

Non-Advanced Photographer of the Year

Success presented itself in the clubroom for some of the members who have been competing in the non-advanced photographers in-house competitions which had the sixth and final round recently. The Judge on the night was club chairman Ciaran De Bhall who is no stranger to judging photographic competitions. The decisions and marks awarded by Judge Ciaran De Bhall in this final round would dictate where the ranking order of many of those competing would lie. With all the monochrome printed images displayed Ciaran critiqued his way through the images awarding points out of twenty along the way but there was only one monochrome image awarded 20 out of 20 and that image was titled "Stairway to Heaven" and was captured by Simon Mullen.



When the colour prints were displayed it became apparent that the task of separating these images apart would be no easy task but again there was one image awarded top marks of twenty points and it was for a image titled "Connemara Reflections" which was captured by Photographer Alan Caralon who is living in Tallanstown. Alan's Image "Connemara Reflections" was later chosen as the Image of the month.

With the final scores tallied after the sixth competition round, the Photographer who would become 2013/2014 Dundalk Photographic Society Non-advanced Photographer of the Year became known to all as Mark English winning both the monochrome and colour sections out right with a score of 442 points out of a possible 480 points.



Mark English being congratulated by Denis Whelehan



In second place overall in both monochrome and colour with a score of 417 points was Robert Duffy and in third place with a score of 393 points was photographer Alan Caralon.

Many of these winning images and many more will be on display during the photographic societies annual exhibition which takes place from the 11th of April for one week in the county museum , all are welcome.

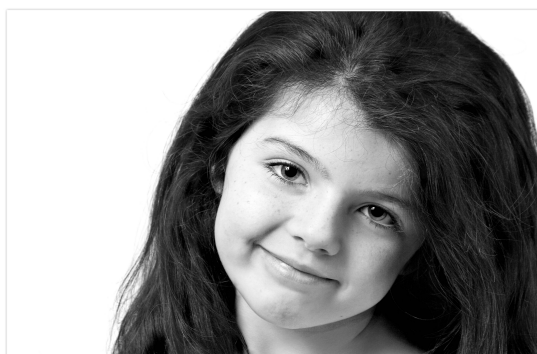
Here is a selection of Mark English's images that earned him his coveted title.



Autumn Vase



Daydreamer



Sara



Passing Time