



# HIGHWORTH CAMERA CLUB

Affiliated to the WCPF (Western Counties Photographic Federation)

## NEWSLETTER

### *September/October Edition*

#### **Message from your new Chairman – Simon Watson**

Hi everyone, I am delighted to be standing as your new Chairman and look forward to working with the new committee to bring you a programme of new and exciting club nights and events.

Highworth has always been a friendly welcoming club which to me has been the great appeal. We also have some extremely talented photographers who we can all aspire too and learn from.

With the new venue come's new opportunities to expand the membership and try out practical evenings and projects and if anyone has ideas please contact one of the committee members who will bring it to the next committee meeting to discuss.

I have appointed a new role on the committee, Public Relations spokesperson. This role, is to co-ordinate the clubs promotion around Highworth, to exhibit our work locally and attract new members. If anyone has any ideas please talk to Jane and she will present them to the committee to discuss and take forward.

## **Message from your Secretary – Lesley Hunt**

Hi Everyone

I can't believe my first term of office has come and gone and here I am starting my second year as secretary.

My first year was a great learning curve and I thank Peter for his continued support.

I hope you are all looking forward to the introduction of outside judges in 2012 and that this will encourage a greater number of members to enter into our competitions.

We will be introducing Comment Forms at the next club meeting - if you have any comments or suggestions to put forward, once completed please hand them to Jane and she will take them to the next committee meeting.

Please remember it is your club and your input is very important to the successful running of the club.

Best Wishes

Lesley

## **AGM REPORT**

The AGM was open by Steve Coombs who gave an outline of the evenings programme and started by giving his report. This was followed by the Club Treasurer's and Club Secretaries Reports. The meeting then moved onto the election of new officers and committee members for the 2011/2012 club season. The position of Chairman, Treasurer, Newsletter Editor and one committee member were vacant.

Simon Watson was nominated and seconded for the post of Chairman, likewise for Bill Brown, Brian Kent and Jane Kent.

Your new look Officers and Committee is as follows:

Chairman	-	Simon Watson
Secretary	-	Lesley Hunt
Treasurer	-	Bill Brown
Competition Secretary	-	Michelle Watson
Committee:	-	Bob Berry, Andy Woolhouse, Brian Kent, Jane Kent.

## **Responsibilities**

Bob Berry – Website      Brian Kent – Newsletter      Jane Kent – Public Relations

Dave Barnes wished the new Officers and committee the very best.

## **THANK YOU'S**

We say 'thank you' to retiring officers: Steve Coombs, Graham Greaves, Dave Barnes and Martyn Price. Your dedication and commitment will be a hard act to follow.

We must also say a very big 'thank you' to Peter Taylor our former Club Secretary who has been "Mr. Raffle" on club nights, the raffle is a valuable source of income for the Club. Peter has now handed this over to Amy Grace. 'Good luck' Amy.

## **AGM – Part 2**

The second part of the evening saw the showing of 10 Audio Visual entries, which proved to be very enjoyable. Each entrant should be proud of their work and for me personally they were all winners in their own right. However there can only be one winner and the results are below:

1st: Peter Crane (Patterns of Nature)

2nd: Bob Berry (Cuba)

3rd: Graham Greaves (Nepal) + Peter Taylor (What a wonderful world)

A big thank you goes to Graham Greaves for presenting this section of the evening.

## **MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Thanks to all members who renewed their membership at the AGM and welcome to our new members. Membership numbers will be issued shortly by Bill Brown.

## **WINDRUSH BATTLE**

The battle this year is at Alvescot on Wednesday 12th October at 7.30pm. Please come along and support your club. Directions: SatNav OX18 2PU. The venue is approximately 25yards past the Pub (on your right hand side). The hall entrance is along a long dark park so it is advisable to bring a torch (Steve was not kidding at the AGM).

## **TRI BATTLE 2012 (Highworth v Wootton Bassett v Cirencester)**

This will be hosted by Highworth Camera Club. The subjects have now been chosen for the 2012 event. We need to submit 2 images for each of the categories listed below. Now is the time to start getting your images. Happy clicking!

- 1) National Trust
- 2) Night Photography
- 3) Food
- 4) Weather
- 5) Silhouette
- 6) Unusual Viewpoint
- 7) Unexpected
- 8) Something Scary
- 9) People at Work
- 10) Urban/Industrial Landscape

## **HIGHWORTH CHALLENGE 2011**

The food chain - Competition rules are on the club web site. Further information can be obtained from any committee member.

## **FORTHCOMING COMPETITIONS**

<i>Month</i>	<i>Large Print</i>	<i>Small Print</i>
October	In motion	Shapes
November	Foliage and fauna	Close up

## **QUOTES OF THE MONTH**

Results are uncertain, even among the more experienced photographers - Matthew Brady.

Photography can only represent the present, once photographed the subject becomes part of the past – Berenice Abbott

Our job is to record, each in their own way, this world of light and shadow and time that will never come again exactly as it is today – Edward Abby

Mass media bombard us with images of blood and tears. It's time we showed interest in beauty and aesthetics, not lust in war or catastrophies – Stanko Abadzic

## **WHAT'S ON**

### **T4 Cameras**

Saturday 1st October present 'Manfrotto' tripod event. All club members are invited to visit the store to take advantage of the special 'one day' offer on Manfrotto tripods and heads. A representative from Manfrotto will be in the store 10:00 – 4:00 selling the products at very competitive prices.

Buy a Manfrotton 190X or 055X PROB and claim one of the following accessories free: Set of spiked feet, tripod bag, tripod strap, or you will be able to take part in the tripod exchange (only one tripod per transaction). If you purchase any Manfrotto tripod head you will be able to claim a spare quick release plate free of charge. You might like to consider purchasing a Manfrotton 190X PROBE or 0550X PROBE and a Manfrotto head and receive both promotions and a further cashback offer of £15 (190X) or £20 (055X).

### **Faringdon Folly Tower Open Day**

Sunday 2<sup>nd</sup> October – SN7 7AQ. The tower was built in 1935, it's climb to the top is 104ft, but well worth it for the extensive views of the surrounding countryside. Entry fee is £2 and open from 11am – 5pm.

## **Swindon Half Marathon**

Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> October – 11.00am. Race - start and finish in Pipers Way, Old Town, Swindon. The route is from Pipers Way onto Marlborough Road and on to Liddington before returning to the start. The race is 13.1 miles in length. Please note: parking may be a problem as many roads will be closed for the race. Parking is available in Old Town back of The Art's Centre. Entry is via Newport Street, turn in as if going into the Co-Op, straight ahead you will see the car park. Pay at metre.

## **Chasing the Light**

Devizes Camera Club presents 'Chasing the Light' with David Norton. David is a landscape and travel photographer. Wednesday 16th November 7:30pm. Venue: The Arc Theatre in Trowbridge. Tickets: £10.50 from Theater Box Office 0845 2990476 or Clive Rathband 01249 657309. Further information – [www.devizescameraclub.co.uk](http://www.devizescameraclub.co.uk)

## **CHRISTMAS PARTY AND AWARD EVENING**

Tickets will be on at the October meeting priced £10. Lesley and Jane have a few different things planned to keep us all entertained.

## **CLUB TROPHY HOLDERS**

Would all trophy holders please return them to the Club at the October meeting, in readiness for the Award Evening on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> December.

## **TRADING POST**

This new section is for any member who has any photography related items that they have for sale or wish to donate in aid of club funds. In the first instance please contact Brian Kent.

## **CONTACT INFORMATION**

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