

WW11 Army Camp, photo shoot

As some of you may know we are members of a Facebook group that seeks out unusual venues for photoshoots, the prison at Gloucester where we hosted last year's stockings party is typical of the type of venues on offer, other venues available include a WW11 underground bunker on the south coast, another prison and soon to be added a night club



On one of the first warm weekends of the year we had the opportunity to visit a WW11 army camp near Evesham, a sort of living museum, we had been to the venue previously as part of a forties weekend but this time it was restricted to just a handful photographers and their models

Venues like this are brilliant for photography as if you are like me (not a real photographer) the venue and the props make it easy to produce something that is a little bit different and potentially eye catching. Something also worth mentioning is although there are a lot of professional photographers and models present nobody is looking down their nose at you or judging your efforts

As always with these types of venues you can usually find somewhere to base yourself and use as a changing room, then just wander off to the area or prop you want to use, sometimes you might have to wait until a photographer has finished in that particularly place but usually there are other areas to use while you are waiting, on this occasion there was that much potential we never had to wait for anything.

Army trucks of various sizes were available as well as well kitted out rooms including a operations room, a barrack room, ammunitions building and an air raid shelter, one of our favourites was a small village shop , so plenty of variety to cater for a varied and fun shoot and a great venue for capturing that all important classic pin up shot

There is normally plenty of time to get everything you need, this venue was available from 12 midday to late in the afternoon, a few hours being plenty of time for most people

There is a cost for the shoot to cover the hiring of the venue, but given you have on offer something unique and different I think it's well worth it. Maybe this is something we can look at organising for HAS members, I will make some enquires as to when the next shoot is planned and put some feelers out via a newsletter to see if we have any interest from members here, maybe make a day of it with a drink and some food afterwards, plenty of nice Cotswolds pubs near by

