

Rugeley & Armitage Camera Club Newsletter



20th September 2026

Last Week we welcomed Roger Fountain to our club with his lecture "The World of Monochrome with a Dash of Colour". Thank you to Jan Wilson for her write up of the evening.

"Well if the first speaker was anything to go by we're in for a great season. I can't recall a speaker going out of their way to introduce themselves to members individually and through that Roger Fountain set the relaxed atmosphere for the evening. The light hearted tone, audience participation and lots of banter made for a very entertaining event and Roger's presentation of his work from beginner to master of the art was excellent. He explained his approach and technique for monochrome work which involved many hours and attention to detail producing images of the highest quality. Many thanks to Mo Bradley for booking him and to Roger for all the tips on how to improve our work."

Monday 21st September 2026

Tonight we welcome speaker **Nicola Shipley** with her talk **"Socially Engaged Photography Projects, People and Places"**

Nicola is founder and Director of GRAIN Projects, a midlands based arts organisation specialising in photography. In the lecture she will talk about social engaged photography, developing photography projects about people and places, working with photographers and opportunities such as exhibitions, festivals, awards and prizes. www.grainphotographyhub.co.uk

Don't forget this is also the last day for submitting images for the 1st Open PDI Competition
Please send your PDI's to racompetitions@gmail.com

PRESENTATION EVENING – 12th OCTOBER

Our Presentation Evening will be held on 12th October this year. We have decided that as a Club we would like to do something for our members, so the evening will be free of charge. If you wish to bring a partner for the evening the cost to them will be £8 per non-member. The evening will include the awards ceremony, buffet, fun quiz and a raffle. Any donations for raffle prizes would be greatly received.

If you are interested in attending tickets will be available/on sale from Monday from Sally. We will need to know final numbers as soon as possible along with any dietary requirements.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact [Sally](#).

WORKSHOP WITH WENDY IRWIN

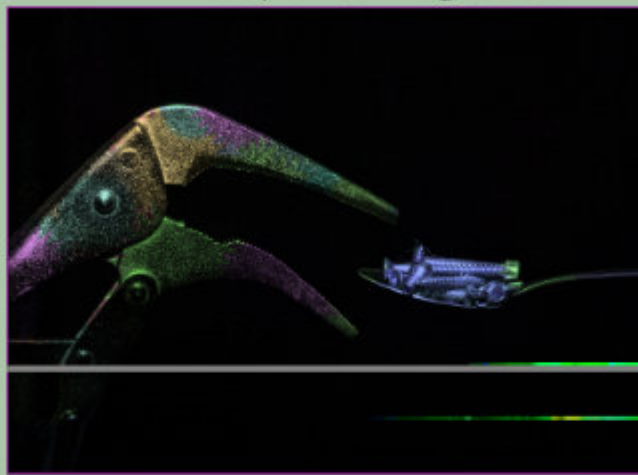
To all those interested in the workshop with **Wendy Irwin** she has confirmed **Tuesday 13th October from 10am – 2pm**. It's £25 for approximately 4 hours which includes provision of textures and images if you don't have any suitable. There's also the opportunity to create your own textures and backgrounds physically not just digitally if you fancy getting arty and messy. To keep costs down it will be at my house, tea and coffee provided - I might even stretch to biscuits! Payment on the day directly to Wendy. For further information please Jan Wilson at myaniel@hotmail.com for the postcode or directions.

CAROLE'S CREATIVE TROPHY 2026

On the first week back after our summer break we saw a run through of the PDI's from members who had entered Carole's Creative Trophy. This trophy is awarded by our Chairperson Carole Perry, to a member who most importantly has made Carole smile. You don't need to have fiddled and diddled in Photoshop, but you could if you wanted to or simply just taken a straightforward creative photograph. The aim is to "Make Carole Smile". David might say this is hard to do, but looking at the images we saw on Monday, I would imagine all got a smile.

Carole received a total of 50 images which she has perused during the summer break, she does not know who took the images when she is judging, David keeps this a secret. Carole could try and guess who took the photo's as did the members on Monday, but most members had done something completely different and out of their normal comfort zone.

The top three images are:



1st Place - Raptor at Feeding Time - Stephen Frost



Young Love

2nd Place - Young Love - Paul Duckhouse



3rd Place - Poppy - Chris Shaw

MOUNT BOARD

Based on 4 colours BLACK W/C SOFT WHITE IVORY ICED WHITE (TEXTURE).

Can be supplied in sheets that will give 4 off 20 x 16

Please note that the ICED WHITE is a bigger sheet that will produce 6 off 20x16.

All can be CUT to size if required.

All above can be cut with A4 or A3 aperture and can be bought as a single mount or a Kit pack of 10 with backing board & plastic bag.

16x12	FITS A4 KIT of 10 + backing & bags	£20	SINGLE £2.0
20 X 16	FITS A3 KIT OF 10 + backing & bags	£27	SINGLE £3.0
20X16	MOUNTBOARD only (in sheets)	£9	SINGLE £2.30
20X16	ICED WHITE (texture finish) larger sheet (6 off)	£15	SINGLE £2.50

Please note there are many other colours available, if you require a specific colour please ask and i can supply a price.

All colours above can be mixed in any numbers required in the KITS, based on the colours above, please contact me.

NOTE -- Any other colours may be at extra cost.

I DO HAVE A CATALOGUE available to look at if needed

THESE PRICES are current at the moment, there may be a slight increase which i will confirm later, i will be going to see the supplier in the next few weeks.

**Any queries, please contact me on 07523 718482 or
E-MAIL: harrisonroy775@gmail.com**

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Camera Club Events which will be ticket only

Monday 12th October - Presentation Evening

Monday 14th December - Christmas Meal - Details to follow shortly

Coffee Morning

Lea Hall are holding a Macmillan Coffee Morning on Monday 21st September. - 11.00am to 2.30pm

Everyone is welcome to join for tea, coffee, cakes and biscuits to raise money for a very worthy cause.

SUMMER LANDSCAPE CHALLENGE

All members who took part in Margaret's Landscape Challenge over the summer, please ensure you send up to 6 of your images to [Steve Moore](#). Steve will put them on the website and an AV will be created to show at one of our meetings.

Please take a look on the website at the [Summer Landscape Challenge](#)

Newport Photographic Club

are having Lolo Williams, who most of you will know from Springwatch, as a guest speaker on the 17th November.

I believe the event is located only about 15 mins from Prees Hill Nature Reserve where the club had an outing to only a few months ago, so not too far.

[Click Here for link to purchasing a ticket](#) and more information.

NEWPORT PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB - ANNUAL KEYNOTE



An Evening with
Lolo Williams
Welsh Wildlife — Live on Stage

Tuesday 17 November 2026
7:00-9:30pm · £25 · Open to the public

Book online now
newportphotoclub.com

