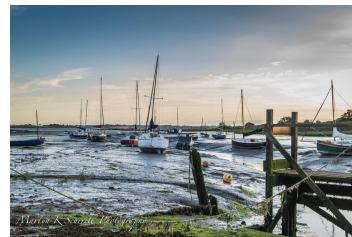




M&DPS Newsletter March 2025



Dear Members

As your Committee are meeting on 6 March I am wondering if you have any suggestions/comments you would like us to consider e.g.

- Are there things we can do better to improve your experience at meetings?
- What topics you may like for competitions/talks?
- Ideas for Field Trips you would participate in – places to go, days and times of these?
- Suggestions for encouraging new members.
- It is **your** Club so please do get in touch if you have anything you would like us to consider.

I hope you all feel welcome and part of the Club. Please do let me know your feelings and thoughts – v.scurrrell@btinternet.com – and I will raise them at our meeting.

I look forward to hearing from you.

Best wishes

Viv Scurrrell, M&DPS Chair

Club Dates - more details over the page...

Thursday 13/3/25 19.30-21.30

Talk - Portraiture - Roy Essery

Saturday 15/03/25 10.30-14.30

Field Trip – Holbrook Creek

Friday 21st March 2025

Entry Deadline PDI Competition – Smart Phone Images

Thursday 27/3/25

PDI Competition - "Smart Phones Images" - Judge - Julie Hutson

M&DPS Photography Marathon on Saturday 29th March – details to follow

February 2025 Review

Congratulations to Andy Soar won the January Facebook Challenge.

Thursday 13/02/2025 - we had a fascinating and informative Zoom talk by Jeanette Lenden of Jet Black Squares on Mobile Phone Photography. I certainly learnt lots. As we have a PDI Competition on Smart Phone Images at the end of this month, it'll be really interesting to see how the talk has influenced the images that are entered.

Sunday 16/02/2025 - 7 of us visited Daws Hall Reserve on their last Snowdrop Sunday of 2025. Weather was sunny but chilly. It was a lovely morning that included lots of chat and discussion of just how to take photos of snowdrops.

Thursday 27/02/2025 - Open Colour Print Competition. Our judge was Roy Essery, whose feedback is always very comprehensive. Congratulations to Dave Edwards who came first with "Alien on the Portside Bow". Second was Mark Rivers with his 'Bookcase' taken on his mobile phone! Third was Pat Ainger with "Bad Hair Day". Congratulations to all the winners.

Other Dates For Your Diaries

3rd-14th March INFOCUS is the annual exhibition of the **Ipswich & District Photographic Society**. Held at St. Clements Art Centre, Fore Street, Ipswich IP4 1JZ. Opening times 10am to 4pm. All welcome.

14th March Clacton Camera Club Annual Special Event at The McGregor Hall in Frinton-on-Sea, 7.30pm. **An Evening with Anthony Highet**. He will be fresh from The Photography and Video Show and will share with us his experiences in photography, beginning with joining a camera club to becoming Director of The Creativity Hub.

<https://www.clactoncameraclub.co.uk>

15th April 2025 Colchester Photographic Society are presenting **An Evening With Scarlet Page, 7.30pm**

<https://colchesterphotosoc.co.uk/events/2024-25/special-event/>

Thursday 13th March 2025 19.30-21.30

Talk - Portraiture - Roy Essery, MPAGB

Roy's talk will cover Portrait photography (Studio Work & Street Photography).

Field Trip: Holbrook Creek - Saturday 15 March 2025, 10:30 to 14:30, Holbrook Creek, IP9 2RJ (meeting in the car park)

Holbrook Creek is located on the Suffolk Coast and Heaths AONB, near the village of Holbrook, on the Shotley Peninsula.

Holbrook Creek is part of a saltmarsh landscape with inter-tidal flats, mud flats, and creeks. At low tide, boats can be seen resting on the mudflats.

<https://e-voice.org.uk/manningtreeanddistrictphotographicsociety/calendar/item/53282263>

PAGB News

Photographic Alliance of Great Britain 374 e-news available at –

<https://www.pagbnews.co.uk/sites/default/files/newsletters/en374%2014%20February.pdf>

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<https://www.pagbnews.co.uk/sites/default/files/newsletters/en%20375%2001%20March%202025.pdf>

Photographic Alliance of Great Britain 375 e-news extra available at:-

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Competition: PDI – "Smart Phone Images"

Thursday 27 March 2025, 19:30 to 21:30 Images must be captured on a Smart Phone. They may be edited using the phone software or phone editing apps such as Snapseed. Judge – Julie Hutson

Entry deadline Friday 21st March

For details on how to enter, please see [https://e-](https://e-voice.org.uk/manningtreeanddistrictphotographicsociety/competitions/)

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