

INTRODUCTION TO PHOTOGRAPHY

Have you recently upgraded your camera and don't know where to start with the buttons and dials? Are you envious of the photos you see on the internet and wonder how they've been captured? Do you want to improve your photography skills?

Penrith & District Camera Club are holding photography workshops for both members and non-members on the second Tuesday of each month from September 2017 to June 2018 (except September 5th and October 3rd which are the *first* Tuesdays of the month) from 7.30pm-9.30pm at Penrith New Fire Station. Photographers of all abilities are welcome, especially beginners, however you will need a camera on which you can change the settings. This course is not suitable for the use of Smartphones, iPhones or pocket cameras. Tasks will be set each month and briefly reviewed at the next session. There will be a small charge of £5 which covers the full course.

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September 5th

Camera basics:

Getting to know your camera and a brief overview of the course.
Controls, dials, buttons, etc. This session will cover the basic use of the camera.
We will also mention image-file types and image storage and backup.
You may wish to bring your camera.

October 3rd

Shutter Speed:

Use of shutter speed to produce the photographic effect wanted.
Deliberate blurring. Photographing moving objects while avoiding blur.
Fast and slow shutter speeds.
Also – an overview of printing

November 14th

Use of Aperture:

Considerations that need to be taken when using different lenses, perspective changes.
Making it sharp from front to back – or in just a small area.

December 12th

Composition:

Importance of composition when creating a picture.
What is composition? The rules of composition and when to break the rules.

January 9th

Travel photography:

Landscapes, Architecture, Street, People, etc. A range of different types of photography available when on the move.

February 13th

Still Life:

Practical use of aperture. Macro and close-up photography.
Use of Tripod.
Please bring your camera and a tripod if you have one.

March 13th

Planning your photographs:

The things to consider before you press the shutter-button.

April 10th

Software Overview

Faststone / Photoshop Elements / Lightroom

An overview of basic image processing.

May 8th

A field session

An opportunity to take photos outside.
Bring your camera and a tripod if you have one.

June 12th

Image review

A review of your images – those taken last month and any other images you would like help with. Followed by a review of the course.