

Welcome

Welcome to the first newsletter of the new season. This issue will bring you up to speed with developments, committee changes and latest competition news. We will also share our guest speakers for the season and announce our website update too. I hope you have all had a good summer, been busy clicking and I look forward to seeing you for the upcoming Tuesday nights.

Steve Proctor - Chairman

The Committee

Personnel

Listed below are the members of the new committee that will see us through the next season at our club, some are familiar and some new in role. My thanks go to those who have volunteered their time to provide these crucial services for the club.

Chairman: Steve Proctor

Vice Chairman: Bob Smith

Secretary: Francine Critchley

Treasurer: Graham Dudley

Comp. Secretary: Kevin Preston

Prog. Secretary: Gary Williamson

Press Secretary: Ken Geddes

Web Master: Kevin Preston

Non-Portfolio: Pam Kent

Club Diary – Early events

Opening Night Dinner – 6th September

We have again booked the Edisford Bridge for our informal get together to kick-off the season and it will be good to see some familiar faces again. We will choose our food from the pub menu so there is no need to pre-book, please arrive by 7:30pm

Dugdales Calendar Images – 13th September

Another familiar early season event is the gathering and viewing of the images for this popular calendar. We receive excellent sponsorship from this local company so please gather together your countryside photos for submission. They were very pleased with last year's images so more of the same please.

LCPU Folio – 20th September

The first viewing of last year's competition entries.

Panel Images – 27th September

This is a new addition to the calendar and is intended to provide members an opportunity to put together a panel of three images in either PDI or Print format. The images should be linked in some way as a cohesive set that work together well. The members sharing their panels will be invited to briefly discuss their thoughts and intentions when they designed the panel, telling us how they conceived the original idea through to completion. Once all panels have been viewed and discussed the club will then be able to select their favourites from those displayed. The full rules / guidance for this will be posted on the club website in the near future. *Note: these images will not count towards the limit of '2 entries per year' that applies to our monthly and annual competitions.*

Website Update

Kevin Preston has been busy over the summer working on our new website. This update has given us a site with much more functionality and also ease of use when updating, reducing the effort required to keep it topical. It will also reduce our costs too, which is a bonus. We hope you find it both good to look at and easy to navigate once you have got used to the new layout.

Guest Speakers 2016-17

📅 Melvyn Nicholson – 25th October 2016

Melvyn is a well-known local photographer who specialises in Landscape photography and he will be sharing some of his favourite photographs, how and where they were taken. *"For many years now, landscape photography has been my driving passion. Capturing photographs which showcase the amazing scenery from*

across the whole of the UK never fails to inspire me, and in recent years, I have been very fortunate to have shared these experiences with some wonderful people who have attended my workshops. From the wild Scottish Highlands on a winters day, to the serene tranquillity of a Lake District sunrise in summer, the diversity and beauty of the landscape we have here in the UK is something I am passionate about photographing and sharing with you all."

📷 **Adrian McGarry – 15th November 2016**

Adrian is a Manchester based photographer who uses an iPhone to capture many photographs that are of a high quality, he also is a keen user on Corel Painter to produce 'Pixel Painted Art'. *"I've been creating images for a long time. In a career that stretches back over forty years, I've gained a vast experience in just about every aspect of the creative industry. There is an overwhelming amount of creative possibilities in today's digital space. In particular, there has never been a more exciting, inspiring and empowering period in photography. I am constantly compelled and motivated to explore new techniques, productivity and engagement."*

📷 **John Barlow – 17th January 2017**

Adrian is a North-West based photographer who is recognised for his outstanding portfolio of local bird photography. *"I started bird watching when I was just 8 years old. I used to wander around Cockerham Bay near Lancaster from dawn until dusk in search of wild birds. Back then it was my wish to take photographs of my findings; only being held back by lack of funds I chose to draw pictures. I am now extremely pleased with my photography but I am still constantly learning new skills and techniques. I decided to share my knowledge and photographs with others; which is where my presentations come in. I hope you enjoy my photographs."*

📷 **Terry Donnelly – 21st February 2017**

Terry is a Merseyside based photographer who is recognised for his outstanding people centric creative and sports portfolios. *"I love to photograph people, singularly, in groups, whether it be in social or commercial environments. I also supply sports images to a number of UK sports press agencies serving national and international press. I have recently been awarded The Best Author Award in the 154th Edinburgh International Photography Exhibition, and have received The FIAP Blue Badge, along with a FIAP Gold Medal."*

We have a further two other speakers lined up and will bring you more information on this when we have it.

External Competitions

ICPA Results

The ICPA held its annual club competition after our season finished and the results are below. Although we entered a comprehensive set of images in the sections, only the top four scoring photographers count for the competition.

- PDIs: we finished in 8th position from 16 clubs that entered with 67pts (winners scored 76pts).
- Colour Prints: 12th place with 67pts (winner 78pts).
- Mono Prints: 11th place with 67pts (winners 76pts).

In this section, Clare Drew came 1st with 'Wildman' and Steve Proctor 2nd with 'Another Rainy Night'.

The images entered have been retained by the ICPA and will form part of the print boxes that we view each year.

The full results can be seen at <http://inter-clubphotographicalliance.weebly.com>



Finally...

Don't forget that we have a presence on both Facebook and Twitter where we share photos, opportunities, ideas and information. There's usually something interesting on there.

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