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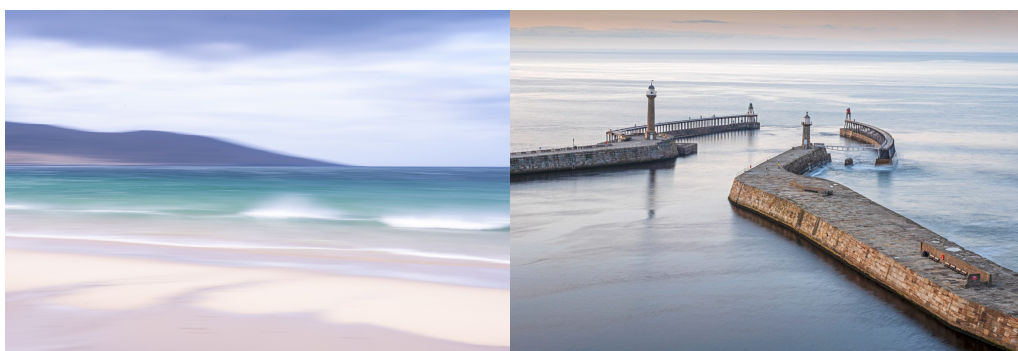
More success for BPS Members

BPS members continue to see their skills recognised. Three Beckenham photographers had their prints accepted in the 111th London Salon of Photography; a considerable feat as more than 800 prints were submitted. Angela Ford was successful with Walk this Way as was Roger Ford with Wet Walkers. Particular mention goes to Andrew Moss who had his print Red House (winner of the Best Landscape in this year's BPS Exhibition) accepted while his image Touché, already a major award-winner, received a prestigious London Salon Medal.



The exhibition will tour the country and be shown at the Camera Club in Kennington from 11th August until 5th September. Look out for more details on the LS [website](#).

Another exhibition featuring BPS members is being hung this week on the railings of Southwark Cathedral. Both Keith Surey and David Rees have had their images selected by the RPS Landscape Group for its prestigious outdoor touring exhibition. Keith's image Tranquillity and David's Harbour Entrance, Whitby will be gracing the railings from May 17th to June 8th before moving on to Bristol, Nottingham, York, Chester, Keswick and Inverness.



In addition, both images are featured in On Landscape, the online magazine for landscape photographers. Go to this [link](#) to read the photographers' descriptions of their images plus those from other successful exhibitors. You can also see all the exhibited images [here](#). Finally, Keith and Barrie Brown also successfully entered images for the KCPA Photographic Exhibition that was recently on display in Faversham. Barrie had four images accepted

including Water Vole (*Arvicola Amphibius*) shown below and Keith had two including Colourful Strollers which he captured on an iPhone. Keith is encouraging more members to enter images in next season's exhibition.



News from the AGM

This meeting resulted in the election of a new Committee to guide the Club through an exciting year when we will be moving to new meeting premises. Members: President – Roger Ford; Vice-President Andrew Moss; Secretary – Keith Surey; Treasurer – David Pollard; Programme Organiser and External Competitions Secretary – Marcia Hood Leeder; Internal Competitions Secretary – John Kerbel; Frances Wimpress; Committee Members – Nigel Poole, Frances Wimpress Sara Jeffery. Other non-committee roles: Fred Barrington – Webmaster; Sheree Dodd – Bulletin; Steve Wilbur – Projectionist; Tom Maguire – Auditor.

Members will note that we are still looking for an Exhibition Organiser. This is a very important and interesting role co-ordinating the activities that ensure the smooth running of Beckenham's successful exhibition. Please contact Roger Ford for further information - roger.ford@raf50.com

The AGM was also the final opportunity to vote on the trial format for next season's competitions. Andrew Moss who organised the vote reports: "Many thanks for the significant response to the vote on the trial format for competitions in the coming season. 38 of our 51 members voted online or in person at the AGM. The results are:

Option 1: Two groups assessed/marked:	10 votes
Option 2: Every image assessed and the top few ranked by the judge:	11 votes
Option 3: As option 2 plus an end-of-season finale:	9 votes
Option 4: Keep the current system:	8 votes

This shows 53% voted to have the judge assess every image and pick a number of favourites. The committee will now move ahead based on these results and consider how best to implement the trial."

Getting to Know our New Premises

To celebrate the move to our new meeting premises at the Harris Primary Academy Beckenham Green members are invited to a Tea, Cakes and Orientation Party on the afternoon of 12th July. This will be a great opportunity to get to know the new location with plenty of signage and helping hands, as well as a summertime catch up. Join members between 1 and 4pm.

Events for Your Diary

Carshalton Camera Club is holding its annual exhibition on Saturday 7th June from 10am to 4pm at the Carshalton Methodist Church, Ruskin Road, SM5 3DE. The club will also be holding a raffle and serving refreshments so if you are visiting make sure you have some money with you.

Stanley Arts is featuring the work of dance photographer Chris Nash who has been described by The Guardian as “Our most imaginative interpreter of dance”. The exhibition is on until 13th June at the Gallery, which is at 12 South Norwood Hill, London SE25. It’s also a very interesting building to visit.

You can still visit **The Photographers' Gallery** to see two photo exhibitions: Deutsche Börse Photography Foundation Prize 2025 and a retrospective of the work of Peter Mitchell, one of the most important colour photographers of the 1970s and 1980s who has chronicled life in Leeds for more than four decades. Both are on until June 15th. More [here](#)

The **Wildlife Photographer of the Year** winning entries are still on display at the Natural History Museum until 29th June 2025. Information [here](#)

The **Astronomy Photographer of the Year** continues at the National Maritime Museum in Greenwich until July. Admission is free while the museum is undergoing construction work. It features over 100 images from photographers across the globe displayed on lightbox screens. See: <https://www.rmg.co.uk/whats-on/astronomy-photographer-year/exhibition>

Our photo walk around Margate is back on for 6th September. The walk is being led by former BPS member Jackie Andrews – now a local resident. Current plans are to meet at 10.25 at Margate Station (timed for the arrival of the 8.57 from Bromley South). Day will include Dreamland, the Turner Gallery, Beachfront and plenty of refreshment stops. More information nearer the day.

The RHS Botanical Art and Photography Show will celebrate the beauty of plant life at the Saatchi Gallery in London between June 13th and July 27th. The [event](#) is free and one of the judges of the photography portfolios was BPS’ Polina Plotnikova

Something to keep you busy through the summer. Closing dates for entries to photo competitions. If you have some great weather pics the Standard Chartered Weather Photographer of the Year competition is now open until June 18th. Run by the Royal Meteorological Society it showcases the world’s most striking weather and climate images by amateur and professional photographers in four categories. More information [here](#). There are some very valuable prizes available to the winners of the Epson International Pano Awards (especially if a recent presentation has encouraged you to create these). Early bird entries close June 30th with final entries by July 21st. More [here](#). Finally, The Nikon Comedy Wildlife Photo competition is open until 30th June with top prize a Kenyan safari. Read more [here](#).

Look out for **more events and visits** organised during the summer months when the Society is not meeting. Information will be available on the WhatsApp Group and via email. Please send any plans you have or events you are aware of to beckenhampscomms@gmail.com

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