

# Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club

## Newsletter

5th May, 2024

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

Our last meeting was "Judge for a Night". The evening gave members the chance to look at other members photos and vote for their favourites. The evening showed how hard it is for a judge to look at such a varied selection of photographs and although technically can make comments, to decide on the winners will always be challenging, especially when you know that 99% of the photographers will disagree with your decision.

A well done to Les Arnott who achieved the most votes for the evening with his Bearded Tit. Les explained how he got the shot, but the ending to this beautiful bird was very sad. Les won the competition last year as well.



#### **Upcoming Meetings**

6th May - NO MEETING (BANK HOLIDAY)

#### **Thursday 9th May**

We have a 3 way interclub competition - Burton/Lichfield & Rugeley.

Please come along and support our club.

The competition is being held at The Priory Centre, Church Road, Stretton,

Burton on Trent, DE13 OHF.

Parking is a little tight, but there is also some on street parking. Car share if you can. Do not use the Monks Bridge car park.

#### **Monday 13th May**

Roy Hodgkiss Natural History Competition
This is always a lovely print competition as we have some outstanding wildlife photographers in the club.

#### **Monday 20th May**

Guest Speaker - Stewart Wood With his presentation "Macro".

Take a look at Stewart's website: <a href="https://stewartwood.com/">https://stewartwood.com/</a>





Do you have an article, story, photograph, hints and tips or an achievement you would like adding to the newsletter Please contact Linda Shaw

Wishing a very Happy Birthday to

Graham Walker
9th May

Mark Stanton
11th May

### **Carole's Creative Competition**

A reminder to members to enter Carole's Creative Competition. This is a trophy awarded to a member who's image has 'made Carole smile'. Your entry can be of any subject, it can have been manipulated, set-up or straight from your Camera/phone, you just have to let your creativity break through. It must be your own work. All you have to do is send your PDI (to club sizing) to <a href="David Perry">David Perry</a>. You can send in as many entries as you wish and you don't have to send them all in together.

Closing date is 3rd June 2024 so there is still time to have a go!!!

The winner will be announced at the Ladies V Gents competition on the 10th June, which is the last meeting of the season.



## Free Admission

Refreshments on sale during the day.

The Hart School, Rugeley, have been invited to enter a competition organised by the Camera Club.

Judging and prizes will be presented on the day by Paddy Ruske.

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### **Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Exhibitions**

We have two exhibitions in the club diary, the first exhibition is at Lea Hall on Sunday 9th June 11.00am - 4.00pm where we will showcase members work, we have once again invited students from the Hart School, Rugeley to enter a competition, winners from this will be announced during the day. Free admission and refreshments will also be on sale during the day.

The second exhibition is to be held at Armitage with Handsacre Village day on Saturday 22nd June 11.00am - 4.00pm at Armitage Village Hall, Shropshire Brook Road WS15 4UZ

Members are asked to give us 2 or 4 prints for us to showcase at these 2 exhibitions, please bring them in as soon as you can, as always we value your support at these events by taking part and visiting and/or helping out if you are available, even if it's for just a short time, we are very proud of our camera club but can only make these events successful if you take part.

## LADIES V Men

Ladies—the most important competition of the club year is on June 10th, the last meeting of the season. This competition is a FUN competition (not really, it's a battle) where the Ladies beat the men. Ladies let the men win last year, but that was just so they felt a little better. Ladies have won this competition 4 times out of 5.

We would like all the lady photographers in the club to have a go (and the men can enter if they want to.)

This is print competition and the subject is **open**. You can use an image that you have used in any of the other competitions or a completely new image.

I am not sure who the judge is this year, but they need to be brave!

Printed Images for the competition must be handed in by the 3rd June and please remember to send your PDI's in as well.

### Competitions for next year—September 2024 to June 2025

It's time to start taking photographs for next season, please see list below of the subjects.

23rd September - PDI - Open

3rd March - PDI - Minamalistic

21st October - Prints - Water

24th March - Prints - Triptych

4th November - PDI - Mono

19th May - PDI - Season of your

20th January - Prints - Open

Choice.

### Plus the Club Named Trophy Competitions (All Print competitions)

9th December - George Lamb Trophy - Landscapes

10th February - Presidents Trophy - Open

14th April - Roy Hodgkiss Natural History Competition - Natural History
9th June - Ladies v Gents - Open