

# WPF Newsflash



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# Ace of Prints Entries Invited - LAST CHANCE TO ENTER IS THIS WEEK

Attention Competition Secretaries: - Your club is invited to take part in the third Ace of Prints Competition. This is an inter-club print competition and is our means of selecting two WPF clubs to go forward to the PAGB Inter-federation Club Print Championships (on 25th October 2015, at Ellesmere Port). The competition is run on the same lines as the PAGB event so as to prepare the winning clubs and give them the best chance to do well.

There has been a change to the invited judges. They are now: **Bob Moore FRPS MPAGB Hon. PAGB; Pete McCloskey FRPS APAGB & Graham Reeves FRPS EFIAP.** 

Our thanks go to **Hay-On-Wye Camera Club** who will be hosting this year. Date: **Sunday, 05 July 2015**. Venue: Swan Hotel, Church Street, Hay-on-Wye, HR3 5DQ. Tel. 01497 821 188. Doors will be open at 9.30 am and 1st round judging will commence at 11 00 am. The Rules and Entry Forms can be found below.

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Closing date for entries is midnight on Sunday, 20 June 2015 and the entry fee is £10.00 per club. Please submit your entry fee, Round 1 Entry Form and CD-R of Round 1 PDIs to arrive with me before the closing date. Food and refreshments will will be available for purchase from the bar.

We look forward to another good day's competition and the opportunity to see the best of WPF print photography, in pleasant company. If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact **David Paskin** – Tel: 07837 388 505 Email mokeyjo@sky.com.

#### **Barrian Cup 2015**

Barry Camera Club would like to thank all the Clubs who entered this years Barrian Cup and a big thank you to all the members who turned out on the day for this years event, the support from visiting members was outstanding with record numbers attending. We hope you all enjoyed a great day of photography by all the Clubs.

The event was opened by The Mayor of Barry Town, Councillor Emma Pritchard who also presented the awards. The judge was John Tilsley ARPS,DPAGB,APAGB, he was direct and to the point but very constructive he gave a good spread of marks which may have surprised a few members.

Finishing in third place was Inn Focus with 92 points in a close second was Gwynfa CC with 93 but the winners this year were Bridgend CC with 95 points. This is the first time that Bridgend CC has won the Barrian Cup congratulations to them. John gave six twenties but the winner of the Dave Cowdrey was Gareth Martin with his mono print Bad Weather Cwmorthin also a first time winner of the Dave Cowdrey Trophy well done Gareth.

Once again we would like to thank all Clubs for entering and many thanks to all the visitors for their support, we look forward to The Barrian Cup 2016.

Regards, Mike Lewis Hon. FWPF Chairman Barry Camera Club

# lan gets four crowns

lan Ledgard of Towy Valley CC has just gained his Four Crowns award, UPI-Cr4 from UPI.

United Photographers International sponsor many international salons along with PSA and FIAP.

Further details on the UPI can be found at www.upiphoto.eu

# **Doing Away With Marks!?**

Here is a plea to clubs from the WPF Judges and Presenter's Secretary. How about doing away with the marking system in internal competitions? Some WPF clubs and many English clubs do not award marks. They feel that members are more likely to remember the critique and take benefit from what the judges say about their photograph rather than remember the score, which they tend to do if their mark is low. How many times have we heard members moaning about the mark given! We are all guilty of that I am sure.

A few Welsh clubs are already adopting this method and it is a pleasure to judge there. If you are one of those clubs please email me with your experiences and I will publish them and make a list.

The excuse has been put forward that clubs need the marks to determine a winner at the end of the year. This is quite possible using the awards method below:

Gold 20 Silver 19 Bronze 18 Highly Commended 17 Commended 16 The rest 15

How about your club giving it a trial? Especially the bigger clubs who could set an example?

Ed Cloutman

WPF Judges and Lecturers Secretary

#### **Swansea Salon Opens**

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 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.

# Photo Competition - Snap Away 2015

Snap Away 2015 is a photo competition devised to raise the profile of **Girlguiding Cymru** and get all involved who love taking photos and would like to win some major prizes; there are cameras, memory cards and so much more for all the winners of the categories which are **Animal Magic**, **Happy Times** and **Look at the view**. Anyone can enter as there are categories for **all ages**.

The event will take place on **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> August** from 12.00pm till 5.00pm at Broneirion Conference Centre, Powys, SY17 5DE. Closing date for entries is 7th August. Click here for a <u>registration form and a poster</u> for the competition. You can enter up to 3 photographs and each costs £1 to enter.

All photos will be on display on the day and members of the public will be able to come and admire all the great pictures but also be part of choosing the winning photos.

**Club Secretaries please note**; stands are also available at the event **at no charge** so you could show and/or sell some of their work to raise money for your camera club – please contact douglas.bancroft@girlguiding.org.uk for more information on this aspect.

#### **Gwynfa Summer Exhibition**

The Gwynfa Summer Exhibition is now on at the **Garth Olwg Lifelong Learning Centre** in Church Village and runs until **Friday 19th June**.

They are exhibiting 44 prints and 112 digital images. (Note, the exhibition is being hung on Monday 8th and dismantled on Friday 19th so it won't fully be available on those days).

# **New premises for Builth Wells Photo Club**

Builth Wells PC have moved to the following address: Cilmery Village Hall, Cefn Llewelyn, Cilmery, Builth Wells, Powys, LD2 3FT.

#### **Lampeter Booking Form**

Each year the W.P.F. organises a photographic convention at the <u>University of Wales, Lampeter, Ceredigion</u>. It is the only one of its kind to be held in Wales! This year it will be held on the **29th and 30th August**.

For details of the speakers booked and to download the 2015 Convention Booking Form please click here.

The Convention is a chance for photographers from the whole of Wales to get together to share their enthusiasm, exchange ideas and maybe learn something new along the way. Each year we bring in the very best guest speakers and presenters and provide a full and varied programme for the whole weekend.

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.

#### Photography News & PAGB E-News

If you missed the latest edition of **Photography News**, you can read it <a href="here">here</a>.

Download The Photographic Alliance of Great Britain's latest PAGB E-News (Number 140) 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**.

# 2015 Events

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.

Please check web sites to confirm details before travelling.

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# For Sale (added 12th May, 2015)

**Canon 17-40 F/4L USM lens. L-series lens** complete with original Canon box, lens pouch and instructions. In excellent condition. £325 ono.

Leigh Woolford (Pontypridd/Gwynfa) Email: leigh@coform.com Tel: 01443 491333 or 07800 878782

#### For Sale (added 15th April, 2015)

**Two hard cases for sale.** Made by "Underwater Kinetics" in USA & are very similar to Peli, They have IP67 protection & are water tight to 1 metre. Measurements are 472x369x172mm or 18.6x14.5x7.7 inches in old money. Colour grey. Foam has been cut but replacement easily obtainable. Google "underwater kinetics 718" for full info. Used but in very good condition, new cost is £170 each. Looking for £50 each Dave Marriott (Tenby CC). 01646 689748 or <a href="mailto:daimarriott@hotmail.co.uk">daimarriott@hotmail.co.uk</a>

#### For Sale (amended 10th March, 2015)

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

Canon Extender EF 1.4x MkII (Mk2) for sale - mint condition, boxed with soft lens case LP811 and manual. £175

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@googlemail.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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