

HOPEFULLY HELPFUL HINTS: 13

Homework

Now you didn't think we'd do it all for you, did you?

If so, sorry - because it's now over to you, but to help you along the way, a few things to consider

- **Please read your camera manual.** Not very trendy we know but as mentioned previously, modern cameras are very complex and there are many useful options hidden in the menus and particularly the custom functions.
- Go out, take loads of pictures and enjoy yourself
- Experiment with different subjects, techniques and camera settings
- Step outside your comfort zone
- In addition to attending the club, look on social media
 - Search out your favourite category of subject and look at the work of photographers that turn up
 - Check out photo sharing sites, eg
 - Flickrriver
 - 1x.com
 - 500px
 - ephotozine
 - Look at the websites of other camera clubs
 - Take a look at the Photographic Alliance of Great Britain (PAGB) and East Anglian Federation (EAF) websites
 - Do subject related searches, eg
 - Aperture
 - Shutter speed
 - ISO
 - White balance
 - The sunny f/16 rule
 - Depth of Field
 - Maximising Depth of Field
 - Hyperfocal distance
 - Using the histogram
 - Composition, including the likes of rules of thirds, etc
- Go on a photography course/seminar
- When you feel ready think about the following if you aren't doing any of them already:
 - Entering club competitions
 - Post processing
 - Home printing
 - Shooting RAW