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AWARDS FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC MERIT

TWO NEW LEVELS

FOUR NEW MPAGB



Warren Alami MPAGB *On Your Bike*



Helen Mitchell MPAGB *Triplets Hitchin a Lift*



Tony North MPAGB *Milking Bonnets*



Colion Bradshaw MPAGB *Buzzard and Red Kite Dispute*

A truly Record Breaking Adjudication

THE PHOTOGRAPHIC ALLIANCE OF GREAT BRITAIN



AWARDS FOR PHOTOGRAPHIC MERIT – NOVEMBER 2023 ADJUDICATION

It was another successful APM Adjudication weekend with the Print entries being assessed at The Jubilee Hotel, Nottingham on Saturday 25 November and the Projected Digital Images at Smethwick Clubrooms on Sunday 26 November.

There were 9 entrants in the first ever Badge (BPAGB) Print section and 8 were successful. 27 entrants in the Credit (CPAGB) Print section with 20 successful and in the Credit PDI, out of 25 entrants 19 were successful. In the Distinction (DPAGB) Print category there were 17 entrants with 6 successful, whilst in Distinction PDI there were 20 entrants with 8 successful. In the new Excellence (EPAGB) Print category there were 10 entrants with 5 successful and in the Master (MPAGB) Print, out of 7 entrants, 4 photographers gained the Award.

We are indebted to the North & East Midlands Photographic Federation for their hard work in organising the Print event, Carol Cheetham the Organising & Reception Secretary, N&EMPF President, Sue Wilson, Print Handlers Steve Walters, Louse & Gary Langley, Brian & Shirley Davis, Peter Jones and Dave Severn, who was also resident Photographer for both venues. The event ran very smoothly. Thank you all.

We also thank Smethwick Photographic Society for hosting the PDI event on the Sunday, led by Judith & Roger Parry, together with members of Smethwick Photographic Society. We thank you all for your welcome and hospitality.

Our grateful thanks also go to the Adjudicators Dave Gibbins, Richard Speirs, Gordon Jenkins, Jane Lines, Carol McNiven Young and Mike Sharples, who worked hard over the weekend assessing the bumper entry.

The PAGB Team once again made sure that the event ran smoothly, APM Chairman, Rod Wheelans, Gordon Jenkins, Libby & Neil Smith, Jane Lines and James Hardy. A special mention to Adrian Lines who wrote the new scoring system for the Adjudications, which was used over the weekend with no problems.

*Have a great Christmas and New Year.
Daphne Hanson
PAGB President and APM Secretary*

Print Adjudication held at Nottingham 25 November 2023

9 applications were adjudicated at **BADGE AWARD** level, 8 were successful.

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| Gordon Armstrong | Atherton & District APS | L&CPU |
| Christopher Boyes | Sale PS | L&CPU |
| David John Bull | Lichfield CC | MCPF |
| Norman Smith | Dudley CC | MCPF |
| Steve Parrish | Axholme CC | N&EMPF |
| Claire Russell | Ards CC | NIPA |
| Pauline Jones | Rhyl PS | NWPA |
| Suzanne Allen | Bristol PS | WCPF |

27 applications were adjudicated at **CREDIT PRINT** level, 20 were successful.

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| Shaun Hykel | Colchester PS | EAF |
| Alec MacAndrew | St Neots & District CC | EAF |
| David Pelling | Wymondham PS | EAF |
| Paul Buckley | Bramhall PS | L&CPU |
| Kathryn Firth | The Evolve Group | L&CPU |
| Christopher Harrison | Atherton & District APS | L&CPU |
| Robert Niblock | South Manchester CC | L&CPU |
| Suzanne Shaw | Atherton & District APS | L&CPU |
| Peter West | Chorley PS | L&CPU |
| Joe Anderson | Lichfield CC | MCPF |
| David Goacher | Ashby CC | MCPF |
| Sue Lenton | Arden Photo Group | MCPF |
| Peter Turner | Dudley CC | MCPF |
| Michael Woods | Tamworth PC | MCPF |
| Roy Stenson | Rushcliffe PS | N&EMPF |
| Alan Chowney | Ballynahinch CC | NIPA |
| Kay Newman | Deeside PS | NWPA |
| Paula Potter | Deeside PS | NWPA |
| Robert Buchan | Aberdeen CC | SPF |
| John Stewart | Bon Accord CC | SPF |

17 applications were adjudicated at **DISTINCTION PRINT** level, 6 were successful.

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| Keith Worthington | Oxford PS | CACC |
| Nicholas Alston | Beyond Group | EAF |
| Gillian Brett | Oldham PS | L&CPU |
| Brianna Gilligan | Oldham PS | L&CPU |
| Mick Schilling | Shirley PS | MCPF |
| Simon Roberts | Keswick PS | NCPF |

10 applications were adjudicated at **EXCELLENCE PRINT** level, 5 were successful,

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| Lynda Haney | Wigan 10 Foto Club | L&CPU |
| Stephen Hitchen | The Evolve Group | L&CPU |
| Steve Proctor | Chorley PS | L&CPU |
| Wendy Stowell | Chorley PS | L&CPU |
| Darron Matthews | Lichfield CC | MCPF |

7 applications were adjudicated at **MASTER PRINT** level, 4 were successful.

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| Colin Bradshaw | Photographic Imaging Co-op | EAF |
| Tony North | South Manchester CC | L&CPU |
| Warren Alani | Smethwick PS | MCPF |
| Helen Mitchell | Bon Accord CC | SPF |



Unusually, this Adjudication, hosted by N&EMPF, was held in two different locations. The Prints were assessed in Nottingham on Saturday 26 November whilst the PDI were adjudicated on Sunday 27 November in Smethwick.

Many entrants have posted their images at <https://www.facebook.com/groups/pagbawardsforphotographicmerit>

PDI Adjudication held at Smethwick 26 November 2023

25 applications were adjudicated at **CREDIT PDI** level, 19 were successful.

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| Mary Nash | Woodley PC | CACC |
| Philippa Cole | St Neots & District CC | EAF |
| Gill Grubb | Crayford CC | KCPA |
| Regina Manso De Zuniga | Uckfield CC | KCPA |
| Craig Bevington | Poulton-Le Fylde PS | L&CPU |
| Clare Beech | Leek PC | MCPF |
| Michelle Sanderson | Stafford PS | MCPF |
| James Shaw | Newport PC | MCPF |
| Robert Fish | Axholme CC | N&EMPF |
| Pamela Severn | Derby City PC | N&EMPF |
| Judy Thomason | Rushcliffe PS | N&EMPF |
| Lester Woodward | Nottingham Outlaws PS | N&EMPF |
| Morag Forbes | Auchterarder CC | SPF |
| Nigel Bealey | Overton PC | SCPF |
| Nigel Paul Byrom | Spectrum Guernsey | SCPF |
| Paul McDonald | Lewes CC | SPA |
| Elisa Best | Monmouth PC | WPF |
| Paul James | Bridgend & District CC | WPF |
| Sara Cremer | Wakefield CC | YPU |

20 applications were adjudicated at **DISTINCTION PDI** level, 8 were successful

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| Stephen Coyne | Crewe PS | L&CPU |
| Aamir Sabzwari | North Cheshire PS | L&CPU |
| Jane Morris-Abson | Richmond CC | NCPF |
| Graham Clegg | Deepings CC | N&EMPF |
| Mary Fish | Axholme CC | N&EMPF |
| Andrew Wainwright | Rolls-Royce (Derby) PS | N&EMPF |
| Kenneth Dow | Paisley Colour PC | SPF |
| Jane Wiltshire | Frome Wessex Photographic | WCPF |

THE VERY FIRST RECIPIENT OF THE BPAGB



David John Bull BPAGB Royal Mosque, Abu Dhabi

Other successful candidates -



Christopher John Boyes BPAGB_Grey Heron



Claire Russell BPAGB_Smoke and Light



Steve Parrish BPAGB_Bring me sunshine



Faulline Anne Jones BPAGB_Accessories



Norman Smith BPAGB_Ade - The Foundry Boss



Gordon Armstrong BPAGB_African Wild Dog after Kill



Suzanne Allen BPAGB_Contemplation

BPAGB

With the success of this Adjudication the BPAGB trial will be continued at the next Adjudication

For the time being only in Prints.

If you are not equipped to apply in Prints but think you may be interested in applying with PDI, please let the PAGB Awards Officer know.

SUCCESSFUL CPAGB ENTRANTS IN PRINT



Robert Niblock CPAGB Whites Tree Frogs



Sue Lenton CPAGB Uneven Bars



Shaun Hykel CPAGB Moments of Tranquility



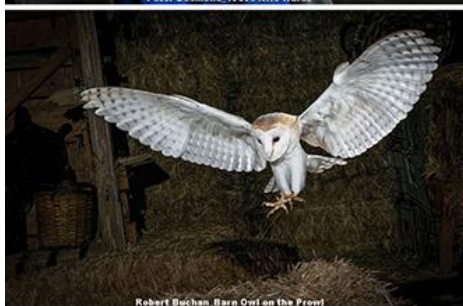
Peter Desmond 1960s NHE Nurse



Suzanne Shaw CPAGB Colours of Lushentyre



Peter West Kirkjufell Aurora



Robert Buchan Barn Owl on the Prowl



Kay Elizabeth Newman CPAGB THE JOYS OF PARENTING copy



Kathryn Faith CPAGB rides a white horse



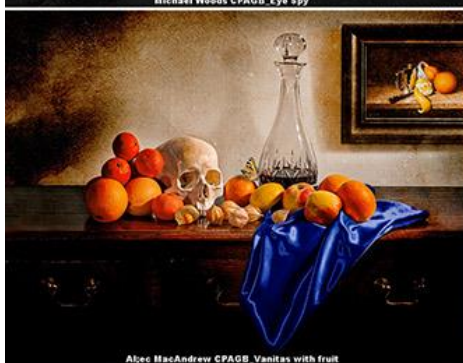
Michael Woods CPAGB Eye Spy



Christopher Harrison CPAGB That Pose



Paula Potter CPAGB Panther Chameleon copy



Allec MacAndrew CPAGB Vanitas with fruit



David Goacher CPAGB Approaching Storm, Brecon Beacons



David Thomas Pelling CPAGB White Tailed Sabrewing enjoying a shower



Alan Chowney CPAGB Throw



Joe Anderson Pair of Kestrels copy



John Stevens CPAGB Legend Racing in the Rain

SUCCESSFUL CPAGB ENTRANTS IN PRINT



Cyber-Woodford CPAGB Total effort



Michelle Sanderson CPAGB Water drop wasp



Mary Elizabeth Nash CPAGB Riding the wave



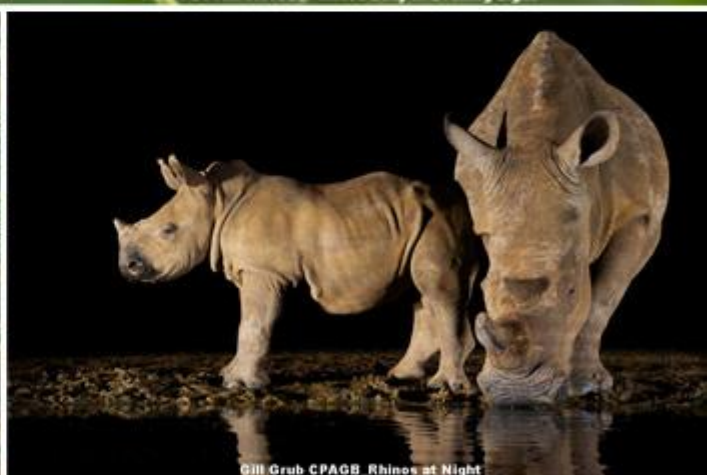
Emma Thomas CPAGB



Claire Beech CPAGB Painted Lady in Evening Light



Elisa Jay Best CPAGB Elephant Family



Gill Grub CPAGB Rhinos at Night



James Shaw CPAGB Taking the Goats Out



Judy Thomason CPAGB Pride week at Kings Cross Tunnel

SUCCESSFUL CPAGB ENTRANTS IN PRINT



Nigel Paul Brown CPAGB Distracted



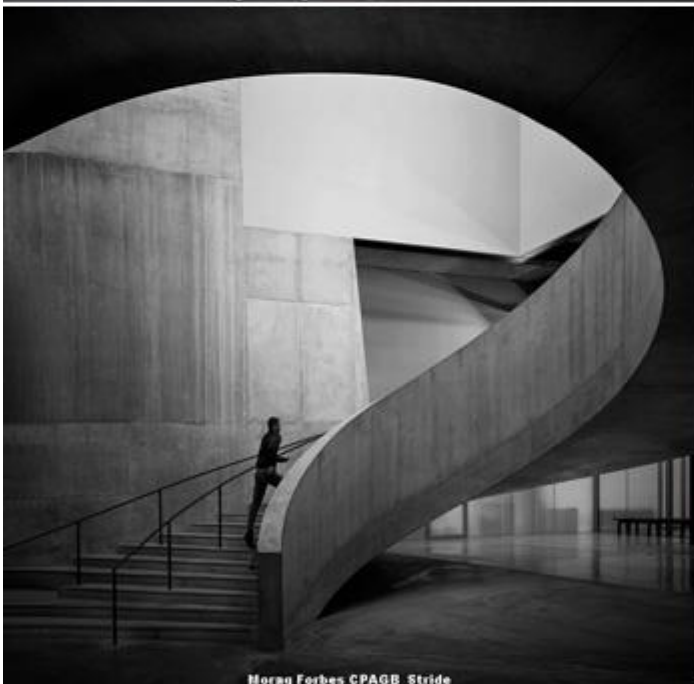
Pamela Severn CPAGB Moody Blue



Nigel Bealey CPAGB The Red Racer



Sara Louise Cremer CPAGB Argentinian Ornate Horned Frog



Morag Forbes CPAGB Stride



Robert Ernest Fish CPAGB Quizzical Leveret



Phillip Scott CPAGB Winter



Paul McDonald CPAGB Reticulated grasshopper-Costa Rica



Paul James DPAGB_Singapore in the rain

<< "Singapore in the Rain"
by Paul James DPAGB

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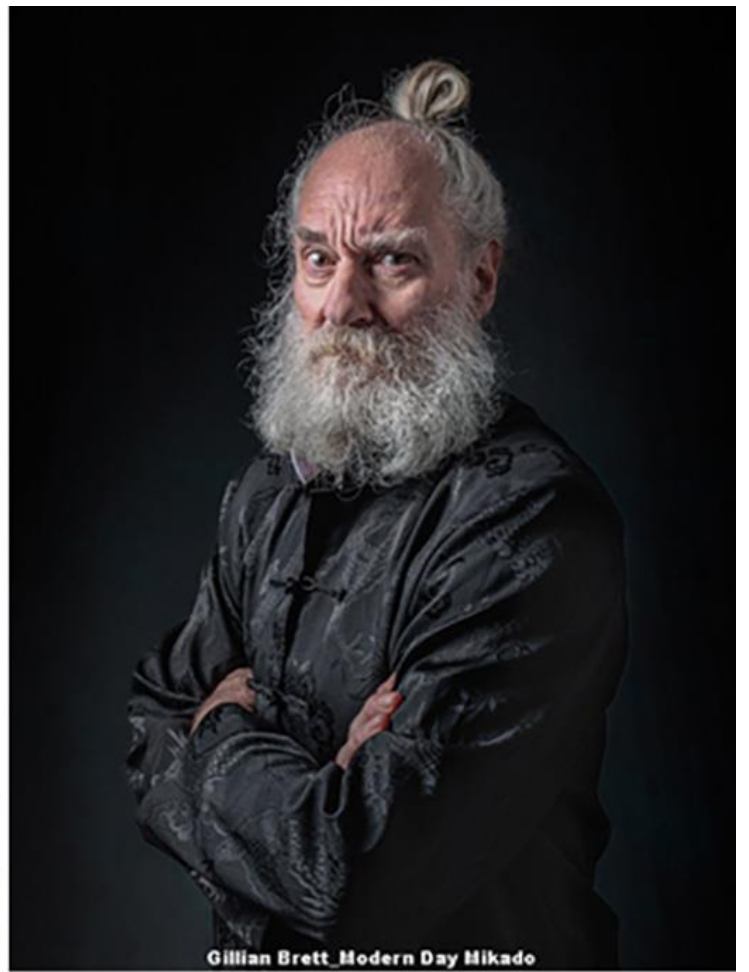
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**SUCCESSFUL DPAGB
ENTRANTS IN PRINT.**



Elmon Roberts DPAGB_Early morning osprey



Michael Alsten DPAGB_Off Guard



Gillian Brett_Modern Day Mikado



Mick Schilling DPAGB_Lines in the Sand



Kerth Werthington DPAGB_Elephant dusting

Brianna Gilligan DPAGB



I picked up the camera for the very first time when I was 10, not knowing then that I would be whisked away on such an enchanted journey. I never knew then how much fun and enjoyment I would get from this fantastic hobby.

Just by picking up that camera I have travelled back in time to meet famous artist like Rembrandt and Vermeer. Had my portrait painted, and painted my own self portrait, I have met famous composers who then taught me how to play. I have become a princess in a castle and a sorceress casting spells. I have watched athletes jumping high and running for gold. I have competed in world cups and had my work exhibited near and far. All because, that one sunny spring morning at the age of 10, I asked "can I have a go at photography?".

I achieved the CPAGB at 12 and, with a lot of encouragement and help from my friends at Oldham Photographic Society and my uncle Eddie, I planned for the next part of the journey, all the way to the DPAGB. This came quicker than I expected, just 18 months later on the 25 November, at the age of 13 years I have achieved it.

One sunny spring morning at the age of 10, I asked "can I have a go at photography?"

Who knows where it will take me next, what adventures I will go, people I will meet. Hopefully I can now go on and when the time is right take the MPAGB, but for now, I am Brianna Gilligan DPAGB.



SUCCESSFUL DPAGB ENTRANTS IN PDI



Stephen Coyne DPAGB_Adolescence



Andrew Wainwright_Backhand on the Run



Jane Wiltshire DPAGB_Osea Beach Huts



Kenneth Dew DPAGB_Forest Gallop



Mary Gillian Fish DPAGB_Adult Female Chasing off Young Kestrel



Aamir Sabzwari DPAGB_With all his might



Graham Clegg DPAGB_Airstream Beauty



Jane Morris-Abso DPAGB_Pas de Deux

THE VERY FIRST RECIPIENT OF THE EPAGB



Darron Matthews EPAGB_Male Oleander Hawk Moth

THE OTHER SUCCESSFUL EPAGB ENTRANTS - ALL IN PRINT



Wendy Stowell EPAGB_Left Behind



Steven William Hitchen EPAGB_Bee Eater Food Pass



Steve Proctor EPAGB_Solitude



Lynda Haney EPAGB_Mummy Mummy Mummy



STILL ON TRIAL

BPAGB and EPAGB Awards for Photographic Merit

The new Levels were well supported with nine Applicants for the Badge Award (BPAGB) and ten for the Excellence Award (EPAGB). The procedures worked well and, although there were obvious logistical problems to be overcome, the Print handling and judging went well. Congratulations to everyone who was successful and commiserations to those who were less fortunate.

The trial will continue to the next Adjudication in April 2024 and is likely that these Awards will become a permanent feature for Print applications. The organising committee have doubts about these new levels being appropriate for PDI applications and, if you have views, please make them known to your Federation who can bring them to the PAGB Executive.

We are delighted with the new BPAGB badge, which many think is the most elegant of the series, but we are disappointed with the EPAGB Badge and are looking to source a different design. The badges presented to the recently successful EPAGB applicants could become a truly unique prize.



Helen Mitchell MPAGB_Female Pine Marten with Kit



Celsoe Bradshaw MPAGB_Marvel Racing



Warren Alami MPAGB_Remembering Cha



Tony North MPAGB_Tiger Swallowtail

We hope to feature the entire entries for our four successful MPAGB entrants, with some words from each, in future issues of **e-news**. In the meantime **CLICK ON** any image to view them larger on our website.

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We will have a small team of advisers at The Photography and Video Show in the NEC from 16-19 March but you need to book a slot and you need to do it soon. You can bring Prints or PDI and get very helpful advice about using them to secure an Award for Photographic Merit at one of our Five Levels.



16-19 March 2024
The NEC, Birmingham

e-mail e-news@thepagb.org.uk giving your Name, Club, Federation, what APM level you already have and what level you want to be advised for, which day you are attending and if you prefer a morning or afternoon 1:1 appointment.

Improve your chances of success!