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Calling All Club Secretaries

Please forward any information that is emailed to you from the MCPF about: exhibitions; entry forms; and events, including the Newsletter cover letter to all your club members.





The Nag's Head
Bob Goode
Stourport CC.jpg

MCPF Diary 2026/2027

More details about each of the events can be found at www.mcpf.co.uk

Date	Event	Contact Details/Venue
2026		
Apr 18 th	Print and PDI Championships	Peter Owen, mcpfchampionship@mcpf.co.uk Venue: Braunstone Civic Centre, Braunstone
May 14 th	Closing date Photofolio 2026	Bob Goode photofolio@mcpf.co.uk
Jun Wed 10 th ~ Sat 13 th	Photofolio Exhibition	Bob Goode photofolio@mcpf.co.uk Venue: Smethwick PS. The Old Schoolhouse, Oldbury B69 2AS Days and times to be announced
Jun 13 th	MCPF Annual General Meeting	Christine Lovatt sec@mcpf.co.uk Venue: Smethwick PS. The Old Schoolhouse, Oldbury B69 2AS
Jul 12 th	APM Workshop	Mike Sharples seminarsec@mcpf.co.uk Venue: Smethwick PS. The Old Schoolhouse, Oldbury B69 2AS
Jun 22 nd	Midland Salon	Midland Salon Closing date
Aug 8 th - 15 th	Midland Salon Exhibition	Judith Parry: chairman@midland-salon.com Venue: Smethwick PS. The Old Schoolhouse, Oldbury B69 2AS Days and times to be announced
Sep 19 th	General Meeting	Christine Lovatt, sec@mcpf.co.uk Venue: Smethwick PS. The Old Schoolhouse, Oldbury B69 2AS
Sep 19 th	Closing date Panel Exhibition 2026	Nasar Hussain
Oct 17 th	Panel Exhibition	Nasar Hussain Venue: Smethwick PS. The Old Schoolhouse, Oldbury B69 2AS
TBA	General Seminar	Mike Sharples seminarsec@mcpf.co.uk Venue: Smethwick PS. The Old Schoolhouse, Oldbury B69 2AS
Dec 5 th	Print Seminar	Mike Sharples seminarsec@mcpf.co.uk Venue: Smethwick PS. The Old Schoolhouse, Oldbury B69 2AS
2027		
Jan 30 th	AV Competitions	Alastair Taylor avchamp@mcpf.co.uk Venue: Priory Centre, Church Road, Stretton Burton on Trent, DE13 0HE
Feb 13 th	MCPF General Meeting	Christine Lovatt, sec@mcpf.co.uk Venue: Smethwick PS. The Old Schoolhouse, Oldbury B69 2AS
Feb 13 th	MidPhot 2027 Closing Date	Ralph & Lu Duckett midphot@mcpf.co.uk
Mar 17 th –21 st	MidPhot 2027 Exhibition	Ralph & Lu Duckett. midphot@mcpf.co.uk Venue: Smethwick PS. The Old Schoolhouse Oldbury, B69 2AS

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Editorial Notes

As you can see I am trying to use as many images as possible in the newsletter. I hope I am not upsetting anyone by not contacting them directly for permission, but I would like to point out that they are of low resolution and as part of our Exhibition rules, we can use your images to promote the MCPF and its member clubs. Any opinions expressed are not necessarily the opinions of Midland Counties Photographic Federation and neither the Editor nor the MCPF accepts any liability for any content. Any mention of products or services in e-news does not constitute an endorsement or approval of those items.

Articles and Club Adverts

Send your club event, exhibition or news to: newsletter@mcpf.co.uk

Please send it in text format along with an image and a poster. All this information will be forwarded to the Webmaster for inclusion on the MCPF website.

Closing date for submissions is 28th of each month. The editor reserves the right to withhold any submitted article if it is deemed inappropriate for this publication and to postpone publication if required.

Website News

All the clubs who have websites should have the www icon next to their names in the "Find a Club" on the MCPF website. If, for whatever reason, you change the address, please ensure that you update your details on our database. Whilst going through and checking, I did notice a couple of clubs have changed their venue address but have not updated this on our database. Help us to help you by keeping your details up to date with us.



MCPF

Photographic Events

June

13

Societies are entitled to be represented at the General Meeting in accordance with rule 6.

All club members are welcome to attend and would be most welcome, but only delegates have the power to vote.

In order to save time at the meeting, it would be most helpful if apologies and amendments to the minutes of the last meeting could be sent to the General Secretary in advance of the meeting.

sec@mcpf.co.uk THANK YOU

Venue details: www.smethwickps.co.uk

Doors Open at 1.30pm

Meeting will commence at 2.30pm

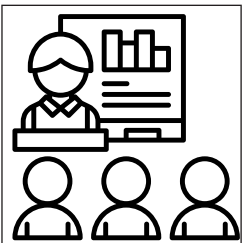
General Meeting Enquiries: Please contact:

Christine Lovatt. 26 Dane Grove, Cheadle, Stoke on Trent, Staffs. ST10 1QS Or email: sec@mcpf.co.uk

The Old
Schoolhouse
Churchbridge
Oldbury
BS69 2AS

This is also the last day of the Photofolio exhibition which is on show from Wednesday 10th June giving you plenty opportunity to view the exhibition. At the end of the meeting there will be a short refreshment break for a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits followed by a showing of the accepted Pdi's from the Photofolio exhibition. Prints from the exhibition will then be available for collection, with the exception of those prints retained for the travelling portfolio.

MCPF Annual General Meeting



New Judge and Lecturer to MCPF

Micki Aston CPAGB MCloJ

Email: mickiaston@hotmail.com

Location: GL56 0EU - Tewkesbury

Will Judge in Person. Will Judge via Video Conference.

List of lectures can be found by logging into the PAGB's CMS system.

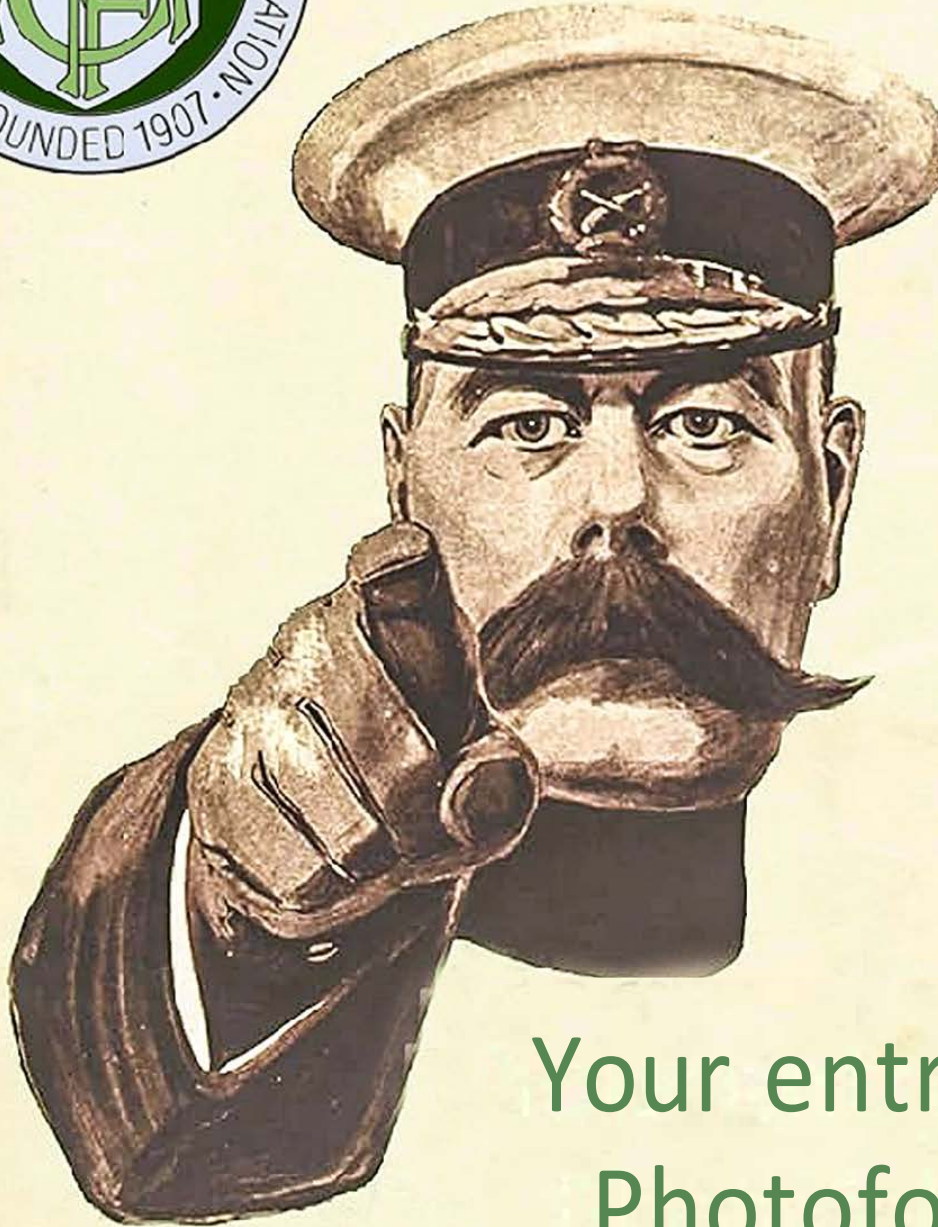
Speaker Biography.

I've been a photographic speaker and judge for many years, with my talks reflecting mainly my past profession as a travel photographer. I am now retired, and have been since 2019, but enjoy sharing with people the amazing countries it has been my privilege to visit and document.

My website is Astonimages.com where you can check out more details about what I do.



Your M.C.P.F.
needs



Your entry to
Photofolio
2026

Closing date for entries - May 4th

Exhibition Dates - Jun 10th to Jun 13th

More details and access to on-line entry system
on MCPF website - <https://mcpf.co.uk/2026-mcpf-photofolio>



MCPF

Photographic Events

A Showcase of Excellence

Wonderful Images at the 2026 MCPF Championships

Firstly, a big thank you to you all for your contribution to the MCPF Print and PDi Championships this year. Without your entries the competition would not be viable and Midlands clubs would not be as well represented as they are in the National competitions which follow.

Some of you may be thinking that your club did not do too well this year, but we all know it changes year on year and also bear in mind that the judges choices for medals and ribbons were for images from clubs in the lower league positions.

Set out below are the results of today's championships, including the final round 2 league positions and the winning images. Post competition, Stafford PS noticed that in round 2 of the Print Championships, they had used 7 images from round 1, so have de-selected themselves from the national print competition.

Hopefully, those who attended enjoyed today and I will let you all know when next year's date is finalised so that you can put it in your diaries.

2026 PDi Championships:

1st	Smethwick PS	140
2nd	Wrekin Arts PC	134
3rd	Earl Shilton CC	128
4th=	Stafford PS	127
4th=	Shirley PS	127
6th	Lichfield CC	125
7th	Kettering & District PS	122
8th	Vale of Evesham CC	120

2026 Print championships:

1st	Smethwick PS	141
2nd	Arden PG	141
3rd	Earl Shilton CC	138
4th	Burton on Trent PS	131
5th=	Lichfield CC	128
5th=	Cannock PS	128
5th=	Solihull PS	128

Smethwick PS win on count-back system

Lichfield go through PAGB finals on count-back system

Wrekin Arts PC, Earl Shilton CC and Stafford PS will be representing the MCPF along with Smethwick PS and Arden PG who have pre-qualified from the PAGB 2025 Championships

Earl Shilton CC, Burton on Trent PS and Lichfield CC will be representing the MCPF along with Smethwick PS, Arden PG and Wrekin Arts who have pre-qualified from the PAGB 2025 Championships

Runners-up in Prints Arden PG



Winners of both Championships
Smethwick PS

Runners-up in PDi's Wrekin Arts PC





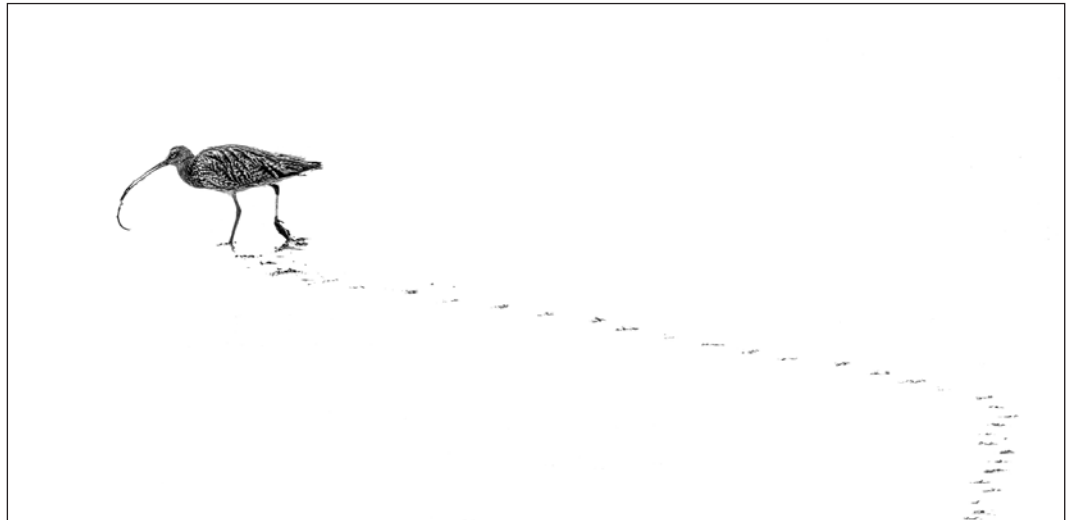
Best Pdi Image Medal - Jumping Dolphin;Shaun Healey Vale of Evesham



Collected by representative of Vale of Evesham CC



Collected by representative of Stourport PS



Best Mono Print Medal - Curlews Journey;Gillian Smith Stourport PS



Collected by representative of Burton PS





Judge Vincent Scothern Pdi Ribbon - Eloise ; Isobel Chesterman Earl Shilton CC



Judge Sue O'Connell Print Ribbon - The owl and the skull; Wendy Irwin Stafford PS



Judge Erica Oram CP Ribbon Male Black Arches Moth on Bracken; Darron Matthews Lichfield CC



Collected by representative of Earl Shilton CC



Collected by representative Stafford PS



Erica Oram & Darron Matthews



Judge Sue O'Connell Mono Print Ribbon - Home ; Phil Mallin Earl Shilton CC



Sue O'Connell and Phil Mallin



Judge Sue O'Connell Pdi Ribbon - Dr Frankenstein; Darren Cottrell Kettering & District



Judge Erica Oram Mono Print Ribbon - Harriet and Her Sister; Peter Gennard Smethwick PS



Judge Erica Oram Pdi Ribbon - Flamingos in Wonderland; Wendy Irwin Stafford PS



Collected by representative of Smethwick PS



Collected by representative of Stafford PS



Judge Vincent Scothern Colour Pdi Ribbon - Martin Landaluce; Ketan Shah Duston PS



Judge Vincent Scothern Mono Print Image Ribbon - Happy Hour; Lilliana Alani Smethwick PS



Collected by representative of Duston PS



Collected by representative Smethwick PS

MCPF Travelling Portfolio

**Now open for 2026-
2027 bookings**

**The Travelling portfolio is available
to all MCPF affiliated clubs to show
from September 2026**

To make your booking please complete
the booking form available on the web site
<https://mcpf.co.uk/travelling-portfolio> and
email to: portfoliosec@mcpf.co.uk.
A booking fee of £12 is payable when
making the booking

The 2025 Travelling Portfolio is also available as
a PDi presentation (MP4 format) with recorded
commentary of the print section. A great
standby programme for short notice booking.
It can be booked at anytime from the Portfolio
Secretary.





MCPF

Photographic Events

The MCPF council are seeking to encourage keen photographers to challenge themselves to take their next step to apply for a BPAGB, CPAGB, DPAGB, EPAGB, MPAGB

July 12th

This MCPF APM Workshop is designed to support, encourage and to assist you when applying for a PAGB Awards of Photographic Merit

The MCPF APM Workshop Will cover (but not limited to)

Morning Session

How to apply for an APM.

What Level of the APM should I apply for?

How to meet the eligibility criteria for the APM

What do the Adjudicators look for in a photograph?

The Adjudication method

The APM Voting system

Afternoon Session

Bring your proposed APM images for critique and advise on possible improvement

Tickets will be available via the MCPF Web Site

Cost: £10.00

Last booking date 27th June 2026

Event Information

Session one commences 10.00 hrs to 16.30hrs

Event Location

Smethwick Photographic Society

Churchbridge

Oldbury

West Midlands

B69 2AS

Catering

Tea and Coffee available (bring your own packed lunch)

Contact details

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Mobile 07774 321411

Sold Out



BPAGB



CPAGB



DPAGB



EPAGB



MPAGB

N.B.This is a change of date - originally July 5th

Letters of Distinction

Congratulations to Our Newest PAGB Merit Holders

BPAGB - Kenneth Page Duston CC

EPAGB - Anna Warrington Stafford PS

CPAGB - Ruth Elnor Whitchurch PS

EPAGB - Bob Goode Stourport CC

DPAGB - David Elder Cheltenham CC

Congratulations to the all the MCPF clubs who part in the GB Cup and GB Trophy.

GB Trophy Results

The GB Trophy Prints 2026

Open	
1 Smethwick PS	162
2 Arden PG	159
3 Dumfries CC	153
4 Chichester CC	149
5 Bristol PS	148
6 Poulton le Fylde PS	147
7 The Evolve Group	141
8 Stafford PS	138
9 Royston PS	132
10 Hailsham PS	131
- Southampton CC	131
12 Swindon PS	130
13 Dwyfor CC	129
14 Mold CC	127

The GB Trophy Prints 2026

Nature	
1 Bristol PS	154
2 Chichester CC	153
3 Poulton le Fylde PS	152
4 Bromsgrove PS	149
5 Mid Somerset CC	146
6 Stafford PS	139
7 Swindon PS	135
- The Evolve Group	135
9 Mold CC	131
10 Royston PS	91
- Southampton CC	91
12 Hailsham PS	74

Open Awards MCPF

Prize Winning Birds Paul Hassell Arden PG Gold Best Colour
 Sadness Tim Pile Smethwick PS Gold Best Monochrome
 Brothers to the Revolution Mike Sharples Smethwick PS Silver Chairmans Award
 Seated on the Stairs David Wheeler Smethwick PS Silver Dave Tucker Award
 Layers of Time Tim Pile Smethwick PS Silver Vin Scothern Award
 Gods Servant Paul Hassell Arden PG PAGB Ribbon
 The Unspoken Story Paul Hassell Arden PG PAGB Ribbon
 Golden Braids Bob Moore Arden PG PAGB Ribbon
 Girl in a Red Coat Sue Moore Arden PG PAGB Ribbon
 Seeking Deliverance Mike Sharples Smethwick PS PAGB Ribbon
 Ballet in the Window Graham Hales Smethwick PS PAGB Ribbon

Nature Awards MCPF

Juvenile Grey Heron Trevor Hunter Bromsgrove PS S PAGB Ribbon
 Silver Fox Head ON Jennifer Webster Bromsgrove PS PAGB Ribbon
 Bite of Love from Two Wolves Jennifer Webster Bromsgrove PS PAGB Ribbon
 A Committee of Griffin Vultures Carolyn Moore Mid Somerset CC PAGB Ribbon



Earl Shilton



Corley & Fillongley



Bromsgrove



Arden



Cannock



Shirley

Representatives receiving Ribbons and Medals awarded in the GB Cup and GB Trophy

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International Exhibitions now open for entries

MIDLAND SALON 2026

INTERNATIONAL PRINT AND PDI EXHIBITION



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162nd Edinburgh International Photography Exhibition 2026

Edinburgh Photographic Society



One of the oldest and most prestigious print salons in the world

This is a Print-only Salon. Entry open from
28th February to 29th May 2026
Prints must be received by 3rd June 2026

Only 2 sections.
Enter up to 4 prints per section:

Open Mono

Open Colour



Yellow and Black 7866 by
Mohammad Ali Salim



Impressionist Sunset by Keith Snell

Enter here!

<https://pixoroo.com/eipe2026>



Help by Dianne Owen

All accepted prints will be exhibited 8th to 31st
August 2026 as part of Edinburgh Festival Fringe

Images accepted in the 161st Salon 2025

Entry fees: £12 for one section, £16 for two sections
Payment is via PayPal



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Inter Club Print Championship

Weston Building

The 2026 PAGB Inter-Club Print Championship will be held on **Saturday 24 October 2026** and it will be held at Harper Adams University in Newport, Shropshire.

Inter Club Projected Digital Image Championship

19 July 2026 - mark your diary now.



Houdet Stretches Off Court by Alan Young, RR Derby



Awards for Photographic Merit
Adjudication for Audio Visual

The PAGB will be holding an online Awards for Photographic Merit Adjudication for Audio Visual entrants on Sunday 20th September 2026.

The cost of entry is £80.00 - CPAGB, £120.00 - DPAGB and £160.00 - MPAGB.

Application Forms are available from Alan Lovatt at apmsecretary@mcpf.co.uk

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION 2026



Leicester & Leicestershire
Photographic Society



EXHIBITION DATES

Friday 8th May 2026

Saturday 9th May 2026

6.30pm-9.00pm

10.00am-4.00pm

to be held at CHRISTCHURCH, Clarendon Park Rd, Leicester LE2 3AH



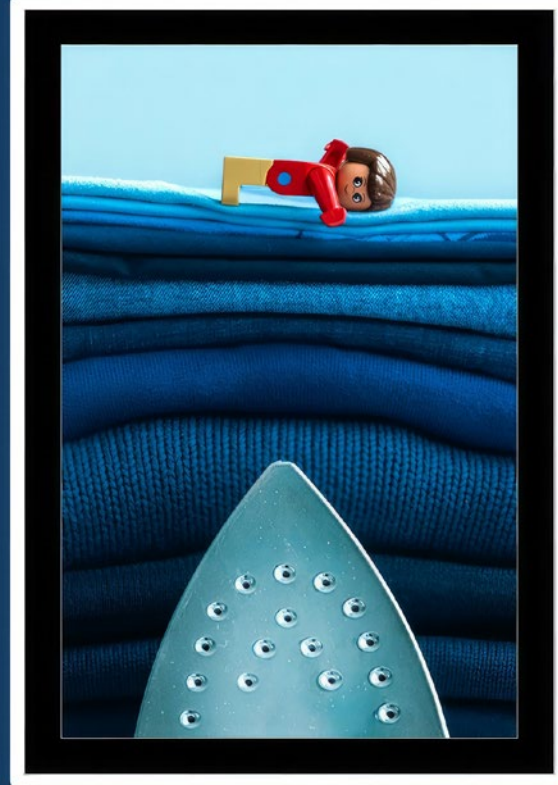
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REFRESHMENTS AVAILABLE
FREE ADMISSION

PHOTOGRAPHIC EXHIBITION

Leamington Spa Photographic Society

2026



Saturday 25th April – Sunday 3rd May
10:30 - 17:30 each day
(except Sunday, which is afternoon only)

Free Admission

All Saints' Parish Church,
Victoria Terrace,
Leamington Spa,
CV31 1GF



MIDPHOT PANEL EXHIBITION 2026

Entries Open

Entries Close

Final Date for Print hand-in

Selection

Exhibition

3 August

13 September

19 September

20 September

17 October

Prints can be dropped off at the Old Schoolhouse on afternoon of the MCPF General Meeting Sept 19th

Exhibition will be held
17th October
The Schoolhouse, Churchbridge, Oldbury B69 2AS

GB Cup Results continued

The GB Cup for Nature 2026					
Nature		18 Edinburgh PS	140	37 Jaguar PS	134
1 Chichester CC	149	- Godalming PC	140	- Woking PS	134
2 Cambridge CC	146	- Mid Somerset CC	140	39 Kirkcaldy PS	133
3 Bristol PS	145	- Shirley PS	140	40 Stafford PS	132
- Keswick PS	145	- Southampton CC	140	41 Baglan Bay PS	131
- North Norfolk PS	145	- The Evolve Group	140	- Bridgend and Dist CC	131
- Oldham PS	145	24 Cheltenham CC	139	43 Steyning CC	129
- Paisley Colour PC	145	- Lutterworth PS Co-op	139	- Towcester and Dist PS	129
8 bh photography club	144	26 Axholme CC	138	45 Biggleswade & Dist CC	127
- Colchester PS	144	- Cookridge CC	138	- Mold CC	127
- Dorchester CC	144	- Epsom CC	138	47 Milngavie & Bearsden CC	126
- Molesey PC	144	29 Bromsgrove PS	137	- Workington and Dist CC	126
- Poulton le Fylde PS	144	- Reigate PS	137	49 Killamarsh Amateur PS	125
- Smethwick PS	144	31 Ipswich and Dist PS	136	50 Wolverhampton PS	123
- Southport PS	144	- Sheffield PS	136	51 Royston PS	120
15 Cannock PS	143	33 Arden Photo Group	135	52 Wantage CC	119
16 Dingwall CC	142	- Corley and Fillongley PC	135	53 Dwyfor CC	115
17 Devizes PC	141	- Dumfries CC	135	54 Hailsham PS	78
		- Welwyn Garden City PC	135		

The GB Cup 2026					
Open		- Cookridge CC	141	31 Epsom CC	132
1 Southport PS	159	16 Bristol PS	140	- Thornbury CC	132
2 Oldham PS	154	17 Bridgend & Dist CC	139	33 Baglan Bay PS	131
3 Smethwick PS	152	- Godalming PC	139	- Devizes PC	131
4 Edinburgh PS	148	- Sheffield PS	139	- Steyning CC	131
5 Dumfries CC	146	20 Cheltenham CC	138	36 Jaguar PS	130
- Earl Shilton CC	146	- Dorchester CC	138	- Killamarsh Amateur PS	130
7 Kirkcaldy PS	145	- Reigate PS	138	38 bh photography club	129
8 Keswick PS	144	23 Southampton CC	137	39 Molesey PC	128
9 Chichester CC	143	- Wolverhampton PS	137	- Welwyn Garden City PC	128
- Colchester PS	143	25 The Evolve Group	136	41 Biggleswade & Dist CC	127
11 Arden Photo Group	142	26 Stafford PS	135	42 Wantage CC	125
- Paisley Colour PC	142	- Woking PS	135	43 Dingwall CC	124
- Poulton le Fylde PS	142	28 Milngavie & Bearsden CC	134	44 Hailsham PS	122
14 Cambridge CC	141	- Royston PS	134	- Towcester & Dist PS	122
		30 Mold CC	133	46 Dwyfor CC	115

GB Cup Open Awards MCPF

Reassurance from Mum
David Wheeler Smethwick PS PAGB Ribbon
The Game
Peter Siviter Smethwick PS PAGB Ribbon
Beach Huts
Peter Lawrance Earl Shilton CC PAGB Ribbon

GB Cup Nature Awards MCPF

Elephant Dust Bathing Karin Wilson
Cheltenham CC Silver Dave Tucker Award
Mother Bear and cubs
Paul Greenfield Cannock PS Silver Gordon Jenkins Award
Rock Thrush and Scolopendra
Tony Stamp Cannock PS PAGB Ribbon

The GB Cup Limited Eligibility 2026

Open	
1 Shirley PS	122
2 Workington and Dist CC	120
3 Corley and Fillongley PC	117
4 Axholme CC	113
5 Lutterworth PS Co-op	109

The GB Cup Limited Eligibility 2026 Open Awards MCPF

Walkers on Seilebost Beach Jenny Ladbrooke Shirley PS Gold Best Image
The Rough and the Smooth Christine Mallett Shirley PS Silver Judge Award
Splash Down Sue Pearmain Shirley PS Silver Judge Award
Closing Time Lee Butler Corley and Fillongley PS PAGB Ribbon
Stormy Sunflower Sunset Dave Cornish Shirley PS PAGB Ribbon
Peonies in Vase Jolanta Bujalska-Axon Shirley PS PAGB Ribbon
The VA Dundee Kevin Watts Shirley PS PAGB Ribbon



MCPF Seminar 5th December 2026

Resume your Passion, Get Motivated

Get Back to Printing

The MCPF council are seeking to encourage the use of the print medium as a means to boost print exhibition entry numbers.

This year's seminar has at its core a workshop designed to help you:
Understand The Basics of Colour Management
To be able to produce prints of exhibition standard

The Workshop, designed and delivered by PermaJet, will, it is hoped, set you all on the road to successful printing and, hopefully, get those awards flooding in.

The Morning Session.

The Basics of Colour Management (Print with Confidence)

Why do we need colour management?
Monitor calibration, why and how
Choosing the right paper
Paper profiling, why and how

The Afternoon Session

From Print to Perfection

Delegates can bring an image on a USB Pen Drive. These will be discussed and suggestions will be given of paper types that may suit and enhance the image. The PermaJet range of papers will be discussed so the delegates can appreciate the importance of choosing the right paper for the right image, and how it can make a huge difference to the final print. This session is designed to be interactive, delegates can ask questions and study the papers prior to their prints being produced. A Canon Pro 310 printer will then print off the delegates images on different paper types so the difference can be seen.

Tickets

Cost: £15.00 per person
Last booking date 14th November 2026

PermaJet

Session one commences 10.00 hrs to 13.00hrs
Lunch Break
Session two commences 14.00 hrs to 16.30 hrs

Event Location

Smethwick Photographic Society
Churchbridge
Oldbury
West Midlands
B69 2AS

Catering

Tea and Coffee available (bring your own packed lunch)

Contact details

Mike Sharples MFIAP MPAGB FBPE EFIAP ARPS
seminarsec@mcpf.co.uk
Mobile 07774 321411
Places are limited to 30



We are looking forward to welcoming you to the **British International Amateur Film Festival (BIAFF) 2026**, taking place from **Monday 18th to Monday 25th May**.

This year's festival combines a full week of online screenings with our in-theatre weekend at the Crescent Theatre, Birmingham.

Online Festival Week

Monday 18th – Friday 22nd May (online only)

Join us each evening for:

- **Online Evening Cinemas** – screenings of selected films from this year's competition
- **The IAC Peter Coles International AV Competition Winners' Show** – showcasing the best AV sequences from this year's internationally recognised competition

Access is free of charge, and the same Zoom link is used throughout the week:

Zoom link:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87129612970?pwd=GhK2BI9Nb3l16yCnF8xAHyZuoacnns.1>

Meeting ID: 871 2961 2970

Passcode: 052026

Join us from **7:00 pm (BST)**, with screenings beginning at **7:30 pm**.

In-Theatre Festival Weekend

Saturday 23rd – Monday 25th May

Crescent Theatre, Birmingham

Our in-person programme includes:

Saturday Evening Cinema + Networking

Launching the in-theatre weekend, followed by socialising in the theatre bar (and the traditional fish & chips!)

Sunday Cinema

A full day of screenings from this year's competition

The BIAFF Festival Dinner & Awards Show (Sunday evening)

A celebratory evening at the Novotel Hotel, where category award winners are announced

The Award Winners' Show (Monday)

Featuring the very best films of the festival, including Diamond Award winners and the major awards:

Best British Young Filmmaker, Best British Entry, and Best in Competition

Tickets & Earlybird Offer

If you plan to join us in Birmingham, we encourage you to take advantage of our **Earlybird ticket prices**, available until **31 March**.

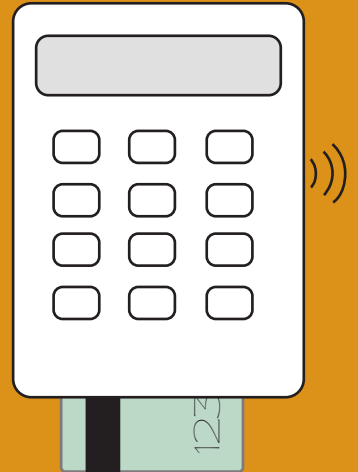
Book your tickets here:

<https://www.crescent-theatre.co.uk/event-details/323531ASLSCCTTDDSGNLPRKTLBCCSTKDTT/biaff-british-international-amateur-film-festival-2026/>

GOING CASHLESS?

Is your Camera Club thinking of going cashless?

More and more members asking to pay their evening subs by card or phone?



SumUp are offering a discount and transaction fees and terminals to all Camera Clubs.

For details contact Mia at SumUp at

Mia Amor

Account Executive, POS TribeSumUp Point of Sale. Own your business.

16-20 Shorts Gardens | Seven Dials | London WC2H 9US

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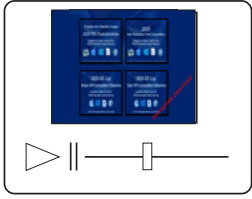
The Eye International Photography Festival - Newport

The Eye International Photography Festival 2026
Friday 15th to Sunday 17th May 2026



Created in 2012, the biannual EYE International Photography Festival is the longest-running photography event in Wales and is gaining momentum to be one of the largest independent photography festivals in the UK, attracting audiences spanning aspiring students to recognised professional photographers from around the globe.
Details here: <https://www.theeyefestival.com/>

PAGB Recorded Lecture Service



The PAGB RLS provides lectures from a wide range of PAGB events as well as contributions from photographers across the UK. Lectures are priced at £15 or £20 and are available for immediate download following payment, so they can be used straight away. Each club or federation purchases a perpetual licence, allowing the lecture to be used as often as they wish. Please note that lectures must not be distributed to individual club or federation members.

For your interest, the top 10 most requested lectures in 2025 were:

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| 2025 GB Cup Open DPI | 2025 Inter-Federation Competition Slideshow |
| 2024 Print Championship | 2024 PDI Championship Final |
| Awards for Photographic Merit Volume 8 (2024) | Light Sensitive – A Visual Essay — Kathy Harcom,
produced by Leigh Preston |
| Photographic Opportunity — Leigh Preston | 2025 Inter-Federation Competition Slideshow |
| 2025 PDI Championship Final and Selected Images | |
| 2024 GB Cup for Nature | |

We also offer two travelling print exhibitions, each containing approximately 60 unmounted prints: the Master of Print Salon des Refusés and The GB Trophy. These are free of charge to borrow, with only the one-way postage cost of £17.95 to be covered.

Send us your News

Tell us what your club has been up to in recent months, how you have attracted more members, events you are hosting, and photographic tips.

Use the MCPF Newsletter and website to advertise your event.

Let us know what you would like to see in the newsletter. It does not matter if they are things you have seen in other parts of the country. If it is about photography, we want to hear about it.