WCC Photonews

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Worcestershire Camera Club

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Westbury Water Gardens, Clive Haynes FRPS

Congratulations!

Mike Rudge gave us a tremendous start to the season by gaining the first WCC Diploma to be awarded. (This featured on our Facbook page but your editor somehow missed it from last week's edition. Can't get the staff...) Many congratulations to Mike!

Photo: Chris Ford

Last week also saw some presentations that couldn't be made at the Annual Club Show. **Angie Hill** took the Wood Trophy for Intermediate PDIs. **Barrie Glover** won the Gervis Trophy in the Annual Nature competition for Best Nature Print, and **Duncan Locke** took the Bick Trophy for Best Nature PDI. **Barrie** also picked up the Annual Show Portman Trophy for Best Nature PDI.

This Thursday sees the beginning of a new season. I hope that we have one or two sequences with a Malvern base. I am sure you have been producing numerous AVs on other themes so please bring them along to make an evening packed with variety!

I hope to find time to have a discussion on and plot our course for this new year.

Henry Tomsett

AV Group

We meet on **Thursday 21st September at 7.30 pm** at the **Royal British Legion, Cornmeadow Lane, WR3 7RL. (Note changed date).**

All members welcome. £1.50. or £2 with refreshments, Bar available.

Tuesday

****** Deadline for PDI Comp 1 hand-in! ******

Dali & Man Ray by Carl van Vechten

We welcome Alex Thimm who will continue his fascinating presentation of a **"Ridiculously Short History of Photography"**, When he visited us earlier this year, Alex finished off at Man Ray: we look forward to part 2 with keen anticipation! He also sent in a handy list of historic photographers that he covered which you can find (with links on each) on p9 of this Photonews if you missed out on Part 1. It makes an interesting browse.

Alex is Course Leader for BA (Hons) and FdA Photography at Hereford College of Arts. He has a BA in photography and an MA in Documentary Photography.

Photos: John Burrows

Diary

23rd Sept RPS DIG Expo. A great day!

DIGITAL IMAGING GROUP DI Expo 2017 "It's all about knowledge"

Holiday Inn Birmingham Airport (near the NEC)
Saturday 23rd September - 0900 to 1700

Sunday 24th September 2017 - a walk along High Street and Friar Street to learn about Droitwich's historic timber-frame buildings. Free of charge but all donations welcome. **2.30 pm** from outside Priory House in Friar Street: approximately 90 minutes. Clare Lloyd 01905 771865 to book.

Caution - Velo Birmingham will be taking place - check for closed roads.

Velo Birmingham **on 24th September.** Route map.

1940s weekend on Avon Valley Railway.

For something a bit different to shoot, Cruckton Ploughing Match, Ryton Shropshire. Schedule. **23rd September.**

23-24 Sept Duxford Battle of Britain Air Show. **Advance booking essential.**

23 Sept Worcestershire Pride **South Quay.**

23 Sept Svartland Vikings are at Bodenham Arboretum! There will also be Ancient Greeks, 9th Century Sogdian warriors, Medieval characters, a variety of WWI and WW2 personnel, and maybe more besides!

8 Oct Ombersley walk - WWT.

Competitions & Exhibitions

Securing Water for Food closes 27th Sept.

TPOTY closes **25th September** . Last chance!

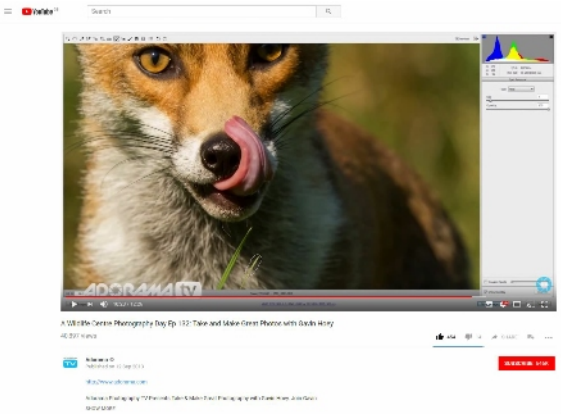
TPA Pocket Photography

WCC Phototrips

Barrie Glover is kindly organising a trip (among several others, thank you, Barrie!) for **6th November** to the British Wildlife Centre for a photographic day. This requires a minimum of 8 participants to go ahead and it would be helpful to have the minimum in place by early October when we have to pay the deposit. (It is probably near enough to Christmas to be a present if you drop some hints!) For those of us who don't do much wildlife photography it's a great introductory opportunity to get up close and personal with some native British fauna!

Barrie has arranged a reduced price for us, and there is a range of low-cost and other accommodation nearby (e.g. from £32 non-refundable or 47 fully flexible at the Travelodge) for the Sunday night. Full details are on the members' area of the website, so please do take a look.

This trip offers the opportunity to be **inside** the animal enclosures (you are duly warned that you might get red squirrels sitting on your camera!) . It sounds like a great experience; partners/friends may accompany at normal entry rates (the centre is not open to the public, just the group) and they can take photographs too, just not inside the enclosure.



Here's some info on the Centre's photo days and a useful video taken at the centre with some hints and tips on making the most of the day from Gavin Hoey, who's been a popular speaker at WCC, and finally the gallery of visitors' images.

There are lots of other events on the horizon, too, including a trip to *"God's Own County"* in October for some lovely autumnal hues, so do have a look and join in when you can, and perhaps consider setting up a trip yourself? It doesn't have to be far afield or complicated; just share a favourite photo spot and set up a meeting point…

Finally, thanks to those who made it to the Sacred Heart at Droitwich: can I please remind you to send me your pictures from there for inclusion in a WCC e-book? (Thanks to John and Paul for yours.)

John Burrows DPAGB BPE2

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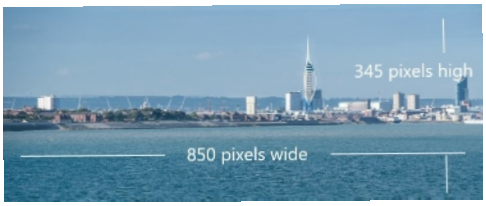
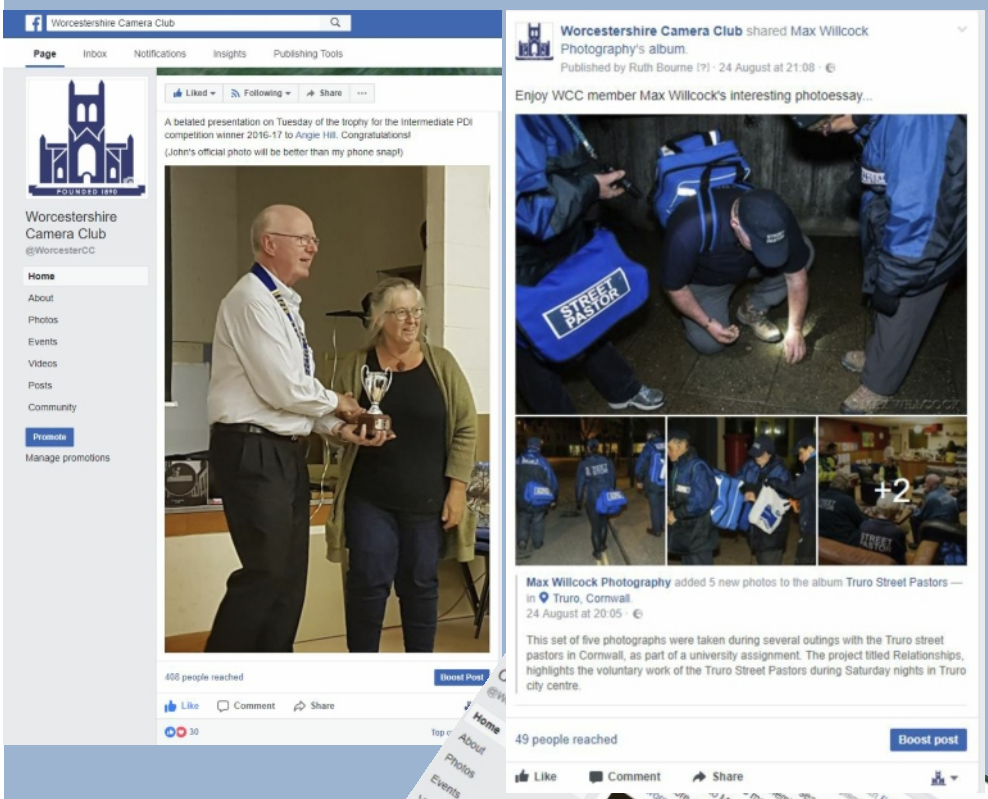
WCC and you

Karen **(Website manager)** and I **(Newsletter ed)** always welcome new header pictures from as many of you as possible, please, to ring the changes effectively and to share your great images. (See format below.)



Please do **update your personal details including any distinctions**, in the members' area of the website, or they may not be shown correctly in the newsletter and elsewhere.

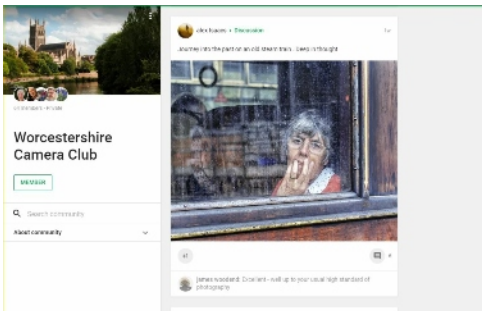
Don't forget we're on G+ and Facebook too!



WCC is on Facebook; why not take a look? You can view whether on Facebook or not, and if you're on FB you can like/follow.

@WorcesterCC

As more members are joining in the (private) WCC community on G+, that's increasingly ***the*** place to see members' images and share your own. (I'm hoping the newsletter will become redundant soon)! You can share your work in progress for advice, comment and critique, or just share your final images.



WCC Flipboard

The new 'magazine' for this season is now on the Flipboard site (free to use). It has a wide range of images, news and articles of photographic interest curated by the editor and other members.

PAGB News

PAGB News issue 191 is now on their website.

Sign up for your own copy by email.

Photography News

Find the latest issue here & sign up for the newsletter...

Meet the Committee

Stewart Bourne ARPS

Photography is another means for exploring my experience of the journey through life, and to help me develop and learn, as such it is quite important to me. I also try to have some fun on the way.

I've been a member of the club for some years now and currently remain on the Committee as the immediate past Chairman.

Stewart Bourne ARPS

Meet the Committee

Alex Isaacs LRPS, Programme Secretary

I have been interested in photography for many years, originally doing my own black and white printing and gaining an LRPS in the 1980s .

After a break for a number of years I started taking photos again 5 or 6 years ago. Following a very steep learning curve which is levelling off a little at the moment I am getting up to speed with digital photography.

I enjoy taking travel photos, sports photos and recently I have become passionate about contemporary and street photography. I am also a member of f-action group which has helped me think a great deal about the photos I take and helped my photography develop as has going along to the contemporary group at WCC.

I love going out with my camera and recording life in the urban environment as I see it at that moment. The creative images I produce have the details removed whilst still keeping an urban environment feel to them. Three years ago I had a big scare with my sight but luckily my vision was saved and every day I go out with my camera now is a bonus. This experience has gone some way to influencing some of images that I produce.

Alex Isaacs LRPS

AV News

Coming up next year -

PAGB AWARDS FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC MERIT (APM) IN AUDIO VISUAL

The PAGB have set the venue and a weekend for the next Adjudication
Sat 26 May & Sun 27 May 2018 at the Wilmslow Guild, 1 Bourne Street, Wilmslow, Cheshire SK9 5HD.

For this to proceed the APM Secretary will need to have received **at least 8 applications** by **31 December 2017**, so you have plenty of time to get organised. If we do not receive sufficient applications, by December, for at least one day we will have to cancel the Adjudication. Currently we have sufficient applications to be confident that there will be a Saturday Adjudication at least.

The PAGB are also looking at the possibility of an evening workshop on **Friday 25th May.**

Remember that the PAGB APM/AV welcome and encourage 'Photo Harmony' sequences. (Images to music)

If you are interested in applying for a distinction then contact Daphne Hanson for more information
Or see the PAGB **website**

If you feel you are not yet ready but want to see what is involved then bring your work along to the Advisory evening on Friday 25th May.

20th RPS Nationals, Leeds **23-24 September**

Life - 2017 South African international AV competition. Closes **4th November.**

Sign up for occasional newsletters directly at AV News.

Thanks for listening!

The *f*.action Group thoroughly enjoyed presenting our work to WCC last week. We thank you for joining us and for the many kind comments.

John Burrows kindly lined us up for shooting...

Alex, Pam, Ruth & Stewart