

Convert Colour to Black & White

- Open a suitable image in Photoshop (not all images will lend themselves to B&W)
- Click on Layer, new adjustment layer, Black & White.
- A dialogue box will open at the right side of your screen you can make changes to the image with these sliders , play with these for a while to see how each colour effects the image in various ways... e.g. yellow slider will affect grass - and the red one will affect the skin tones....
- the dropdown box containing the word **default** has a number of different filter colours hidden underneath I find the **Green filter** works well for some portraitsso try the different options and if you like something use it.
- When you like the black & white result you might need to boost the image a little.....Blacks **blacker** and whites **whiter** while keeping detail in the blacks and the whites
- Try a curves adjustment layer for this **Layer, new adjustment layer, curves**, click **ok** in the dialogue box which opens.
- You can make alterations to your image by clicking on and moving the diagonal centre line in the box. A discrete 's' shape usually works. You must be prepared to experiment a little... Remember **Less is more** so don't be tempted to *over-do* it.....

