

WPF Newsflash



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Ace of Prints Results

Inn Focus Group won the Ace of Prints competition from Tenby (second) and Bridgend (third). Here are the scores.

Final Round One

As Inn Focus were automatically invited back due to their performance last year, the WPF will be represented by three clubs (Inn Focus, Bridgend and Tenby) at this year's National Print Championships to be held at Chatfield Theatre, 164 Whitby Road, Ellesmere Port, CH65 6EA ON 25TH October 2015.

FIAP Biennial Results

Here are the full results for the FIAP Biennial held in Smethwick.

Whilst Wales only managed 13th place (from 26) congratulations go to both **Dave Edwards** with his Adelie Penguins & **Alan Jenkinson** with his Early Tarn, both of whom were awarded **FIAP Honourable Mentions** for their prints.

PAGB APM Venue Change (CPAGB, DPAGB)

Please find below details of a change of venue for the **Awards for Photographic Merit** being hosted by the WPF on 28th/29th November. **Full details of Change of Venue Application Form**

The new venue is Nidium Arts Centre, Neath Port Talbot College, Dwr-y-Felin Road, Neath SA10 7R.

Also please note that Saturday 28th November – when we will be assessing the **Distinction Print and PDI levels** plus Credit Projected Digital Image level – is now completely and fully booked. We will be assessing the Credit Print and Master Print sections on the Sunday. Currently there are eight credit places (or four Master places) available. Entries are arriving by the day so anyone still hesitating may lose out!

Freedom of Panorama Petition - Written by Rod Whelans and reproduced with his kind permission.

FREEDOM OF PANORAMA is an odd term to describe a provision in the copyright laws of various jurisdictions that permits taking photographs of buildings, sculptures and other art which are permanently located in a public place, without infringing any copyright that may otherwise subsist. A European Union Directive provides for the possibility of member states having a freedom of panorama clause in their copyright laws, but does not require such a rule. The UK Design and Patent Act of 1988 gives us Freedom of Panorama.

There are European countries such as Italy where there is no freedom of panorama at all and the publishing of photographic reproductions of public places is still prohibited. In France, it is illegal to publish a photograph of the Eiffel Tower by night since the tower's illuminations added in 2003 retain copyright, even though the copyright for the structure itself, built in 1889, has long since expired. Daytime photographs are acceptable.

Some newspapers, including the Daily Telegraph, reported recently that a threat to the UK's freedom of panorama is an unfortunate by-product of an attempt to reform EU copyright laws by German MEP, Julia Reda. Her report calls for the EU to "ensure that the use of photographs, video footage, or other images of works which are permanently located in public places are permitted". However, a number of MEPs are attempting to introduce an amendment which reads: "The commercial use of photographs, video footage or other images of works which are permanently located in physical public places should always be subject to prior authorisation from the authors or any proxy acting for them." It is quite likely that the media have over emphasised the danger. The laws should primarily only affect professional photographers using images on a commercial basis, and is unlikely to affect Club members. However, there remains a "grey area" that could affect personal images posted on Facebook, Instagram or websites that generate revenue.

It would probably do no harm to sign the <u>petition</u> but you need to be quick as it will soon close and the first vote will be held on 9 July 2015.

Have You Booked Lampeter Yet?

Bookings are currently being taken for the Lampeter Convention over the weekend of 29/30th August.

If you don't want to miss out on a really good photographic weekend then book today. To see what's on and how much it will cost please <u>click here</u>.

For more information contact Fred Davies by email at fred.j.davies01@gmail.com or telephone 02920 679864.

Beware the Scammers

One of our fellow WPF members, Linda Baldwin, has had her email scammed. Someone has sent out this message to everyone in her address book.....

Greetings, how are doing today? I don't know if you're aware that am presently in (Ukraine) I was robbed of my cash, phones and credit cards last night but i thank God no lives were lost. I need you lend me some money, about (€1,560 Euro) or whatever you can afford. I need the money to settle bills here and get back home. I assure you that i'll refund the money immediately am home tomorrow.

This is a well known SCAM which we have seen before. Please do not be taken in!

Judges and Lecturers Training

Jan and Ed have just held their second Judges Training Day. It proved both enjoyable and productive as four new judges joined the fleet! Two of the 'newcomers' have already had some experience but would like clubs to know they are available to gain even more.

They are Howard Evans, Dave Paskin, Trevor James and Andy Leslie.

Please refer to the WPF website 'List of Judges' for more details.

2015 Events

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

Cardiff Bay Internatinal Food and Drink Festival – 10th to 12th July.

Blaenavon Railway – 1940's Weekend 11th/12th July.

Black Country Museum – Black Country Weekend – 11th/12th July.

Black Country Museum – 1940's Weekend 18th/19th July.

St Fagan's Museum – Glamorgan Car Show – 19th July.

Black Country Museum – Festival of Vehicles – 26th July.

Cardiff Bay Harbour Festival – 30th/31st August.

Great Dorset Steam Fair – 2nd to 6th Sept.

St Fagan's Museum – Food Festival – 5th/6th September.

Black Country Museum -Historic Boat Gathering – 26th/27th September.

Cardiff Bay MH Survival Series (Iron Man type event) – 27th September.

Please ensure you check the web sites to confirm details before travelling.

Swansea Salon Opens

Swansea Camera Club invites you to enter the 11th Swansea International Salon 2015.

You can make your **entry online** by clicking **here**, or you can visit the website at <u>www.swanseaintsalon.co.uk</u> for full details.

Entries close on 20-Sep-2015 at 23:59 GMT Standard Time. FIAP 2015/298 — PSA 2015-230 — UPI L150033.

Sections:- Open Colour; Open Mono; Nature; People. £9 for the first section, then £0.50 per extra section.

Cymru Mono Exhibition

Cymru Monochrome Photography Group is holding its first exhibition titled "Heritage and Home".

The launch is at 11am on 11th July, 2015 at Creative Bubble Studio, 13, Craddock Street, Swansea SA1 3EW.

The exhibition will run until 17th July and is open daily from 11-4pm. Entry is free. More details here.

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Exhibition: Chalkie Davies: the NME years - National Museum Cardiff 9th May to 6th September 2015.

Welsh-born Chalkie Davies joined the Rock'n'Roll Circus in '73 after photographing David Bowie's last night as Ziggy Stardust. He worked as a staff photographer at the NME (New Musical Express) from '75-'79 shooting numerous covers and features on the most influential artists from that era, including Elvis Costello, Nick Lowe, Ian Dury, Debbie Harry, Paul McCartney, The Clash, The Ramones and The Rolling Stones.

In '80 he helped launch The Face magazine with his old NME editor Nick Logan, shooting many cover stories. During this period he also shot record covers for Thin Lizzy, Elvis Costello, The Pretenders, The Specials, Pete Townshend and David Bowie. He also made a series of formal portraits of many of the best musicians from this time. These unseen portraits and a large selection of his best work for the NME make up this Retrospective.

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**.

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For Sale (added 7th July, 2015)

2 x Elinchrome 250 monoblocks, sync & power leads. Service and PAT tested June 2015. £120 each ono. If you unsure what this is, look <u>here</u>.

Contact Nige 01656 739480 Email: photo-solutions@btconnect.com

For Sale (added 7th July, 2015)

Canon 70-200 f2.8 ii for sale, immaculate condition, with lens hood, tripod mount, case and original boxes £1250

Contact Neil on 07780 955313 or email sailzephyr@yahoo.co.uk

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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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