



**DONCASTER  
Camera Club**

# NEWSLETTER

## CLUB INFORMATION

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### 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

## DECEMBER 2023

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## 1 FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello All DCC Members,

As we all get a little older we often reflect on where the year has gone. This is the final President's report for 2023. The weather is finally warming, and we are fast approaching the festive season and all that goes with this time of the year.

Our End-of-Year meeting is scheduled for December 15 with competition critiquing being undertaken by members of the Eastern Suburbs Photographic Society.

The Interclub competition with Doncaster UK has been finalised with them winning the competition by 20 points. Well done to all members who had images selected by the panel for this competition. We can now look forward to selecting a collection of 20 images to forward to the UK for inclusion in their major photographic exhibition being held in May of 2024.

Negotiations with the Manningham Council has seen the club being allocated a space in the Nunawading Library to display our craft and advertise our club to the community. This will occur in April of next year.

We are also pleased to welcome a new member to the club, Jason Godfrey. Jason recently signed up with the club and we all welcome him to the club and, hopefully he will get to enjoy the camaraderie of clu8b members as well as enhancing his photographic journey.

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.

A most enjoyable Christmas lunch was convened at the Doncaster Inn with 15 club members present. Good conversation and an enjoyable meal were had by all. Thanks to Margaret and Pam for organising this most enjoyable afternoon.

Just a reminder 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.

An update on John Smith; he is at home and progressing quite well. He is continuing to receive regular therapeutic treatment which is aiding him in recovery. John passes his best wishes on to all club members and wishes everyone a enjoyable and peaceful festive season.

On another front. Graham Kay has returned home after his second round of back surgery. Graham is still feeling rather tender after this second round (a little like stepping into the ring with Mohammad Ali!!) but he is hopeful this second round of treatment will alleviate his rather debilitating back issues.

After our successful weekend away in Wonthaggi, Pam organised a Zoom meeting where participants were able to review images taken and processed by attendees. A great evening's viewing was had by all. Pam and Margaret are already commencing planning for a 2024 weekend photographic trip. They are very interested in hearing from members regarding suggestions of interesting places to visit and photograph.

Finally, on behalf of the Committee, I would like to wish everyone a very merry Christmas and happy, prosperous and safe New Year. As we can all look forward to an enjoyable and productive photographic year in 2024.

Cheers, Michael

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## 2 NOVEMBER MEETING

The November meeting was held at the EDBC with judging by guest judge Trish McKeown on “Monochrome”, which it was great to see so many fantastic images being judged. As followed our usual super and friendly chats after.

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## 3 COMPETITION RESULTS

### 3.1 SMALL PRINTS

Name	Title	Score
Graham Kay	Aaaah Brekky	14 H
Michael Walker	Old Pad bolt	14 h
Graham Kay	Pusses Trails	13 M
Michael Walker	You're Getting Too Close	13 M
Michael Walker	Nice Drop of Red	13 M
Graham Kay	Swanning Around	12 M
Michael Walker	The Good Drop	12 M
Graham Kay	Ok, Ok, Cool It	10



### 3.22 LARGE PRINTS

Name	Title	Score	Name	Title	Score
Pam Rixon	Light at The End	15 H	Graham Kay	Hungerford Bus Stop	12 M
Arthur Lilley	Tanked	15 H	Arthur Lilley	After The Bomb	12 M
Pam Rixon	Spiral	14 H	Graham Kay	Ethel's Anchor	12 M
Michael Walker	Post Office	14 H	Joanne Mellor	Cap Not Full	12 M
Pam Rixon	Beneath The Trees	14 H	Michael Walker	Maasi Lady	12 M
Michael Walker	Old Beechworth	14 H	Graham Kay	Coastal Decorations	11
Joanne Mellor	Shugborough Hall	14 H	Arthur Lilley	Triple Aqualegia	11
Pam Rixon	Geometric Shapes	14 H	Arthur Lilley	The Stick Shed	11
Joanne Mellor	Rose in a Different Light	14 H			
Michael Walker	I'm Watching You	14 H			
Joanne Mellor	Flower Flounces	13 M			

### 3.3 DIGITAL PROJECTED IMAGES

Name	Title	Score			
Ean Caldwell	Sunflower Seeds For Breakfast	15 H	Peter Stone	Upon Reflection (B&W)	13 M
Margaret Walton	Stormy Fishing	15 H	Margaret Walton	City Angels	12 M
Pam Rixon	Kalsoy Church	15 H	Peter Salter	Blackwater Canal	12 M
Pam Rixon	Raining In Chester	15 H	Adrian Donoghue	Street 31	12 M
Liz Reen	Old Time Unionist	14 H	John Wu	Lake house	12 M
Adrian Donoghue	Street 30	14 H	Graham Kay	Port Authority	12 M
Peter Salter	Honolulu Homeless 2	14 H	Peter Stone	Weapons Of Mass Destruction	12 M
Peter Salter	Honolulu Homeless 1	14 H	Peter Stone	Urban Canvas	12 M
Pam Rixon	Tower Bridge	14 H	Jason Rosewarne	Puppy dog Eyes	11
John Wu	Joshua Tree National Park	14 H	Michael Walker	I'm coming For You	11
Graham Kay	Barcelona Scene	14 H	Adrian Donoghue	Street 28	11
Michael Walker	Decorative Water Tank	14 H	Adrian Donoghue	Street 29	11
Robbie Carter	Highland Goat	14 H	Liz Reen	Losing Sight of the Road	11
Michael Walker	Star Theatre	14 H	John Wu	Sunset	11
Jason Rosewarne	Watching You, Watching Me	13 M	Peter Salter	Hawaiian Morning	11
Margaret Walton	The Black Rose	13 M	Liz Reen	Sun Struck Tank	11
Peter Stone	Cathedral Arcade	13 M	Jason Rosewarne	Mount Agung at Sunrise	11
Liz Reen	Eagles Next Stormy Dawn	13 M	Martin Lewis	Kismet	11
Graham Kay	Jerash	13 M	Jason Rosewarne	Sitting, Waiting, Watching	11
Pam Rixon	Silence At Sunset	13 M	Margaret Walton	Spiralling Up	11
Michael Walker	Cape Buffalo	13 M	Martin Lewis	Cathedral Arcade	11
Ean Caldwell	Water Tank	13 M	John Wu	Can I Go Out	11
Martin Lewis	Frank	13 M	Robbie Carter	Stairs	11
Graham Kay	Dalhousie Ruins	13 M			



**Michael Walton -Decorotive Water Tank**



**Peter Salter – Honolulu Homeless 1**



**Pam Rixon - Spiral**



**Ean Caldwell – Sunflower Seeds For Breakfast**



**Highland Goat – Robbie Carter**



**Raining In Chester – Pam Rixon**

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## **HAND IN ENTRIES FOR JANUARY “OPEN ” COMPETITION**

### **4 THIS MONTH’S MEETING –DECEMBER 15TH**

Friday 15th December is our final Club Meeting for the year.

It is always a very social meeting, and we ask everyone to please bring a small plate preferably with food for supper. And if you can’t bring food, don’t worry you are still welcome as there is always plenty. Partners, family and friends are also welcome at this meeting.

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## 5 NEXT MONTH'S MEETING –JANUARY 19TH

Next month's meeting will be the start of a great year of judging some fabulous images by all members.

Subject for January is "OPEN TOPIC", our guest judge will be the delightful return of Trish McKeown.

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## 6 NEWS AND COMING EVENTS

A very warm welcome to Martin Lewis on joining DCC, here presented with club member certificate.



### ***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 Events Program***

Program - Coming up.

December 15	Friday Club Night – End of Year Competition
January 10	Wednesday Committee Meeting
January 19	Friday Club Night – Open Competition (Trish McKeown)
February 14	Wednesday Committee Meeting
February 16	Friday Club Night – Workshop – Close-up/ Macro
March 13	Wednesday Committee Meeting
March 15	Friday Club night (Open Competition)

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

## **Our February 2024 meeting will be a Practical Workshop, ‘Close Up and Macro Photography’.**

We will set up several 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 [eanc@live.com.au](mailto: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/>

## 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](mailto: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 2024. Peter Layton

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### 8.2 MONO GROUP

Coordinator Graham Kay – 0403 199 713 - [grahambkay@gmail.com](mailto:grahambkay@gmail.com)

The Mono SIG last met on the 7th December with 8 very eager contributors.

After a rocky start with some ZOOM issues, It was another very successful and enlightening experience for all.





As always, no matter the experience level of the members there were a lot of ideas and information to absorb whether it be editing techniques or composition or simple cropping.

Our next meeting date is yet to be set due to the onset of Xmas but will probably be in Mid-February.

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

Please let Graham know if you would like to be on the mailing list.

A 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

The next outing will be decided very soon, keep watching!

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### 8.4 THEMES AND SERIES GROUP

The theme of “MOTION” challenged us to be creative, with the five contributing members enjoying June’s hospitality on Monday Nov 15th. Please visit the DCC Website under Themes and Series to see the results of our creative endeavours.

Peggy showed us amazing variations of water movement with many outstanding patterns and reflections, one was quite a mystery as to how nature told its story. Boat movements, the wind and splash effects were very evident.

Bev showed the typical moving car effect, leaves flying in the wind, the calving of a glacier, a babbling creek and a vintage car.

June stayed with the theme of colourful Rainbow lorikeets flying in and out their water container with birds and water flying everywhere. So much action.

Martin was very creative dropping dice, colour and ice into water. He added the golf swing, a raging Warrandyte tunnel, and a masterpiece of flying light.

Ean also wore his creative hat. Rolling waves, a rather decadent loo, a waddling duck, and Box Hill lights photographed from the dashboard of his car, as well as brilliant light tricks were all his contribution.



By Bev Dilan



By Martin Lewis



By Peggy Petty

Our next meeting will be on **Monday 15th January** at 1.00 pm at Ean's home and on Zoom.

The theme is **REFLECTIONS**, an excellent topic for anyone wanting to join.

Coordinators: Peggy Petty - 0405 730 651 - [peacefulpeggy@outlook.com](mailto:peacefulpeggy@outlook.com), Beverly Dillon - 0439 562 471 - [carldillon@optusnet.com.au](mailto: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.*

**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:**

November	Guest Judge	"Monochrome"	Trish McKeown
December			

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 2023/2024

December 2023; Peggy Petty and Glenn Mills

January 2024; Adrian Donoghue and Ian Game



February; Con Douvitsas and Robyn Solum

March; Peter Layton and Liesel Ingrassia



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## 10 GENERAL INTEREST



Attached a flyer for Denise Keele-Bedford's upcoming art exhibition for your interest.

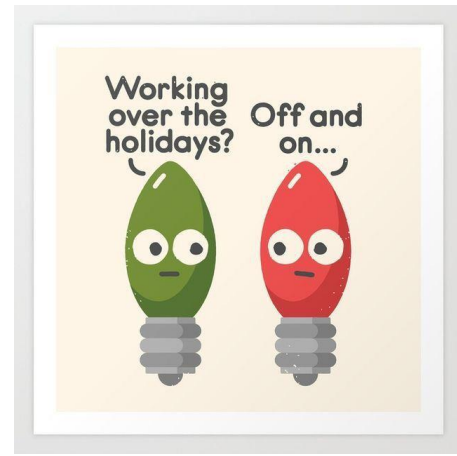
Denise has been a 'behind the scenes' supporter of DCC for some time now, having provided a substantial amount of photographic equipment for the re-home/re-sale program.

If you have the opportunity, Denise would love to greet you at the exhibition

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

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