

Hexham & District Photographic Society  
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**ASSIGNMENTS**

Prints from the Rugby and Alnmouth assignments will need to be brought along to the club on the 8<sup>th</sup> September as the assignment night is being held on 22<sup>nd</sup> September. Please also remember to bring your comments about the work. Up to 4 prints for each assignment. Remember that if you have been on any assignment you do need to contribute with prints and comments.

**Please note that the assignment to South Shields on 8<sup>th</sup> August has been postponed until September/October**

Bob is leading an assignment to Beamish Museum on **Thursday, 3<sup>rd</sup> September 2009**, meeting in the main car park for 9:50am. .

**Great North Steam Fair - 3rd to 6th September**

Relive the golden days of steam. Visiting locomotives are in steam at the Beamish Railway Station and Colliery and much more besides.

With vintage vehicles, steam rollers, traction engines, stationary engines, the magnificent colliery winding engine and guest appearances of fabulous machines.

An excellent event for steam and transport enthusiasts alike.

The cost of entry is £16 per person or £13 for seniors over 60. If we can make a group of 15 or more then the rate is £11 and £10 per person. If anyone wants to pay the full day rate then they can, for the same price, have full years unlimited pass to Beamish. This is something new that Beamish have introduced this year and it is certainly well worth it as there are a number of future events at Beamish.

Website <http://www.beamish.org.uk/Home.aspx>

**Bob is making this assignment a little different by asking that all images from this assignment be in Monochrome. FIAP Monochrome definition is as follows:**

"A black and white work fitting from the very dark grey (black) to the very clear grey (white) is a monochrome work with the various shades of grey. A black & white work toned entirely in a single colour will remain a monochrome work."

Please email Bob if you are going. Email address is: [stevenbob@btinternet.com](mailto:stevenbob@btinternet.com)

We have planning a number of assignments over the next few months such as South Shields September/October, a quiet spot on the River Irthing on 3<sup>rd</sup> October and Pickering for the WW11 re-enactment on 17<sup>th</sup> October. Details will be on the notice board as soon as we start the new season.

Anyone who has any ideas for assignments please let me know.

## **ANNUAL EXHIBITION**

Once again we have had a very successful exhibition with over 1100 visitors during the 9 days. We have had people from Australia/New Zealand/America/Japan as well as the EU and the UK.

I would like to thank everyone who helped with the exhibition by hanging the prints, sitting during the week, and helping with food for the guest evening and of course giving their prints/digital files for the exhibition. There have been many excellent comments by our visitors and I am sure that those of you who managed to see the work would agree that it was excellent.

For those of you who didn't see the digital show or even want to watch it again Bob has put it on the club website.

## **FOR SALE**

### **CANON ZOOM LENS 80-200MM F2.8**

This lens fits either Digital or film camera bodies and being so fast is ideal for sports, candid and wildlife photography. It is the equivalent to a 320mm lens on all but full frame digital cameras.

This is an excellent L (luxury) series lens and whilst not an IS (image stabilized) it is one of the sharpest.

You are quite welcome to try before you buy. It comes complete with a detachable hood, tripod mounting ring, skylight filter and front and rear caps.

The lens is £425

Please contact Danny Brannigan if you are interested. Tel no. 01434 320439 or email [photos@dannybrannigan.F9.co.uk](mailto:photos@dannybrannigan.F9.co.uk)

## **TEA ROTA**

It is that time of year when the volunteers are needed for the weekly meetings. I will get a list for the notice board but could I have 2 volunteers for the first night please.

It will be much easier this season as we will be using disposable cups and therefore no washing up which was always the worst part. Please email if you can do the first night.

Carol