



WPF Newsflash



10th March, 2015

Welsh Salon Exhibition

The **2015 Welsh Salon of Photography Exhibition** will be held at [Barry Library](#), Kings Square, Barry, Vale of Glamorgan, CF63 4RW. Directions [here](#).

The **official opening** will be on **Saturday 2nd May at 2pm** and the exhibition runs until 30th May. Opening hours are:

Mondays 8.30am to 8.00pm; Tuesdays 8.30am to 6.00pm; Wednesdays 8.30am to 6.00pm; Thursdays 8.30am to 8.00pm; Fridays 8.30am to 6.00pm; Saturdays 9.00am to 5.30pm; Sundays closed.

Barrian Cup - Saturday 6th June 2015

Barry Camera Club are please to announce that The Barrian Cup and Dave Cowdrey Trophy takes place on Saturday 6th of June. The competition is open to all Clubs in The Welsh Photographic Federation with some invited Clubs from outside of Wales.

[Please find attached the entry form to be supplied with the prints on entry.](#)

Closing Date is Sunday 10th of May 2015. For further information please contact Mike Lewis on 07855 309667.

Port Talbot Exhibition

This message from the good folks at Port Talbot CC.

Port Talbot Camera Club are holding our annual exhibition on the two balcony foyers at The Grand Theatre in Swansea. The exhibition runs from 10th March and lasts for 3 weeks. Entry is free! Our members' excellent and varied digital and film photography will be on show. We will be proud to present the PTCC's International Salon entries too. If anyone wants further information about this exhibition they can contact the Club through our Facebook group page or our [website](#).

Nigel McCall at Llanelli

Nigel McCall will be presenting his talk "Home & Away" at Llanelli Photographic Society at 7.30pm, 18th March at Dafen Community Hall. The talk will feature a mix of wildlife and landscape images. Members from other clubs are welcome to come along. Details and location can be found on the <http://www.llanelliphoto.co.uk> or contact Jason (secretary@llanelliphoto.co.uk).

Bridgend 5 to 8

Entry for the Bridgend 5 to 8 PhotoHarmony Competition for digital av sequences is now closed. The judging will take place on **Monday 23rd March** at our usual venue. This years judge is **Malcolm Imhoff FRPS**. All are welcome to attend an admission is our normal £2.50 to include refreshments and a raffle. Full details can be found on the club [website](#).

PAGB AV Awards

You are welcome to attend the PAGB Awards for Photographic Merit in Audio-Visual day on Sunday 10th May 2015. Doors open at 9:30am, and the day will start at 10:00am and close at approx 4:00pm.

The venue is: The Village Hall, Abingdon Rd, Steventon, Oxon OX12 6RR.

Spectator tickets are priced at £6 each including teas/coffees and biscuits. Online booking form [here](#).

Snowdonia with Freespirit Images

This from Nick at Freespirit.

*Following the success of my first two Freespirit Images Snowdonia Workshops, I have now planned a third from **16th to 20th November** - 4 nights. Arrive Monday around 4pm ish - depart Friday am around lunchtime (*). The cost is £590.00/person, which includes full board at the Tyn y Coed, a four star inn near Capel Curig (check them on Trip Advisor), and full location selection and guidance from me.*

NOT included are:

- holiday and equipment insurance*
- packed lunches - these are readily available from a nearby shop*
- cost of travel to/from Snowdonia*

Autumn in Snowdonia can be rather special with the larch trees turning golden yellow and the hills starting to look wintry and even more dramatic than usual.

We will be visiting Cwm Orthin, Llyn Gwynant, Cwm Idwal, Llyn Dinas and other excellent spots. And, weather permitting we will be seeking to catch the sun rising on the Snowdon Horseshoe.

Booking requires a deposit of £75.00, which can be paid via the website through Paypal. Alternatively you may pay by cheque made payable to Freespirit Images (address below) or online - details are: Account No. - 10990280; Sort Code - 20-18-15; Ref: Snowdonia15

The week is a healthy balance of good photographic opportunities, help and tuition, great locations and a laugh!!

If you have any questions at all please do get in touch.

** if you wish to plan a slightly shorter stay then get in touch.*

Do join us!

Free Book from Lenscraft

Thanks to Adrian Lant of Rhondda/Gwynfa for this information which comes from Robin Whalley of [Lenscraft](#):

*I thought you might like to know that I have arranged for my bestselling book "Essential Photoshop" to be available for **FREE** on the 14th and 15th March 2015 (here is the link to [Amazon.com](#) and [Amazon.co.uk](#)). On these days you will be able to download this title for free from your local Amazon website. The book has gained a lot of positive 4 and 5 star reviews and has been a good seller since published so I am taking a financial risk by giving it away. What I hope is that the free offer reaches many photographers who will learn about and join the [Lenscraft](#) website. If you can find a moment to share this news with others I would be extremely grateful. Pass on the email, post it on Facebook, Tweet it, mention it in forum discussions. Any sharing of the news would be really appreciated. I hope you can take advantage of the offer.*

AWPF Assessment 2015 - Some dates for your diary....

AWPF Workshop – A workshop offering guidance to those who are considering applying for their AWPf distinction will take place on **May 10th 2015**, at Talbot Green community centre, doors open at 10am. The advisory workshop is a good opportunity to see past successful panels and receive personal one-to-one guidance on your work and the standard required. This is a free event. Tea and coffee will be provided, but it is recommended that you bring a packed lunch. Looking forward to seeing you there.

AWPF Assessment Day – This will take place on **November 8th 2015** Further details will be issued nearer the time.
John Cooke – Distinctions Officer

Congratulations to Dave

Dave Edwards of Neath & District PS got 19 acceptances and a FIAP Gold (for 'Snow Leopard in a blizzard') in the 3rd Greek Photographic Circuit. Well done.

A photo opportunity from Gareth Williams at the Vale.

*I am the Programme Secretary of the Vale Photographic Club and I have just heard of a **photo opportunity** in Blaencwm at 10:15am on Friday 13th March. At that time Leighton Andrews, the Rhondda A.M., will be at the Blaencwm entrance of the Rhondda to Blaengwyfi tunnel.*

The tunnel which was closed in 1968 as part of the Beeching closures is the longest in Wales and the Rhondda Tunnel Society , <https://www.facebook.com/groups/718387164910423/>, are attempting to reopen it as a walking cycling path.I think that this might be of interest to some of your members.

Ed Cloutman has received this from Rob Ashcroft

I presented my Altered Reality talk to Tenby last night, and I just wanted to pass on some positive comments and thanks about the way they handled things. They were a very positive and responsive audience - I'd say they were the best I have come across. They offered me a drink when I arrived. They had a dedicated person to set up the equipment, and he took pains to make sure everything worked (even turning off all the lights before the start to check the colours etc). The venue opened 45 mins before the start, so I had plenty of time to set up. There was a prompt start, with minimal other business. Everyone was very helpful and friendly. Payment of fees was presented in a hand-written note of thanks which was a gift card of Tenby - a nice touch. They even had a press officer who approached me after and asked (unprompted) for details for local press publication.

All-in-all, a very positive experience from my point of view. If you wish to print these comments in the WPF newsletter I have no objection. There are a few clubs that don't seem to realize how tiring and stressful it is delivering these talks, and perhaps a gentle positive nudge might be useful?

Two Neath members have exhibitions

Two members of The Neath and District PS, **David Edwards** and **Linda Cowen** are exhibiting their Wildlife prints during the first two weeks of March.

The exhibition will be held at "[Oriol Bach](#)" at Oystermouth (just 50m from the sea front car park) and opens to the public on Tuesday, March 3rd. It will run for two weeks until Saturday, March 14th. Mounted prints will be on sale and proceeds will be donated to a favorite charity of David and Linda called "[Space for Giants](#)". A charity devoted to securing a future for the large mammals of the World.

Safari with Glyn

Glyn Edmunds, Chairman of Pyle & Porthcawl Photographic Society, is offering fellow photographers an astonishing deal on a Photo Safari to Kenya. Glyn is passionate about Photography, Animals and East Africa and goes on custom designed private safaris as often as he is able. After months of intense negotiations, Glyn is now able to offer other photographers the chance to go with him at a fraction of the normal price!

The information sheets about this amazing deal to Kenya to see the Great Wildebeest Migration on the Maasai Mara can be downloaded [here](#).

This may be the busiest and most rewarding holiday you'll ever have, and as long as you are mobile (getting in and out of the vehicles, steps at Mara Serena and walking to your accommodation), age is not a barrier.

The accommodations are classified as luxury in Kenya and the food is good, plentiful and with lots of variety, so it should suit everyone, but if you have any special dietary needs, please let Glyn know when you book and he can ensure you are catered for. If you have any questions, please get in touch with Glyn on 01656 772831.

Neath's 2015 Hornbill Challenge

Neath Photographic Society is proud to host their Annual UK Salon. This popular photographic competition is supported by the BPE and [sponsored by Hornbill](#).

Image categories are follows; 'Colour Open', 'Monochrome Open', 'Industry' and 'Nature. Entering is easy; either complete the convenient [Online Entry Form](#) and upload your images electronically or download the [Postal Entry Form](#) and mail the completed form with your digital images on a CDROM. Enter [here](#). **Closing date 11th April.**

Lampeter Convention 2015 – Diary Marker

The University has been booked and the convention will be taking place on the weekend of 29th/30th August 2015.

The aim of the Convention is to bring the best photographers in the country to Wales. This year we already have Tim Pile, Hunter Kennedy and Ben Hall booked. All three have websites worth visiting. More details together with prices and booking forms will be available from early April – Watch this space!

Newport Hosts Bristol Salon

Newport Photographic Society hosts the Bristol Salon, an international exhibition of projected images, at the University Campus Usk Way Newport NP20 2BP on **Friday March 27th** at 7.15pm.

Tickets and information at 07451217031. Tickets £5 – full time students £2.50. Everyone welcome.

Western Valley CC Exhibitions

Western Valley Camera Club will be holding three exhibitions of members' work throughout the coming year. They start at the Blaenavon World Heritage Centre throughout **June**; the next is at the Riverfront Theatre throughout the month of **September**, finishing at the new Risca Library throughout **November**.

2015 Events

Thanks to **Dave Owen** of **Gwynfa** for providing these event dates for 2015:

Abergavenny Steam Rally – Sun 24th & Mon 25th May.
Fortress Wales – Caldicot Castle 3rd & 4th May.
Black Country Museum – 1940's Weekend 18th & 19th July.
Severn Valley Railway – 1940's Weekends 27th-28th June and 4th-5th July.
Blaenavon Railway – 1940's Weekend 11th & 12th July.
Great Dorset Steam Fair – Wed 2nd to Sun 6th Sept.
St.Davids Day Parade – Cardiff 1st March.

Please check web sites to confirm details before travelling.

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. Visit photographyshow.com. **Use code EOSTPS15 to get an exclusive discount on your ticket.** (Applies to adult tickets only and expires 18/03/2015)

Edit-a-thon for Wiki

We've received this from Jason Evans at The National Library of Wales:

*I am the newly appointed Wikipedian in residence at The National Library of Wales in Aberystwyth. As part of my residency I am organising a series of events called 'Edit-a-thons' aimed at improving Wikipedia content on a given subject (in English or Welsh). One such event will be a 'Welsh Photographers Edit-a-thon' to be held at The National Library on the **10th of April**.*

The event will start at 10 am with a brief training session on how to edit (it's easy!). Experienced editors will be on hand to help throughout the day and research material will be provided. This is a great chance to learn new skills, to showcase Welsh photography and meet new people. I would be most grateful if you could circulate news of this event along with my contact details. I would be happy to answer any questions.

Jason.evans@llgc.org.uk Further details can be found on Wikipedia.

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If you missed the latest edition of **Photography News**, you can read it [here](#).

Download The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain's latest **PAGB E-News** [here](#)

Local Workshops with Andy Beel FRPS

Andy Beel FRPS is moving to a new base in Bristol. From March 2015 he'll be based at the Coach House, Upper York Street, Bristol. See his range of master classes, workshops and courses available with discounts on his [website](#).

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.

New one day Lightroom 5 for beginners course. **21st February 2015**. Location – Bridgend. Two places available.

By the end of the session you will be able to:

- Understand the Library catalog basics
- Import pictures to Lightroom from a memory card
- Import your existing back catalog of pictures on your hard drive to Lightroom
- Crop and straighten
- Carry out basic global enhancements such as white balance
- Carry out basic global enhancements – brightness
- Carry out basic global enhancements – usable contrast
- Give your pictures the magazine look
- Create a slideshow to play on your computer
- Prepare a picture for attaching to an email

Extensive notes provided and on-going email support.

Book your place [here](#).

Inkjet Masterclass Video - We've received this from **John Read** at [Marrutt](#).

*Please click [here](#) 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.*

Cocobeach Sublimation Printing

We've received this from John McArdle at Cocbeach

We are sublimation printers and we feel our products will help photographers enhance their business by offering clients something different. Photographs can be printed on Aluminium, wood etc. For more information Please have a look at our [website](#). If we can be of any help with anything, or if you need a prize for a competitions, please let us know.

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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.
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For Sale (added 10th March, 2015)

Bronica medium format outfit (Film) - 6 x 4.5cm - inc. Body, WLF, 50mm, 75mm, 150mm lenses, 3 film backs, 2 weston V lightmeters, some manuals and accessories inc some film - all in excellent or better condition, in aluminium carry case. £375 ovno

Canon EF 100mm f2..8 macro lens - PLEASE NOTE: This is NOT the latest IS version, excellent condition with body caps, no box but will throw in a padded lowepro side pouch for you to take it home in - £225 ovno

Manfrotto 322RC2 Pistol grip type ball head. Generally good condition, some marking on grip from being in contact with other equipment, just not getting enough use to justify keeping - £60ovno

Manfrotto 055XProB - Black aluminium tripod with up-and-over centre column - Reasonably good condition although some paint wear around the lock areas, in this version the centre column does not need to be removed to change from vertical to horizontal. £50

Lowepro Classified Sling 220 AW camera bag - In very nice condition, sling bag with internal dividers, surplus to requirements. £25

For further information, or possible viewing by arrangement in Bridgend or Neath area, of any of the above please contact Paul Fram via e-mail at the following address: paulf3f@gmail.com

For Sale (added 25th February, 2015)

Fuji Equipment.

X-pro1 Body / HG X-Pro1 hand grip. Bought in March 2014, these items have seen only light use and are in immaculate condition. Both are boxed and come with all the original Fuji accessories supplied by Fuji. £385 OVNO.

XF55-200mmF3.5-4.8 R LM OIS Lens. Bought approx. 9 months ago and like the X-Pro 1 is being sold has seen. Only light use. It also is in immaculate condition and boxed with all original accessories as supplied by Fuji. £365 OVNO.

EF-20 shoe mount flash. Bought in October 2014 and used half a dozen times. Boxed and immaculate. £70 OVNO.

Olympus Equipment

OMD E-M5 / Olympus 12-50F3.5-6.3 EZ ED MSC lens. Bought in August 2014 and comes boxed with all the original 'bits' supplied by Olympus plus 2 additional (generic) batteries with their own charger. There will also be an A4 printed Manual with this item as the 'in-box' one supplied by Olympus is not of much use. The lens will also be supplied with a generic hood. £400 OVNO

Olympus HLD-6 Power Battery Holder. Slightly newer than the camera and comes boxed. £100 OVNO

Olympus FL-36R Flash. Again, boxed with all the 'bits' supplied by Olympus and is in excellent condition. £80 OVNO

Olympus Digital 40-150mm F4-5.6 R ED MSC Lens. This item is unboxed but comes with a generic lens hood and original Olympus front lens cap. The rear cap is one is a Lumix brand. £100 OVNO

I am selling these items as I currently have too much equipment and want to rationalise my kit. If you are interested in any of these items please contact **David Lewis** on 07977 421182 or email me at david@dmlphotoworks.co.uk for more information or to arrange a viewing.

Wanted (added 21st January, 2015)

Norm is on the look-out for a **Mamiya Press Super 23** in nice condition with a **6x9 back**. Contact Norman Lemon (Neath) Tel: 01639-630063 Email: norman.lemon@ntlworld.com

For Sale (added 16th January, 2015)

Fujifilm X20 compact camera – excellent condition , boxed, , a great compact. Reason for sale is I am upgrading to a compact system camera. £200 ono. Contact: Phillip by email: phillipsalter450@btinternet.com

For Sale (added 21st November 2014)

Nikon D300 DSLR with Nikon 18-70mm lens. +battery grip with 3 batteries and 2 sandisk extreme cf cards.all manuals and leads.+ charger. NX capture, software. As new + boxed £375.00.

Nikon 17-55mm f2.8 afs, if, ed, dx. professional zoom lens. mint condition very little amateur use boxed £495.00.

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

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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.

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