

Hello Everyone

Welcome to the last newsletter of 2023, I would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and all the best of health, happiness and great photography for 2024.

We have the usual content for you to enjoy in this newsletter and to inspire you into 2024. I thought we would use this month cover to showcase '**fine art photography**', something I find fascinating but what defines it?

The next newsletter will be after our competition in early February 2024, until then, take care Ron





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December 2023 Competition results - Print 'Street Life'

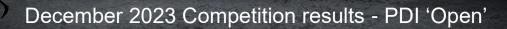
1st Place (left) Street Artist Carl Reeve





3rd Place (left) French Festival Chris Raymont

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1st Place (left) Wild Little Owl Becky Woollard

2nd Place (right) Little Boxes David Kidd



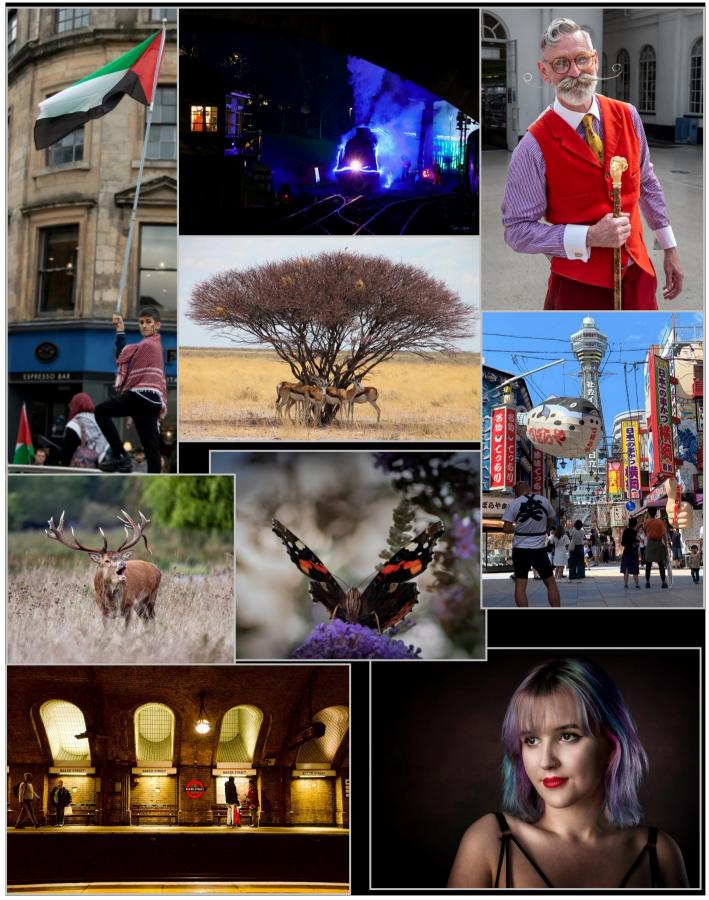


3rd Place (left) Two Pairs Kings Over Bee Eaters Paul Stovold



December 2023 Competition - Best of the Rest

There are too many to name this month but well done to the winners and everyone in the "best of the rest" gallery.





We are now three competitions into the season, so see where you are in the league over the next few pages. If you have not been brave enough to have a go at the competitions yet maybe 2024 could be your year!

	Combined	Totals						
Div	Mem #	Photographer		Total	# of 10's	# of 9.5's		
1	602	CARL	REEVE	90.5	3	3		
1	645	ROBIN	TAYLOR-HUNT	88	3	1		
1	521	RICHARD	COLE	85				
1	567	NIC	DREW	85	1	1		
1	481	JAMES	FOX	83.5	0	1		
1	370	CHRIS	RAYMONT	82	0	0		
1	580	ROGER	COUMBE	78	0	0		
1	564	LINDA	PRIESTLEY	77	1	0		
1	626	TERRY	HARRIS	66	2	0		
1	439	KEITH	BARNETT	43	1	0		
1	601	SIMON	GILGALLON	42	0	1		
1	548	ROSS	UNDERWOOD	25.5	0	0		
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2	644	RON	HARCKHAM	84	0	0		
2	422	KEVIN	LEE	68.5	0	0		
2	604	NICK	GRIGGS	62	62 0			
2	646	ANDREW	SMITHSON	42				
2	473	DAVID	BLAIKIE	38.5	0	0		
2	627	JAMIE	BYE	37.5	0	1		
2	647	PAUL	MARTIN	37	0	0		
2	656	JACQUI	DUNSTER	23	0	0		
3	674	DAVID	KIDD	91	4	1		
3	672	MARK	EVANS	85	0	3		
3	659	RACHEL	COLLIS	76.5	0	1		
3	673	BECKY	WOOLLARD	74	3	0		
3	658	GILLIAN	AUSTIN	65	0	0		
3	660	DEAN	COLLIS	57	0	0		
3	667	TIM	KELLY	57	0	1		
3	661	GARY	ORCHARD	42	1	0		
3	669	PAUL	STOVOLD	40.5	1	0		
3	650	JANET	HINDS	30	0	0		
3	668	SUSAN	BARTON	23.5	1	0		
3	652	TREVOR	EXELBY	21.5	0	0		
3	648	WERNER	SCHOEFFER	15.5	0	0		
3	666	STEPHEN	UPFIELD	12	0	0		
3	534	ANDREW	POULTER	10	1	0		
3	391	MIKE	BUCKLEY	9	0	0		
3	533	ALLAN	PHILLIPS	8.5	0	0		
3	623	GABI	MANDER	8.5	0	0		



December 2023 Competition - Leagues

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Div	Mem #	Photographer		Total	# of 10's	# of 9.5's					
1	602	CARL	REEVE	46.5	2	2					
1	645	ROBIN	TAYLOR-HUNT	45	2	1					
1	439	KEITH	BARNETT	43	1	0					
1	521	RICHARD	COLE	42.5	0	1					
1	567	NIC	DREW	42	1	1					
1	601	SIMON	GILGALLON	42	0	1					
1	481	JAMES	FOX	41.5	0	1					
1	370	CHRIS	RAYMONT	40.5	0	0					
1	580 564	ROGER LINDA	COUMBE PRIESTLEY	39.5 37.5	0	0					
1	626	TERRY	HARRIS	37.5	1	0					
1	548	ROSS	UNDERWOOD	25.5	0	0					
2	644	ROSS	HARCKHAM	44	0	0					
2	646	ANDREW	SMITHSON	42	1	1					
2	604	NICK	GRIGGS	40	0	0					
2	473	DAVID	BLAIKIE	38.5	0	0					
2	627	JAMIE	BYE	37.5	0	1					
2	647	PAUL	MARTIN	37	0	0					
2	422	KEVIN	LEE	35	0	0					
2	656	JACQUI	DUNSTER	23	0	0					
3	674	DAVID	KIDD	45.5	2	0					
3	673	BECKY	WOOLLARD	43	2	0					
3	661	GARY	ORCHARD	42	1	0					
3	672	MARK	EVANS	41	0	1					
3	669	PAUL	STOVOLD	40.5	1	0					
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3	658	GILLIAN	AUSTIN	37	0	0					
3	660	DEAN	COLLIS	35.5	0	0					
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3	648	WERNER	SCHOEFFER	15.5	0	0					
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3	391	MIKE	BUCKLEY	9	0	0					
3	623	GABI	MANDER	8.5	0	0					
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1	602	CARL	REEVE	44	1	1					
1	567	NIC	DREW	43	0	0					
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1	521	RICHARD	COLE	42.5	0	0					
1	481	JAMES	FOX	42	0	0					
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3	672	MARK	EVANS	44	0	2					
3	659	RACHEL	COLLIS	37.5	0	1					
3	673	BECKY	WOOLLARD	31	1	0					
3	658	GILLIAN	AUSTIN	28	0	0					
3	660	DEAN	COLLIS	21.5	0	0					
3	667	TIM	KELLY	18	0	1					
3	666	STEPHEN	UPFIELD	12	0	0					
3	533	ALLAN	PHILLIPS	8.5	0	0					

Please see below, the events calendar for the upcoming month into 2024

Date	Upcoming Events					
Monday 11th December 2023	Night Photography Christmas Lights at Gunwharf Quays (See below)					
Saturday 16th December 2023	Photo Walk: Seascapes at Lepe Beach					
Monday 18th December 2023	Talk - In the wake of Shackleton by Harry Kingman (food collection)					
Monday 8th January 2024	Skittles evening, see below.					
Monday 15th January 2024	Practical 'Show and Tell'					
Saturday 20th January 2024	Photo Walk - Emsworth See overleaf.					
Monday 29th January 2024	SCPF judging round					
Monday 5th February	Competition - Technology (PDI) Open (Print)					

Monday 11th December Night Photography at Gunwharf Quays

We will be meeting here at 7.30pm outside the Holiday Inn Express which is to the left of the Christmas Market.

The shot to the right was taken last year by Ron, and gives you an idea of the type of photography that you can expect.

Please wrap up warm and remember to bring your tripod and either a cable release or know how to set your cameras self timer. Working your camera in manual is also a good idea but not essential.

There are plenty of photo opportunities around the quay including the spinnaker tower and views across the water to Old Portsmouth and we will be taking in HMS Warrior as well.



Saturday 16th December, Photo walk at Lepe Beach for seascape photography.

We will be meeting at 10am for a walk around the beach and local area and if we have time may go to hatchet pond. A tripod and if you have one, a neutral density filter will enable us to take long exposure shots as you can see from the below Lepe beach shot:



The meeting point will be near the car park which is here: <u>https://maps.app.goo.gl/q4b4vC4ptoUusoRT8</u>

There is a café on the beachfront near the car park which will hopefully be open and there is also plenty to photograph away from the beach.

If you would like to have a look beforehand take a look here: <u>https://www.thenewforest.co.uk/listing/lepe-country-park/166740101/</u>



Monday 8th January 2024 at 6pm



Hopefully you can join us at the Crofton pub for our Christmas celebration, some food and a game of Skittles.

The address is below:

48 Crofton Ln, Fareham PO14 3QF

See you there!

Saturday 20th January 2024 Emsworth

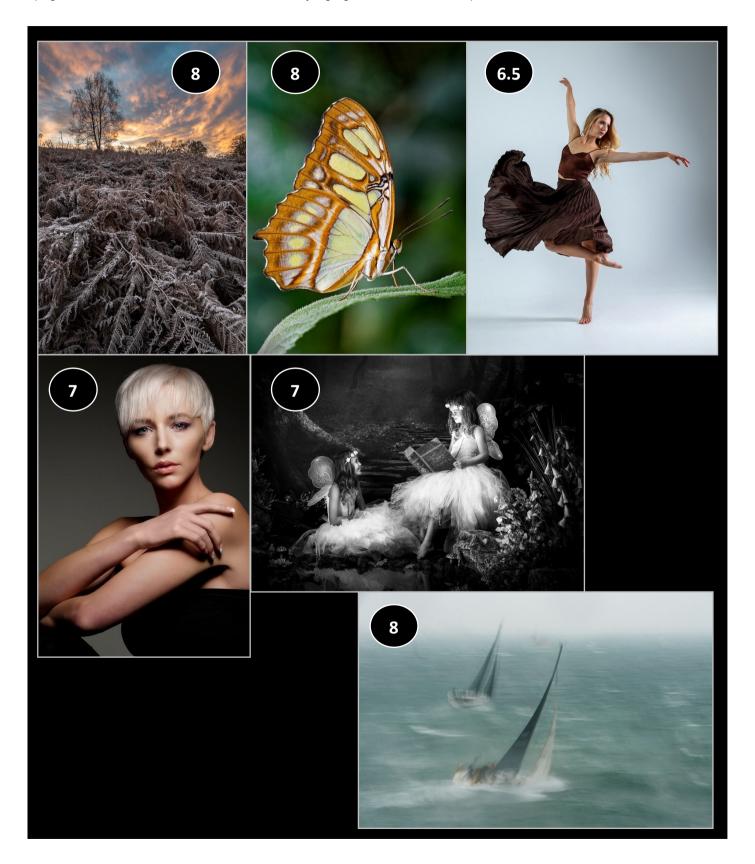
We will meet at the usual time (10am) at the car park next to the Blue Bell Inn at 29 South St, Emsworth PO10 7EG, as soon as you go past the pub on your right, you will see the entrance to the car park.

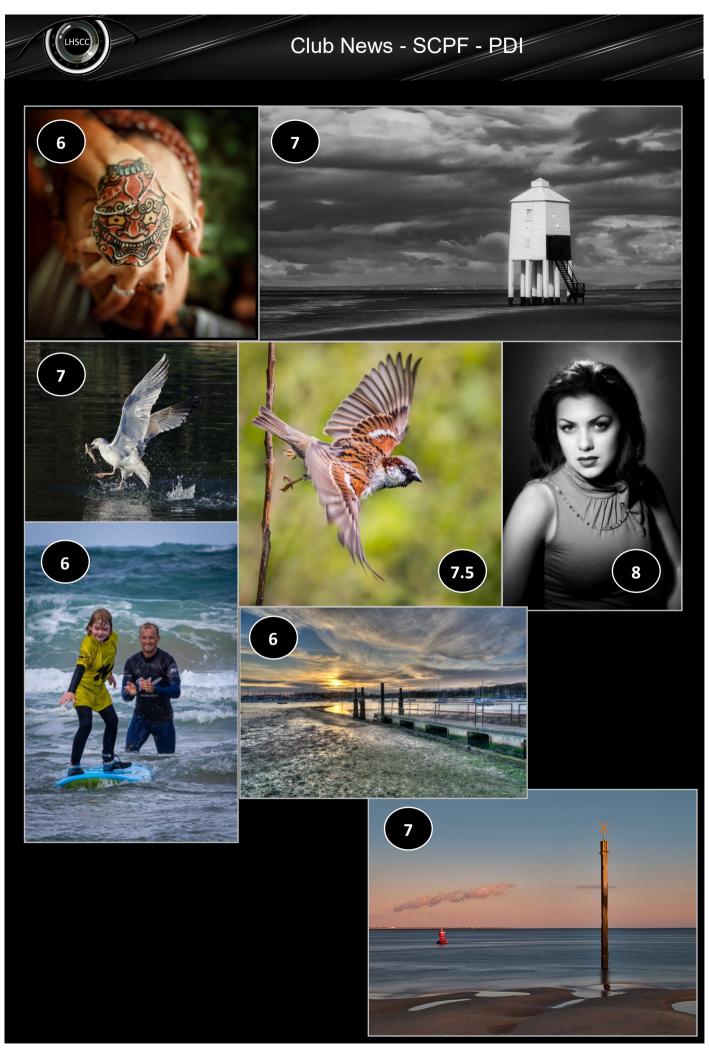
Emsworth offers a leisurely walk around the small harbour and town with opportunities for seascapes, harbour views and some street photography. You can see some examples below:



Club News - SCPF

Each year the club submits prints and PDI's for the Southern Counties Photographic Federation (SCPF) competition. These are selected from members winning, placed or highly scored competition entries by a committee selection panel. We thought it would be of interest to the members to see this seasons entries. The PDI photos have also been entered into our Division 4 submission which will be judged over the season and there are more details on page 13. The exhibition scores achieved after judging are shown on each photo.





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In the first round of the SCPF PDI Division 4 league, you will see that we came out top! Each club hosts the judging rounds with the first one held by Boscombe Camera Club.

Club		10s	9.5s	9.0s	8.5s	8.0s	7.5s	7.0s	6.5s	6.0s	Points
30 Locksheath & Sarisbury Camera Club		3	3	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	8
22 Havant Camera Club	73.0	2	2	2	1	-	1	-	-	-	7
20 Guernsey Photographic Society	70.0	2	1	1	1	2	-	1	-	-	6
71 Gibraltar Photographic Society		-	2	3	1	1	-	1	-	-	5
01 Aldershot, Farnham & Fleet Camera Club		1	-	1	2	2	1	-	-	1	4
10 Boscombe Camera Club	63.0	-	1	1	2	-	2	-	1	1	3
31 The Practical Camera Club	61.0	-	-	-	3	-	2	2	1	-	2
	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Image Scores Distribution			9	8	10	6	6	5	2	2	56

The next Round is being held by the Gibraltar Photographic Society, the details are shown below:

Topic: Gibraltar SCPF PDI, Division 4 appraisal round Time: Tuesday, Dec 12th 2023 07:30 PM Paris

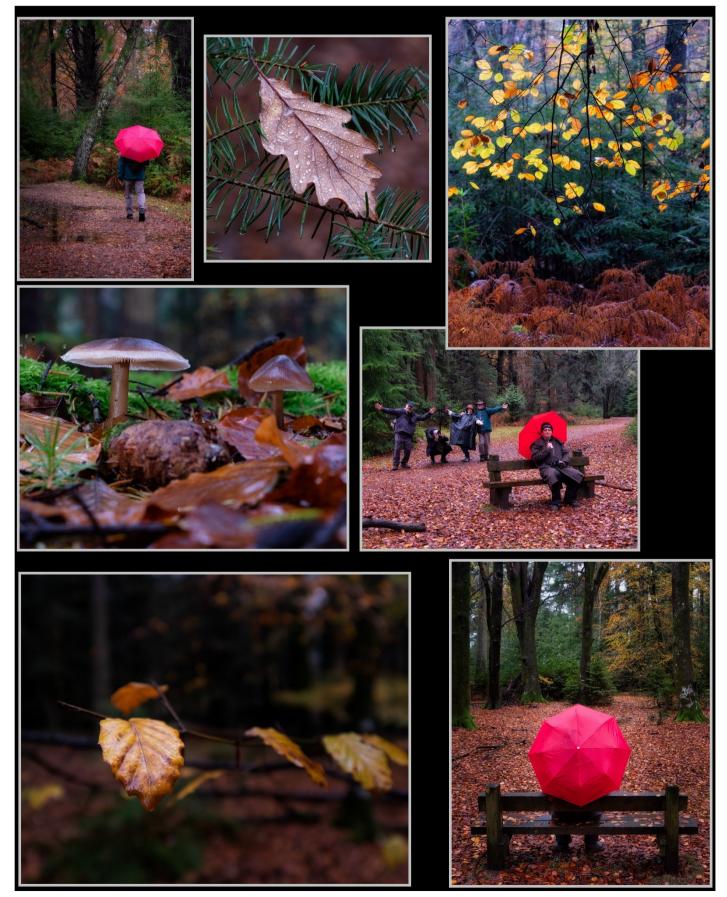
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Meeting ID: 810 3135 1574 Passcode: 499718



Club News - Tall Tree Photo Walk

The clubs Photo Walk at the Tall Trees walk in the New Forest took place on the 18th November despite the bad weather. In fact, although raining when we turned up, the weather was kind to us and for most of the walk as the rain held off, and opened up a wealth of photo opportunities.





Members Forum - Becky Woollard

Hi there, I've been asked to write a little about why I've joined the camera club and what photography interests me. I got my first DSLR around 10 years ago (a Nikon d7100). Previous to that, I travelled a lot with my parents and took photographs on a compact camera. I especially enjoy wildlife photography and for the last 5 years or so most of my holidays have been based around wildlife viewing. I decided to join the camera club as I want to develop my skills further and also be able to take a variety of photos. Whilst at club it has been the first time I had ever attempted portrait photography! I have recently purchased a mirrorless DSLR and I am still getting the hang of this!



Three photos from Johnstone Strait, Canada (the photo above is not in sharp focus as I took my 80-400mm and the orca was just too close! They passed under our kayaks!) Below is a seal with the photo taken at Blakeney Point in Norfolk





I have really enjoyed these first few months with the club, especially seeing everyone's photos on the competition nights.

I am grateful to Ross for the Thursday night basic course as this has helped me develop my skills and also meant I have got to know some club members a bit better- I would recommend to all new starters, whatever their skill level.

Finland, one of the hides below was where I shot the brown bear photo.

As you can see from the photographs, I have seen a fair bit of the world and been on many adventures.

My first adventure with a DSLR was visiting Brazil to the Pantanal to photograph the Jaguars amongst other species.

This is where I first got to know other wildlife photographers and realised how basic my kit was!





Members Forum - Becky Woollard

Other adventures over the following years included camping on an island in the Johnstone Strait to kayak with orcas (taking my DSLR out on the water was a little scary!), staying up during the midnight sun in Finland to photograph bears, wolves and wolverines and trekking through Costa Rica enjoying the scenery and wildlife.

I have also stayed closer to home visiting Devon to photograph the beavers and Norfolk to photograph the seals. Much closer to home I have been enjoying trying to photograph a variety of birds of prey including the short-eared owls!





I am looking forward to the coming year with the club. Especially some of the planned Saturday walks.

I also visit zoos and have an annual pass to Marwell Zoo. I have been getting to know some of the other photographers and keepers and now have more of an understanding of the breeding programmes zoos are involved in.

The Capybara and Jaguar were captured in Brazil, the tree frog and sloth were captured in Costa-Rica where the sloths use power cables to get around (not ideal)!

And finally, my beaver pictures were taken at the river Otter in Devon.











Club News - YouTube

YouTube

To follow up on last months practical evenings including post processing, we thought it would be good to share some YouTube creators with really good content on both technique and post processing to help you along. These are well worth exploring and are totally free. Something to get your teeth into during the holiday season.

Anthony Morganti for all things editing across multiple programs including lightroom, photoshop and Luminar Neo:

https://www.youtube.com/@AnthonyMorganti/videos

Adorama for gear reviews, photo techniques and of course the great Gavin Hoey videos:

https://www.youtube.com/@Adorama/videos

Stuart McGlennon a professional landscape photographer in the Lake District where most but not all of his videos are shot:

https://www.youtube.com/@StuartMcGlennon/videos

Sarah Lindsay, if self portraiture in the landscape is of interest, then have a look at this channel for inspiration:

https://www.youtube.com/@sarahlyndsay/videos

Peter McKinnon is a Canadian photographer with nearly 6 million subscribers with videos covering everything from gear reviews, portraiture, still life, landscape and just about everything else.

https://www.youtube.com/@PeterMcKinnon/videos

The Photography Course, a complete variation of short videos on multiple photography techniques that are easy to understand and digest:

https://www.youtube.com/@PhotographyCourse/videos

Morten Hilmer for everything wildlife photography, there are tips as well as some gear reviews:

https://www.youtube.com/@MortenHilmer/videos

COOPH is a channel dedicated to the more unusual photography exploits showing you how to get amazing special effect photos.

https://www.youtube.com/@TheCooph/videos

Pierre T. Lambert is the final photographer on this list for all things gear and street photography:

https://www.youtube.com/@Pierretlambert/videos





What's On

Not much to report this month, as you would expect, a lot of the 'what's on' in the next month or so is Christmas related but gives an opportunity to photograph events that only come round once a year.

Portsmouth on Ice

Portsmouth's ice rink returns to Guildhall Square this winter.

The ice rink includes a canopy for guaranteed skating whatever the weather. Sessions can be booked in advance and last an hour.

Portsmouth on Ice rink, Guildhall Square, 25 November 2023 to 7 January 2024.



FESTIVAL OF CHRISTMAS

Saturday 9th and Sunday 10th December

Festive fun is top of the wish list this year at Port Solent! Come and explore more than 100 market stalls, seasonal food and drink, and festive entertainment. Saturday 9th December,10am - 5pm & amp; Sunday 10th December 10am - 4pm.



On Sunday 17th December there is a classic car meet at the Botleigh Grange hotel from 9am to 11.30am.

Only cars more than 30 years old are in attendance. Address is Grange Road, Southampton, SO30 2GA





The Winchester Christmas Market is worth a visit and is open from 10am to 8pm during the week and 10am to 6pm at weekends.



We hoped you enjoyed this newsletter

We would like to wish all our members, families and friends a very Happy Christmas and all the very best of health and happiness for the new year.

Your ongoing support of the club is very much appreciated and we look forward to seeing you all in the New Year where, we will do our best to keep you entertained on Monday evenings and of course on our Saturday photo walks.

As always, if you have any ideas for the club, photo experiences to share or general content for the newsletter please get in touch.

All the very best ...



LHSCC Camera Club Committee

Merry Christmas