

Lymington Camera Club

Programme 2026–2027 Season

Thursday 10 September

Welcome Evening

Join us as we launch the new season with a welcome from our Chairman, outlining the year ahead and introducing some exciting developments within the club.

The evening will conclude with a light-hearted **"You Be the Judge"** competition featuring smartphone photographs taken during the summer months. Members will have the opportunity to score and discuss the images before discovering the overall winners.

Please remember to submit your summer smartphone images before the evening.

Thursday 24 September

Image Appraisal 1 – Open

Our first Image Appraisal Evening of the season provides an excellent opportunity to receive constructive feedback on your photography in a friendly and supportive environment.

Members may submit **up to three images**, either prints, projected digital images (PDI), or a combination of both.

Assessor – Ashley Francis

Ashley Francis, of Winchester Photographic Society, is an experienced photographer and respected SCPF judge. Well known for his balanced, insightful and encouraging critiques, Ashley provides valuable observations that help photographers of all abilities develop both their technical and creative skills.

Thursday 8 October

Photography with a Smartphone

Guest Speaker – Annabel Foot

Local photographer Annabel Foot demonstrates how today's smartphones can produce outstanding photographs when combined with good observation, thoughtful composition and effective use of light.

Through practical advice, creative techniques and inspiring examples, Annabel will show that successful photography depends far more on vision and storytelling than the equipment being used. Whether you use a smartphone alongside your camera or as your primary photographic tool, this promises to be an informative and inspiring evening.

Further Information

<https://www.jetblacksquares.com/newforest-smartphone-photography-workshops-1>

Thursday 22 October

Image Appraisal 2 – Open

Members may submit **up to three images**, either prints, projected digital images (PDI), or a combination of both.

Assessor – Glyn Paton

Glyn Paton, from Winchester Photographic Society, is a highly regarded photographer and experienced SCPP judge. His thoughtful, constructive approach encourages photographers to view their work from fresh perspectives while offering practical advice for future development.

Thursday 12 November

Abandoned America

Guest Speaker – Tony Worobiec

Award-winning travel and documentary photographer Tony Worobiec presents **Abandoned America**, a fascinating photographic journey through forgotten towns, abandoned buildings and remote landscapes across the United States.

Combining superb photography with engaging storytelling, Tony explores the beauty, history and atmosphere of locations far removed from the traditional tourist trail. Drawing on decades of experience as an internationally recognised photographer, author and educator, this promises to be an inspiring evening for photographers of every genre.

Further Information

<https://www.tonyworobiec.com/abandoned-america>

Thursday 26 November

Image Appraisal 3 – Open

Members may submit **up to three images**, either prints, projected digital images (PDI), or a combination of both.

Assessor – Gordon Brown ARPS

Gordon Brown is an Associate of the Royal Photographic Society and an experienced competition judge throughout Southern England. His own photography is centred on the natural world, and he is renowned for providing constructive, perceptive and encouraging critiques.

Thursday 10 December

Members' Evening – Photography Speed Dating

One of our most popular evenings returns.

Members will form small discussion groups, each photographer presenting up to **three images** (prints or PDIs) for constructive feedback from fellow members. After a short session, groups rotate to new tables, providing a variety of opinions and fresh perspectives throughout the evening.

This informal format encourages discussion, learning and inspiration in a relaxed atmosphere.

Please bring digital images on a laptop, tablet or smartphone where possible. A limited number of laptops may be available for USB memory sticks.

Thursday 14 January

Inter-Club League Competition (PDI)

Further details to be confirmed.

Thursday 28 January

Image Appraisal 4 – Open

Members may submit **up to three images**, either prints, projected digital images (PDI), or a combination of both.

Assessor – Jim Pascoe

An experienced photographer and respected SCPF judge, Jim Pascoe is well known for his constructive image assessments and encouraging approach. His critiques provide valuable guidance while recognising each photographer's individual style and creative vision.

Thursday 11 February

Image Appraisal 5 – Set Subject ‘CREATIVE’

Members may submit **up to three images**, either prints, projected digital images (PDI), or a combination of both.

This season's technical challenge invites members to create an original image derived entirely from one or more of their own photographs. There are no restrictions on style or genre, encouraging imagination, experimentation and innovative image-making.

All component images must be the photographer's own work. AI-generated imagery, clip art or externally sourced material is not permitted.

Assessor – Paul Bradley

Paul Bradley is an accredited Level 3 SCPF judge and former Chairman of Niton & District Camera Club. During his thirteen years leading the club it achieved consistent success within the SCPF League. Paul remains an active judge, recognised for his knowledgeable and encouraging approach.

Thursday 25 February A

Falklands

Experience

Guest Speaker – Mike Cullis ARPS DPAGB

Award-winning photographer Mike Cullis presents **A Falklands Experience**, exploring one of the world's most remote and captivating island groups.

Through stunning photography and engaging stories, Mike reveals the dramatic landscapes, abundant wildlife, rich history and unique communities that define the Falkland Islands. His internationally recognised work, including success in the BBC Wildlife Photographer of the Year competition, promises an inspiring evening for photographers, travellers and nature enthusiasts alike. **Further Information**

<https://mhcpotography.uk/overviewfalklandss>

Thursday 11 March

Image Appraisal 6 – Set Subject - ‘HAPPINESS IS...’

Members may submit **up to three images**, either prints, projected digital images (PDI), or a combination of both.

This year's creative theme encourages photographers to capture not simply smiling faces, but the moments, places and experiences that evoke genuine happiness. Members are

encouraged to think beyond the obvious and consider images that tell a story or communicate emotion.

Thoughtful image titles may help reinforce your interpretation of the theme.

Assessor – Bob Hart

Bob Hart is an accredited Level 2 SCPF judge and long-standing member of Winchester Photographic Society. His photography encompasses landscapes, architecture, monochrome, transport and events, while his judging style combines technical knowledge with an appreciation of creativity, delivered with warmth, humour and encouragement.

Thursday 25 March

Members' Evening – Photography Speed Dating

Following the anticipated success of our December event, another opportunity to share images, exchange ideas and receive constructive feedback from fellow members in a relaxed and informal setting.

Thursday 8 April

Best of Year Competition – Projected Digital Images

The first of our annual Best of Year competitions.

Members may submit **up to three projected digital images**.

Images do not need to have been shown previously at the club but must not have been entered into any previous Lymington Camera Club Best of Year or Annual Competition.

The judge will critique every image before selecting **1st, 2nd, 3rd** and a number of **Highly Commended** awards.

Judge – John Mitchell

John Mitchell is an accredited Level 3 SCPF judge and long-standing member of Gosport Camera Club. An experienced wildlife photographer and regular competition judge throughout the South, John is recognised for his thoughtful assessments, extensive knowledge and engaging presentation style.

Thursday 22 April

Members' Evening

An opportunity for members to share their photography, projects, techniques and experiences through a series of informal presentations. Details will be announced nearer the date.

Thursday 13 May

Best of Year Competition – Prints

Our second Best of Year competition follows the same format as the Projected Digital Image competition, recognising the outstanding print photography produced by club members during the season.

Judge – Chris Dixon ARPS

Chris Dixon ARPS is an accredited Level 2 SCPF judge and Associate of the Royal Photographic Society. A long-standing member of Horndean Camera Club, Chris regularly judges both print and projected image competitions across the South. He is highly regarded for his detailed image analysis, constructive feedback and supportive approach, helping photographers refine both their technical skills and creative vision.

We look forward to welcoming members and visitors to another enjoyable season of photography, learning and friendship at Lymington Camera Club.