

Crewe Photographic Society

Annual General Meeting Thursday 24th April 2014
7.30pm in the Library, Crewe.

A Report about our External Competition Entries 2013-14

We came second to Leek PC in the **Robertshaw Trophy** this year, tying with Blythe Bridge. The event next year will be at Macclesfield (Monday 6 October).

The **Chester Knock-Out** this year was won by Birkenhead PA and Nantwich CC.

At the **North Cheshire Challenges** we had our best success for a number of years, coming 4th in the Print Competition and 3rd in the PDI KO. *Roosting Common Blue* by Paul Hill was the most successful print and in the KO Ian Whiston's *Lion Cub at Play* stayed in until the 5th round and *Priests Cove* by Paul Hill the third.

L&CPU Competitions

In the **L&CPU Knock-Out** we came 10th the most successful images being Paul Hill *Priest's Cove* which stayed in for 3 rounds and Ian Whiston's *Tommie Lamb* which stayed in for 4.

L&CPU Club Annuals

PDIs: Peter Robinson *The Carpenter* 12, John Royle *Alone* 12, Ian Whiston *Lionness with Warthog* and *Thompson Gazelle Escaping* both 14, *Wigeon* by Dennis Swaby and *Knot Roost* by Wallace Baxter both 12

Prints: *A long lead* by John Royle 12, *Steampunk* Martin McGing 12, *Washday Blues* Dolores Williams 12, *Sunset from the Roaches* Paul Hill 12, *After the Shower* Paul Hill 12, *Snowdonia stream* by Paul 13. *Meadow Pipit* by Bob Brown 14, *Roosting Common Blue* by Paul 13 as was *Slavonian Grebe*.

We came 15th in Open Colour, 5th in Nature in Mono 25th, 11th overall in PDI. We did not get the rank order in Prints.

2013 L&CPU Annual Individuals' Competition

Prints; John Royle had 2 12s, one going in the exhibition and the other to the PAGB competition. Paul Hill's *Fallow Deer Buck* also scored 12.

In PDIs *Winter Glow* by Peter Robinson scored 12 in **Colour Open**, whilst in **Monochrome** Darren Carter's *Minimal Defence* scored 13 and gained a Commendation. Also in Mono, *Sophie* by Peter Robinson, *Kite Surfer* by Ray Hill, *Conversation on the Bridge* by Dolores Williams and *The Starlet* by Meg Cumming all had 12. In **Nature** all 4 of Ian Whiston's entries scored 13 (*Lionness with Warthog*, *European Bee Eaters Lion Cub* and *Hoopoe Approaching Nest*) *Nuthatch* by Ray Hill also scored 12.

The entries for the **2014 Annual Individuals Competition** have just been made and will be reported later.

Great British Cup

110 clubs entered the Open, 101 the Nature and 63 the "Small"

We had less success this year.

In the **Nature** section we had only two 12s and one 13 from Ian Whiston and Wallace Baxter in contrast to last year where Ian became wildlife photographer of the year!

The general section was even more disappointing, with no 12s at all but five 11s from Peter Robinson, Dolores Williams and Dave Barton

We came 43rd in Nature, 63rd in Open.