



# NEWSTTER FEBRUARY 2023



## From the Chair

We've had an excellent start to the season with a fine B&W Print Competition, with some really excellent images. And I think most members thought it was pretty well judged by Vic Hainsworth. Perhaps we'll have him back!! Thanks also to Ann & Jill for their print workshop. Hopefully their ideas were useful for the print competition!



Viv will let you know below this article what's coming up, but I just wanted to emphasise that the presentation **"My Passion for Wildlife Photography"** by **Kevin Pigney** is **ZOOM-based and we will NOT be meeting at Mistley Village Hall** that evening. Details will be emailed to members. This will be followed by a normal meeting for the next print competition – the subject is Transport and will be judged by the excellent Roy Essery.

Now for the serious stuff!! . . . I've mentioned the matter of people coming forward to join the committee: Well, it is more important than ever. I will be standing down as Chair and from the committee overall at the AGM. There may also be a number of other resignations. For me this will be a sad time, but I have served as Chair for three years and as PDI Secretary for seven years – that's plenty long enough. It's time for others to step forward and, if more people came forward, then it would be less onerous. I know there are members who are quite capable of handling the affairs of the club and I ask that they think about coming forward. Feel free to talk to me about the roles of the different people on the committee.

Best wishes, Tim

### Club Events in February:

- 9<sup>th</sup> – ‘My Passion for Wildlife’ presented by Kevin Pigney via **Zoom** – check emails for link.
- 19<sup>th</sup> – Field Trip – Snowdrop Sunday at Dawes Hall, Lamarsh, CO8 5EX. Viv organising. Details will be emailed closer to the day – please keep an eye on your emails.
- 23<sup>rd</sup> – Transport Prints Competition – Judge Roy Essery MPAGB **Entry deadline Friday, 17<sup>th</sup>**  
Please ensure you meet the criteria guidelines – *Images that depict modes of transport that are, or were, capable of moving people or freight. Subjects can be on or off road, on tracks, in the sky or on water and either still or in motion.*

### Other Events in February:

- 5<sup>th</sup> – Winter Gathering of historic and classic vintage military vehicles and classics in a wonderful scenic setting by the estuary at Promenade Park Maldon, CM9 5JQ.
- 12<sup>th</sup> – Blakenham Woodland Garden Open Garden for NGS. Little Blakenham, IP8 4LZ.

### Future Field Trips (put dates in your diaries):

- 26<sup>th</sup> March – Trip to Brick Lane, London. Andy Soar organising.
- 30<sup>th</sup> April – Bluebells at Freston Woods. Organiser tbc.
- 14<sup>th</sup> May – Trees and Ferns, Lower Hollesley Common. Tim organising.
- 29<sup>th</sup> May – Mid Suffolk Light Railway 1940s Weekend. Ian Bancroft organising.

Please keep an eye on your emails for details of these trips.



### Jokey moments:

Why was the musician also a great photographer?  
*He knew a good composition when he saw one.*

How do you irritate a photographer?  
*Ask them “After you take that shot with your camera, can you take one with my phone?”*

How many photographers does it take to change a light bulb?  
*None. When it gets dark, we just use a higher ISO.*

We all have photographic memory.  
*Just some of us are lacking the film.*