



WPF Newsflash

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AWPF Distinction Adjudication Sunday November 3rd, 2024

The WPF is pleased to confirm that the board adjudicating the panels submitted for award of the prestigious 'Associate of the Welsh Photographic Federation (AWPF)' will be convening at 10am on Sunday 3rd November.

The venue will be Talbot Green Community Centre, 93 Clos Springfield, Talbot Green, Pontyclun CF72 8FE. Applicants, supporters and spectators are all welcome and entry to the hall is free and there is a large car park.

Attendees should please make their own arrangements for refreshments.

Further details of the AWPF Distinction and award may be found here on the WPF website:

Jenny Hibbert Steps Down

It is with huge regret that Jenny has decided to step down from her role as President of the WPF and from the WPF Executive Committee. Jenny has some personal health issues and feels if she is to manage and recover from these, she needs to relinquish her WPF responsibilities to ensure she can concentrate on getting well.

The Executive Committee fully appreciate Jenny's decision and very sadly accept her resignation. Jenny has given many years to the WPF in her various roles on the Executive Committee and in particular the last couple of years when as Past President, Jenny stepped into the breach when Sue had to step down from the Presidents role and then agreed to complete another year whilst our Vice President Ron Lines found his feet. The Executive Committee can't thank Jenny enough and are hugely appreciative of her time and commitment to the WPF. She leaves a huge void in the team and will be greatly missed.

Ron Lines as Vice President will take up the reigns as President until the point of the AGM and David Del Jones has agreed to fully support Ron as Interim Vice President subject to his nomination at the AGM in March.

On behalf of the WPF Executive, and the Membership, we would like to congratulate and sincerely thank Jenny for her many years of service and commitment to the WPF and convey our very best wishes for a quick and speedy recovery.

Very best wishes Jenny from all your Friends across the WPF.

Stanley Chell 2024

Aberdare CC have announced that this year's Stanley Chell will be held at 1pm on **Saturday 16th November 2024**, at [Cynon Linc](#), Seymour Street, Aberdare, CF44 7BD. **Closing date for Club entries is October 27th 2024.**

Everyone is welcome to attend.

The judge will be Ralph Snook, ARPS, EFIAP/b, DPAGB and he will decide on five awards:

The Stanley Chell Memorial Trophy for Best Club Entry of 4 Prints
The Hans Hoyer Trophy for the Best Monochrome Print
The Glyn John Trophy for the Best Colour Print
The Glan and Mair Howells Trophy for the Best Landscape Print
The Doris Chell Memorial Trophy for the Best Overall Print

Club Competition Secretaries have already been contacted by email but a copy of the Club entry form is also available [here](#). Closing date for entries is 27th October 2024.

Further details are available [here](#).

A Convention Thank You!

A thank you to all who supported the WPF weekend at the Heronston in Bridgend.

Riccardo Beghini with superb atmospheric prints from the heritage coast and surrounding areas (the feel of a photo).

Nick Upton with an encyclopaedic knowledge of Wildlife re-introductions (who could forget the Cranes's parents?)

Paul Sanders the boy who failed at everything including photography yet became photo editor of The Times before leaving the rat-race to become his own man.

Simon Brinkworth who socked it to us with the history of medical imaging and NHS organisation then went on to hold us riveted with medical prints. (everybody checked their moles?)

Thanks to Jenny Hibbert WPF President for the formal opening and welcome to the event and to Ron Lines Vice President of the WPF for the formal closing address. Jenny also expressed our appreciation of the work of Nick and Ron that of Simon. Leigh Woolford of Gwynfa and Julie Morgan of Abergavenny thanked Riccardo and Paul respectively.

The range and excellence of the presentations has been captured through phrases like "you could hear a pin drop" and "and merited a standing ovation".

Thanks to the working team of Ed Cloutman (projection and computing), Les Loosemore (equipment and especially for use of his illuminated stands that do so much to show prints to the best advantage), Gareth Martin (event publicity and advertising), Dave Condon (ticketing, badging and finance), Pat Hollis (raffle organisation and ticketing), Martin Smith (also raffle and event photos). Dave Lewis (coordination).

Many thanks to all executive members who so generously donated raffle prizes (you know who you are). Similarly, thanks to all who entered a print for the WPF Convention Trophy – the winner of the shield was Pat Hollis with "End of Summer"; selection was by Paul Sanders.

My thanks also to Trevor Waller and Jeff Howe of Cardiff together with Huw Edwards of Aberdare for providing consultancy on convention issues. As ever, Fotospeed and PhotoProlab (Cardiff) supported with discounts on their products and services. Fotospeed (Tim Jones) together with Les Loosemore held an "after-hours" print surgery. The Heronston also kindly provided two spa vouchers for our raffle.

Last but most important our thanks to you who make it all worthwhile and possible through your attendance and appreciation of the event, of the speakers and the work behind the scenes.

We hope to see you again next year at the 53rd WPF weekend event!

How to enter the Masters of Print (MoP)

OPEN FOR ENTRIES	
EIGHTH MASTERS OF PRINT EXHIBITION	
Sponsored by CEWE and Online Paper	
OPEN FOR ENTRY	01 SEPTEMBER 2024
CLOSING DATE	01 DECEMBER 2024
JUDGING/SELECTION	7/8 DECEMBER 2024
GRAND OPENING	08 FEBRUARY 2025
Have you saved a really good print for THE BIG ONE?	

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How to enter the Masters of Print (MoP) continued....

This event allows you to enter as an Individual or you can organise a collection on behalf of your Club. You should be a bona fide member of a Club affiliated to the PAGB and you may only enter for one Club each year. We are looking for "new" exciting work, not previously exhibited, and all genre and styles have an equal chance of success.

For the full rules and timetable please see the PAGB Website. <http://thepagb.org.uk/events/pagb-masters-of-print/>

Entries, either by an Individual or by a Club, must be made through the PAGB on-line Entries System. This includes PDI copies of your prints 2400 pixels on the longest side.

The system provides a download of labels, with barcodes, which must be fixed to the back of each Print. When viewed from the back, the label should be placed as close as possible to the top right corner. In addition to the Print labels, the system provides a download of documentation to be sent to the Organisers with the Prints.

For further information **click on Timetable** at <http://thepagb.org.uk/events/the-gb-trophy/>

You enter via the PAGB CES Website which will require you to register as an Individual and/or as a Club if you are not already registered. 60 Prints are then selected for the Exhibition (max one per author), and awards are made to individual prints. In addition to this, every entrant will receive a copy of this year's superb "coffee table" photobook featuring all of the Accepted photographs, one per page.

Club Awards - Club Entrants and Individual Entrants will each accrue points towards their Club score for a chance to win two generous Club Awards, each with a handsome trophy provided by event sponsors, Online Paper and CEWE.

Although the Masters of Print is easily entered by Individual Club members you can co-ordinate a Club entry which will allow your members to enter fewer than 5 prints at £3 per Print instead of paying the full £15 entry fee.

Their scores will count towards the Gold and Diamond Club Awards if they enter via the Club or as Individuals <http://thepagb.org.uk/events/pagb-masters-of-print/>

Important Note. Prints which have been selected for the Masters of Print Exhibition or for to form the Salon des Refusés cannot be forwarded and a new print will need to be provided to the Trophy Organiser.

50th Smethwick Golden Jubilee International NOW OPEN

Closing date: 4th November 2024.

3 Print Sections: Open Colour, Open Monochrome & Nature. (Prints can be forwarded to Southampton International).

3 Projected Image Sections: Open Colour, Open Monochrome & Nature.

Over 200 Medals and Ribbons to be won with a 68-page A4 Colour Catalogue to each entrant.

Patronage: PSA 2024-1416, FIAP 2024-537, GPU I240102, PAGB 2025-009

On-line entry system [here](#). Rules [here](#). Low entry fees (only pay for each section entered).



Smethwick International Exhibition of Photography

- by Smethwick Photographic Society, UK -

Important Notice about email scams

Watch out for those tired old 'substitution' email scams, they are doing the rounds again.

What happens is that you get an email from someone pretending to be an officer of your club or your Federation and they are asking you for some kind of help, financial of course. Recent ones targeted our Federation President.

*Note, **emails are not being hacked.** They just pretend to be someone else by covering up the actual sending email address. The latest emails came from mailing79joo@gmail.com but a familiar name is being used to disguise that bit.*

Report all such emails by forwarding them to: report@phishing.gov.uk

We Want Your News!

Newsflash relies on our member Clubs providing us with details of their forthcoming events, news or information.

Currently, we get very little sent to us. If you don't tell us, we can't publish!

Please send your Club news to newsflash@thewpf.co.uk giving full information and as much notice as possible. Include an appropriate photo if you have one.

Please format your text it so it is easy to copy & paste as we wish to avoid lengthy rewrites.

PAGB E-News

We urge you to have a read of this PAGB newsletter as it contains a plethora of interesting articles, news and photographs. You can see the latest newsletters (as well as an archive of previous newsletters) [here](#).

For Sale & Wanted

If you have items listed 'for sale' please let us know if they have been sold.

Adverts will automatically be deleted after about two months unless otherwise advised.

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Advertise your 'For Sale' items here.

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Salon acceptances: WPF photographers are now achieving large numbers of salon acceptances and constraints on time and space mean we can't include them all. So please only advise us only of awards or other milestones.

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