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# Summer is here - it is mostly cold and wet!

# **Lake Light Exhibition in Lancaster**

I have an exhibition in the Thomas Storey Room at the Storey Centre in Lancaster. It is an exhibition of photographs from my book Lake Light, on the English Lake District. The title link above goes to the Storey, here is a link to my blog post from shortly after putting it up.

There are 25 framed photographs and another 50 mounted photographs in a browser. I hope you can get along there if it is of interest to you.





## **Landscape Photography Courses**

Lake District, Peak District and Yorkshire Dales Locations

Our courses have booked up this year and there is just 1 place left for a 2 day course in the Lake District in September (28th and 29th) at £250 without accommodation. We will be based at the Woolpack Inn in the village of Boot in Eskdale but the 2 day course will spend most of the time in Wasdale and on the coast between Ravenglass and St Bees Head. If you are interested probably an idea to book soon. Contact me if you need more details or just book straight through the web.

The 2012 course dates are now on the web site and include Eskdale in the Lake District, Grassington in the Yorkshire Dales, Berwick in Northumberland and of course the Peak District. The courses pages have also been updated recently and more information added.

If you would like more attention than is possible in a group, or you have your own group then talk to me about what we can do for you. Rates for 1-to-1 start at just £300 a day with 1 tutor and £500 a day with 2 tutors.

# **Darkroom Printing Courses**

I am still doing darkroom printing courses and there are 2 places available in November this year at £150 per place.

I am one of only 7 Ilford Master Printers and will help you quickly improve your printing. All paper and chemicals are generously provided free of charge by Ilford Photo.

# **Photographic Prints**

The main print range has been divided into two.

Original Prints: These are what I have been selling for the last 20-odd years. They are hand-printed by me on the highest quality fibre based traditional silver gelatine photographic paper. The paper used for these photographs is Ilford Multigrade FB paper. They are supplied in standard sizes with a window mount, ready for framing.

Silver Prints: In an effort to make my prints more affordable, as well as doing larger sizes, I have worked with Ilford Lab Direct (a Harman Technology service) so that they can produce silver gelatine photographs from digital files produced from high quality scans of my negatives. They closely match my hand prints but use resin coated silver gelatine paper. The larger prints are typically 70 x 70 cm but can be 1m x 0.5m or even larger. This is much larger than I can print in my darkroom. Silver prints are also available with or without borders. Also, all of my pictures use standard frame sizes so that you don't have to use a framing shop to mount and frame them before you can hang them on the wall, just buy a readymade frame.

The <u>price list and explanation of the print range are described here</u> in more

detail.

#### **Events**

Art Fairs and other events

Our next retail show is the Great Dome Art Fair this weekend in Buxton. There is a preview evening on Friday 22nd, 7 to 9pm; just mention my name on the door to get in (everyone is welcome). The main show days are Saturday 23rd and Sunday 24th July, 10am to 4.30pm. Free admission. This is the annual show for Peak District Artisans, a group of professional artists, craft workers and furniture makers living in and around the English Peak District, and about 60 members will be exhibiting; all high quality original work.

If you want to catch us at a show near you here is the <u>list of 2011 retail</u> <u>shows</u>, we are doing 11 retail shows this year as well as 3 trade shows, full details are on the web <u>Exhibitions</u> page:

Buxton (3 shows - July, October and December)

Stonor Park near Henley on Thames (August Bank Holiday)

Richmond (October)

Sevenoaks (October)

Glasgow SECC (October)

Birmingham NEC (November)

RHS Wisley Christmas Show (November)

# **New Photographs**

New images added to www.davebutcher.co.uk/gallery/recent

I have added a lot of new images of London from the trip I made in March. I have trimmed several to panoramic too, a very effective format for city views, as you can see from a couple shown below and they can be printed up to 1m x 0.5m; that's pretty big. There are also quite a few from the January trip to Colorado, both skiing and snowshoeing. Some Dutch windmill photographs from Kinderdijk, near Rotterdam, have also made it onto there too. Here is a selection. For more see the Recent Gallery on the web site.

St Pauls from Millenium Bridge at Night



Tower Bridge at Night, London



Canary Wharf from Rotherhithe, London



Sprague Lake Footprints, Rocky Mountain National Park Colorado



Snowy Trees, Wolf Creek Ski Area, Colorado

www.icontact-archive.com/jl0iCWueQ8pT8Wjjl2OqJMvZt-Y5f32D?w=3



Telluride Sky, Colorado



Kinderdijk Windmill Reflections, Holland



# **Photo Trips**

Planned Photo Trips

I walked with Al, an old friend, between St Bees and Shap in the English Lake District over 5 days in early July. It was 64 miles and we managed a very creditable 15.5 miles to the gallon, of beer that is! It's the first section of Wainwright's Coast to Coast walk which I have done before. The weather was mixed; sunshine and showers. Lots of nice clouds for photographs. I'm looking forward to seeing the negatives from the 12 rolls (10 shots a roll) of Ilford FP4 120 that I took.

The next overseas trip will be driving down to the Alps in just under 6 weeks time, probably via Frankfurt to do a bit of business and look up some friends we made at Surtex 3 years ago. We have been a bit busy so there is still no firm plan but we expect to spend part of the time in Bavaria before heading into Italy and the Dolomites and lakes. Hopefully Ulli and Fiorenza at the Sport Hotel in Misurina will have a room for us when we decide on the dates! Be good to walk in the Alps again.

# **Photo Tips**

Seasonal Notes from Derbyshire

We have been having a lot of showery weather in between either settled sunny spells or days of continual heavy rain. The reservoirs don't look to have dropped as much as they usually do so that's probably a sign that we have had decent rainfall. Showery weather is great for photographs. It gives lots of opportunity for stunning clouds. You don't ven need blue sky, with black and white the tones and brightness range is enough to make shots even on cloudy days with a bit of light. Blue sky days with no clouds I usually

leave the camera in the bag or just take record shots, or maybe little cameo bits of the landscape rather than the big views. Don't forget the camera when the weather is changeable!

### **Photo Lectures**

Lecture bookings

It's the close season for most photo clubs until September so my next lecture is not until early October on the Wirral.

I have 6 lectures so if you would like me to come to your club you have lots of choice. They are all a mix of cities and landscapes, with snow shots in every one of them. Every print is hand printed on traditional silver gelatine papers. The paper and chemicals for the last 2 lectures, Lake Light and Peak Light were kindly provided free of charge by Ilford Photo. It takes at least 250 sheets of  $20 \times 16$  inch Ilford Multigrade FB Glossy paper to print the  $80 \times 85$  photographs for a lecture. That is several hundred pounds so it is unlikely that I would do new lectures without their assistance, for which I am very grateful.

If you want to book me check my <u>web diary</u> first to see dates that are available.

# Blog, Facebook, Twitter and Linkedin

Dave Butcher News and Keeping in Touch
If you want to keep in touch use one or more of these, don't be shy - just click add, follow or whatever, to add me to your network.

I use my blog as a diary and as the place to show new photos first because it is fast.

#### **Next Newsletter**

My newsletters appear every now and then. I think I have managed up to 6 or 8 a year but it is 4 months since my last one.

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