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Welsh Salon of Photography 2010 catalogues

Message from Philippa Wood AFIAP CPAGB

If all goes to plan, the Salon catalogues are due to be collected from the printer Next Friday and individual members who entered the Salon will be able to collect their copy the following day, Saturday 10th, at the opening of the exhibition.

Club packages will also be available and all will need to be signed for.

Collect your copy from the first floor which houses the Monochrome prints.

Uncollected copies and packages will be posted as soon as possible.

Thanks go to Linda Wellington (Swansea) for her help in getting the catalogue printed as quickly as possible. (and also to Philippa, who has spent the last few days working 23 hours a day to finish it in time.)

WARNING!! CLAUSE 43

We urge all photographers to read about this now as this issue is important to us all. You think you own your own photographs? Think again. The UK Government wants to introduce a law to allow anyone to use your photographs commercially, or in ways you might not like, without asking you first.

You'll have heard of the **Digital Economy Bill**: it introduces powers to cut your Internet connection if you're caught illegally downloading films, music or software. It does more than that. **It takes your photographs from you, too.**

Until now, if someone found one of your photographs and wanted to use it commercially, they couldn't without first asking you. **Clause 43** changes all that by allowing the use of "**Orphan Works**" - photographs, illustrations and other artworks whose owners cannot be found.

Clause 43 says that **if someone finds your photograph, wants to use it and decides that they can't trace you, they can do whatever they like with it after paying an arbitrary fee to a UK Government-appointed "licensing body"**. **You'll never know unless you happen to find it being used in this way**, in which case you should be able to claim some money.

There's more. Clause 43 also introduces "**Extended Collective Licensing**". This means that if someone finds your photograph and **can** trace you, **they still don't have to contact you for permission to use it.** They can go to a UK Government-appointed "collecting society" and ask them instead. They'll pay an arbitrary fee and be able to **do whatever they like with the photograph. Your photograph.** Again, without asking you first or paying what you would have charged.

At, least, so we think - because the **Bill** carefully leaves much of this **undefined, unclear and to be dealt with by secondary legislation based on "consultation" that the Government can ignore.**

IF YOU FEEL YOU'D LIKE TO STOP THIS NOW PLEASE WRITE TO YOUR MP.

The movement to counter Clause 43 has gathered great strength recently and has forced the UK Government finally to take notice of us, having roundly ignored us

during the last five years of "enquiries" and "consultations". They have been forced into making public assurances and committing to limits and further consultations as a result of our pressure. **CLAUSE 43 COULD BE STOPPED IF WE MAINTAIN PRESSURE.**

For more information and news of what to do read here;

<http://www.stop43.org.uk>

<http://www.leoneal.com/blog/2010/03/29/kill-bill/>

MORE MEMBERS` SALON & COMPETITION RESULTS

Well done to Gary Shinner who was writing recently on Newsflash – It`s great to read about our members doing well.

Here is some more great news and more next week.

Andrew Baxter AFIAP CPAGB has been doing ok lately as well!!

7 acceptances in Holland

3 acceptances in Australia

4 in Greater Lynn USA

3 in The Welsh Salon

1 acceptance in Bristol

And no less than 22 acceptances in The Great British Small Print Circuit.

Andrew also received TWO HM ribbons in this as well.

Jenny Hibbard AWPf DPAGB – another WPF star!

2 acceptances in Smethwick

1 acceptance in Bebington

2 acceptances in Evesham

3 acceptances in Fresno Int. USA

2 acceptances in Bristol

5 acceptances in Southampton including a FIAP GOLD MEDAL!! Well done.

9 acceptances in The Great British Small Print Circuit, with FIAP RIBBON and Judges Choice.

7 acceptances in the Welsh Salon with Best Colour Print and Best Natural History Image.

Jan Cawley AFIAP

Recent acceptances are;

3 acceptances in Smethwick

4 acceptances in Toronto

4 acceptances in Tropical Image USA

5 acceptances in Southampton

4 acceptances in France

1 acceptance in Italy

1 acceptance in Bristol

21 acceptances in The Great British Small Print Circuit with THREE HM Ribbons and one Judges Choice

3 acceptances in the Welsh Salon with one Commended image and Best Still Life Trophy

We want to hear about all **your successes. Please send them to Newsflash.**

REMINDER - DON`T FORGET THE BARRIAN CUP 2010

Barry Camera Club are pleased to announce that the date of the 2010 Barrian Cup Club Competition will be the 5th of June 2010. All clubs have been sent the entry forms and the closing date for entries will be the **15th of May 2010**. For further information please contact Mike Lewis on 01446 710770.

REMINDER - PAGB DISTINCTIONS

The PAGB will be running an additional Adjudication in December 2010 – with a difference!

This event (which will be for one day only) will only be open to applicants **who do not wish (or are unable) to attend the Distinctions day assessment of their work**. This will reduce the amount of Administration required and avoid the need to hire a large hall suitable for an audience. All other aspects of a normal adjudication will apply (eg using six PAGB accredited judges) so there will be no relaxation of standards. The Adjudication – which will be for Credit and Distinction levels only – has limited spaces which are filling quite nicely. Interested? Please contact your Federation Awards Officer for details of how to enter and qualification criteria.

Please Note;

The lists for the next normal Adjudication (where you can attend if you wish) due to be held in April 2011 are shortly to be opened. There are already a number of applications “on hold” and it is likely that this event will fill quite quickly.

Do not delay applying.

Jan Cawley PAGB Awards Officer

The John Morgan Competitions

Entries for the John Morgan Trophy (for Clubs) and the John Morgan Cup (for individuals) **MUST** be in by the end of April. There is still time, but not plenty of time, to compile an entry.

The competitions are for three derived projected images from a single starting image of your own choice.

Details of the competitions including rules and an entry form can be found on the Dean PC website (www.deanphotoclub.org.uk). In case of problems downloading then please contact me on peterherbert@ukonline.co.uk. Those of you who looked up last year's results on the website and found downloading very slow may be pleased to know that his problem has been resolved and downloading is now much quicker. The competitions take place on **Saturday the 15th of May** and entries should be sent to peterbrambling@googlemail.com.

SPECIAL OFFERS

Warehouse Express has lots of special offers for Easter.

Have a look here <http://www.warehouseexpress.com/Home/default.aspx>

£30 cashback on a Canon Eos 500D plus 18-55mm lens plus lots more.

EARLY WARNING FOR NEW WORKSHOP

The WPF Executive are running a new type of workshop on **'How to improve your Images'** with emphasis on **QUALITY**.

It will be held on **Sunday May 9th** in Talbot Green Hall. More details and how to book in next week's newsflash. There will be a maximum of 40 places.

E-mail Mervyn Pugh at twin008@tiscali.co.uk for more information.

LAST FEW DAYS OF MERTHYR TYDFIL CAMERA CLUB'S EXHIBITION

Merthyr Tydfil Camera Club is holding it's annual exhibition at Cyfarthfa Castle Museum from Saturday 27th March until Monday 5th April 2010, normal Museum opening hours. Opening night is on Monday 29th March 2010.

MORISTON CAMERA CLUB'S ANNUAL EXHIBITION

From Wednesday 7th April to Saturday 10th April at The Crypt, St David's Church, Woodfield Street, Morriston. We shall be showing 84 framed prints – some from almost every club member, both experienced photographers and those who have only taken up photography in the last few months. Opening times are in calendar of events, below, and admission is free.

WE NEED YOUR NEWS

Please send any news, advice, photographic tips & ideas, and details of your successes to Newsflash. We want your news.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS (including major inter-club competitions)

New events highlighted. Just click on a date in Calendar on the WPF website Home page and see full details as they become available, followed by reports and pictures.

27th March to 5th April – Merthyr Camera Club's exhibition at Cyfarthfa Castle Museum

April 2010

3rd to 29th April Welsh Salon of Photography – Foyer of Grand Theatre, Swansea

7th to 10th April Morriston Camera Club's Annual Exhibition – The Crypt, St David's Church, Woodfield Street, Morriston. Open from 10.00am to 5.30pm on Wednesday and Thursday, 10.00am to 7.30pm on Friday and 10.00am to 2.00pm on Saturday.

10th April - Official opening of the Welsh Salon of Photography in the Grand Theatre, Swansea.

MAY 2010

Sunday 9th May – Image Improvement Workshop.

Saturday 15th May – John Morgan Competitions at Dean P.C. Closing date for entries April 30th.

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