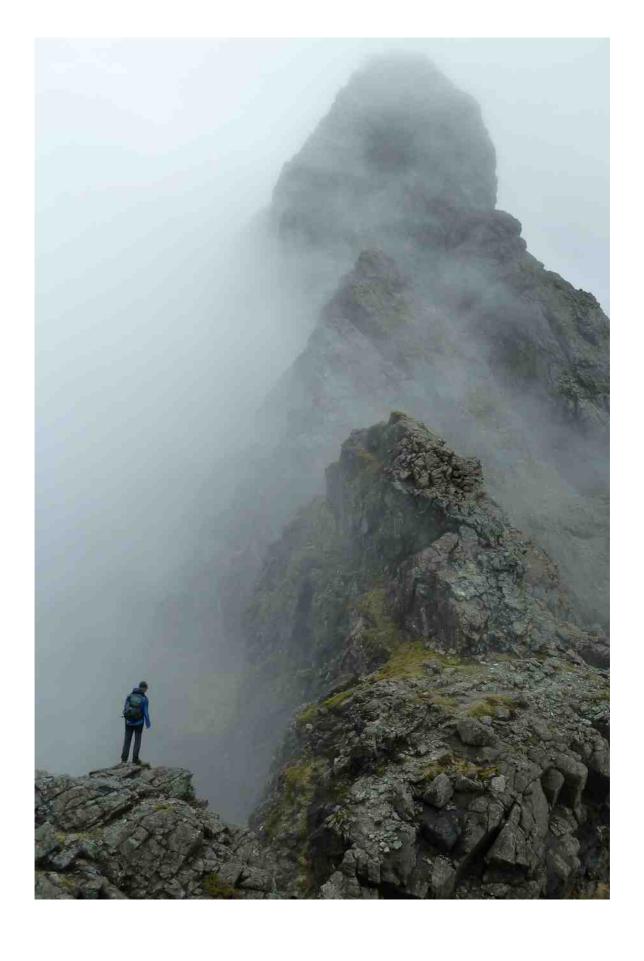
FYLDE MOUNTAINEERING CLUB

Photographic Competition 2016



Dave Hicks won the landscape section with this photo taken from the top of the Aiguille du Midi cable car at 3842 meters. The company website says that 500,000 visitors a year make this journey.

There were 35 entries for this section, double the number of the other sections. In view of this at a committee meeting I asked if there could be a prize for the second photo as well. Before the treasurer could say anything the chairman said yesnext business.



Second in the Landscape section and a prizewinner was this photo by Dave Wood of the Clach Glas ridge on Blaven.



Winner of the action section was Adrian Clifford with this picture taken on "Promised land" a route on Creag an Socach above Bridge of Orchy.

(I think that's where someone said it was ed.)

Winner of the humour section was Caroline Webb who captured two of our members, part of a group that got to the pub in Keswick on a Saturday afternoon to enjoy the atmosphere and excitement of the six nations rugby.



The Competition

Only 16 members entered photos for the competition, which is low considering the all pervasive presence of mobile phones with quite powerful cameras built in, and the low cost of small but good quality cameras.

In the Landscape and Action sections the audience were asked to choose the best four pictures and rank them in order. I then scored them:- four points for a first choice down to one point for a fourth choice. There were many really good pictures which were a credit to the photographer and the wide variety of place club members have been.

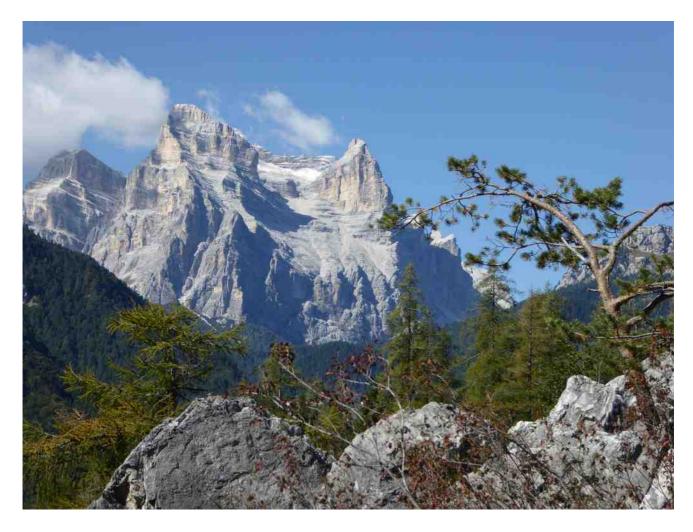
In the Humour section Darren and I judge the reaction of the audience to each picture and the comments. Again there were many entries that raised a laugh or a groan. I thought there were more "humorous" pictures than last years.

There now follows a selection of the pictures submitted, unfortunately there is not space to reproduce them all.

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Caroline Webb came third with this sunrise photo taken at Arnside The next four were not far behind



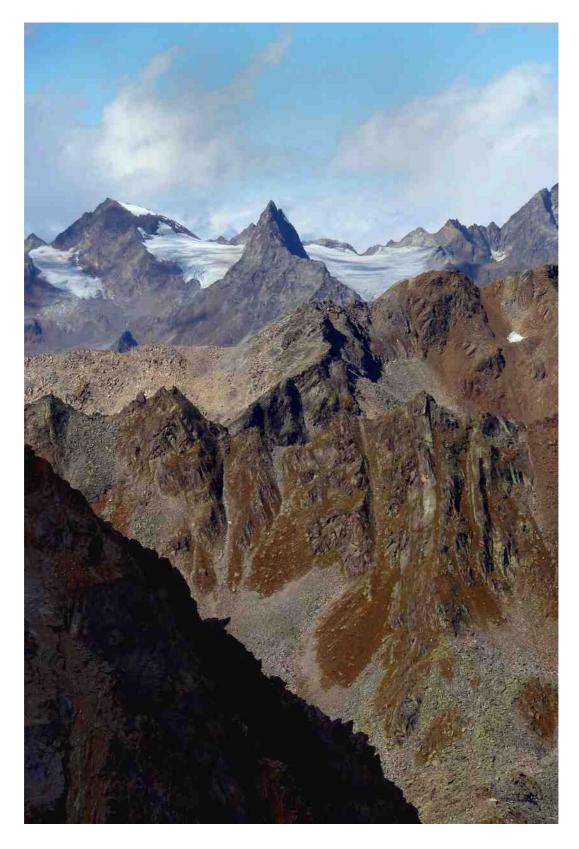
Monte Pelmo in the Dolomites – Jennie Tolley



Near Darwen Tower by Martin Dale



Ptarmigan Ridge by Dave Wood



Austria – The summit of Gaislachkogl by Tony Hulme



Wastwater by John Wiseman



Cloudscape Prampert group in the Dolomites – Jennie Tolley



Portland – Martin Dale



Rannoch Moor by JohnWiseman

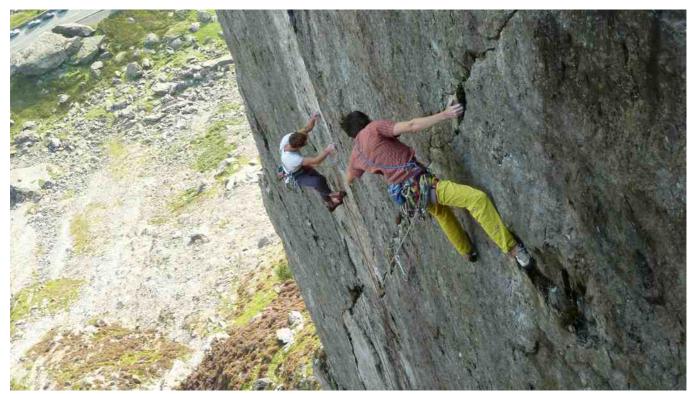
ACTION SECTION



Second in the Action section was Sennen Cove breakwater in Cornwall by Nick Hepburn



Third was a picture of Nick Hepburn by Adrian Clifford. Raeburn Route on Stob Corrie Nan Lochan.



Just behind was Dave Wood with this picture of unknown climbers on Dinas Cromlech



Tony Hume took this in Austria, Stubenfall.



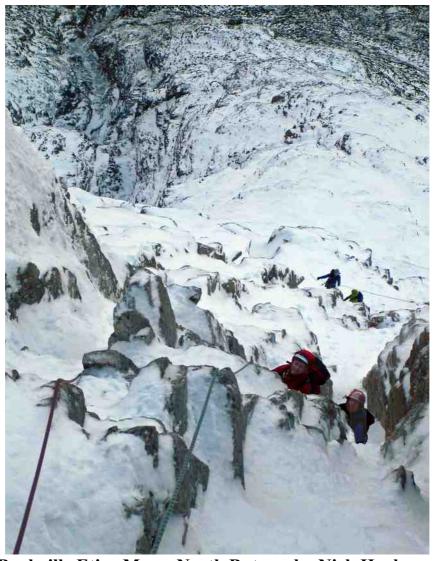
Ptarmigan Ridge by Dave Wood.



Deep Water Soloing in the South China sea – Vietnam by Karen Hicks.



Kalymnos by Dave Wood.



Buchaille Etive Mor – North Butress by Nick Hepburn.

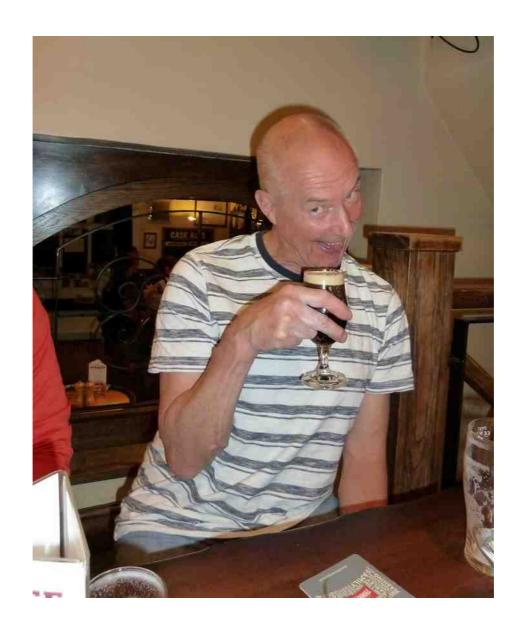
HUMOUR SECTION



Second in the humour section was this picture of the arrival of a septic tank collection tanker taken by Nick Hepburn.

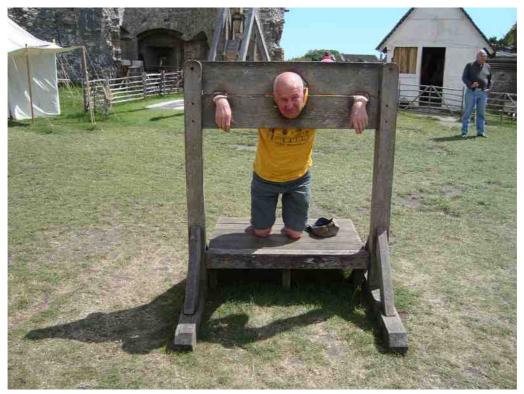
Third was this picture of Martin with an uncharacteristically small drink taken by Dave Wood. "Scary" said someone.

followed by the best of the rest in no particular order.

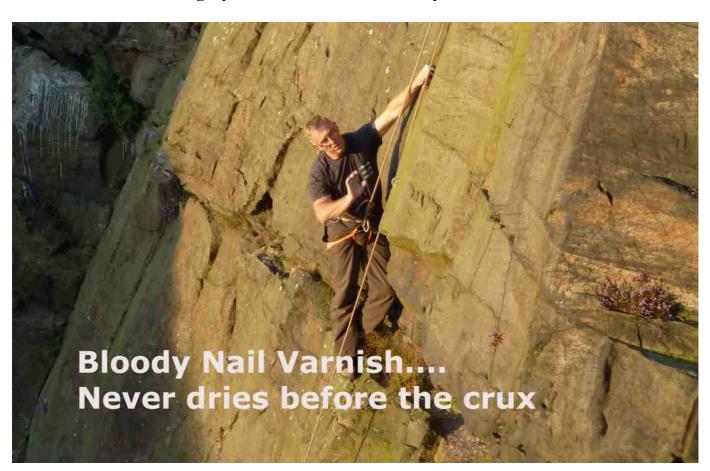




Tom in the Kitchen, Stair by Chris Fry

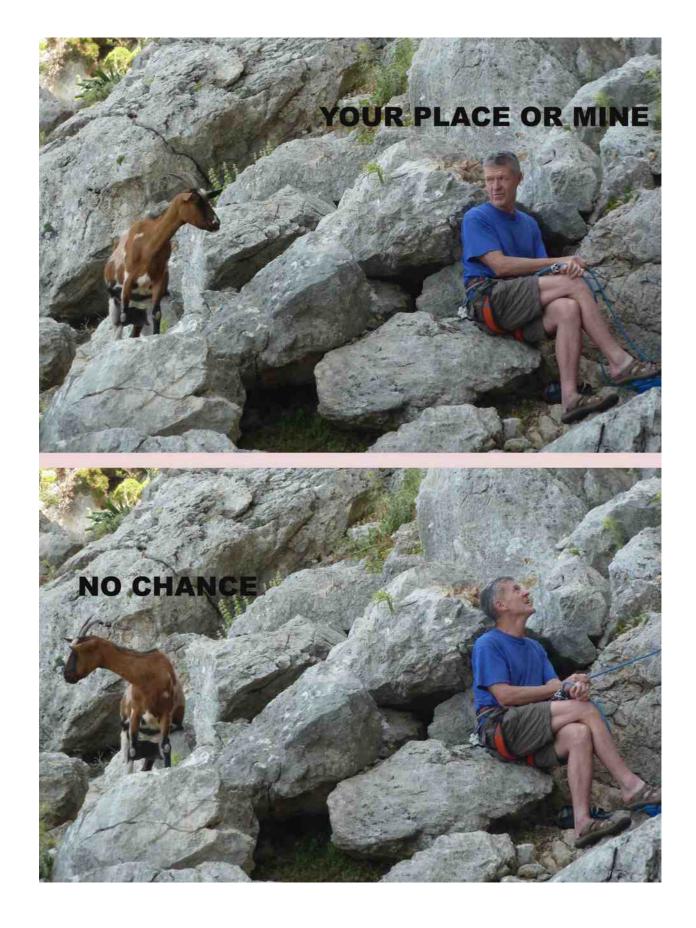


A naughty Martin at Corfe Castle by Jo Leadbetter.



Another from Dave Wood.

(Unconsciously topical as since the competition nail varnish has been added with other things to the "Basket of goods" whose prices are used to calculate the "cost of living" or consumer prices index.



Not taken by Dave Wood but featuring Dave Wood these were taken and suitably captioned by Tony Hulme. Dave's expression in the top picture is interesting, see below.

