

MACCLESFIELD CAMERA CLUB – PROGRAMME SEPTEMBER 2023 – MAY 2024

11TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Welcome and Introduction Meeting. Overview of the MCC 2023/24 programme, planned events and introductions to the committee. Bring your favourite images from the summer break to show other members what you have been doing.

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

25TH SEPTEMBER 2023

Guest Speaker: Len Claydon ARPS/AFIAP. In his talk Len will present a wide range of his superb print images that cover a wide range of photographic genres. Len has evolved a unique, creative photographic style which has won many awards in both UK and international competitions.

< Submit images for Competition # 1 - Open PDI >

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

2ND OCTOBER 2023

This evening we have two of our own club members who are presenting talks.

Alex White is presenting a talk titled: 'Working in Colour'

Martin Pickles is presenting a talk titled 'Working in Monochrome'

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

12TH OCTOBER 2023 [THURSDAY]

Robert Shaw Trophy. This season's inter club competition is being hosted by Leek Photographic Society. As ever this is a friendly but tightly fought competition between our neighbouring clubs: Leek, Crewe, Blythe Bridge, Holmes Chapel and of course our good selves.

16TH OCTOBER 2023

Photo Challenge: Square World Perspective. Members are invited to submit three images which are all in a 1:1 (square format). The aim is to find compositions that work most effectively in a square format.

This meeting will be held via Zoom.

30TH OCTOBER 2023

Our first Internal Competition - Open PDI

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

6TH NOVEMBER 2023

Guest Speakers: Ashley Franklin (<https://www.ashleyfranklin.co.uk/>) presents a talk entitled 'The Wider World of Photography'. Discover a fascinating world of photography beyond the camera club as we explore the history, style and impact of portrait, fashion, industrial, war, press and social documentary photography. See the work of photo greats like Avedon, Bailey, Beaton, Bloomfield, Capa, Contreras, McCullin, McCurry, Karsh, Leibowitz, McCullin, Salgado and Winston Link

< Submit images for competition # 2 - Open PDI - Monochrome >

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

13TH NOVEMBER 2023

What's in your camera bag? Members are invited to talk about their favourite piece of photography kit. Whether it is an old favourite or new piece of kit, software or an app, bring along one of your favourite / most useful items and tell other club members why you like it

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

19TH NOVEMBER 2023 [SUNDAY]

International Photo Competition between Vera International Photo Club and Macclesfield Camera Club. A fantastic opportunity for both clubs to take part in an open DPI competition that will take place via Zoom on Sunday 19th November at 14:00 (UK local) 15:00 (Spain)

This meeting will be held via Zoom.

27TH NOVEMBER 2023

Photo Challenge: Three of a Kind - A photographic challenge evening for members to submit three images across three given subject areas to demonstrate skills in different genres of photography - Landscape (Urban / natural) / Monochrome / Macro

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

4TH DECEMBER 2023

Our second Internal Competition - Open PDI - Monochrome

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

11TH DECEMBER 2023

Guest Speaker: Chris Upton (<https://www.chrisuptonphotography.com/>) presents a talk entitled '**Travels with my X**'. As a Fujifilm Ambassador and Travel photographer, I have visited many wonderful locations around the world capturing images using my Fujifilm X-Series cameras. In this talk I'll take you with me and explain how I shot some of my favourite images. Packed with plenty of hints and tips this talk will help you make the most of your next trip, whatever camera you shoot with.

< Submit images for Competition #3 - Open PDI >

This meeting will be held via Zoom.

18TH DECEMBER 2023

Xmas Social evening / Photographers Quiz: What do you really know about photography? Social evening

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

8TH JANUARY 2024

Members Image Critique Evening #1 - This evening we review members images submitted anonymously. We have a panel of three established club photographers to provide feedback on images and we can all provide additional input for a rounded perspective. Put yourself in the judging seat and appraise fellow members images in a constructive manner highlighting the attributes and noting any areas for improvement. In this session we aim to review the images impartially and constructively in order to learn from other members techniques, composition and photographic styles.

This meeting will be held via Zoom.

15TH JANUARY 2024

Internal Speaker: Martin Welch presents a talk titled "Photographing People - A Personal View". Partly historical and using his own photos, suggesting my personal view of how to approach the task of getting great images.

This meeting will be held via Zoom.

29TH JANUARY 2024

Our third Internal Competition - Open PDI

This meeting will be held via Zoom.

5TH FEBRUARY 2024

Guest Speaker: Brian Law (<https://brianlawphotography.co.uk/>) presents his talk entitled 'Travels with my iPhone'. Brian will present a wide range of images from his recent tours including trips to Vietnam and Cambodia. Brian's style of photography is to look for different perspectives, angles and details and capture creative images.

< Submit images for Competition #4 - Open PDI >

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

19TH FEBRUARY 2024

Guest Speaker: David Hewson - Successful Wildlife Photography. This evening David will present his wildlife talk illustrated with both prints and DPI's and supported with technical advice and explanations about how to take better wildlife images.

< Submit images for Competition 5 - Open Print >

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

4TH MARCH 2024

AV Image Challenge - Presentation Evening - tonight we review the AV's submitted by club members. Members were challenged to create a short AV (pictures to exe style show) to tell a story via a sequence of choreographed images and background music or soundtrack.

This meeting will be held via Zoom.

18TH MARCH 2024

Our fourth Internal Competition - Open PDI

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

25TH MARCH 2024

David duChemin (<https://davidduchemin.com/>): 'The Heart of the Photograph'. In this video presentation David walks us through techniques and ways of thinking about the creation of images designed to engage human imagination and emotion, and creating images that are more than just visual but visceral. He discusses vision and intent, the use of space and time, the creation of depth, creative point of view, and other tools and ideas for making photographs that are more than just "of" something but about something more, something we can feel and experience more deeply.

This meeting will be held via Zoom.

8TH APRIL 2024

Members Image Critique Evening 2 - This evening we review members images submitted anonymously. We have a panel of three established club photographers to provide feedback on images and we can all provide additional input for a rounded perspective. Put yourself in the judging seat and appraise fellow members images in a constructive manner highlighting the attributes and noting any areas for improvement. In this session we aim to review the images impartially and constructively in order to learn from other members techniques, composition and photographic styles.

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

22ND APRIL 2024

Our fifth and final Internal Competition - Open PDI

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

29TH APRIL 2024

Annual General Meeting. The AGM will be held at Gawsworth village hall.

This meeting will be held at Gawsworth Village Hall

13TH MAY 2024

Annual Exhibition - Macclesfield Library. An opportunity to see a range of images from club members covering a wide range of photographic styles and genres.

This meeting will be held at Macclesfield Library