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## November 2024

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### What's been happening?

- 6 November – Competition – “Flying is not only for the birds” – judged by Ben Pike
- 13 November – Committee
- 20 November – Inspiring Photographers
- 27 November – Studio night with Scott

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### Next Month

- 4 December – Winners' event judged by Jim Bennett
- 11 December – Christmas party
- 18 December – Christmas holiday
- 25 December – Christmas holiday

# Kempston Camera Club

I think it's fair to say that this month's competition theme got us all thinking and there were some interesting takes on the theme of “Flying is not only for the birds”. You can see the winning images on page 3.

## Christmas Party – 11<sup>th</sup> December

The Christmas party is open to all members and their partners and food, and soft drinks will be supplied. If you have any particular foods or alcoholic drinks you would like to consume on the evening, please bring those along.

Winners of this year's leagues will be announced on the night of the party along with our annual fun competition of a selection of photos from throughout the year. As always, this will be judged by members and their guests who will vote for their preferred images as they are shown in pairs, finally whittling down to an overall winner. Many thanks to Gordon for agreeing to organise this for us.

## League tables and scoring

The committee met on the second week and discussed next year's programme as well as the scoring system used to judge on competition nights. This year we have used the scores achieved by each image, awarding an additional 5 points for the winner, 3 for second place, 2 for third place and 1 for each of two highly commended images. These are recorded each month giving a running total across the year which is displayed on the website.

In order not to disadvantage members who were unable to enter every month, it was decided to take the best 7 monthly scores to give a final total for the year. Winners of the “Best 7” will be announced at the Christmas Party.

Next year's scoring will be explained fully, but extra points will not be awarded for placed images and all three scores for each photographer will be visible on the league table each month.

## Next year's programme

This was also agreed at the committee meeting and is displayed on the next page, shortly to be added to the website. You may notice that there will also be themes applied to some Print competitions as well as Digitals.

# Programme 2025

## KCC Programme 2025

January	1	Holiday	
	8	Competition	Digital theme: Black & White - <b>Ben Pike</b> Print theme: Architecture
	15	Speaker	<i>Paper selection and printing - Jonathan Vaines</i>
	22	Studio	
	29	Committee	
February	5	Competition:	Theme: Open - <b>Steve Mulvey</b>
	12	Practical evening (4 tables as discussed)	
	19	AGM	
	26	Studio	
March	5	Competition:	Theme: Open - <b>André Neves</b>
	12	Committee	
	19	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Martin Patten - Critique your own photos</i>
	26	Studio	
April	2	Competition:	Digital theme: Reflections - Jim Bennett Print theme: Portraits
	9	Close ups and photo-stacking	<b>Roy</b>
	16	Follow up from Roy's session	
	23	Studio	
	30	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Hemant Jariwala - The Dales - Limestone Country</i>
May	7	Competition:	Theme: Open - <b>Penny Reeves</b>
	14	Committee	
	21	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Ann Miles - By the seaside</i>
	28	Studio	
June	4	Competition:	Digital theme: Portraits - <b>David Steel</b> Print theme: Abstract
	11	SD Challenge (location TBD)	
	18	Review of SD Challenge	
	25	Studio - <b>outdoor session starting at 7.00pm</b>	
July	2	Competition:	Theme: Open - <b>Colin Mill</b>
	9	Committee	
	16	Photo walk - London - <b>all day event</b>	
	23	Studio - <b>outdoor session starting at 7.00pm</b>	
	30	Visit to Olney club for talk from Ann Miles	
August	6	Competition:	Theme: Open - <b>Daphne Hanson</b>
	13	<i>Summer recess</i>	
	20	<i>Summer recess</i>	
	27	<i>Summer recess</i>	
September	3	Competition:	Digital theme: Landscapes/Seascapes - <b>Naomi Soul</b> Print theme: Reflections
	10	Committee	
	17	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>David Steel - People Pictures</i>
	24	Studio	
October	1	Competition -	Theme: Open - <b>Chris Forster</b>
	8	Photographing in the dark - using tripod/flash	<b>Peter</b>
	15	Review of last week's session	
	22	Studio	
	29	<i>Speaker</i>	<i>Steve Williams - Street Photography</i>
November	5	Competition:	Digital theme: Architecture - <b>Richard Burn</b> Print theme: Macro/Close-Ups
	12	Committee	
	19	Still life	
	26	Studio	
December	3	Competition:	Winners' event - <b>Jonathan Vaines</b>
	10	Christmas party	
	17	<b>Christmas holiday</b>	
	24	<b>Christmas holiday</b>	
	31	<b>Holiday</b>	

## Competition

### Digital – Flying is not only for the birds

1st place – Red kite swooping for food by Peter

2<sup>nd</sup> place – Ah!! By Paul

3<sup>rd</sup> place – Hummingbird Hawk Moth by Chris

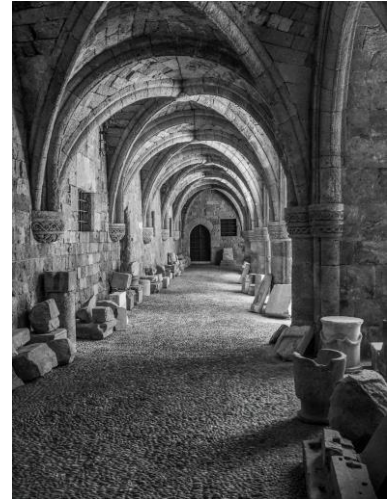


## Prints

1st place – Mysterious by Peter

2<sup>nd</sup> place – Rhodes old town by Peter

3<sup>rd</sup> place – Three ladies by Aidan



## Inspiring Photographers

This was a fascinating evening combining a video and presentation of many inspiring photographers – including our own members - and a practical session led by Aidan in which we attempted to recreate images taken by David Bailey.

The first was a portrait of Michael Caine (modelled by Aidan) and the second a portrait of David Bailey himself (modelled by Richard).

Many thanks to our two models for being such good sports and to Andy for setting up the lighting to make it all look authentic.

Here are some of the results:

The originals:



Some copies from club members:



*These from Andy*

Aidan even sported a wig to recreate the Mick Jagger photo below, copied by Kay:



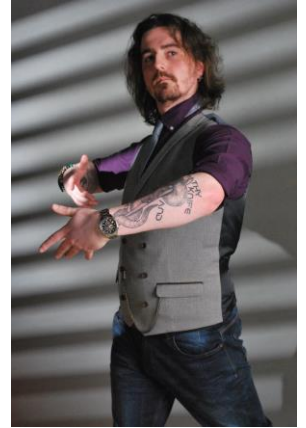
Placing them side by side for us, Andy shows how close they were.



## Studio night with Scott

It was a nice change to have a male model for this studio night and Andy did well to find us Scott who was able to demonstrate some of his Tango poses among others:

These three were taken by Ernie



And these by Miray, one of our newest members:



## Links from the Chairman

Thanks, as always, to Aidan for sending us all these links so regularly.

<https://www.bouwebrouwer.org/home>



<https://www.forbes.com/sites/ceciliarodriguez/2024/11/26/wildlife-photographer-of-the-year-25-photos-to-vote-for-your-favorite/>



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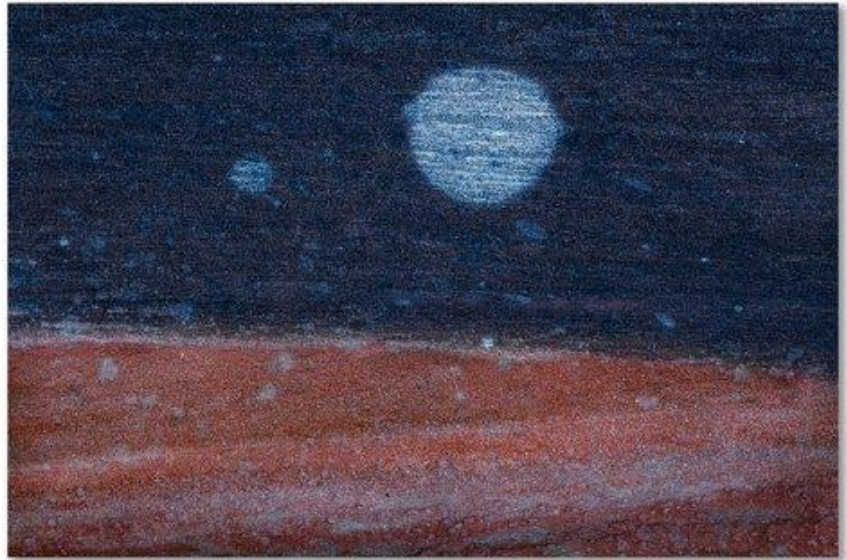


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Lastly this video on black and white photography which will be our theme in January:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=GKpseaNk5Ao>

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