



**DONCASTER  
Camera Club**

# NEWSLETTER

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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

**JUNE 2024**

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## 1 FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello All DCC Members,

Welcome to the June edition of the DCC Newsletter. Winter has well and truly set in however, there are still plenty of opportunities to get out and do some photography.

Another great evening was had by attendees at the last Mono SIG Zoom meeting. There was vibrant discussion amongst the members of the various processed images with many helpful tips on offer and many great presentations of the processed images. Members can learn much from these sessions and I would urge anyone interested in improving their photography to attend the next meeting.

Thanks to Pam, a Zoom meeting was convened to review a variety of images taken by members who attended the Beechworth weekend away. There many great images on display highlighting the beauty and diversity of photographic material in and around this lovely part of Victoria. Well done to everyone who submitted images and to the participants who offered suggestions on the various displays.

Negotiations are progressing well for undertaking a photographic competition, in conjunction with EastSider News, to increase our profile in the local community. Thanks to Pam, we have been able to secure some sponsorship from Teds Camera store, Doncaster for gift cards for the Winners and runners-up in the two sections of the competition. Thanks to Ean, an entry form has been prepared for participants and the formal announcement and entry conditions will appear in the next edition of the newspaper.

The club has several members attending the VAPS Convention in Berwick over the weekend of the 15th and 16th.

A reminder the mid-year lunch has been organised on Sunday 14th July at 11.30 am at the Box Hill RSL. Please ensure you place that date in your diaries so that we can have a good turn-out for this social function. For booking purposes, please advise Pam or Margaret of your attendance.

A reminder that Peter Stone is well advanced on putting together a schedule for the club's weekend away to Portland. This weekend will occur on the 1st weekend in October – Friday 4th to Sunday 6th. As a suggestion, given the distance to travel to Portland, maybe consider adding a couple of extra days into your itinerary as there plenty to see and photograph in this part of the world; there is also opportunities on the return home to visit areas along the Great Ocean Road!

The Committee has agreed to produce a 2025 Calendar for sale and distribution. It is hoped production will occur in September/October with the Calendar displaying work from our membership to again provide the opportunity of enhancing the Club's community profile.

The club is currently negotiating a date in August to convene a presentation by Albert Tay on his "Wow" photography. This will be convened on an additional evening to our normal club night, and it is envisaged we will be inviting members of neighbouring clubs to attend.

Also, check out the "NEW" Meet our Members section in this newsletter, Great little insight and introduction each week on one member a month on page 12.

Kind regards and cheers,

Michael

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## 2 MAY MEETING

May meeting was held in usual place of East Doncaster Baptist Church, judged by our very own Margaret Walton, Robbie Carter & Peter Stone. Followed by an information session from Peter Layton on the subject portraiture.

## 3 COMPETITION RESULTS

### 3.1 SMALL PRINTS

Name	Title	Score
Joanne Mellor	Rain Ripples	12 M

### 3.22 OPEN PRINTS

Name	Title	Score
Pam Rixon	Heavy Rain at the Station	15 H
Joanne Mellor	Brighten up a dull Day	14 H
Pam Rixon	The Rain in France	13 M
Pam Rixon	A Distant Storm	12 M

### 3.2 DIGITAL PROJECTED IMAGES

Name	Title	Score
Peter Stone	Non Sequitur	15 H
Martin Lewis	Wished you Were Here	15 H
Pam Rixon	Pleased to Meet You	14 H
Martin Lewis	Dripping Wet	14 H
Pam Rixon	The Road To Wagga	14 H
Peter Stone	Heavy Water	13 M
Pam Rixon	Rainbow Over Vagar	13 M
Ean Caldwell	Rain on Bus Stop Seat	12 M
Joanne Mellor	Rain Room Dancing	12 M
Martin Lewis	Rain- Mono	12 M
Peter Stone	Water Wall	12 M
Margaret Walton	Christmas rose Droplets	12 M
Liz Reen	Watch Your Step	12 M
Arthur Lilley	Wallflowers	11

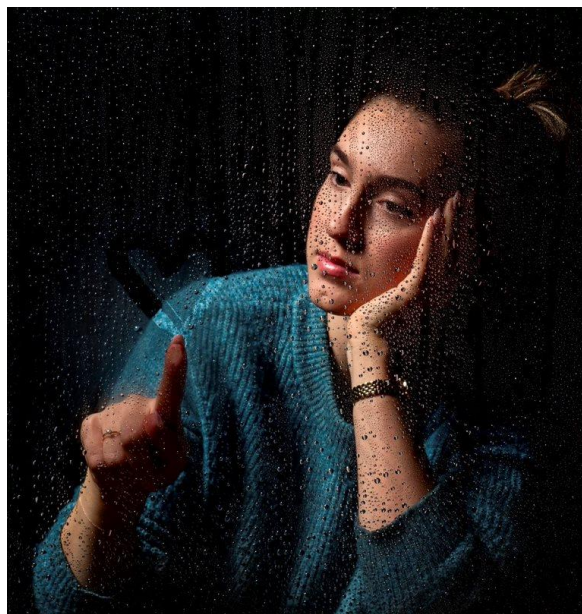
Name	Title	Score
Bill Chan	Reflection 2	11
Liz Reen	The Lock at Henley	11
Bill Chan	Wait for Me Mom	11
Joanne Mellor	Rain room Calmness	11
Liz Reen	Preening in the Rain	11
Bill Chan	Twin Sister	11
Joanne Mellor	Rain room Cheers	11
Arthur Lilley	Wet	10
Ean Caldwell	Wipers Not Working	10
Margaret Walton	Delicate Drops	10
Arthur Lilley	Blue Pots	10
Margaret Walton	Rose in the Rain	10

**Some top images from this Month**

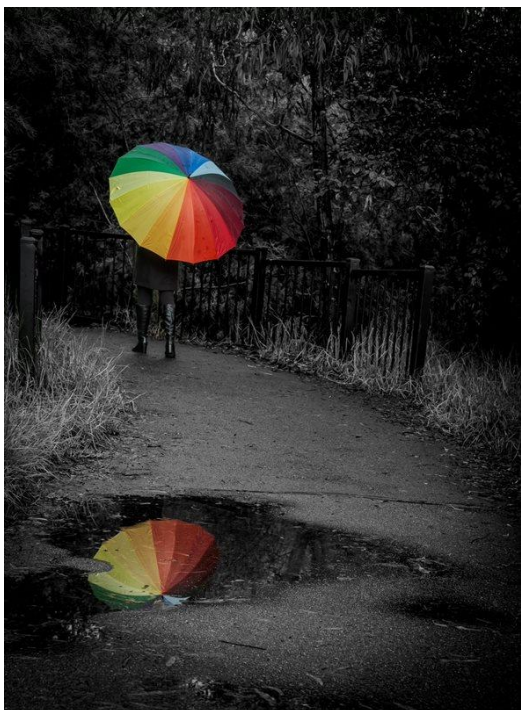




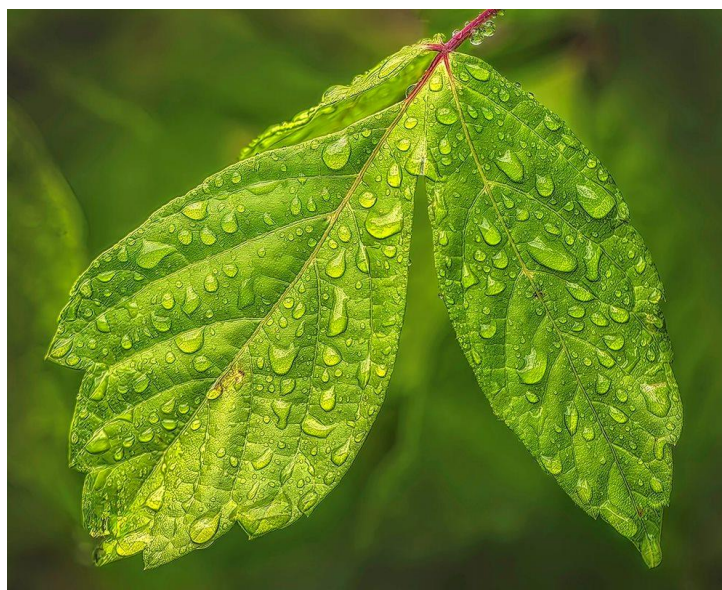
Heavy Rain at the Station by Pam Rixon



Wish You Were Here by Martin Lewis



Brighten up a dull Day by Joanne Mellor



Heavy Water by Peter Stone

## HAND IN FOR JULY is “OPEN” Competition

### THIS MONTH'S MEETING – JUNE 21

Will be held at the usual place of East Doncaster Baptist Church with guest judge Rob Morgan AAPS and a member of the Roseanna photography club and enjoys travel landscape and creative photography.

## 5 NEXT MONTH'S MEETING JULY 19

The June meeting will be held in usual place of East Doncaster Baptist Church with guest Judge Lisa Law AAPS who is a member of the Ivanhoe photographic society who's photography interests vary between fashion, photojournalism, landscape and portraiture. Partners, family and friends are also welcome at this meeting. Were sure it will be a very enjoyable evening.

## 6 NEWS AND COMING EVENTS

**Doncaster Camera Club Membership Fees** Membership fees are now due for the current year.

Membership is as follows:

1. Single Adult Membership \$65.00
2. Family membership, including children from 12 to the age of 18 years with a limit of two (2) votes per family with the exception that family members under the age of 15 years are ineligible to vote. \$95.00
3. Full time students or persons between 15 and 18 years. \$40.00
4. Associate members: - Any member under the age of 15 years - Any other, if any, that we wish to determine. \$40.00
5. Life Members No Fee
6. For any member who joined during 2024, no payment is required.

An additional \$10 per class of membership will apply for those members wishing to receive the monthly newsletter by mail.

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Thank You.

## VAPS Convention

Berwick – Federation University

June 14th -16th 2024, Registrations Due May 26th.

The print and digital exhibitions are open to the public. This is a big exhibition with entries from many Victorian Camera Clubs. You do not have to register for the convention to visit the exhibition. We would encourage members to attend or view the exhibition if possible.

DCC has entered 15 prints from - Adrian Donoghue, Arthur Lilley, Graham Kay, Jason Rosewarne, Jo Mellor, Michael Walker, Pam Rixon and Peter Stone.

The 15 Digital Entries are from - Adrian Donoghue, Bill Chan, Ean Caldwell, Graham Kay, Jason Rosewarne, John Wu, Liz Reen, Marg Walton, Michael Walker, Pam Rixon and Peter Stone.

For more information about the Program and Registration costs and details go to the VAPS website.

<https://www.vaps.org.au> or <https://www.vaps.org.au/online-registration-2.html>

**DCC Mid-Year Luncheon - Sunday 14 th July 11 30 am.**

**Box Hill RSL, 28 Nelson Rd, Box Hill.**

There is onsite parking. Partners are very welcome. We hope you can join us.

Please let Pam Rixon know if you can attend.

pamrixon@gmail.com.

### ***Printing***

**The Committee has decided that members entering prints in the monthly competition should not put their name on the back of the print. It is not necessary with Visual Pursuits, and it is always preferable for judges to judge the prints anonymously.**

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, Arthur Lilley or John Smith who have kindly offered their services.

Cost of paper and ink would need to be covered.

### ***Upcoming Events Program***

Program - Coming up.

June 05 Wednesday Committee Meeting

June 21 Friday Club Night – Open Topic

July 03 Wednesday Committee Meeting

## **July 14 Mid-Year Lunch Box Hill RSL**

July 19 Friday Club Night – Open Topic

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

### **Eastsider News**

**May edition of Eastsider News is now online.**

**There is an article and photos from DCC about bird photography.**

**There is also a notice about the upcoming photography competition.**

**Unfortunately, Club members will not be eligible to enter as we are involved in the running of the competition and the judging.**

**However, we do hope you will read the news.**

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>

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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, 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)

Once again, all members are welcome and encouraged to get involved with the group. Our meetings are always an excellent learning experience for all members, experienced and novice alike.

All members are welcome to try their hand at conversion to Mono

Once you have completed your conversion masterpieces All DCC members are encouraged to come along and get involved if they wish or simply observe and learn.

Doncaster Camera Club is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting. 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

**Beechworth Weekend Away April 16th to 28th.**

13 DCC members enjoyed a weekend away in beautiful Beechworth.







We all enjoyed exploring and photographing Beechworth and the surrounding towns. The Autumn colours were spectacular and there was plenty for everyone to photograph including landscapes, street photography, macro, birds, and architecture and historic buildings.

On Friday 7th June we had a follow up meeting on Zoom where we shared our photos and experiences in Beechworth. There was a wide variety of photos presented, and it is always valuable to see and hear about how members process their images so differently.

Thanks to Marg Walton for organizing this weekend so well.

A Scenic outing will be announced soon so watch for a separate email.

Pam Rixon

Suggestions for our next outing are always welcome.

Conveners

Pam Rixon and Marg Walton.

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

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## 8.4 THEMES AND SERIES GROUP

### Themes and Series Group June meeting.

The theme for our 3rd of June meeting was “Through the Window” with 5 members contributing a great variety of images. We enjoyed Martin’s hospitality, while June joined in by Zoom. Please visit the DCC Website under Themes and Series to see the results of our endeavours. Peggy concentrated on windows in Tunstall Square with so much imagination and artistry. Bev included the well photographed windows at Monsalvat, Eltham, as well as derelict open windows at the historic Warrandyte riverside. June’s artistic eye spotted colourful glass windows at a residential complex she visited; her photos were interesting and different, as well as a great car window shot on the freeway. Marty delighted with the Hopetoun Tea Rooms, his favourite coffee Brewster at her Cafe window, his son posing at different windows and a great shot through the window of a local historic train. Ean entertained us again with bright photographic creations including a rather colourful shop front in Canterbury. Do visit our Facebook Page to really appreciate what has been achieved.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 22nd July at 1.30 pm at Ean’s home and on Zoom.

We hope to see more members along, even to relax and see what happens. Tea or Coffee and cakes and camaraderie are included.

The next theme is OLD SCHOOL, and this will require a little bit of thought, but gives us opportunity to interpret the topic as we see it.

Check us out on the Facebook page, new members always welcome. Inquiries Peggy Petty  
peacefulpeggy@outlook.com or Beverley Dillon 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** – Pam Rixon, Arthur Lilley and John Smith.

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

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## 9 JUDGING & SUPPER SCHEDULE

Judges for the following months are.

May..... Marg W, Robbie C, Peter J S

June..... Rob Morgan

July..... Lisa Law

### DCC Supper Roster 2024

Please make sure you check if you have been listed for Supper Duty. If you are on supper duty there is no need to bring extra food as the Club provides the tea, coffee and biscuits. On some occasions such as the AGM and EOY Meetings we do ask all members to bring a small plate of supper to share.

June John Wu and Koren Mitchell

July Jason Godfrey and Roger Godfrey

August Con Douvitsas and Robyn Solum

September Joanna Fu and Peggy Petty

October Ian Game and Adrian Donoghue

November Adrian Lee and Liesel Ingrassia

December Bev Dillon and Bill Chan

If you cannot attend, please notify Pam Rixon [pamrixon@gmail.com](mailto:pamrixon@gmail.com) or 0421813531.

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## 10 GENERAL INTEREST

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# *Lens + Form*

Photographs by Richard Tandler + Sculpture by Liz Woolf



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The photographs were taken in Austria from the 1920's until the family departed Austria in November 1938.

Richard continued to take photographs in Melbourne and Victoria throughout the 1940's, 50's and 60's.

There are over a thousand photographs in Richard's collection.

Hall of Frame have now sponsored DCC for many years and to show our appreciation we encourage members to go there for matting and framing needs. They do an excellent job.

**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 "News brief" 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 News brief you can, at no cost, sign up to have a copy e-mailed to you each month.

## **NEW 'MEET THE MEMBERS' SECTION.**

Each month we will have a “get to know your members” section with little info and a photo of members,

**Full Name and photo:** Ean Caldwell



**What are your hobbies?** Photography is my remaining hobby. Renovating houses and breeding English Springer Spaniels are in the past for me now.

**How long have you been a member of the club?** I joined DCC in 2013. I was briefly a member about ten years earlier, but struggled to engage with the club while I was working. I joined the Committee as Treasurer in 2016 and became the President in 2019 (through to 2023).

**How did you get into Photography?** My interest commenced when I took a Miranda 35mm film camera, and twin lens kit, to England in 1977. I never engaged in developing photos, so it was not a serious hobby. In 2003 I bought a Sony digital camera and Adobe Elements software for my new computer. Then I was hooked.

**What Camera do you use and why?** My first ‘real camera’ was a canon 5D DSLR (12.8Mp), followed by a Canon 1D, then a Canon 5DMkIV, and now a mirrorless Canon R5. I have three lenses, ranging from wide angle to a 100-500 Zoom. I love the hand hold ability from the stabilization in the canon R system.

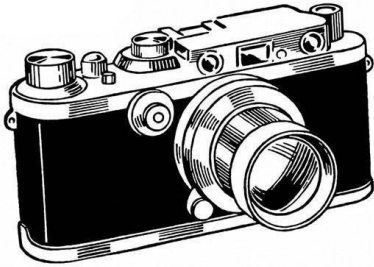
**When it comes to photography, what do you consider your strengths?** Jack of all trades, master of none! I can do a pretty good job of cloning. I enjoy the intricate detail of making the cloning look like it never happened. **What is one goal you want to accomplish as a member of this team for this year?**

**What is one goal you want to accomplish as a member of this team for this year?** To learn more about Lightroom.

**What is something that DCC members do not know about you?** In 1977, I acted as Santa Claus in the toy department at Harrods of London. I convinced a seven-year-old visitor from Black Rock in Melbourne that I used the clock tower, by the bay in Black Rock, to navigate the reindeer to his house. I think he still believes in Father Christmas.

**What is your favourite part of being a member of the club?** The club competition and the Special Interest Groups provide the two essential elements for any photographer - learning and practice. Added to that, the friendly and convivial nature of the membership is most enjoyable.

**I shoot people**



**Then I take them into  
dark rooms  
and blow them up**

**WHEN YOU GO TO A  
NORMAL PERSON PARTY**



**AND NO ONE WANTS TO  
TALK ABOUT CAMERA GEAR**