



NEWSLETTER APRIL 2023



From the Chair

Spring has sprung and the snowdrops have disappeared already!! Hopefully with the change in the clocks we'll all feel a bit more like going out, especially with our cameras.



Talking of which, the field trip to London has now been set for Sunday 23 April. We plan to leave in a group from Manningtree Station meeting from 8.30am on Platform 2 and catching the 8.51am train to Liverpool Street. Andy Soar is then going to direct us to the Shoreditch / Brick Lane area – about a 15-minute walk. Thanks to Andy for helping out and being our guide!!

We had an interesting talk on 23 March - Night Time and Low Light Photography by Peter Warne – that should have given us some ideas for our Slow Shutter Speed PDI competition on 13 April. And this last Thursday, 30 March, we had a number of good entries for the Occupation, Work or Hobby print competition. Unfortunately, the overall number of entries was fairly low and Chrissie Hart did a great job giving a fulsome critique to each image.

I'm conscious that there are only a few members who regularly submit prints. Various reasons have been given to me – expense, too many prints in the cupboard already, etc! But I think it is important that we have a thriving print community because being able to actually handle an image make our photography a much more tangible activity. And we should aim to be able to display our prints instead of just knowing they're on your hard disk!

Now, a plea for help. Ian and Amanda do a splendid job preparing tea and coffee for us all; Ian Parker and myself arrive early and get out the equipment and start setting chairs out. It would be very much appreciated if other members would help out – please don't wait to be asked. ***This is your club*** and we all have responsibilities. Thanks!

Best wishes, Tim

Club Events in April:

13th – PDI Slow Shutter Speed Competition. Judge: Daphne Hanson DPAGB, APAGB.

Entry deadline Friday, 7 April.

Guidelines: Images taken with a shutter speed of 1/10 of a second or slower. Images must clearly show the use of a slow shutter speed, for example, motion blue, panning, moving points of light.

20th – Committee Meeting.

23rd - Field Trip to Brick Lane

27th - Abandoned Architecture presentation **via Zoom** by James Kerwin.



Visit earthday.org for further information.

Future Field Trips (put dates in your diaries):

23rd April – Field Trip to Brick Lane, London. Andy Soar organising.

30th April – Bluebells at Freston Woods. Organiser tbc.

14th May – Trees and Ferns, Lower Hollesley Common. Tim organising.

29th May – Mid Suffolk Light Railway 1940s Weekend. Ian Bancroft organising.

****Please keep an eye on your emails, FaceBook and the Club's web site for details of these trips.***

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Jokey Moments:

- Life is like photography. You use the negatives to develop.
- What do you call a photo taken by a cat? *A Paw-trait.*
- Be kind to your photographer. The power of editing is in their hands.
- What is it okay to make embarrassing jokes about your camera? *They'll all disappear in a flash.*
- What did the earthworm take photos of for his photography exhibition? *A composite pile.*

