

WPF Newsflash



# 10th September, 2015

# **AWPF Assessments 2015**

The time is rapidly approaching for **AWPF Assessment Day on 08 November 2015**! If you have applied, **please forward your prints and/or PDIs by 18 October 2015**, to: John Cooke, 29 Llanarth Street, Brynawel, Wattsville, Newport, Gwent. NP11 7QW.

Things to remember to put in the box:-

# Print Applications

1 Your 12 prints.

- 2 One A4 print of the layout of your panel. NB Do not have your name on the front.
- 3 A disc containing your 12 images and an image of the layout.
- 4 Application form. Even if you have already sent one, please send it again with your prints.
- 5 A cheque for £35.00, if you have not already paid.

# **PDI Applications**

- A disc containing your 12 images and an image of the layout.
- 2 Application form. Even if you have already sent one, please send it again with your PDIs.
- 3 A cheque for £35.00, if you have not already paid.

Further information can be found <u>here</u>. If you have any problems, please do not hesitate to contact John Cooke. Email: johncooke574@btinternet.com Mobile: 0797 749 5619 Tel: 01495 270895

John Cooke (WPF Distinctions Secretary) 1st September 2015.

# Please check your Club Details

Attention all Club Secretaries – the club contact details shown on this site have recently undergone a bulk update based on the information you provided in your last club return.

Clubs A-C Clubs D-O Clubs P-Z

Please take a moment to check they are still correct and please report any inaccuracies to the WPF General Secretary Jan Williams (janlwilliams@btinternet.com) and please also copy in Leigh Woolford (leigh@coform.com).

# WPF to host two exhibitions in Newport

The WPF is hosting two exhibitions at the Riverfront, Kingsway, Newport NP20 1HG in the near future.

The first is the **FIAP Biennial Colour Print Exhibition** from **5th to 29th October,2015**. It is an Exhibition that will have some 220 prints showing the work of some 20+ Countries.

The second is the **PAGB Interfederation Print and PDI Exhibition** from **2nd to 27th November, 2015** showing some 150 prints together with a slide show of some 150+ PDIs.

# The Spoken Image on Radio 4 – Eamonn McCabe

We have received this from Martin Nagle of Rhondda CC. - You may be interested in a radio programme that I heard a few days ago (Monday 4.00pm). It was on Radio 4 and is called **The Spoken Image**. Photographer and former Picture Editor at the Guardian, **Eamonn McCabe** reflects on images that have moved and inspired him during his long career as a photojournalist. You can listen to it on-line <u>here</u>. There is also an audio visual slide show of the images on the same web page. There are also some other very interesting programmes shown on the same page. Have a look at it. I'm sure that you will enjoy it.

Swansea Salon - last chance to enter... deadline 20th September

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

You can make your **entry online** by clicking <u>here</u>, or you can visit <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.

#### Amman Valley CC on Facebook

Amman Valley Camera Club have a new Facebook page and website.

They welcome news and messages from the other Clubs.

#### WPF Celtic Challenge Selection

This from **Vince Penticost** - The following Images have been selected to represent the WPF at Celtic Challenge Competition, weekending 18-19-20th September. The Celtic Challenge is an inter-federation print and PDI competition between the Celtic Federations; South Wales (WPF), North Wales (NWPA), Northern Ireland (NIPA), Replublic of Ireland (EIRE), Isle of Man (IOM), Scotland (SPF) and Cornwall (CWL).

#### **Colour Prints**

Peony Seed Pod, J. Cawley, Bridgend. Puppet Master, M. Jones, E.Vale. Who Goes There, M. Jones, E.Vale. The Storm Chaser, H. Stewart, Gwynfa. New Life, R. Beynon, Gwynfa. Distant Thoughts, L. Wellington, Swansea. Girls with Bad Habits, P. Stickler, Swansea. A Trio of Whistling Teal, R. Packer, Tenby. Fell Runners, M. Cullis, Tenby. The Rat Catcher, E. Williams, Western Valley. The Mask, L. Hatherall, Western Valley.

#### **Mono Prints**

Moving Waves, L. Woolford, Gwynfa. Winter Storm, S. Littlewood, Gwynfa. The Great Lament, N. Walton, Inn Focus. Pondering, L. Hallet, Merthyr. Get Me Out of Here Please, B. Merry, Rhondda. Bringing Home My Girls, D. Bolton, Tenby. Tranquility, A. Webster, Western Valley. Evening Steam Bridgenorth, R. Lines, Western Valley. At Home on the Street, J. Cooke, Western Valley.

#### **Projected Images**

Herematic Alchemist, N. Walton, Inn Focus.
Fish & Dips, P. Morgan, Inn Focus.
Tormented, I. Monro, Inn Focus.
Translucent, I. Monro, Inn. Focus.
Symphony for Lost Souls, C. Koh, Inn Focus.
Wall Street, C. Koh, Inn Focus.
A Sorry Serenade, I. Monro, Inn Focus.
Hold The Line, K. Scorah, Inn Focus.
Table Manners, P. Morgan, Inn Focus.
Magarrita Goncharova, P. Morgan, Inn Focus.

Congratulations to all the photographers and grateful thanks to the clubs who provided work to enable us to enter this competition.

#### The 41st Smethwick International is go...

The UK's largest international print & projected digital image exhibition, the Smethwick International is open for business with over 200 Medals and Ribbons to be won plus a FIAP Blue Badge for Best Entrant. The salon boasts low entry Fees and special rates for club entries and you only pay for each section entered. All selected photographs will be displayed at one venue, with visitors from all over the UK and each entrant gets an 84 Page A4 Colour Catalogue.

There are three Print Sections – Open Colour, Open Mono & Nature (and Prints can be forwarded to the Southampton International) and there are three Projected Image Sections – Open Colour, Open Monochrome & Nature.

The online entry system is now open for entries. The closing date is 9th November 2015.

#### **Invitation to enter Pixels 2015**

To **WPF & NWPA Club Competition Secretaries**:- Gwynfa Camera Club hereby invites your club to take part in Pixels 2015. The event will take place at 2.30 pm on Saturday, 7th November 2015. The venue once again will be Talbot Green Community Centre, Llantrisant. As usual, we are looking for four digital photographs from each club.

The entry deadline is 18th October, 2015. Entries may be made by post or by email. Invitations have been emailed to all WPF Club Secretaries & Competition Secretaries. The forms are also available by clicking the links below.

# Information Conditions of Entry Entry Form

We very much hope your club will decide to take part and look forward both to receiving your entry and seeing on the day. We can guarantee that this year **there will be no clashing Autumn International rugby** as the final of Rugby World Cup is a week earlier.

Should you have any questions contact Leigh Woolford on 01443 491333 / 07800 878782 or email leigh@coform.com

#### Llanelli needs your help

The Llanelli Photographic Society is celebrating its 125th anniversary in 2016. Members have many events and activities planned in order to make this a memorable year. One of these is the creation of an AV that traces the club's history from its founding in 1891 to the present day. The club would like to include its connection with the WPF and especially the WPF Salon.

What we need is **some information on the founding of the WPF and the date of the first year of the Salon**, and if possible the venue for each year. Joyce Mollet (joyce.mollet@hotmail.com) would welcome contact with anyone who has any information relating to this.

#### **Pembrey & Burryport Exhibition**

Pembrey & Burryport PS are holding an exhibition of members work from **Friday 18th September to Sunday 20th September** between 11am and 6 Pm.

It will be held at their Club Room at Hermon Chapel, Waun Deri, Pembrey. More information can be found on their club website. Entry will be free. Coffee and Cakes will be available. Everyone is welcome.

#### Give Harry a Lift

Harry Gardiner of Tenby wishes it to be known that he can still give talks and/or judge for your club but he would need a lift to and from the event.

#### **Congratulations Mervyn**

**Mervyn Pugh** of Merthyr Tydfil has just received notification from The Photographic Society of America telling him that his Photo-book on Tower Colliery was placed third in their Photo-book Essay Competition in the Pictorial Print Division.

#### RPS DI Expo – September 20th

The Royal Photographic Society are holding a Digital Imaging Expo at the University of Warwick on **Sunday 20th September, 2015.** The day will be packed with seminars and talks from the likes of Joe Cornish, Steve Caplin and Eddie Ephraums. For more details and to book tickets click <u>here</u>.

# New Photo Gallery in Bargoed

We have received this information from Zosia Krasnowolska of the 'Kickplate' project.

I'm writing to let you know about a photo gallery that just opened in Bargoed town centre as part of a project that I corun, called the\*kickplate\*project.

We are a non-profit curatorial photo project aimed at bringing art to communities that don't have permanent galleries, and over a period of 8 months we're going to run 7 exhibitions of fine art photography in Bargoed; **our first exhibition, which is on until the 16th of September, is a solo show by a Lebanese artist Hanan Kazma.** We would like to invite members of camera clubs in our area and beyond to come and visit the gallery, discuss photography and also discover new artists.

I've attached some more information to this email and I'd appreciate it if you could share it with the other members of your Club – I hope they will find it interesting. You can find more information about our work on our <u>webpage</u> and <u>blog</u>. Opening hours are Tuesday-Saturday, from 10.30-6. The full address is: 52 Hanbury Rd, Bargoed, CF81 8QW.

# Cadw open door events

Cadw, the Welsh Government's historic environment service, are holding a series of 'open door' events in September designed to offer both local people and visitors alike the chance to explore the hidden treasures of Wales's culture and history.

From the heavenly Parc Calon Lan in Bridgend to the guttural remains of Wrexham's former iron and steel works in the Brymbo Heritage Area, there are lots of chances to discover hidden heritage during September. Head to their <u>Open</u> <u>Doors section</u> to find regional lists of the sites taking part — including an array of Cadw monuments.

# **Inter Federation Results**

Here are the results from the **2015 Inter Federation Competition**. WPF entries were made from a selection of images retained after the Welsh Salon. **WPF photographers had 6 acceptances for the exhibition**. They were **Steve Littlewood** (Gwynfa), **Lynford Hallett** (Merthyr Tydfil, **Barry Hill** (Merthyr Tydfil), **Joyce Mollet** (Llanelli), **Robert Beynon** (Gwynfa) and **Gerald Henry** (Bridgend). **Well done to all six.** 

Check your results below. Scores are out of 15.

Open PDI Nature PDI Mono Print Colour Print

# Cardiff CC Exhibition

Cardiff Camera Club is holding an exhibition of members' prints in the Futures Gallery at The Pierhead Building in Cardiff Bay. It runs until **Friday 25th September 2015**. The Gallery is open Mon- Sun from 10.30 am. It closes promptly at 4.30 pm so last admission is at 4.00 pm. (The Club meets every Thursday at 7.30 pm in Trinity Methodist Church hall in Piercefield Place, Newport Road, Cardiff. New members are always welcome).

# 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 <u>www.rps..org</u> South Wales Region Events page for full details and how to book tickets. To be held at The St Francis Millennium Hall, Barry.

# Keith Leedham shows his AVs in Cardiff

# Award Winning AV author comes to Cardiff on Monday 14th September 2015

The South Wales Royal Photographic Society (RPS) AV Group invites you to its meeting on Monday 14th September 2015 at 7:00 p.m. when Keith Leedham FRPS EFIAP FIPF will show a selection of his award-winning sequences on a variety of themes. Our guest speaker lives in Essex, so this is a rare opportunity to see his work. Keith was awarded the gold medal at the 2012 RPS International AV Festival and has won the RPS National AV Championships on two occasions.

The event will be held in the Lower Heath Citizens Community Centre, Cardiff (located opposite 183, King George V Drive East, Cardiff, CF14 4EP). All are welcome; you do not need to be a member of the RPS to attend. Cost: £3.50 payable at the door (£3.00 for RPS AV Group Members). Any queries please email: edgargibbs@yahoo.com

# **Philip Jones Griffiths Exhibition**

A new exhibition celebrating the life and work of the celebrated Welsh photojournalist, **Philip Jones Griffiths**, is on at the National Library of Wales, Aberystwyth. It runs until **12th December**. More details <u>here</u>.

Griffiths, who died in 2008, is best-known for his photographs of civilian casualties and suffering during the war in Vietnam. He published a book in 1971, 'Vietnam Inc.', which helped turn public opinion against the war. Philip Jones Griffiths – A Welsh Focus on War and Peace features photography and slides from the book as well as earlier and later work. For the first time, many of Griffiths' cameras, papers and artefacts will be displayed alongside his photos.

Thanks to Dewi Jones over at Neath for the information. NB. He says the lighting isn't that good so take a torch, especially if you want to see his amazing contact sheets.

# 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).

# 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 28<sup>th</sup>/29<sup>th</sup> 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.

At the time of writing there are eight credit places (or four Master places) available. Entries are arriving by the day so anyone still hesitating may lose out!

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# 2015 Events

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

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.

# 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**.

# 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 1st September, 2015)

I have been contacted by a lady who has her late husband's camera kit for sale. It is all Sigma as listed below:-

Sigma SD 14 body Sigma SD 10 body Sigma DG APO 150 –500mm f5-6.3 with padded case Sigma APO 2x teleconvertor and case Sigma DG HSM APO 50-500 f4-6.3 with padded case Sigma 105 f2.8 macro DG HSM Stabaliser and case.

All looks in good order. Offers invited in region of £1000 for the lot. Would probably split. If interested please contact me in the first instance and I will put you in touch. Ian Ledgard 01558 823953 ian.ledgard@talk21.com

# 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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