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Beccles U3A
Digital Photography Group 2

Meeting Tuesday 1st July 2025

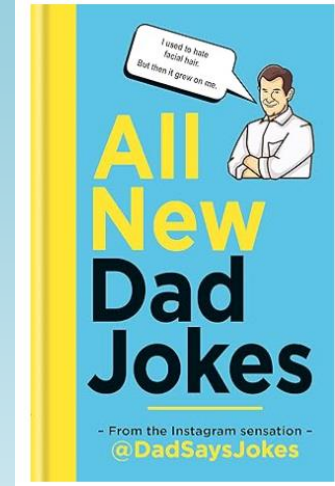
Dad Jokes...

What do you call a nut with facial hair?

A Mustachio !! 😄

At school, my music teacher said I should be a Tenor...

Tenor or Twelve feet away from musical instruments !! 😄



Guess the place and the song !

See if you can guess where this is. Bonus mark if you also identify the song

Clue 1 : This is a large city in the English Midlands

Clue 2 : Originally a market town in the medieval period, this city grew during the 18th and 19th Centuries, producing a series of innovations that laid many of the foundations of modern industrial society

Song Clue : This 1977 track is from the best selling studio album of this Pop & Rock band. Famous for featuring a flying-saucer on the cover , it became the band's symbol.



It was “Birmingham Blues” and “**Birmingham Blues**” by ELO

Digital Photography Group 2 – looking ahead

15th Jul – Filters – John

5th Aug – Reflection, Refraction and Distortion practical

19th Aug – Exhibition prep and chat

2nd Sep – Some of my images – Steve C

Weds 10th Sep- post-exhibition feedback with Mike Lloyd

7th Oct – Smartphone Zoom practical with Jeanette Lendon – pre-booking required

If you have a topic you would like me to cover, or even better, something you can share with the group, please let me know !

Digital Photography Group – “Click & Chat”

Friday 11th July – visit to Beccles Quay. Meet in the Quay car-park NR34 9BB at 11am. This is the big car-park off Fen Lane.

Some of you have told me that you find it difficult to join the walks, due to other commitments.

So, I’m suggest we have a monthly meet-up on a Friday, at Beccles Quay, which is local to most of us.

See it as a chance to have a coffee and chat together – with optional photography ! (NB – there won’t be any challenges!)

Please feel free to bring friends/family/dogs etc - whatever would help you attend.



Digital Photography Group – next walk

Tues 22nd July – visit to Brick Kiln House Gardens Shotesham NR15 1UJ with Sue. Meet in the paddock behind the house at 11am.

The gardens are open as part of the National Garden Scheme.
Entry is £6 per person, or £10 including tea and cake !

This is a private group visit, which Sue has arranged.

Many thanks to Sue for arranging this visit !



Digital Photography Group – future walks

As I'm now running 2 groups, I'd like to offer just 1 "big walk" once per month, when we would visit a proper venue. If anyone would like to lead a local walk at other times in the month, this would be very helpful.

Suggested "Big Walks"

Brick Kiln House Open Garden with Sue – 22nd July

Norwich Bug Parc with Bernard

Redwings Horse Sanctuary nr Fritton

Flixton Air Museum / Adair Nature trail with Group 1

Felixstowe Landguard Fort with Group 1 – 25th Sep

Suggestions for local walks

Click & Chat

Lowestoft Ness Point

Beccles Quay

Carlton Marshes

Snape Maltings

Beccles Railway Station

Walk with professional photographer Lucy Kane (extra charge involved)

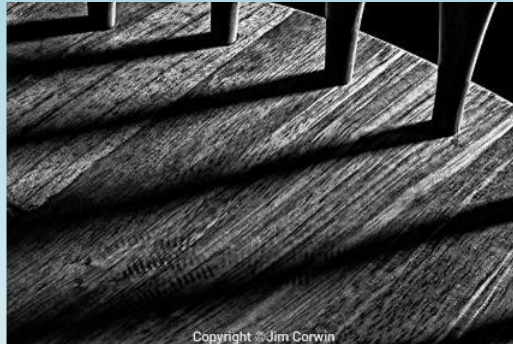
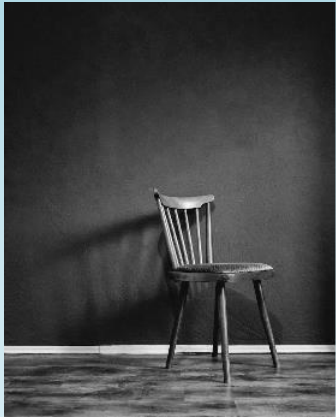
Digital Photography Group – fortnightly challenge

“Benches and Chairs” - 2 Photos

Please submit only 2 photos !

Please take up to 2 images, in colour or B&W, of a chair(s), or a bench(es), or part of it.

Try to come up with an original composition, by using light and shadows, or get in close for an intimate view, or try a different angle.



Please return your photos to John by **Sunday 13th July** to jsdpg2@gmail.com.

Please reduce the filesize of your images to 2Mb or less, or use WeTransfer <https://wetransfer.com/>

or PicDrop transfers <https://www.picdrop.com/web>

Digital Photography Group – monthly challenge

There are 4 categories – You can enter 1, 2 or more categories, but only 1 photo per category

(Challenge runs during all of July)

The categories are...

- 1) Human World** - any photo with a person, or where the subject has been created by a person or persons.
- 2) Natural World** - any photo where the subject is from the natural world, including landscapes.
- 3) Monochrome** - any photo in a single colour, or black and white, of any subject.
- 4) Close-up** - any photo where you have focussed on part of an object.

Please send your photos to me by **Sunday 3rd August**

Digital Photography Group – exhibition

This year's exhibition is taking place at the Waveney Centre on Friday 29th and Saturday 30th August, between 10am and 4pm each day.

This year, each member can enter up to 4 photos.

1 image for each of the 4 categories :

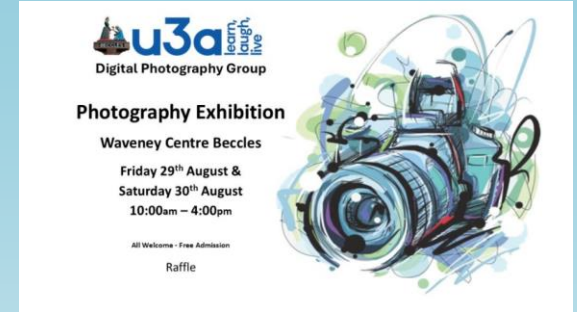
**Human World
Natural World
Monochrome
Close-up**

Please write your name, photo title, the category you are entering and the location of the photo on the back of the frame.

Write in pencil, so you can rub this out after the exhibition and re-use the frame next year.

Photos must have been taken within between July 2023 and July 2025.

The closing date for entries is 15th July – next meeting !!!!



Link to frames :

https://www.amazon.co.uk/dp/B004V3PQZG?ref=ppx_hzsearch_conn_dt_b_fed_asin_title_2&th=1

Link to printers :

<https://www.dscourlabs.co.uk/photo-prints/>

Talk

Now for some of Les's images

Tea- Break !



Members Photos

Name in objects challenge

[3 Name In Objects.pptx](#)

Suffolk Owl walk

[4 Suffolk Owl Walk.pptx](#)

Peter Beales Roses walk

[5 Peter Beales Roses Walk.pptx](#)

June monthly photos

[6 June 2025 challenges.pptx](#)

Videos....if time

Cheap Chair challenge (6 mins)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Flpl73OwSSY&list=WL&index=13>

[7 Cheap Chair Photography Challenge.mp4](#)

One to watch at home....Chair & Bench ideas (8 mins)

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=97QGkktHH3o&list=WL&index=12>

The next meeting.....

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 15th July, at 10am in the Quaker Meeting Rooms, as usual.

Web-page : https://beccles.u3asite.uk/u3a_groups/digital-photography-2/