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NEWSLETTER

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The Officers of the NWPA announce that Jason Wharam has resigned from the role of General Secretary with immediate effect. (03/10/2026).

In accordance with NWPA Constitution and pragmatic governance, the Officers are pleased to announce that Diana Wynn, has been co-opted to serve as an interim General Secretary until the AGM December 6th 2026.

We welcome and thank Diana who brings a wealth of valuable experience to the role. Before moving to North Wales, Diana served as secretary and treasurer in her local camera clubs in Devon as well as fulfilling the role as Secretary for the Western Counties Photographic Federation. Diana is currently serving as the Chair, NWPA Delegate and Competition Secretary of Coedpoeth & Minera CC.

Talking about her business and social career Diana comments

"Although very diverse, all my positions have been at management level, linked to some form of Administration, for which I hold a diploma in International Business Administration. I think it is my lifelong work in this field that has made it easy for me to be able to give back to the organizations with which I have enjoyed membership, something I feel is my duty if required. Currently I am working towards the first levels of BPE and FIAP, and will be trying for the BPAGB soon, having just missed out on CPAGB about 10 years ago."

We thank Jason for his service and wish him well. The Association remains focused on its work and supports a smooth transition.

Charles Meadows
President
North Wales Photographic Association

URGENT VACANCY

A vacancy has arisen for the role of General Secretary to join the Executive Officer Team of the North Wales Photographic Association

The post becomes available following the AGM
December 6th 2026

To apply, or request further details, please contact
secretary@nwpa.com

This is a reminder for the NWPB PDI Challenge 2026

at Craig-y-Don, Llandudno on the 7th November

The competition is open to all NWPB affiliated clubs and, whilst it is essentially a domestic competition, the results are used to decide **which three clubs** will be invited to represent the NWPB at the Photographic Alliance of Great Britain PDI Championships next July.

Each club taking part needs to **enter just one image into 8 of the 11 categories on offer - they are:**

Altered Reality
Architecture
Macro/Close Up
Motion

Nature
Night/Contre-Jour
Portraiture
Scapes

Street Scenes
Travel
Wild Card

Plus an extra 'Open' image to be used if a tie- break is necessary.

So to clarify - **all you need to enter are 9 pdi's - 1600x1200 pixels with 1200 being the maximum height if it is a vertical image.**

Please also note that entries should all be images that have not been entered into either this competition or as a print into the NWPB Print Battle.... but they could have been entered into the NWPB 'Individual'.

The closing date for entries is midnight on Sunday 25th October 2026

Full details of how to enter have been sent to all competing clubs but **if you require any further information**, please contact **John Smith, via email:**
clubsec@rhyphotosoc.co.uk

Shrewsbury BPE 2026								
Results: https://photoexhib.com/shrewsbury/results-2026/results.htm								
Club	Member	Colour	Mono	Nature	Scapes			
Coedpoeth & Minera	Diana Wynn	1						1
Conwy	Vicky Marginson	1	1					2
Deeside	Tony Grubb				1			1
Deeside	Ken Lester	1			1			2
Deeside	Mark Newman	1						1
Eryri	Linda Bell		2	2				4
Mold	Bryan Griffiths		1		2			3
Mold	Carol Griffiths	1						1
Mold	Julia Hodson	1	1					2
Mold	Dave Jowitt		1					1
Mold	Andy Polakowski	1	2					3
Rhyl	Chris Evans	3	2		2			7
6	12	10	10	2	6			28
Awards:								
Andy Polakowski: Selector's Award (Mono)								

The first of the latest bunch of BPE results is out with a variety of Acceptances and an Award. Using the link given you can very easily browse through all the accepted images by individual author.

Dingwall BPE 2026Results: <https://photoexhib.com/dingwallcc/results-2026/results.htm>

Club	Member	Colour	Mono	Nature	Scapes			
Deeside	Mark Newman	2						2
Deeside	Paula Potter		2	2	1			5
Eryri	Linda Bell	2		1				3
Mold	Bryan Griffiths				1			1
Mold	Carol Griffiths	2	1		1			4
Mold	Rich Hainsworth	2	2	1	1			6
Mold	Julia Hodson	1		1				2
Mold	Dave Jowitt			2				2
Mold	Andy Polakowski		2					2
Rhyl	Chris Evans	2	2		1			5
4	10	11	9	7	5			32

Awards:

Bryan Griffiths: Commended (Scapes)

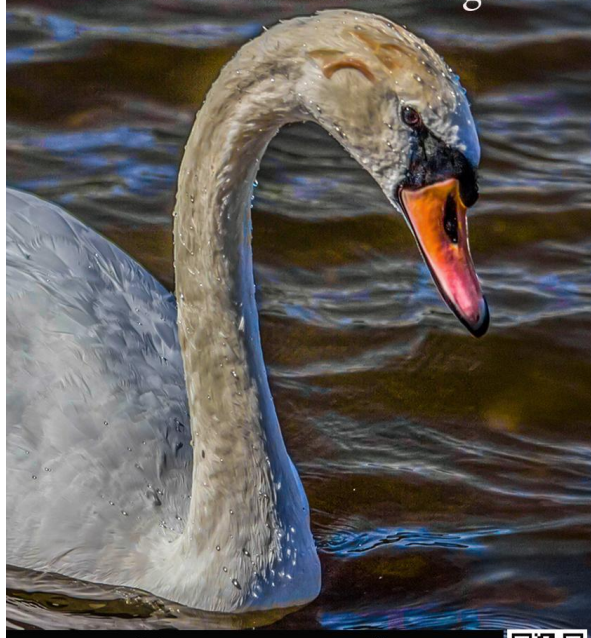
Rich Hainsworth: Commended (Colour)

Chris Evans: Highly Commended (Mono)

Very fast results from the north-east of Scotland with a couple of familiar names making a re-appearance. Three awards for North Wales is also a good result these days.

Using the link given you can very easily browse through all the accepted images by individual author.

PS: Kevin Hirst, ex Chairman of Mold and a Life Member, has got the urge again and has 3 Acceptances in this one, now representing Maidstone Camera Club - well done Kevin. One of them is a lovely North Walian landscape

**Coedpoeth & Minera Camera Club
2026 Exhibition of Images**

Dates:-
Wednesday 11th November 6:00pm - 9:00pm
Thursday 12th November 10:00am - 4:00pm
Friday 13th November 10:00am - 4:00pm

Venue:-
Plas Pentwyn Community Centre
1A Castle Road, Coedpoeth
Wrexham, LL11 3NU

**WELSH PHOTOGRAPHIC
FEDERATION****NEW
FOR 2027**

INTRODUCING TWO NEW DISTINCTIONS
PROPOSED ADJUDICATION DAY 6TH JUNE 2027
MORE DETAIL WILL APPEAR ON THE WPF WEBSITE SOON

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COMMITMENT AND
ACHIEVEMENT IN
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EXPERIENCE AND
OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTION
TO PHOTOGRAPHY

ADVANCING PHOTOGRAPHY IN WALES

The PAGB's tenth masters of print sponsored by CEWE and Online Paper NOW OPEN FOR ENTRY . CLOSING DATE 24 NOVEMBER .

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/>

Image Copyright Problems

A Club in the NCPF had a member who lasted less than a season about 6 years ago. He loaded an image, which was subsequently identified as plagiarised, onto the club's members gallery. A web-trawler from an image library (who represent the true author) picked this up and sent the club an invoice for several thousand pounds (reduced to around £1300 if paid within 14 days) for 'use of a licensed image with no record of payment'.

The NCPF checked the claim using 'Copyright Aid' (<https://copyrightaid.co.uk>) who have identified for similar cases that it was "Perfectly legal but morally questionable." The image library in this case is just one of several who are currently web trawling specifically to find unlicensed images from their stock collections and they can represent a large number of photographers. If clubs are caught using a licensable image, they may face substantial claims. Advice from the PAGB is available on their website, together with a variety of other useful documents.

CALENDAR - 2026

JAN.			
FEB.			
MAR.	Sun. 1	1.30	NWPA Executive Meeting Craig-y-Don, Llandudno
APR.	Sat. 11		NWPA Print Battle Craig-y-Don, Llandudno
	25/26		PAGB APMs Cumbria
MAY			
JUNE	Sun. 7	1.30	NWPA Executive Meeting Craig-y-Don, Llandudno
JULY	Sat. 11		NWPA Competition Craig-y-Don, Llandudno
	Sun. 19		PAGB Inter-Club PDI Championship Warwick
AUG.			
SEPT.	Sun. 6	1.30	NWPA Executive Meeting Craig-y-Don, Llandudno
	Sun. 20	9.30	NWPA Model Shoot Conwy
OCT.	Sat. 24		PAGB Inter-Club Print Championship Newport, Shrops
NOV.	Sat. 7		NWPA PDI Challenge Craig-y-Don, Llandudno
	28/29		PAGB APMs Colchester, Essex
DEC.	Sun. 6	1.30	NWPA AGM + Exec. Meeting Craig-y-Don, Llandudno

The above are just a few dates to put into your clubs' diaries.

Please let me have any more to be included.

From Christine Langford

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