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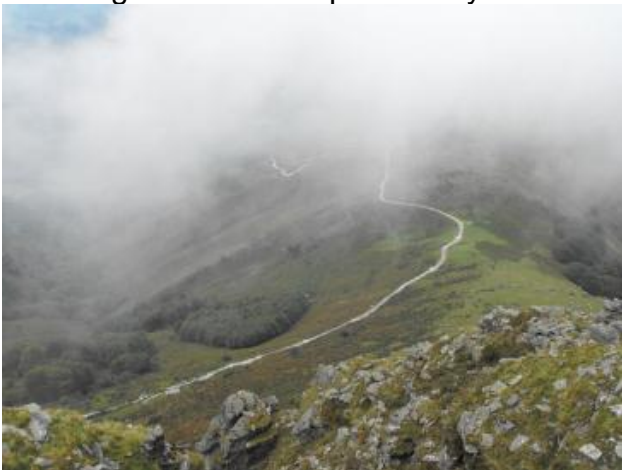
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Being on holiday for most of August, I offer my apologies for not producing an August edition. Just not able to complete or do justice within the time available to produce a worthy Newsletter. Yes it's true even Club Secretaries have holidays. Now you may recall my opening lines in the July Newsletter, issue #13 how time seems to pass more quickly as you get older, here we are end of September, perhaps for many of us this year's holiday is fast becoming a memory, Christmas very much on the horizon. Well before I join this year's distant holiday memory club or turning my attention to Christmas, let me tell you Biarritz in August is just superb, if you like it hot, this is the place to go, temperatures reached 34 c, in old money that's heading towards 93f. Big event this year, ten family members spent the most fantastic time together, many wonderful photos to look back on, including this one on top of the Pyrenees.



Now ([I'd Do Anything](#)) call me biased but who would not be (please just indulge me for a moment) to see your eldest Granddaughter Nikita, appearing as a member of the cast in "Oliver" held at The Playhouse Theatre, Weston - s – Mare. The production by Bristol School of Performing Arts, (BSP Arts) by arrangement with

Musicscope and Stage Musicals Ltd of New York. A truly professional performance, believe me, when I say good as you would see anywhere. Simply wonderful to see the talented younger generation at work, all of our tomorrow's future safely in their hands. Lets catch up with what's been going on within the Marlow Camera Club. Speaking of holiday photos what a wonderful collection shown by members on our first night back Tuesday 13th September, great start to the new season. I think it pretty well covered the four corners of the earth, seems to me, have camera will travel. Plenty of competition photos there, I'm sure we will see over the course of the next year. The first of many practical camera sessions Tuesday 20th September saw the welcome return of Jenni Orme, (past MCC member) who along with our own Damon simply ran yet another fantastic Portraiture evening. Judging by the immediate member response more of the same would be welcomed. As they say in the theatre world always leave your audience wanting more, job done.

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Out and About

The Club once again supported this year's Marlow Carnival held at Higginson Park. This event well attended as ever, very much a family day out, for once even the weather was fairly kind with only the occasional shower, nothing to dampen or spoil the day, providing colourful photographic opportunities all around. A big thank you to all MCC members that gave their time and expertise in support of the Carnival and clubs photo exhibit display.



The Real Thing! By Graham Slough

We have watched Formula 1 on television for many years, this year my wife, Barbara and I decided to go and see “The Real Thing” and duly headed off to Silverstone for the three day Grand Prix weekend. On all three days the GP.2 GP.3 and Porsche Mobile 1 Supercup cars practised, qualified and raced as well as the F.1 cars.

Friday practice day was very cold, poured with rain with glimpses of sun, which made for some interesting moments! The weather improved on Saturday and Sunday, just enough rain on race day to add to the excitement. We had seats in the new pit lane grandstand, level with the front row of the grid certainly grateful for our ear defenders, when all 24 cars sped off at once!

Through out the weekend fantastic opportunities to experiment with panning and photographing cars at 200 mph, a real challenge nevertheless most rewarding.

With aerial displays each day and on race day the Red Arrows showed off their breathtaking formation flying skills.

The whole weekend was a great experience even though the British drivers didn't win we joined the other 120,000 race fans and cheered Fernando Alonso in his Ferrari past the chequered flag, followed by the Red Bulls of Sebastien Vettel and Mark Webber.



Note Book Corner

Well-publicised cost saving ideas, abbreviated extracts taken from a recent Practical Photography Magazine, Photo DIY Supplement.

Tinfoil a less refined option than reflective card, however no less effective when it comes to bouncing light. You can even crumple it up for a softer less direct reflection, ideal for small tabletop set ups could also be used for head and shoulder portraits.

Curtains not all curtains are going to work as a backdrop, but there are quite a few that will do the job perfectly. The added advantage is that they are probably already hanging up in your home.

Venetian Blinds make a great backdrop that can also add a special effect to your photos. Slightly opening the slatted blinds will let some light bleed through, to give a moody backlighting.

Have you heard this one?

A friend of mine who teaches film making at a well-known school was approached by a noted brain surgeon who asked to be given a two-week crash course in film making because of a film he wanted to produce. "Okay," my friend said, but I won't charge you for the course if you'll swap me a two-week course in brain surgery. That's something I've always wanted to do.

Taken from tag Photography "Joke" Quotes on PhotoQuotes.com

If an old man asks a young girl for a date...

That's his business...

If the young girl accepts...

That's her business...

If the old man and the girl decide to marry...

That's their business...

However, if they want great wedding photographs...

THAT'S MY BUSINESS.

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Outside MCC Events Calendar

For many club members Saturday 24th September will surely be a day remembered for spectacular action photographic opportunities. "Feathers and Fur" birds of prey display. Sadie Shepherd introduced and ran the two-hour display, always ensuring that the best photo opportunities and photographic positions were explained and presented. Twenty one members, cameras at the ready, concentration levels on red alert, really got close to all the action. It simply does not get any closer, when you receive such beautiful birds to glove as seen in the attached photos.

The Club Website

<http://www.marlowcc.org/>



MCC Members have organised two such fantastic "Birds of Prey" photo shoot days at, Andover and now Reading, despite living in the area for forty-four years, whilst I knew of the Ladds Garden Centre, simply had no idea "Feathers and Fur" existed. OK, so now firmly placed on record for future must family day visits.

On behalf of all twenty-one MCC members who attended this photo event, very much a sincere thank you to Graham Slough for introducing and organising, Feathers and Fur Birds of Prey photo shoot.

Another great photographic day out in the throws of being organised for Saturday 24th October at the British Wildlife Centre, Newchapel, Lingfield. Surrey. Don't miss this photo opportunity day; place this date in your diaries now, for more detail go to the MCC Forum site.



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...A quote

Photographers are a willing participant in the universality that is art.

A. Nother Smart guy

...and some photography funnies

Taken from Cuizine.com

