

Phoenix Photographic Group

Newsletter from Meeting of 4th March 2019

Introduction

Twenty six people turned up for this Members' Pics. Well done gang!

News Items

New Members' Pics topic chosen – it's **Food!**

Cannock Arts Council are holding a fund-raising quiz on 29th March (Friday) at 7:30 at the Soldiers Club, Anglesea Street, Hednesford ... £3 per person. **Every PPG member has benefitted significantly from the near £1000 grants we've received from CAC**, so I reckon it's only fair we should have at least one team of 6 people going along. **Everybody still can!** Mail me (Joe) if you want to participate.

Marie needs at least six replacement pics for the Hospital by the end of this month. As usual 20" x 16" mounted and of subjects that could arguably be confused with something local to Staffordshire!!

IMPORTANT: Alan Shaw goes for an operation on his foot tomorrow. Good luck Alan. Meaning he'll not be collecting the money etc from next week on. We desperately need SOMEBODY TO STEP FORWARD and take up his role. Not on a week-at-a-time basis, but as an every-week commitment. We're grateful for 'occasional' offers of help, but I (Joe) don't want to be bringing the bag in every week and taking it home again. Come on guys! You must get something from these meetings or 26 people wouldn't turn up. Put something back in. Somebody please step forward – put your head above the parapet. Please mail or phone Joe if you're prepared to volunteer.

Activities

Ian chased the mouse around so that we could see the Members' Pics of Moving Objects and Images Suitable for Advertising. This week we had an informal 'appreciation panel' of Baz and Sandra, making apposite comments about each. This seemed to work very well. Ian put some images into Edit mode so that they could be cropped etc as per members' suggestions.

A very varied selection, gave rise to lots of comment and eventually consumed all the time we had available. There will be a 'Phase 2' to Advertising Images ... a session when we work in tables to put text onto photos we've taken etc, using various software tools.

Next Meeting

Will be 11th March at the Village Hall. Fiona Park will be bringing a menagerie of small animals that will be models for our photos. We'll use studio lighting where the animal will tolerate it; take photos outside if that's more sensible and if the weather allows.

Remember cameras, tripods, remote shutter releases, flash, anything else you rely upon!

Members' Pics Topics

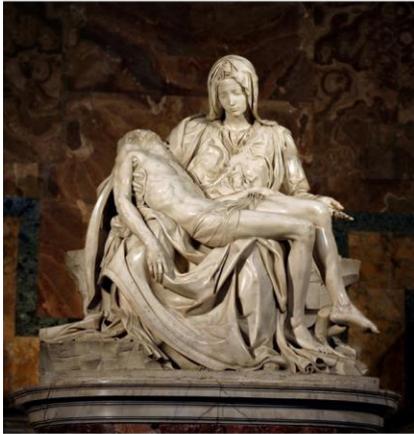
Food Ad Images

Please send your images to: - ianchalstead@yahoo.co.uk

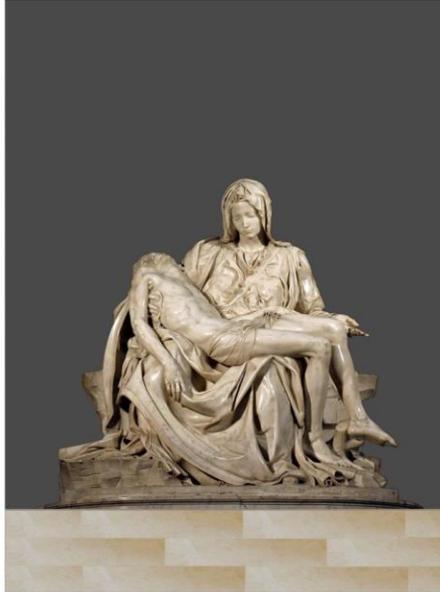


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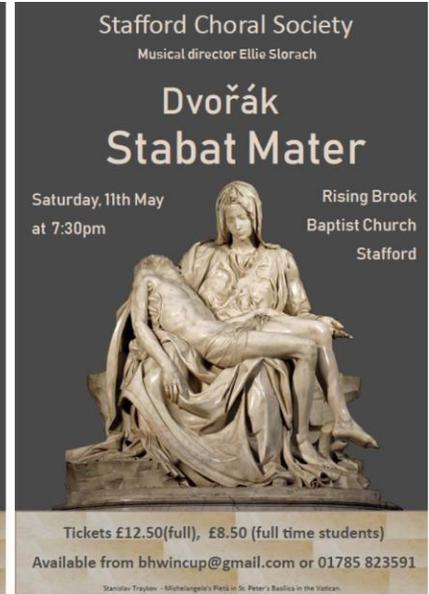
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ORIGINAL IMAGE



EDIT BACKGROUND, CROP, MARBLE FOOT



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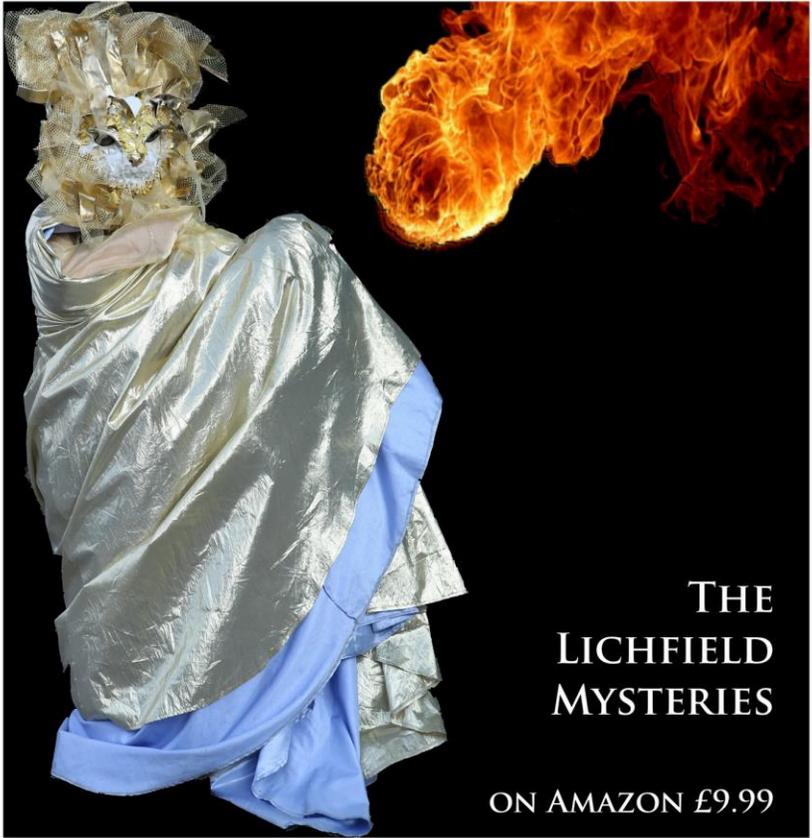
Joe Thatcher

Stages in the construct of a poster



Frank Gill

Water skier



Bob Bell

Poster



Maurice Alden

On The Road Again



Sandra Turner

Kissing The Gunner's Daughter??

Norton® The unmissable experience



John Ford

What Can You Say?

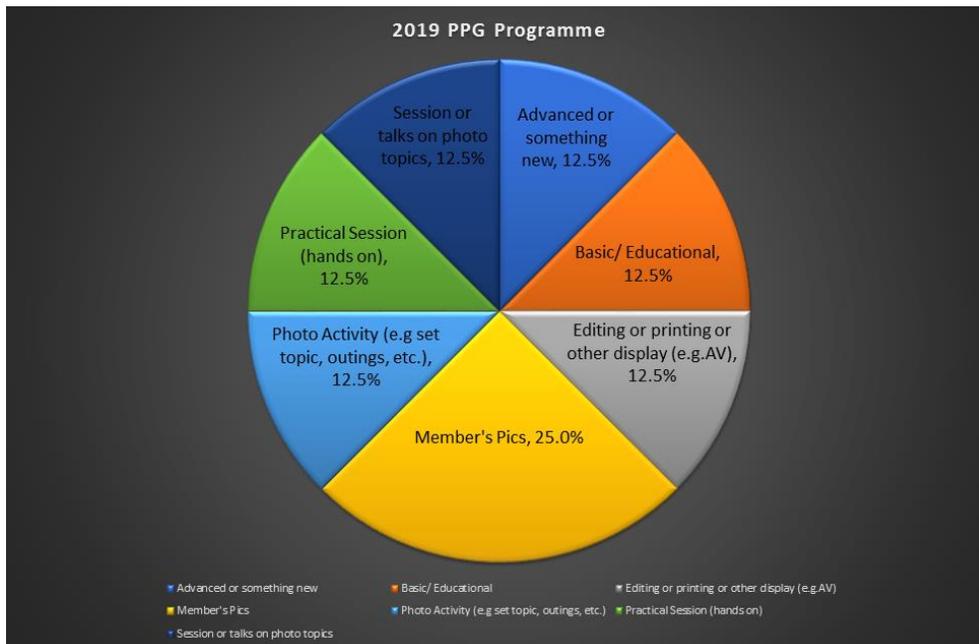
What The Devil Happened Here?



Bell's – wouldn't you just know it!

Joe What I Need After Every PPG Meeting (The Whisky Obviously)

For those of you who are interested in how the PPG meeting schedule is now mapped out – following the recent questionnaire – an indication is shown below. Whilst this doesn't spell out exactly what's on each meeting's agenda, it should illustrate roughly what proportion of 2019's sessions we will spend on specific topic areas.



That's All Folks!!