

HIGHLIGHT–Alton Camera Club Newsletter – December 2010

2010/2011 Season – Fridays in December

3rd December

2nd Print Competition and Print Challenge: - Judge: Chris Neill-Griffin.

Along side the 2nd print competition of the season there is a set subject competition. The topic for this year's print Challenge is 'Food' Give it some thought (*food for thought maybe?*) and see what you can cook up. You can enter up to two prints as in all competitions. If in doubt consult the club handbook. Click on Competitions and in the top right-hand corner you will see the words 'Club Handbook' Click here and scroll down to page 14.

10th December

Match an Image Competition – Alton v Havant C.C. v Petersfield P.S.

Judge: Don Mitchell ARPS.

This is essentially a fun evening. The idea is that each club has a panel of 36 images. (PDI's) Each club takes their turn to lead by placing an image on the screen. The other two clubs then have to match it either by subject matter, colour or whatever and the judge will award points for a match and for the best image. All three images can be projected on to the screen at the same time so that they can be assessed for a match.

Needless to say that the images are all uploaded onto the computer prior to the proceedings and a representative from each club will call out a number in order for the computer operator/projectionist to display the selected image on the screen. Very much a fun evening and as a bonus you get the chance to barrack the judge.

17th December

Safari Results and Social Evening

Those of you who took part in the club safari back in May will at last find out how you fared, always assuming of course that you got around to submitting your images. Following the screening of these images and the announcement of the winners we will then enjoy a cup of tea with a few seasonal snacks.

The winner of the Face of Alton competition will also be announced. And the entries will be displayed.

For the last two Fridays in December the 24th, Christmas Eve and the 31st New Years Eve there will be no meetings. No doubt you will all find other things to do. We reconvene on Friday 7th January when we shall have the Anglo-Spanish Competition.

Website - www.altoncameraclub.org.uk

Keep an eye on the club website. Check it out for details of next week's meeting, club events. You can also consult the club handbook via the website. Click on 'Competitions' and you will find the Club Handbook in the top right hand corner of the page.

Club Evenings

Before many of you get to the club on a Friday a small band of willing helpers get the screen erected, arrange the furniture and generally set everything up for the evening. Do give a hand, it would be appreciated, and remember it all needs to be put away again at the end of the evening.

THE MONDAY CLUB

The next meeting of the Monday Club will be Monday 13th December 2010. Remember that these evenings are open to both members and non members. The cost per person to cover room hire etc. will be £3 per person. On this evening the general subject or theme will be:

PEOPLE.

Portraits – Individuals - Groups – Flash

Here we'll be photographing each other and, perhaps, discovering that camera skills are less important than managing the subject. Various illumination techniques will be discussed and tried out.

Practicals: working with a sitter and groups large and small, flash settings, using reflectors .

Club Weekend Break to Plymouth and The Eden Project.

This is to take place from Friday 13th May – Monday 16th May 2011. As is the case with all of our social events this trip is open to members, family and friends. Details can be obtained from Jennie or Eric.

Projected Digital Image Championship

This event was held at the Shaw Social Club, Newbury on Sunday 21st November. Alton came a creditable third in this competition. The results table is reproduced below. A list of individual winners plus some of the winning images can be found on the Southern Photographic Federation Website – www.southernfed.org.uk

Or go on to the Alton Camera Club Website – www.altoncameraclub.org.uk and use the link.

Pos	Club	Score	Pos	Club	Score
1	Southampton CC	241	11	Newbury CC	201
2	Highcliffe & Infinity CC	230	12	Beaulieu CG	201
3	Alton CC	214	13	Winchester PS	200
4	Fordingbridge CC	212	14	Bournemouth PS	198
5	Chichester CC	211	15	New Forest CC	195
6	Bracknell CC	209	16	Salisbury CC	190
7	Steyning CC	206	17	Poole CC	188
8	Havant CC	204	18	North Hants PS	183
9	Hayling Island CC	204	19	South Reading CC	182
10	Basingstoke CC	201			

Presentation Evening

The committee are **still** looking for someone to organise the meal on our annual 'Presentation Evening' This involves taking names, circulating the menu and liaising with the hotel in the run up to the evening, so that everybody ends up getting the meal they're expecting and the hotel know how many they're catering for on the big evening.

This notice appeared in the November issue of the newsletter. Now don't be shy. Just a little job to wind up the season. Have a word with Elaine if you would like more details.

Woking Photographic Society - The Keith Hunt Trophy This Digital AV Competition was staged by the Woking Photographic Society on Saturday November 27th at the Trinity Methodist Church Hall, Brewery Road, Woking, Surrey. The judge for the evening was Les Spitz ARPS Alton entered four sequences. The results are printed below.

Winner of the Keith Hunt Trophy was Kathleen Bird of Ludshott P.C. with a sequence entitled '**Joyce the Librarian**'

2nd place – '**Morning has Broken**' – Ian Bateman – Wantage C.C.

3rd place – '**Alton**' – Eric Bennett – Alton C.C.

Highly Commended:

'Gangga Dreaming' by Len Deeley - Godalming P.C. 'In Flanders Fields' – Robert Albright – Wantage C.C. 'Lakes' – Wyn Voysey – North Hants P.S.

Looking Ahead

Alongside the usual bimonthly competitions in the second half of the season are the the Set Subject Competition, the Panorama Competition, the Daisy Parratt and the Kay Stickland Portrait Competition. Check your programme for the dates and start thinking about your entries in good time.

On the 1st April we have our audio visual competition: 'The Meadows Photo-Presentation Award'. The rules for this competition have changed this season. You are now allowed to enter sequences of up to eight minutes duration.

Please note that sequences longer than five minutes may not be eligible for many external and inter-club competitions.

If you want to put together a sequence for this competition and you don't have the software, it may be possible to borrow one of the club laptops. Check with a committee member. Remember though that this is the last stage. Before you do this you will need to assemble your pictures, record your music, write your script and be sure how you want it all to go together.

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