



Prestwich Co-op Camera Club News



JUNE COMMITTEE MEETING

- Changes to the new syllabus – already!
The Print Assignment categories on 4th August will be Pictorial and Photojournalism.
The Print Assignment categories on 24th November will be Portrait and Monochrome. There is also a mistake in the Club Officials, Committee Members section. John Thompson should read Jack Heathcote. Please amend your copy.
Competition rules have also been clarified in the back.
- In future, entries for all digital competitions must be submitted to Colin by midnight on the Friday before the competition. The link on the club's website has been amended so that all entries will now go straight to Colin.
- Some members are forgetting to sign in at the meetings. It's important that we do this in case of a fire, and then we'll know if anyone is still in the building. Remember, if your name's not on the list, you may get left behind!
- Our open day is not far away, on Saturday 15th August. Last year's was quite successful and we hope for even better things this time. You know what's coming next don't you? Volunteers! In the event of sickness, a doctor's note will be required.
- We would like to thank Roy Taylor and Chris Cunliffe for all the hard work they have put into the Annual Exhibition. More volunteers are needed to take down and pack away on Saturday 4th July. Please help if you can.
- It has been noted that a virus warning has been appearing when accessing the club's website. Phil is doing everything he can to sort it out.
- On 15th August we have "One Picture, Many Ways" with Colin Bookman. Can we ask all those who have laptops, to bring them to the meeting and share with those who don't.

L & CPU NEWS

No news this time but, if you wish, you can check out their website at <http://www.lcpu.org/>



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AV NEWS

AV Group activity for the remainder of 2009

A **Group Av Project** has been set and the 14 members have been divided into 5 sub-groups as listed below but it is open to change, please advise me of any variations you would like to make.

- 1:- Janet Waterhouse , Pauline Chapman, Judith Shackman
- 2:-EddieEvans,Eileen Craig, Roy Taylor
- 3:-Marjorie Hoyle, Rosie Bradley, Linda Dickinson
- 4:- Jack Heathcote, Phil Yates, John Thompson
- 5:- Vernon Barlow, Brian Pridgeon

Each group will attempt to produce their own Audio Visual which we hope will produce 5 variations on the same theme.

A **dead line** has been set which is **15 December 2009** when we will show the 5 varied efforts. It's not a competition but an attempt at developing our photographic and AV production skills.

Other AV news

The next annual AV competition will be held on **16th March 2010** and entries must be declared on **16th January** which is the handing in night for the Annual competition. Actual entries must be given in by 9th **March** for loading onto the computer.

On **July 28th** we have a club AV night so if you have any suggestions about what we can do please let's hear from you.

Throughout the rest of the year there will be certain nights when Av group members may be able to meet for discussion in one half of the room while for example a portrait session is under way.

The Club portable Digital Audio Recorder is available for use by the AV group for any sound recordings you might like to make.

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THE WEB

- Worth a look is **Photo 360**, a free interactive electronic magazine for reviews and technique. Subscribe at <http://www.photo360mag.com> Back issues are also available to view on the site.

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- Tell us about your favourite photography websites. Here are a few from Vicki and Danny.

<http://www.jpgmag.com/> - Danny is a big fan of this site which runs regular competitions in digital photography and is a good way of seeing what other photographers are up to as well as showing off your own works and inviting comment.

On a lighter note, we came across this website which made us laugh. Good examples of how not to take portraits: <http://awkwardfamilyphotos.com/>

Danny also came across this photography site which has a lot of useful information: <http://www.tipsfromthetopfloor.com/> They also do "podcasts" (like radio programs that you can listen to on your computer) to talk you through various techniques which we've found interesting. you can click on the link that says 'Download the MP3 for this episode' and it should start playing automatically. Any problems, Danny or I can talk you through it.
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COMPETITIONS

- The 2009 **BBC Countryfile** photography competition has been announced and this year's theme is "Wild and Wonderful". As long as you're not a professional and your shots haven't been entered into any other competition or offered for sale, you can enter up to four photos taken in the UK.
Details of prizes and how to enter can be found at <http://www.bbccountryfilemagazine.com/photographic-competition>
- The **RHS Photographic Competition** returns for 2009 and is now open for your entries. The closing date for entries is 30 October 2009. If you have any queries please email photocomp@rhs.org.uk
A list of categories and rules can be found at <http://www.rhs.org.uk/news/photocomp.asp>
As with all competitions, always read the fine print.
- The **World Wildlife Fund** Nikon Competition 2009 is now open for entries with a deadline of Monday 7th September. The judging panel, chaired by wildlife photographer Chris Packham, will be looking for variety, innovation and imagination as well as technical accomplishment. (That lets me out then!). See http://www.wwf.org.uk/text/680/wwf_nikon_photography_competition_2008.html for details.



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- **Photography Monthly's Design Challenge** is testing your ability to correct and perfect your images using a digital software package. They are asking you to post a before and after image into the Design Challenge gallery at www.photographymonthly.com/designchallenge. All the details can be seen at <http://www.photographymonthly.com/Competitions/Design-Challenge/June-s-Design-Challenge>
The competition will run for one month from 22nd June 2009 and will end on 22nd July 2009.
- Anyone crossing the Channel this summer? France Magazine is offering some nice prizes for their competition themed "**The Colours of France**". To enter, you must first become a member of the Photography Monthly Website. Once you have registered you can then upload your images to the '**France Photo Competition**' gallery via your member's area. NB: This one's easy. Eat some frog's legs and photograph the Technicolor Yawn that will surely follow!

WHAT'S ON

- Haworth Art Gallery, Accrington

Accrington Camera Club

Annual Exhibition 2009

Saturday 4th July to Sunday 2nd August

You are invited to attend the preview of the exhibition, which will be opened by the Mayor of Hyndburn, Cllr. Paul Barton in the presence of the

Mayoress, Mrs Sarah Barton on Friday 3rd July at 7pm

Haworth Art Gallery, Manchester Road, Accrington BB5 2 JS, Telephone 01254 233782

The exhibition runs from Saturday 4th July

until

Sunday 2nd August

Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 2pm to 5pm

Saturday, Sunday 12 noon to 4.30pm

Admission Free



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HINTS & TIPS

- See the rules of email etiquette at http://email.about.com/od/emailnetiquette/tp/core_netiquette.htm
These are guidelines that help avoid mistakes (like offending someone when you don't mean to) and misunderstandings (like being offended when you're not meant to). These core rules of email etiquette help us communicate better electronically.
(MS)

AND FINALLY.....

Why is there so much month left at the end of the money?

I'll steer clear of the Michael Jackson jokes. They're flying around the internet like Peter Pan.