

Forest of Galtres Camera Club

Monday 20th November

The Last 2 Years – Henrietta Byrne

The evening began with a minute's silence in memory of Jim Day, a member of the club for many years. He had served the club as treasurer from 1990 to 1995 and as President from 1995 to 1998. He contributed much through his photography but especially through the warmth of his personality.

Henrietta Byrne LRPS DPAGB, a member of Richmond Camera Club, shared her last two years of landscape photography on Monday evening. She has travelled widely across the Britain and Europe. She is always seeking to improve her photography and some of her ventures abroad have been part of photographic workshops.



Her journey began in February 2015. In Andalusia, she explored photographic opportunities presented by the Sierra Nevada. Henrietta captured the spectacular contrast between the sunlit almond blossom in various shades of pink against the dark unlit valley sides. Slate quarries in Blaenau Ffestiniog provided further inspiration as did the Cuillins of Skye. Kent provided a variety of locations: River Medway, Rochester Cathedral and Whitstable. Other places visited included Malham Cove, Swaledale, further afield again in Norfolk then Glencoe, Yorkshire's

North Sea coast and the Lake District and of course, her beloved Richmondshire.



One of Henrietta's destinations was The Cinque Terre which means the five lands in Italian. These are spectacular villages clinging to the Ligurian cliffs of Italy's west coast, a photograph of one of these is included below.



Henrietta shared some composition details with members. For example, looking for a natural stop to the edge of a picture, or perhaps a path or fence that leads the viewer into the image. As a dedicated landscape photographer, she does not mind early morning starts to capture sunrise and landscape hugging mists that bring their own quality to enhance an image. She always uses a tripod.

Many thanks to Henrietta for sharing such an interesting variety of landscapes with members. Next week, in the Parish Rooms, there will be a digital battle between two camera clubs, Forest of Glatres and New Earswick. The judge will be Stephen Byard PDAGB EFRAP EPSA.