

## **The Camping & Caravan Club – Photographic Group**

### **Exhibition Secretary's Report 2018 – The Ruddle Centre, Braithwell**

My first year as Exhibition Secretary, described by some members as an ordeal by fire (since it was also my first 'meet'), was eased considerably by the kindness and support of all the club members at Braithwell. In particular I would like to thank Dave and Sue Tawn for leading me into the post, advice and checks along the way... and Dave for 'driving' the computer during judging and being available when the exhibition was open to the public. I also thank all who put up the stands and Fred Price and Helen Smith for their help in ferrying the prints back and forth during our Judge Bob Moore's comments upon the entries. On behalf of the club I thank Bob Moore Hon FRPS, MPAGB, and Hon PAGB for judging this year's entries and his comments. Bob thought whilst the overall standard was very high, felt in some cases presentation and print quality could have been improved. Personally I thank him for his help, guidance and especially the mini master class when he was judging. I had only met a couple of club members before the 'meet', so I also thank everybody for making me welcome and being so friendly.

From previous information and statistics there were slightly more entries this year, but I understand not as many in the recent past. The only real disappointment was the Young Photographer Class where there were only three colour prints from one entrant. However, the images were very good and one well deserved a first prize certificate. Some newbie licence was exercised on my part in both the Beginner Colour Print and Beginner PDI classes, there were only two entrants in each class and technically they should've been added to the Intermediate Classes (but weren't).

I will go forward next year with more knowledge and a little more experience but hope still to rely upon the help and guidance of club members. We need to concentrate on getting more entries and in particular those of our young photographers. I will think about this over the next few months, but any constructive suggestions will be welcome. In fact I am open to all polite suggestions regarding the exhibition as I want it to be very much a... 'for the members event'.

I note from the Exhibition Secretary's Report 2017 that concerns were raised regarding the club laptop and its possible replacement. At the moment I haven't used it sufficiently to have an opinion, so for the moment I hold any decision on this in abeyance.

The Statistics follow...

## EXHIBITION STATISTICS 2017/2018

	ENTRIES		ENTRANTS	
	2018	2017	2018	2017
Advanced PDIs	112	78	19	13
Intermediate PDIs	39	24	7	4
Beginners PDIs	11	0	2	0
<b>Total PDI's</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>102</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>17</b>
Advanced Mono. Prints	26	23	12	13
Intermediate Mono. Prints	16	12	8	6
Beginner Mono Prints	0	0	0	0
<b>Total Mono Prints</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>19</b>
Advanced Colour Prints	56	64	14	15
Intermediate Colour Prints	44	22	11	7
Beginner Colour Prints	6	9	2	3
<b>Total Colour Prints</b>	<b>106</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>25</b>
Young Photographer	3	26	1	8
Bert Wicks Award – Audio - Visual	5	8	5	8
<b>Total number</b>	<b>318</b>	<b>265</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>35</b>