



WPF Newsflash



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Fotospeed Summer Spectacular

Fotospeed are holding a Summer Spectacular on 25th & 26th July 2015. Join them for two days of talks from the award winning Fotospeed Photographers. There will be twelve different talks over the two days covering a wide variety of subjects from wildlife of the UK to landscapes of Iceland. The Summer Spectacular will also include a print exhibition and trade stands with special weekend prices not to be missed.

***This from Les Loosemore:-** Being one of the Fotospeed Sponsored Photographers, I will be able to get tickets at a **£5 discount** off the listed price (£25) for those interested in attending. I will be there on both days so will be able to meet you at the venue prior to the start. Not only will the event be of value to Print workers, there will be excellent print talks and presentations by a host of Fotospeed Photographers. The opportunity to car share, also discounted entry tickets (although there is free entry to the Print Exhibition and Trade Show Stands), it will be excellent value for money. Anyone interested please let me know by e-mail or phone. My Mobile No is 07826 555304. This invitation is open to any friends or family that may be interested.*

Full details [here](#).

Inn Focus

Congratulations on running Wigan 10 so close. It's great to see a WPF club up there with the top clubs. It won't be long before a Welsh club is the top of the tree.

Your club has again done us proud and on behalf of myself and the WPF. Many many thanks and I look forward to you and your members reaching the pinnacle of the best of British photography.

Once congratulations on your achievements.

Vince Penticost AWPf,
President of the WPF.

RPS Introduction to Distinctions - Saturday October 10th 2015 (10.30 to 16.00)

A chance to view successful RPS Licentiate, Associate and Fellowship panels from recent Distinction assessments. This is a great opportunity for anyone interested in The Society's Distinctions.

Ticket only event please check the RPS web site www.rps.org South Wales Region Events page for full details and how to book tickets. To be held at The St Francis Millennium Hall, Barry.

Alan gets Cotswold Silver

Alan Shepherd of Gwynfa Camera Club not only had 5 out of 9 prints accepted in the **2015 Cotswold Salon**, he also had a highly commended and a **Silver Medal** for 'Steelworks Reflection'. Well done Alan.



PAGB Awards for Photographic Merit (APMs)

For the first time in several years, the WPF is hosting the APMs and many WPF members have applied. On 28/9 November 2015, Jan Cawley will become the first WPF judge to adjudicate at the APMs.

It is generally perceived that applicants, who have sought advice on the contents of their entry, have been more successful. As well as attending an APM Workshop (and many have), seeking advice from a current adjudicator is the recommended path. Jan, quite properly, believes that it would put her in a compromising situation to advise current applicants.

She suggests that applicants seeking advice should get in touch with either John Cooke (Johncooke574@btinternet.com) or Peter Young (peterayoung@btinternet.com).

The WPF wishes success to all its member applicants.

Almost Inn Focus

The **PAGB National PDI Championships at Warwick** very nearly saw a first win for a Welsh club with Inn Focus finishing the final round **tied on 243 points with Wigan 10**, three points ahead of the third placed club, Dumfries.

For a short while we thought they had won but the otherwise flawless team behind the scenes projected one incorrect image from Wigan 10 in the final round. The re-projection of the correct image got one more point than the one it replaced. This saw them move from 242 to 243. All above board or course but tantalising nonetheless.

Locked together the two teams headed in to a nail-biting tie break of five new photographs from five different photographers. The tension built – both clubs scored 13 (from 15) with their first image, then 12 each, then 12 each once more. It was the fourth image that saw Wigan sneak ahead 13 to 12. Ten each in the next round sealed the Wigan 10 win by a single point. Well done to them.

When presenting the Silver medal to Ian Munro of Inn Focus, Roy Thomas, former President of the WPF and now President of the PAGB, expressed his pride at their achievement. They also received quite an ovation for coming so close. Indeed it is probably fair to say that, in the great British underdog tradition, everyone other than Wigan 10 was rooting for Inn Focus. However, the team from up t'North proved to be a tough nut to crack yet again. They are multiple winners of this trophy which makes the Inn Focus effort all the more worthy.

The other WPF club, Gwynfa, had a midfield day but thoroughly enjoyed seeing they fellow WPF friends do so well and the Welsh contingent created quite an atmosphere.

Here are the full [results](#) and the [awards](#).



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 [click here](#).

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

Freedom of Panorama Retained

British photographers can continue to share photographs of the famous UK landmarks without fear of legal action after MEPs voted against the extension of stricter copyright rules.

Changes recently proposed may have seen Britain forced to adopt tougher restrictions already in place in some member states of the EU, including Belgium, France and Italy.

The UK, along with countries such as Germany and Spain, enjoys Freedom of Panorama, which allows photographers to photograph buildings or art installations and use the pictures in any way they wish.

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!

Swansea Salon is still accepting entries....

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 www.swanseaintsalon.co.uk 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.

2015 Events

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

[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.

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.

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There is also a 'picture extra' supplement with some of the **winning photographs from Warwick** [here](#).

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 one.
If you unsure what this is, look [here](#).

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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