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HARROW CAMERA CLUB

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HAPPY NEW YEAR EVERYONE!

HERE'S TO A GREAT PHOTOGRAPHIC 2016

"You don't make a photograph just with a camera. You bring to the act of photography all the pictures you have seen, the books you have read, the music you have heard, the people you have loved." — Ansel Adams

Member and Club News

Welcome to our two new members, Paul and Norma Lui, We hope you enjoy your Harrow Camera Club experience.

And we wish Doris Betteridge all the very best of health and happiness in her move away from Harrow to be nearer her family. Thank you Doris for doing such a good job organising the tea rota – you're irreplaceable so in future it's all hands to the urn! Well not quite....we hope early arrivees will volunteer to make drinks at 9.00pm and the chairman/deputy will be bringing the milk!

Alan Colegrave has had lots of success recently entering his images in international salons/exhibitions. Acceptances include Cork International Salon, Wrekin Arts and 3 images at the Buenos Aires International (two gained maximum marks). Anyone interested in entering International events should talk with Alan.

Congratulations to Julia Wainwright on achieving her ARPS distinction only just a few months after becoming LRPS. Her exemplary print panel has been retained for use in RPS advisory days.

Meet-ups – New for 2016

Meet-ups will provide members with a socialising opportunity by getting out and about to all sorts of places! The first diary date is Friday 22nd January – details by email to follow.....

Programme

Don't forget to pick up your copy of the club's programme.

January meetings reminders:

5th Photoshop Skills Workshop run by Mark Buckley-Sharp

12th A DIGITAL PRESENTATION of Wildlife, Landscape and more by Roger Reynolds Hon LRPS APAGB

19th N. W. LONDON FEDERATION- Semi-Final – we are hosting the match between Field End and Amersham Photographic Societies.

26th PROJECTED IMAGE COMPETITION #4 You may now enter up to 4 images. Remember to nominate one to be dropped if total entries reach above 65 or the collator will omit the last alphabetically. Judge: Terry Coffey.

External Competition News

Chilterns Rosebowl

Our second round match takes place on Monday 11th January where we face Oxford, Pinner and Hemel Hempstead who are hosting.

NWLondon Federation

Our semi-final match against Wycombe takes place on Thursday 14th January at Ealing & Hampshire House.

Events

PAGB Great British Cup

The Great British Cup is the largest inter-club event in the world. It is an annual projected digital image competition open to all PAGB affiliated clubs. The competition is split into three sections i.e. an Open section for larger clubs, a Small Clubs section and a section for Natural History images. We've entered the Small Clubs and Natural History sections. Images have been chosen from the selection pool comprising images from 'old' (!) and new members. Judging takes place in February without an audience. Results will be published almost immediately.

Chilterns Championship Day

Championship Day is on **Sunday 13th March 2016** at Amersham. (Drake Hall, Amersham Community Centre, Chiltern Avenue, HP6 5AH). Detailed timing will be published later. Entrance £5 (with a raffle). It comprises the Chilterns Hundred Members Exhibition, Print and Projected Championships.

The Championship Day is an important chance to see the work from many other Clubs, all judged to national standard.

Chilterns Hundred Members Exhibition:

Every member has the opportunity to choose one projected image for inclusion by the Club in this event. Please hand in your image by or on **2nd February**.

The event is expected to have Photographic Alliance Patronage with the award of Gold, Silver and Bronze medals, and three Ribbons. After the event, all the images are put on a CD which is distributed to all Chilterns region Clubs. We will show the CD at the Club later in the year.

Print Championship: The Club needs to select 15 prints for this event. Please hand in prints for selection by or on **2nd February**.

Projected Championship: The Club will select 15 projected images from the available stock. Additional entries for your stock can be handed in by or on **2nd February**.

CACC BIG DAY – 17th April

The event (previously known as Chilterns Exhibition) will take place 2:30pm-7pm at Drake Hall, Amersham Community Centre, Chiltern Avenue, HP6 5AH. Detailed timing will be published later. Entrance is £5, and a raffle.

The format comprises the AGM, a guest speaker/presentation and the Rosebowl Final.

Rosebowl Final: This will be between the top twelve Clubs from the league matches. No additional entries are required from members. We have fingers and toes crossed that this year we will qualify – especially as we won last year – a shared win with Wycombe. Click on the link below to see the presentation photograph.



http://www.thecacc.org.uk/finals/finalday_page.shtml

Quick Catch-up on November/December

17th November – Annual Projected Panel was won by Bob Soames. Congratulations Bob.

18th November – XRR Visions judged by Barrie Hatten DPAGB of Cambridge C.C. Although an individual competition, clubs may nominate a team of 3. We retained the Visions Club Trophy with our team comprising John Draper, Dave Martin and Julia Wainwright ARPS; Julia also came second with 58 points to Andy Sands' full marks of 60. Congratulations to Andy, to Julia and to us!

1st and 2nd December – NWFed preliminary rounds against Northolt and Hemel Hempstead. Our win on the 1st and high-scoring second place on the 2nd saw us through to the semi-final detailed above.

OUT AND ABOUT & INSPIRATION

Take a look at Time Out for lots of things to do! <http://www.timeout.com/london/blog/62-divine-things-to-do-in-london-this-january-010216>

Art exhibitions etc.

<http://www.timeout.com/london/art>

Photography exhibitions

<http://www.timeout.com/london/art/photography-in-london>

Natural History Museum: until 10/04/2016

Wildlife Photographer of the Year

Price: £13.50, £6.75 children & concs

<http://www.nhm.ac.uk/wpy>

And watch out for the HCC meet-up email.....coming soon.....

FROM THE EDITOR

And to think, this time last year I was thanking Mark for his long service as Focal Point editor and here I am some seven issues later.....still the new kid on the block! If you've enjoyed reading this and the last few newsletters I am delighted – if you didn't enjoy or felt/feel you need more/different 'news' please feel free to send me your contributions and I'll do my best to incorporate them. If you get all the information you need from our website let me know that too.....it could save hours of work!

Above all, let's all enjoy our photography and club. Here's to a great New Year and wonderful new images.

"Photography for me is not looking, it's feeling. If you can't feel what you're looking at, then you're never going to get others to feel anything when they look at your pictures."
— Don McCullin