



**DONCASTER
Camera Club**

NEWSLETTER

CLUB INFORMATION

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Caldwell, Peter Salter

Meetings

The Club meets on the 3rd Friday of each month at the
East Doncaster Baptist Church, 47 – 53 Tunstall Road,
Doncaster East, 3109 at 7.30pm

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1 FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello DCC Members,

As we approach the end of the year the weather is warming up which gives all the opportunity to get out and take some “fine weather” photographs. Our next club meeting is Friday, November 17 with critiques being provided on our annual Monochrome competition. The adjudication will be by our special guest judge, Trish McKeown. The December meeting will be our “End-of-Year” competition, details of which can be found on our website.

The club is also involved with our annual Interclub competition with Doncaster Camera Club in the UK. The images have been selected and sent off to the UK and all combined images have been sent to our selected Australian judge for critiquing and scoring. We await the outcome of this competition. An exciting adjunct to our association with our UK counterparts is that we have been invited to submit 20 images to them for printing and framing to include in their major photographic exhibition scheduled for May 2024.

I am extremely pleased to advise that, after my plea at our last meeting, Peter Salter has put his hand up to learn and be one of the club’s competition stewards. Peter has been training with Graham Kay to learn the ropes and will make an excellent addition to the team. It would still be good to have another member come forward to learn the role and join the team to ensure any burden of Competition Steward does not fall to too few people. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Arthur Lilley for his year’s of dedicated service and diligence in the role and also for his offer to remain as a backup into the future.

After discussions with Sue from the EDBC, in the New Year, the Club will be displaying several printed and framed images in the church as a permanent display. Another opportunity to showcase the work of members.

As previously stated, the Committee has decided to run a workshop at our February Club meeting. This will replace our normal competition evening and will be totally dedicated to a practical workshop involving Close-up/Macro photography. Ean Caldwell has offered to coordinate this workshop and will be discussing with members what will be required and what they can “bring to the table” to ensure this night is a success.

A quick reminder, the End-of-year lunch has been scheduled for Sunday November 26 at the Doncaster Inn. Please ensure this date is logged into your diaries and advise Margaret or Pam of your attendance at the function to ensure we can secure the appropriate number of tables and seats on the day.

An update on John Smith; he has returned home which, although initially a little nervous, John is happy to be in his own environment and sleeping in his own bed. He is receiving home therapy every day and continues on the road to recovery. In his own words, he has every form of “ists” arriving on his front doorstep every day, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, speech therapists etc. He never knew there were so many “ists”!!! He says hello and reminds everyone he is still alive and kicking!!!

Cheers, Michael

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2 OCTOBER MEETING

The October meeting was held at the EDBC with judging by club members, Pam Rixon, Robyn Solum and Margaret Walton, the club meeting also saw the farewell of two longstanding members, Val and Les Armstrong. It was good to see a large turnout from the membership to hear their story and active participation in all aspects of DCC life. Following the meeting it was good to share in supper and wish them well in their relocation

to a retirement village in Ocean Grove. We wish you both all the best and hope you still get out and take some beautiful photography.

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3 COMPETITION RESULTS

3.1 SMALL PRINTS

Name	Title	Score
Graham Kay	Red Wattlebird	14 H
Graham Kay	Cormorant - Drip drying	14 H
Micheal Walker	Looking Inside	13 M
Micheal Walker	Young One	13 M
Graham Kay	Bet Ya Think Im Cute	13 M
Micheal Walker	Coloured Beauty	12

3.22 LARGE PRINTS

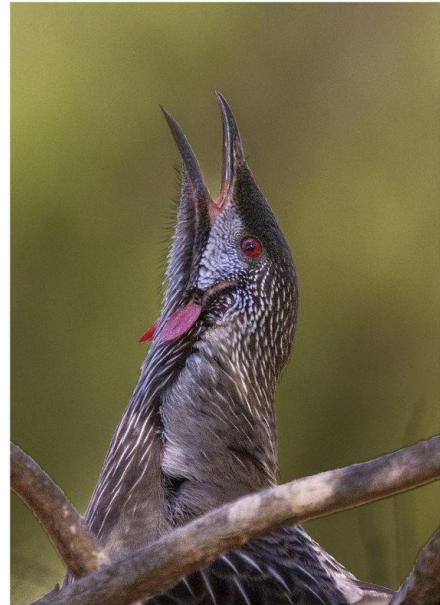
Name	Title	Score
Micheal Walker	Kimberly Mangrove Patterns	15 H
Pam Rixon	Which Way Now	14 H
Arthur Lilley	Tuscany	14 H
Graham Kay	Sunset- Telegraph Hill- Wyndham	14 H
Pam Rixon	Five on a Bike	14 H
Pam Rixon	Self-Contained	13 M
Arthur Lilley	Mist and Mountain	13 M
Micheal Walker	Storm Nearing King Goerge Falls	13 M
Micheal Walker	Algal Bloom Arial	12 M
Graham Kay	Murphy's haystacks	12 M
Arthur Lilley	Alaskan Skies	11
Graham Kay	Kindle Bay- Eyre Peninsular	11

3.3 DIGITAL PROJECTED IMAGES

Name	Title	Score
Peter Stone	‘Shroom	14 H
Peter Stone	Picking Berries	14 H
Micheal Walker	River Mangrove patterns	14 H
Margaret Walton	Arcade Dome	14 H
Margaret Walton	Looking Up	13 M
Micheal Walker	Kimberly Storm 01	13 M
Peter Stone	Amber Cascade	13 M
Margaret Walton	Troll Rock and Baby	13 M
Micheal Walker	Kimberly Storm 02	12
Liz Reen	The Cavil Bridge	12
Graham Kay	Misty Morning in the Yarra Valley	11
Liz Reen	Entering the Walls of China	11
Liz Reen	Te Anae Fiordland	11
Graham Kay	White Necked Heron	10
Graham Kay	Orange Skipper	10



Peter Stone ‘Shroom



Graham Kay – Red Wattle Bird



Kimberley Mangrove Patterns

Micheal Walker – Kimberly Mangrove Patterns



Pam Rixon – Five on a Bike

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HAND IN ENTRIES FOR DECEMBER “END OF YEAR” COMPETITION

4 THIS MONTH’S MEETING – NOVEMBER 17TH

This month’s meeting will be convened on our usual Friday evening with judging of Monochrome by Trish Mckeown, followed by light refreshments of tea, coffee & light super.

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5 NEXT MONTH’S MEETING – DECEMBER 15TH

Next months meeting will be ‘End of Year’ competition and hand in entries for Januarys ‘open Topic’.

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6 NEWS AND COMING EVENTS

A quick reminder, the End-of-year lunch has been scheduled for Sunday November 26 at the Doncaster Inn. Please ensure this date is logged into your diaries and advise Margaret or Pam of your attendance at the function to ensure we can secure the appropriate number of tables and seats on the day.

As a few of you joined the Club’s weekend away in Wonthaggi, Pam has been requested by several members to arrange a Zoom meeting on Tuesday 5 December at 7.30 pm to display some of the images taken over the weekend. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend on the evening and participate in what will be an interesting evening.

Printing

The Committee is trying to encourage more members to print photos and enter them in the monthly competition – large or small.

Small prints are an easier way for new printers to get started. But the members who regularly enter digital images may like to see their images as large prints. We realise that printers are expensive, and the process can be complicated.

Therefore, any member who would like to have images printed can contact either Pam Rixon or Arthur Lilley who have both offered their services.

Cost of paper and ink would need to be covered

Upcoming Event Program

Club Weekend Away to Wonthaggi and Inverloch. The weekend away on October 14 -15 was enjoyed by all who attended. We certainly had a well-organized program and plenty of photographic opportunities. Thank you to Marg and Ean for planning the weekend so thoroughly. The weather created a few challenges for photography, but a good time was had by all.



Eagles Nest by Pam Rixon

There will be a follow up Zoom Meeting

On Tuesday December 5th 7.30 pm.

All members are welcome to attend and see some images from that weekend.

The Zoom link will be emailed prior to meeting.

Program - Coming up.

November 17	Friday	Club Night – Monochrome
November 26	Sunday	End-of-Year Luncheon – Doncaster Inn
December 15	Friday	Club Night

**** Judges and presenters subject to change without notice**

End Of Year Luncheon

Sunday November 26th at 12 noon

at The Doncaster Inn Hotel, corner of Doncaster Rd and Victoria St.

Partners are very welcome. Please put this date in your diaries and advise Pam if you are able to attend.

Our February 2024 meeting will be a Practical Workshop, 'Close Up and Macro Photography'.

We will set up a number of tables and photographic scenarios in our meeting room and in the foyer at the church. Accessories, such as light tables, light tents and lighting rigs will be available.

Bring your camera, tripod and any small-ish items to photograph.

To plan the layout for the evening please let me know if:

- 1 you have any studio equipment that we could borrow for the night.
- 2 there is a photographic process you could demonstrate on the night.
- 3 you have any items that would suit as subjects for close up and/or macro photography.

Please contact me at eanc@live.com.au or on 0408 808 870.

Eastsider News

If there are any other members who would be prepared to write an article about Club activities for submission to future editions, please let me know. It is always good have fresh and different approaches to these articles. The Eastsider News is published every 2 months and DCC has so far been published in every edition.

I recommend all members look at Eastsider News and subscribe to it, as it is full of interesting articles and information about the local area.

<https://www.eastsidernews.org.au>

The newsletter can be viewed online at; <http://www.eastsidernews.org.au/>

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7 EXTERNAL COMPETITIONS

Australian Photographic Society

The Australian Photographic Society has a webpage devoted to various competitions. These can be viewed by following this link. <https://www.a-p-s.org.au/index.php/competitions>

Here is a list of upcoming competitions and exhibitions list by the APS.

JANUARY

Maitland International Salon of Photography

Open 10 Oct 2023

Closing 12 Jan 2024

APS Approval 2024/01

MARCH

Adelaide AV National
Open 12 Feb 2024
Closing 11 Mar 2024
APS Approval 2024/03

MAY

Outback International Photography Exhibition
Open 1 Feb 2024
Closing 11 May 2024
APS Approval 2023/02

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7 SPECIAL INTEREST GROUPS & WORKSHOPS

8.1 IMAGE DEVELOPMENT GROUP

Coordinator Peter Layton – 0409 947 618 - peter@peterlayton.com.au

It is yet to be decided when the next Image Development Workshop will be however, watch this space ! when we look forward to seeing all our regular faces, and some new ones, in the group for 2023

Peter Layton

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8.2 MONO GROUP

Coordinator Graham Kay – 0403 199 713 - grahambkay@gmail.com

During our meetings, there is plenty of opportunity to demonstrate some of the latest editing/processing techniques that have been introduced into the latest versions of software, in particular, Lightroom Classic. So, the Mono SIG meetings continue to be a great learning process for everyone as people share their ideas and suggestions with the group.

If you would like to be including in the mailing list and receive a link to the images for editing to try your hand at the process, please let Graham know.

An invite to all DCC members to come along and join in the fun and discussion whether you contribute or just observe and comment, you are very welcome to attend.

ZOOM link will be sent to all DCC members prior to the meeting.

Our meetings are always an excellent learning experience for all members, experienced and novice alike.

Come and join the fun. Come and “Share the Passion”.

If you would like to turn your hand to creating Mono images for discussion, please contact Graham for a link to the images. Or indeed, any queries at all, please feel free to give Graham a call or email him.

“SHARING A PASSION”- In the meantime, the next lot of images are available for downloading and processing.
To be part of the fun please contact Graham for the link to the images.

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8.3 SCENIC LANDSCAPE GROUP

Coordinators: Pam Rixon –0421 813 531 - pamrixon@gmail.com, Marg Walton – 0400 311 128, margw@australianscenics.com

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8.4 THEMES AND SERIES GROUP

Coordinators: Peggy Petty - 0405 730 651 - peacefulpeggy@outlook.com, Beverly Dillon - 0439 562 471 - carldillon@optusnet.com.au

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8.5 MENTORS & WORKSHOPS

Members are welcome to contact the mentors but please remember, it is the mentor’s right to determine time and place.

Audio Visual Presentations – Phil Ryan 0417 105 868 & Pam Rixon 0421 813 531

Composition and Other Fundamentals - Peter Layton 0409 947 618

Colour Management/ Calibration/Windows Computer Problems - Glenn Mills 03 8669 0323

Photo Critiquing – Peter Layton 0409 947 618

Printing - TBA

Windows Computer Problems/Image Editing – Michael Walker 0412 252 387

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9 JUDGING & SUPPER SCHEDULE

Judges for the following months are:

October	Internal Judging	“Open”	Pam Rixon, Robyn Solum & Margaret Walton
November	Guest Judge	“Monochrome”	Trish McKeown

Cannot make the date? Then you must advise the Judging Steward, Ean Caldwell on 0408 808 870, and the monthly

coordinator [the judge first listed] as soon as possible.

Supper Roster for 2022/2023

NOVEMBER John Wu and John Smith

DECEMBER Peggy Petty and Glenn Mills

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10 GENERAL INTEREST

VAPS and VAPS Newsbrief - <http://www.vaps.org.au/>

The Victorian Association of Photographic Societies is the umbrella organization for all Victorian clubs. It publishes, on a monthly basis, a newsletter titled “Newsbrief” and the latest edition can be found at: <https://www.vaps.org.au/index.php/news>. Note: Rather than log on to the website each month to read Newsbrief you can, at no cost, sign up to have a copy e-mailed to you each month.

Funny Quotes/images taken by photographers!!

