

### Our Committee

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### Annual Membership Fees

Single £45.00 (Early Bird £40) Joint £80.00 (Early Bird £70.00)

Family membership: member & partner & members children U18: £85.00

Family membership (Early Bird £80.00) Under 18's membership (with a guardian) £22.00 (Early Bird £20.00)

'Early Bird' discount for advanced payment from 7th July up to 7th Sept

2026 Members Weekly fee: £4.50. Under 18's Weekly fee: £2.00

All Visitors are welcome for an Entry fee of £5.50

The club has its own website: [www.rugeleyandarmitagecameraclub.com](http://www.rugeleyandarmitagecameraclub.com)

Where you will find full information about the club such as Programme, Guest Speakers, Contacts etc. plus a Members Gallery where members can have their images displayed. There is also a Members Only Facebook Group.



## Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club

Affiliated to the Photographic Alliance  
Of Great Britain through the Midland Counties  
Photographic Federation

### A Guide for New & Prospective Members 2026 - 2027

Meetings held Monday evenings at 7.30pm  
From September to June

'The Davy Suite'  
Lea Hall Miners Welfare Centre  
Sandy Lane  
Rugeley, Staffordshire  
WS15 2LB

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Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club are proud to be members of:

'Cannock Chase Arts Council'

'Support Staffordshire'

**Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club** extends a warm welcome to all visitors and prospective new members. Whether you are a complete beginner or an experienced photographer using anything from a top of the range camera to a smartphone, entering prints into exhibitions or just like to take and look at pictures, the club will have something to interest you.

**Who are we:**

Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club were formed in 2009 by six local camera enthusiasts who held their meetings in the corner of the bar in a local hostelry. From this small beginning the club rapidly increased to over 100 members, making it one of the largest photographic clubs in the Midlands. As the membership grew so did the need for a larger meeting room.

We meet on Monday evenings at 7.30pm from September to June in the Davy Suite, Lea Hall Miners Welfare Centre, Sandy Lane, Rugeley. WS15 2LB

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**What we do:**

We have a full and varied programme of meetings throughout the season to provide something of interest for everyone. This will include illustrated talks and presentations by leading photographers covering many different subjects. Monthly Club Competitions, Interclub Competitions, Practical Evenings and Members Evenings. Not forgetting of course our Annual Presentation Evening.

**Practical Evenings:**

This is where those members with photographic knowledge teach and the rest of us learn. Subjects covered will range from very basic camera control through to more advanced subjects such as low light, close-up and macro. Plus very basic to advanced image editing.

**Members Evenings:**

These are really fun evenings when members entertain members. Members are asked to present and talk about some of their images or maybe show an audio visual presentation on something which interests them. Of course this is entirely voluntary but always a good evening.

**Competitions:**

Competitions form an important role in any photography club's make-up. Entering competitions is totally voluntary, but we try to encourage as many members as possible to do so, especially beginners, as entering competitions is the quickest way to improve your photography. For all competitions an outside independent judge will be on hand to give constructive and informative advice on what was good and what was not so good. By listening to their advice leads to improvement. There's no need to feel embarrassed if your picture doesn't do very well, as no names are read out, only the title of the picture.

**Club Monthly Competition:**

This runs all season and is composed of seven individual competitions. Each club member is placed into a competition group depending on their level of photography. These are Elementary for beginners, through to Intermediate then Advanced. When you join the club the Competitions Secretary will have a chat and place you in the most suitable group. Each image entered is judged and marked, which then forms the league table for that group. At the end of the season the top of the group receives his or her trophy at the Presentation Evening. The seven monthly competitions will be a mixture of Print and Projected Digital Image (PDI), and both Open subject or subjects with a theme.

**Special Competitions:**

There are extra trophy competitions with a set theme, plus Interclub battles with other local camera clubs. We also enter the annual Staffordshire Photographic Clubs Print & PDI Competitions. Members can also enter MidPhot which showcases the best in Midlands Photography.

**Guest Speakers:**

Throughout the season we are visited by leading photographers and guest speakers. These are usually a mixture of informative presentations often delivered with a good slice of humour.

**Newsletter:**

A newsletter is produced each week during the season. Every member will receive an email copy of this and it is also available on our website.