



Dundalk Photographic Society Weekend Away

The end of September is the time of the year that sees the DPS official photography weekend away, and this year was no different, with the club choosing Co Clare at the focus of their attentions. Photographers from various sections within the club some of whom were among the longest continuous members attended. The DPS Photographers descended on the unsuspecting town of Ennis in Co Clare at various times on the third Friday of September. Sunrise Saturday morning had many members on site with shutters ready, filters in place waiting for the first rays of day light to glance off the landscapes of the Burren, the Atlantic cliffs or may be a megalithic tomb. Little was given away regarding many of the locations or events being photographed, though we do know the match making festival in Lisdoonvarna was visited as was the Beach horse races in Kilkee and rumour has it that world renowned Photographer George Karbus was not the only Photographer capturing images at one of the Co Clare's cliff face sun sets. The county of Clare has been a long favourite of DPS club with many previous trips there during the 1980s and 1990s. I sure it will become evident why Co Clare has been so popular as many of the images captured will command a presence on the walls of the DPS club room during the coming months competitions and its quite likely many will see selection into international competitions and salons. A good time was had by all who were present, with many a story being told in the night time when all were fed, with many present striving to fend off the dreaded enemy of photographers dehydration! Might I extend thanks to Gary Murphy and Marie Agnew who selected and organised the event.