed the day which included a Mock air raid, At Home in the 1940's, Re-enactors dressed in period costumes, The Hednesford Big Band & Lindy Hop dancers.

Thank you to Kevin Boycott who is happy for us to use a couple of the pictures he took on the day.



### Upcoming Programme

**The Club Photographic Exhibition** at the [Museum of Cannock Chase](#) is on from Monday 28th August to Saturday 14th October 2023

**Please check website for amended opening times**

**Monday 2nd October**

**Change to programme**

Our Guest Speaker is now Ralph Duckett

With a presentation  
"An Evening with Ralph"

**MCPF Judges Seminar 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2023**  
**Resume your Passion, Get Motivated**  
**Do You See Yourself Being a Judge**  
 The MCPF council are seeking to encourage keen photographers Who feel they would like to make a difference And take the next step to be a Photographic Judge  
 This Judges Seminar has at its core a workshop designed to help existing and encourage new judges alike to develop and understand how to be a better Judge.  
 The Seminar Workshop is designed to be interactive  
 Developing a partnership between the MCPF the Club and the Judges to be Informative, Positive, Encouraging, Critical, Consist,

The Workshop will cover all aspects of judging which will include but not limited to  
**Morning Session**

- Taking booking travel expenses
- Meeting the clubs requirements related to their rules and scoring.
- Identify the criteria by which the images will be judged on
- How to present yourself to your audience
- The criterion to be Informative, Positive, Encouraging, Critical, Consist
- Identifying with example of both good and poor content and quality
- Proposing how to meet and improve quality of prints and DPI's
- The Do's and Don'ts

**Afternoon Session**

Interactive Judging of Prints and DPI's

**Tickets**

Tickets will be available via the MCPF Web Site

Cost: Free MCPF Funded

Last booking date 20th November 2022

**Event Information**

Session one commences 10.00 hrs to 13.00hrs

Lunch Break

Session two commences 14.00 hrs to 16.30 hrs

**Event Location**

Smethwick Photographic Society

Churchbridge

Oldbury

West Midlands

B89 2AS

**Catering**

Tea and Coffee available (bring your own packed lunch)

**Contact details**

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**Lichfield Camera Club**



11th October 2023  
 7.45pm  
 doors open 7.30pm  
 Guests £5.00

Presents

**JACK PERKS**

A lecture encouraging wildlife photographers  
 'to get up close and personal with their subjects!'



Jack is a talented wildlife  
 photographer and has worked on  
 BBC programmes including  
 Springwatch, Countryfile and  
 The One Show

Find us at:  
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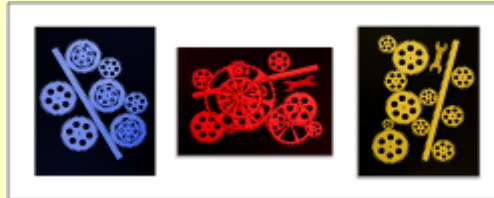
If any member would like anything adding  
 into the newsletter, please send to the Editor  
[lindashaw2964@gmail.com](mailto:lindashaw2964@gmail.com)

**Information for the PRACTICAL EVENING on the  
 9th October with Stephen Frost**

Would all members bring their cameras for an evening of fun.  
 A tripod would be useful but not essential, There will be a couple  
 available for members to use.

The evening is planned to enable members to achieve creative  
 photographs in your own home and encourage you all to be  
 creative.

See examples below of photographs members could take



**Base 1. Make your own backdrop for still life and  
 Macro Photography.**

**Base 2 . Still Life Sets**

- a) Flower Vase and vegetables.
- b) Food Photography set
- c) A Mining theme with miners lamps.

**Base 3. Abstract Architecture.**

**Base 4. Make your own Music**

**Base 5. Gears and Cogs .**

**Base 6. Creating a lamp bulb abstract.**

**Base 7. Creative Art using milk, oil on water .**



**Don't forget to purchase your  
 tickets for the  
 Presentation Evening**

including a Buffet is on

**Monday 23rd October This a 'Ticket  
 only evening'**

**Tickets will be on sale from  
 Monday 25th September**

**Members £10.00 per person Family  
 and friends are very welcome at £10.00  
 each.**



## **CAMERA CLUB QUIZ 22**

**(courtesy of our Quiz Master Roy Harrison)**

- 1 On which part of the human body can the glabella be found  
a) Forehead b) in the bottom
- 2 Blue Albion and Lincoln Red are breeds of which farm animal?  
a) Sheep b) Cattle
- 3 By which name is the foodstuff bean curd also known as:  
a) Quorn b) Tofu
- 4 Which Asian country has announced it will host its final horse race meeting in 2024:  
a) Singapore b) Bangkok
- 5 Where is the first Fashion Week of the year held:  
a) Milan b) New York
- 6 The word "invertebrate" refers to an animal that lacks what:  
a) Spine b) Heart
- 7 The KGB was the main security agency in which country from 1954-1991  
a) East Germany b) Soviet Union
- 8 What type of fruit is a Warwickshire Drooper a) Plum b) Pear
- 9 Which letter appears in the spelling of every single odd number  
a) N b) E
- 10 The Sahara Desert covers a large section of which country  
a) Mali b) Somalia
- 11 Which rodent lives in a nest called a "drey"  
a) Squirrel b) Doormouse
- 12 The Temple Mead railway station is in which city  
a) Glasgow b) Bristol

### **TIE BREAKER**

What would you mean if you described a friend as "quixotic"

- a) they are cruel b) they are funny c) they are impractical

**Don't forget to have a go at the quiz with a PRIZE OF £10.00 for the winner  
Please send your answers to [harrison290@talktalk.net](mailto:harrison290@talktalk.net)**

### **LET'S HAVE A LAUGH**

A man came home and told his wife "I got fired at work today. My boss said my communication skills were awful". "What did you say?" "I didn't know what to say"

A budget airline flight was delayed for nearly two hours. When the plane finally took off, the passengers asked the flight attendant the reason for the late departure. 'Well,' she explained, 'the pilot was worried about a noise he heard coming from one of the engines and it took us a while to get a new pilot'.