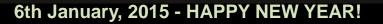


WPF Newsflash



Bridgend CC 5 to 8 PhotoHarmony Competition

Entries are now being accepted for this year's 5 to 8 Competition for digital AV Sequences. Full details including revised rules and entry forms can be found <u>here</u>. The closing date for entries is **16th February 2015**, entries are accepted from individuals, groups and clubs. The Judge this year is **Malcolm Imhoff FRPS** and the top sequences will be shown on Monday 23rd March, all are welcome.

Beyond the Bounds - An insight in to the photography of the Inn Focus Group.

Exhibition in the Art Gallery at Norwegian Church, Cardiff Bay from Monday the 16th February to Sunday the 22nd February. Please come along and have a look and an informal chat.

Pembrey & Burry Port PS has moved

Pembrey & Burry Port Photographic Society has now moved to Hermon Chapel, Waun Deri, Pembrey.

They are also holding an exhibition at their new venue and opening times will be 11:00am-6.30pm Monday to Saturday from Saturday 10th January 2015 until Saturday 24th January 2015.

The directions to their new venue can be found <u>here</u>. There will be tea, coffee and cakes available to purchase plus a raffle. All are welcome and they look forward to seeing you there.

Inn Focus reach the Final

More congratulations to **Inn Focus Group** for reaching the finals of the **National Inter-Club Print Championships**. They finished 7th overall. Full details <u>here</u>.

Port Talbot Salon 2015 - Entry Deadline Approaches

The entry deadline for the fourth **Port Talbot Digital International 2015** is fast approaching. You still have time to enter can enter by clicking <u>here</u>. There are four sections: Open Colour, Open Monochrome, Creative and Nature.

Closing date is 25th Jan 2015.

Mixed results for the WPF

The WPF featured strongly in the 2014 Inter-federation PDI Competition, finishing fourth. Notable was the award of a PAGB ribbon to **Tom Dee** of IFG for his photograph entitled **Arieta.** We weren't as successful in the Nature PDI section though, finishing 13th of 14 federations. Full details and photos <u>here</u>.

Likewise, we had mixed results in the Inter-federation Print Competition finishing 12th (from 15) in the colour section and 7th (from 15) in the monochrome section. However Jason Chapman of Swansea picked up a FIAP Silver Medal for his mono print entitled 'Waiting'. Full details and photos <u>here</u>.

Congratulations to David L Edwards

Congratulations to David L Edwards (Neath & District PS) **21** Acceptances including a **Salon Bronze** and a **PSA HM** in the 2014 Three Country Grand Circuit.

Andy Beel on the Move

Andy Beel FRPS is moving to a new base in Bristol. From March 2015 he will be based at the Coach House, Upper York Street, Bristol. See the great new range of Monochrome master classes, workshops and courses available with discounts on his <u>website</u>.

Pembrokeshire Photography Holiday with Freespirit Images

This from Nick Jenkins at Freespirit Images

Arrangements are now in hand for a great photography holiday on the Pembrokeshire Coast in 2015. Why not join us when you will be able to photograph sunrises, stunning coastlines, wild flowers and the rest of the National Park at its very best? Details are as follows:-

Arrival – Monday 4th May – 5pm Depart – Friday 8th May – after breakfast

The break includes 4 nights accommodation, 4 evening meals and 3 full days of photography in this beautiful location.

Our base will be The **<u>Fishguard Bay Hotel</u>** in Goodwick at it will be the fourth time we will have used this hotel – we are always VERY well looked after and the meals are first class and the facilities perfectly located for our workshop.

The cost of the break is £520.00 (which compares very favourably indeed with other, similar workshops). This includes: dinner, bed & breakfast, a set of 'Nick Notes', travel to and from locations and all the tuition you need to really help you improve your work. All levels of skill and knowledge are catered for. The cost does <u>not</u> include: travel to and from Fishguard, holiday/camera gear insurance and bar/room phone bills. Note that packed lunches are available as a 'paid for' option (added to your room bill), or there is a supermarket nearby.

The north Pembrokeshire coast around Fishguard has some of the most fantastic photo opportunities. We will visit Porthgain, Abereiddy, and Strumble Head amongst other spots. May also provides us with some superb wildflowers along the coast.

The format of the break will be as follows: as much time as possible will be spent working locations, with group reviews of work done each evening. We will have our own meeting room and projection facilities in the event of rain. A reasonable degree of fitness is required. We will not be yomping for miles but there will be some walking to the chosen locations.

Booking requests can be placed now for this break. Further details will be sent to attendees a bit nearer the time. Please note that a £75.00 non refundable deposit will secure your booking. On receipt of the deposit, your place will be secured and an invoice sent out showing the total balance due, and by when, less the deposit paid. The previous breaks here filled up very quickly, so if you are interested, I suggest you let me know soon. The break will also be posted on my web and Facebook pages very soon.

Contact nick@freespiritimages.com

CPAGB or Rob Dummer

Rob Dummer of Gwynfa CC has been awarded a CPAGB to add to his AFIAP. Well done Rob.

Bristol Salon Opens

Bristol Salon is open for entries. There are 4 sections, Open, Monochrome, Photo Travel and Nature. Closing date 24 January. There are reduced fees for Early Bird entries (received before 4 January) and for club entries (10+ entries). For full details, follow this <u>link</u> or email <u>chairman@bristolsalon.co.uk</u>

Inkjet Masterclass Video

We've received this from John Read at Marrutt.

Please click <u>here</u> to view a video of a talk delivered to Steyning C.C. in November 2014 entitled: "**Inkjet Printing Masterclass**". There are no copyright restrictions to this movie – please pass on to your members as you wish.

Important notice to all Clubs

The President of the WPF and the Judges and Presenters Secretary have been out recently giving presentations to various clubs and have received no reminder, nor have they been asked what equipment they require for the presentation. This is just not good enough! If you invite a speaker then you should have the courteously to make sure that the speaker feels comfortable that he/she will be welcomed when they arrive and know that the equipment required for their presentation is in place. Also that they have been reminded of the event a few days before to ensure that you know that all is well and that they are able to attend.

This assumption that they will just TURN-UP is not acceptable – it is taking the speaker for granted. We realise that occasionally circumstances make a reminder difficult, but clubs should make sure that there is more than one person aware of the event and that the speaker is kept informed.

Another point that I have been asked to mention; can you please start on time; 7.30pm. should mean 7.30pm, not 7.40pm or 7.50pm as is so very often the case. The speaker will have prepared their talk to fit the times you have told them, so please ensure you adhere to those times. You may even wish to consider making your club announcements five minutes earlier than the proposed start time or during the tea-break in order to give the presenter the maximum amount of time. It is not fun to stand for 20 minutes listening to a multitude of announcements and then have to rush through a talk designed to last a specific amount of time.

Most Presenters will aim to arrive around 30 minutes before start time (unless otherwise agreed) in order to set up and check that all their equipment is functioning. So please have someone there to meet and greet them in plenty of time, not ten minutes before as happened recently. Having said all this, the clubs we have attended are very friendly and appreciative – they just need to think a little more about the person who is going to entertain them, who has often travelled a long way.

Ed Cloutman (Judges and Presenters Secretary)

2015 Ace of Clubs

Please find below an invitation to enter the Ace of Clubs 2015 plus all the documents that you will need to enter. The Master Lists and the 1st Round Projection List have been provided in both PDF and MS Word formats so that you can print them and complete them by hand, or on your computer. I should be grateful if you would pass everything to your Competition Secretary. Please note the following:

- Please notify David Paskin of your intention to enter By 23 December 2014. mokeyjo@sky.com
- Please read the Rules carefully, they have changed considerably.
- Please read the Nature definition carefully, it is the new coordinated definition agreed in July 2014
- The Club Codes have been updated.

Invitation New Rules Nature Definition Club Codes

Master List 1-20 Word Master List 1-20 PDF

Master List 21-40 Word Master List 21-40 PDF

Round 1 Projection List Word Round 1 Projection List PDF

Key Dates

18 January 2015 – Closing Date for entries.
1 February 2015 – Please confirm number attending.
15 February 2015 – Competition day.

The Photography Show is back!

Taking place from **21-24 March 2015** at the **NEC Birmingham**, this event is the meeting place for aspiring photographers of all levels. With an incredible line-up of leading brands, show bargains, live demos and inspirational speakers, you'll enjoy a great day out dedicated to all things photography. Plus, get hands-on with the latest products from Canon and receive expert advice from brand representatives.

To find out what's in store for the 2015 show and to book your ticket visit <u>photographyshow.com</u>. Use code **EOSTPS15 to get an exclusive discount on your ticket.** (Applies to adult tickets only and expires 18/03/2015).

RPS Conference at Warwick

The RPS Digital Imaging Group (DIG) has given advanced notice that it is planning a very large one-day conference at Warwick on Sunday Sept 20th 2015. As they are aiming to sell 500 tickets to RPS and non-RPS UK-based photographers they thought that members might like to be aware of this date well in advance, to avoid double-booking. The event will be launched at the end of February and full information about the programme will be made available then. In the meantime, please put the date in your diary – and watch this space!

Accommodation for Memorial Trophy

We have received this information from the folks over at New Quay, who are hosting the Memorial Trophy.

The owners of the <u>**Penwig Hotel**</u> in New Quay have made a special offer of £50 bed and breakfast for a double room for one night or £79 for two. Book directly and ask for Mike Wheeler and mention New Quay Camera Club. Or if you prefer book via <u>**Travel Zoo**</u>

RPS Exhibition at Science Museum

Drawn by Light: The Royal Photographic Society Collection is now on show at the Science Museum in London. (Floor 2. Open from 02/12/2014 To 01/03/2015. Price £8).

From serene landscapes to exquisite nudes, this new exhibition brings together over 200 extraordinary highlights from the collection of the world's oldest surviving photographic society, by some of the greatest names in photography. Founded in 1853, the Royal Photographic Society (RPS) Collection is now held at the National Media Museum, Bradford as part of the National Photography Collection. With over 250,000 images, 8,000 items of photographic equipment and 31,000 books, periodicals and documents, it's one of the most important and comprehensive photographic collections in the world.

Local Workshops with Andy Beel FRPS

Adobe Lightroom 5 for Beginners one day course covering the basics of the Library, Develop and Print modules on the 21st Feb 2015, Price £99 in Bridgend. Max four participants. 3 places

A Monochrome Photography Masterclass looking at the thinking and practical skills of a photographer on 28th March 2015, Price £99 in Bridgend. Max four participants. 2 places left.

New Workshop – How to see Photographically

Six days in southern Spain - - Date 22-27th April 2015 - - New lower price - Only 3 places left

If you want to see some of Andy's work or look into booking a workshop yourself, visit his website.

Competition Secretary change at Newport

Anyone needing to contact the Competition Secretary at **Newport Photographic Club** should, for the time being, contact **Danny Davis** and not Chris Warman. This is a temporary measure and a new permanent Competition Secretary will be announced in due course.

'New Presentation: Bird Photography - A Personal Journey' by Mike Cullis

This all new presentation focuses on Mike's personal account of his adventures into Bird Photography and includes some spectacular images taken both within the UK and abroad including Kenya, Florida and The Arctic. The presentation starts with bird photography in his back garden and progresses to his trips abroad; including the planning, preparation, equipment selection and photographic techniques he has acquired. Mike has had articles featured in Camera magazines, BBC Wildlife Magazine, National newspapers and was finalist in the 2012 BBC Wildlife Photographer of The Year Competition.

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Download The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain's latest E-News here

New Day & Venue for Bedwas Trethomas & Machen

Bedwas Trethomas & Machen Camera Club has a change of venue and a change of day. Henceforward they will meet each **Tuesday** at Bedwas OAP Hall, St. Mary Street, Bedwas, Caerphilly, CF83 8EE.

For Sale & Wanted

If you have items listed 'for sale' please let us know if they have been sold. Adverts will automatically be deleted after about two months unless otherwise advised. Email <u>newsflash@thewpf.co.uk</u>

For Sale (added 21st November 2014)

- Nikon D 300 + battery grip + 3 batteries + 2 sandisk cf cards/all leads/all manuals/excellent condition boxed £375.00 - Nikon Nikkor Afs-S dx 17-55 f 2.8 if. ed zoom lens mint condition boxed £700.00

- Nikon afs 18-70 f 3.5 4.5 g dx ed af zoom excellent condition £95.00
- Tokina fugica f/ax bayonet fix 80-200 f4 and also 28 mm f 2.8 wide angle.
- Olympus 2x converter reasonable offers

Contact Jeff Lewis Tel: 07849 466067 Email: lewis_j7@sky.com

For Sale (amended 15th December 2014)

CANON 7D - Body only FOR SALE complete with Meiki vertical battery grip. In excellent condition. Genuine reason for sale - have upgraded. Reduced to £420 for quick sale.

Contact Brian Mogford by email (shirley-brian@hotmail.com).

For Sale (added 13th November 2014)

My old Photoshop PC with an AMD **3.4ghz processor** / **8gb** RAM / **4 Tb** of Hard Disk Space / DVD Writer / Windows 7. Originally supplied by <u>PCSpecialist.co.uk</u> Full details below...

Case COOLERMASTER SILEO 500 QUIET MID TOWER Processor (CPU) AMD PHENOM II X4 965 SOCKET AM3 (3.40GHz/8MB CACHE) - BLACK EDITION Motherboard ASUS® M4A785TD-V EVO: DUAL DDR3, S-ATA II, 2 x PCIe x16, 1 x PCIe x1, 3 x PCI Memory (RAM) 8GB CORSAIR XMS3 DUAL-DDR3 1333MHz - LIFETIME WARRANTY! Graphics Card 1GB NVIDIA GEFORCE 9800GT PCI EXPRESS (Special Offer) 1st Hard Disk 2TB SERIAL ATA 3-Gb/s HARD DRIVE WITH 32MB CACHE (7,200rpm) 2nd Hard Disk 2TB SERIAL ATA 3-Gb/s HARD DRIVE WITH 32MB CACHE (7,200rpm) DVD Drive 22x DUAL LAYER DVD WRITER ±R/±RW/RAM Memory Card Reader INTERNAL 52 IN 1 CARD READER (READS XD, MS, CF, SD, etc) Power Supply 450W Quiet Dual Rail PSU + 120mm Case Fan (£25) Processor Cooling STANDARD AMD CPU COOLER Sound Card Sound Blaster® X-Fi™ Xtreme Audio Networking ONBOARD 10/100/1000 GIGABIT LAN PORT USB Options 8 x USB 2.0 PORTS (6 REAR + 2 FRONT) AS STANDARD Firewire 2 x IEEE 1394a FIREWIRE PORTS (1 onboard, 1 at back panel) **Operating System** Genuine Windows 7 Home Premium 64 Bit

Keyboard & Mouse included. No monitor included. £350 or make me an offer.... leigh@coform.com 07800 878782 (Leigh Woolford)

Long Lens Wanted (added 11th November)

I'm looking for a long lens in the region of 400 to 600mm for bird photography. I am also interested in a digiscoping for the same purpose. I am only interested in quality lenses for my Nikon D800. Do any members have any items for sale? If so please contact me giving details and prices at <u>jbd@johnbdavies.co.uk</u>

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Salon acceptances: Please note we receive many, many emails about acceptances at International Salons as WPF photographers are achieving more acceptance than ever before. Sadly we cannot include them all due to constraints on time and space so please would you kindly only advise us of awards received or other milestone achievements.

Items For Sale: If you have an item listed for sale, *please let us know if it is sold*. For sale items will be removed after two months unless otherwise advised.

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