



M&DPS Newsletter February 2025



Dear Members

I hope you are all aware that our next Field Trip on 16 February is to Daws Hall, Henny Road, Lamarsh, Essex CO8 5EX and it would be great to see you there. It is an easy walk round to look at the snowdrops, the garden, the Nature Reserve and then have a piece of cake and coffee/tea at the end. Entry to Daws Hall is by donation.

Further details are on our website:-

<https://evoice.org.uk/manningtreeanddistrictphotographicsociety/calendar/item/53282245>

Sam has provided a varied Field Trip schedule this season and whereas there are a few regular members attending I would encourage more of you to give them a try. It is an opportunity to swap tips and discuss images whilst being out and about and using your camera.

Why not come along on 16th February – who doesn't like snowdrops or even coffee and cake?

Best wishes

Viv, M&DPS Chair

Our Programme Secretary Jill Sullivan is already thinking and planning our 2025-26 programme.

What would you like to see in the programme?

What topics or speakers would you like to hear from?

Have you any thoughts on what PRINT or PDI competitions we should offer?

Have you heard of any interesting speakers we could book?

What other features would you like to see in the programme beside speakers and competitions?

Please let us know of any ideas that you have, the club is very much your club and your ideas would help Jill in planning an exciting 2025-26 programme.

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

Thursday 13/2/25

Talk - Mobile Phone Photography
- Jeanette Lendon, Jet Black Squares

Via TEAMS/ZOOM

Sunday 16/02/2025

Field Trip Snow Drops at Daws Hall

Entry deadline Friday 21st Feb 25
for Print Competition Open Colour

Thursday 27/2/25

Print Competition - Open Colour
Judge - Roy Essery

Thursday 06/03/25

Committee Meeting

January 2025 Review

It was a very busy month for members

At the start of the month Samantha Innard won the Facebook Banner Competition, congratulations Sam, it was a beautiful photo.

Thursday 9/1/25 - the Industrial Print Competition was won by Sandra Crittenden with Trawler, Dave Edwards came 2nd & 3rd with Canary Wharf & A Ridge To Far. Tie 3rd was Samantha Innard with Mining Haulage. Congratulations to all the winners.

Saturday 18/01/25 our first field trip of 2025. The venue was Colchester Zoo. A great time was had, with some lovely photos on the club's Facebook page.

Thursday 23/01/25 we had a fascinating talk from Barbie Lindsey on Macro Photography – insects. Her photos were beautifully sharp and showed the sheer variety of insect life you can find in your garden and out locally.

Thursday 30/01/25 – the Open Mono PDI Competition was won by Samantha Innard with Frozen In Time. In 2nd and 3rd place was Andy Soar with Go West & Unloved. Congratulations to the winners.

Harwich & Dovercourt Camera Club

have invited us to join them for a Zoom presentation by **Janey Lazenby on Working with Textures**, which is being held at Harwich & Dovercourt Camera Club, The Arts and Heritage Centre, Mayflower School, Main Road, Dovercourt, CO12 4AJ on **17th Feb 2025**. If anyone would like to go along they are more than welcome, tickets for non-members are £5.

The **EAF** is holding its **AGM** on 16th Feb 2025. Further info is attached to this email

Thursday 13/2/25

ZOOM/TEAMS Talk on Mobile Phone Photography - Jeanette Lendon, Jet Black Squares.

Jeanette is an inspiring speaker and as we have a PDI Smart Phone Competition on 27th March 2025, we could all learn a lot.

<https://www.jetblacksquares.com>

Field Trip: 16/02/2025

Snow Drop Sunday @ Daws Hall Nature Reserve. It can be quite muddy so wellies might be an idea. Hot drinks and homemade cakes will be on sale as well. <https://e-voice.org.uk/manningtreeanddistrictphotographicsociety/calendar/item/532822>

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Entry deadline Friday 21st Feb 2025 Open Colour Print Competition

Thursday 27/2/25
Print Competition - Open Colour
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Advance Notice

We have decided to hold the **Photography Marathon** on **Saturday 29th March** this year. So keep the date free in your diaries.

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