



M&DPS Newsletter November 2024



Message from the Chair

Dear Members

Just to reiterate, and for those who were not at the meeting on 24 October, we have given a lot of thought to the best way forward to provide Refreshments during the breaks in meetings. Believing it would be good if the Committee and Members work together to do these, we have drawn up a rota and ask for your support – it won't be too onerous!

- Pat and I will provide milk and biscuits for each meeting and maintain supplies of tea and coffee.
- Guidance notes will be placed inside our cupboard door in the kitchen.
- A Committee Member will fill the urn and set out the cups on arrival.
- Members on the rota will make the tea/coffee at the appropriate time, wash up and put mugs etc away.
- Committee Member will lock cupboard at the end of the evening.
- Andy and Kevin will do their best to ensure that when on the rota members competition entries are shown early or late so you will hear the judge's critique
- If you know in advance you are unable to attend on the date you are on the rota we would ask that you swap with other members.

By us all being involved it avoids the same people missing quite a bit of each meeting. The Rota is attached – please check to see when you are on 'duty'. If you have any queries please let me know.

Thank you.

Viv

Club Dates For Your Diary details over the page ...

Thursday 7/11/24
Committee Meeting

**Friday 8th Nov 2024 Deadline for
Food Photography PDI Entries**

Thursday 14/11/24
PDI Competition - Food
Photography Judge - Peter Norris

Sunday 17/11/24
Field Trip Landguard Point
Felixstowe

Thursday 28/11/24
Workshop - James Childs
Portraiture Part 2

From Sam, Events Secretary

I would like to invite you to join us for a festive evening at The Anchor Inn. You are very welcome to bring a guest along to the evening. The pub has set aside the conservatory area and are offering a festive menu of 2 courses for £20.95 or 3 courses for £25.95 (*please note the Ribeye Steak includes a £5 supplement*). A £5 deposit is required per head (*which is non-refundable*) and choices from the menu must be provided in advance. We would like to secure our booking so ask that deposits be paid by the **12th November 2024**. The evening will also include a raffle and a quiz.

Please complete the Google Form to let us know if you will be in attendance or

not: <https://forms.gle/iBK6pmtVJNfkwMmY8>.
If you have any queries, please do contact me (perfectforlearning@gmail.com/07522814863).

Sam

Review Of Club Activities – October 2024

10th October Workshop

Big thank you to Tim Stott for organising a very interesting workshop. Thanks also to Ian Parker, Andy Soar and Mark Rivers for their interesting and varied contributions. Lovely meeting with lots of 'photographic' conversations going on, very interesting. Last, but not least, thank you to Sam, Mary and Jill for helping me with the refreshments.

12th October Field Trip - Furze Hills Mistley. A good number of us set out in poor light and eventual rain. But a good time seemed to be had a plenty of photo chit-chat. Thank you, Sam for organising us and suggesting that location. My first real time exploring there, I'll certainly visit again.

24th October PRINT Competition

There were 36 entries. Congratulations go to Ian Parker for Last Resting Place which was first, Mark Rivers with One Day Dad which was second. Third was Andy Soar with From Out Of Darkness.

Also congratulations to Dave Edwards whose three entries all scored 19.

31st October Talk – Stephen Harper – Wildlife Tour of Britain, Hints, Tips, Settings & Gear

As Harvey said in thanking Stephen 'a brilliant talk and stunning photos.' Stephen also made a really interesting point 'sometimes just put your camera down and just watch what is going on.'

Club Events further details

Friday 8th Nov 2024 Deadline for Food Photography PDI Entries

Photos can be of any food or drink normally consumed by humans. It may be cooked or raw, arranged as a meal, drink or single item

Thursday 14/11/24

PDI Competition - Food Photography Judge - Peter Norris

Sunday 17/11/24

Field Trip Landguard Point Felixstowe

<https://e-voice.org.uk/manningtreeanddistrictphotographicsociety/calendar/item/53273472>

High tide will be at 12.00, so opportunities for long exposure are certainly possible. Also Wildlife especially birds at the Nature Reserve

Thursday 28/11/24

Workshop - James Childs Portraiture Part 2. His first workshop for the club last March was really interesting and challenging and I expect this one will be too. Remember we have a themed Print Comp next April and the theme is Portraits.

A message from **Katharine our Publicity Secretary**. After a little break, it's the return of the Facebook Challenge. The November challenge is Autumn, not that original as we had this subject last year. But there are so many lovely autumn colours out there, so it seems appropriate. Please don't submit the same image as last year it's nice to see something different. Winner chosen based on number of likes. Good luck.

Our very own **Andy Soar** is one of a number of photographers & artists who have a number of prints on display at NaviStitch 28 High Street Manningtree CO11 1AJ www.navistich.com

The Preview Evening Friday is 15th November 4pm-8pm followed by the Christmas Pop Up Shop Saturday 16th Nov to 24th December.

Roy Cane passed on details of an exhibition he recently visited that would be of interest to all members

An Eye For Life, photography by John Ferguson at Christchurch Mansion, Ipswich. Free admission, the exhibition continues until 27th April 2025. The exhibition is open Tues.-Sun and closed on Mondays.

<https://www.ipswich.cimuseums.org.uk/events>

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