



Doncaster Camera Club Newsletter

Doncaster Camera Club Inc.
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Margaret Walton
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Attend a Meeting:

Visitors are most welcome to come to one of our monthly meetings and discuss membership details.

Email:

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Web site:

www.doncastercameraclub.org.au

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 8.00pm.

Some members meet at the Doncaster Hotel, 855 Doncaster Rd., Doncaster [Cnr. Victoria Street] at 6.00pm prior to the meeting for a meal and a chat. All are welcome to join them.

Workshops are held during the year usually as part of a meeting or separately on a suitable night.

Social Events - The club organises a number of social events during the year.

Membership Subscriptions -

Single Membership - \$65.00

Family Membership - \$95.00

Full time Student - \$40.00

[Add \$10 if you elect to receive the monthly newsletter by post].

December 2019

A Happy New Year to all members!

Our final meeting for the year was the End Of Year Competition[s] judged by a panel from the Yarra Ranges Photographic Society and represented by Greg Carrick.

Greg did an excellent job delivering the comments on the entries.

Congratulations to all the winners and place getters.

The winning images along with a list of all the placing's appear later in the Newsletter and are also on the website where they view a lot better than in the Newsletter.

Our thanks to our Competition Steward, Arthur Lilley, for all the work he did in setting up the PowerPoint presentation. It's a big job preparing for EOY and Arthur makes it all go off without a hitch.

Also, thanks to Phil Ryan for his work in preparing the certificates and to those members who assisted in the afternoon in setting up the hall, running the projector and to those who contributed to the delicious supper. And thanks to others who have contributed to the evening's success.

This Month's Meeting

January 17th, 2020

Internal judging of Decembers hand In – Open Topic

Annual presentation of members Audio Visual's

Hand In Open Topic Entries for February

And the next 3 meetings for the year are:

February 21, 2020

Our Guest judge is Wolf Marx from the Camberwell Camera Club

This will be followed with a presentation from The Scenic Landscape Group.

Hand In Set Subject Entries for "Solitude"

March 20, 2020

The Internal judging of our February hand in – the Set Subject "Solitude"

Following the competition there will be a presentation on "Lighting Techniques" by our member Peter Layton.

Hand in your entries for the April Competition – Open Subject

April 17th, 2020 [Annual General Meeting]

Election of the new Committee followed by the presentation of the annual Aggregate Awards for

- Small Prints [Ralph Petty Perpetual Trophy]
- Open Prints [Fred Drakeford Memorial Trophy]
- Projected Images [Kevin and Kath Mackay Memorial Trophy]

The presentation of results for the March competition.

Bring a plate of supper for sharing!!

Hand in your entries for the May Competition – Open Subject

Judges for the following 4 months are:

Date	Judges	Observer
Jan 2020	Peter Layton, Robbie Carter and Michael Walker	Jo Mellor
Feb 2020	Guest judge -Wolf Marx –	
Mar 2020	Graham Kay, Ian Holowko and Peter Stone	n/a
Apr 2020	Bruce Millikan, Bev Dillon and Glenn Mills	n/a

Can't make the date? Then you must advise the Judging Steward, John Smith on 0428678972, and the monthly co-ordinator [the judge listed in *italics*] as soon as possible.

Set Subject – Hand In Dates

The Subject	Hand In
<i>Solitude</i>	<i>Feb 2020</i>

The Supper Roster

Members should arrive around 7.40pm to prepare cups, saucers and the urns.

Speak to Pam Rixon at meetings or phone her on 0421813531 about roster changes.

We ask that all members rostered ensure that, where **unavoidable changes occur**, they give plenty of notice to Pam.

Supper Roster – 2018/2019

Jan 2020	Peggy Petty and Judy Mitchell
Feb 2020	Franne and Ian Holowko
Mar 2020	Phil Ryan and John Smith
Apr 2020	Robbie Carter and Joanne Mellor
May 2020	Judy Dunn and Pat Game
Jun 2020	Bev Dillon and Robyn Solum



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Social Events/Outings

This ***schedule*** is a reminder of the *future day/weekend outings* we have planned for the Club and will be supplemented by more detailed emails, or entries below, closer to the dates.

Proposed Date	Venue
TBA	

Results For End Of Year Competition[s] - 2019 **Landscape Print Of The Year - [Ed Conway Memorial Trophy]**

Placing	Member	Title
1st	Pam Rixon	Ripples In The Sand

There is only one place-getter for this trophy and here is Pam's "Ripples In The Sand"



Here is Pam receiving her trophy from Rosemary Conway



Small Print Of The Year [Ralph Petty Perpetual Trophy]

Placing's	Member	Title
1st Place	Judy Mitchell	Childhood Memory
2nd Place	Graham Kay	Red Wing Parrot
3rd Place	Judy Mitchell	Country Stream

Congratulations to Judy and here is "Childhood Memories"



And here is Judy accepting her trophy from Peggy Petty.



[This trophy will be renamed the "Ralph Petty Memorial Trophy" for 2020]

Best Print Of The Year [Fred Schult Memorial Trophy]

Placing's	Member	Title
1st Place	Pam Rixon	Lights Over Lapland
2nd Place	Pam Rixon	Pink Sky In The Morning

3rd Place	Judy Mitchell	Looking Skyward
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Congratulations to Pam and here is "Lights Over Lapland"



Here is Pam receiving her trophy Sue Lee from the East Doncaster Baptist Church.



**Digitally Projected Image
Of The Year**
**[Denis Thompson Memorial
Trophy]**

Placing	Member	Title
1st Place	Marg Walton	The Argument
2nd Place	Michael Walker	Princes Bridge
3rd Place	Pam Rixon	Busselton Jetty

Here is Marg’s winning entry “The Argument”



And here is Marg accepting the trophy from Lois Thompson.



**DPI Landscape/Seascape
Image of the Year**
**[Ron Johnson Memorial
Trophy]**

Placing	Member	Title
1st Place	Marg Walton	Sunset Boabs

Here is Marg’s winning entry “Sunset Boabs”



Marg accepting her trophy from Brian Amos



MENTORS/WORKSHOPS

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

Lightroom

Graham Kay
[0403 199 713]

Photoshop

Marg Walton
[9848 4823]

Printing

Arthur Lilley
[9842 5257]

Composition And Other Fundamentals

Peter Layton
[0409 947 618]

Colour Management/ Calibration

Glenn Mills
[03 8669 0323]

Mieke Boynton Photography Exhibition

Fairbanks Gallery
917A Sturt St
Ballarat 5333 1133

Mon - Friday 9am - 5.30 pm

Sat 9am - 1 pm.

[The gallery is contained in commercial premises so the hours of operation are constrained]

Mieke was our guest judge and presenter in June last year and was very well received [with us and numerous other clubs throughout 2019]. There are 26 very large prints in the exhibition and everyone is just beautiful.

It is on until end of January and well worth a visit.

Recommended by Pam Rixon.

VAPS Convention - 2020 Wangaratta 26th – 28th June

Wangaratta Performing Arts and Convention Centre

Some early notice that this year's Convention will be held one month later than the usual dates in May.

A good straight drive along the Hume. Now might be the time to look at booking accommodation – perhaps in some of the surrounding areas if beds in Wangaratta are tight?

Themes and Series Group

[Coordinator: Kay Mack – 0409 418 682]

[Repeat]

*Report of T&S Meeting 26 November 2019
Six of us met at Melaleuca Lodge, receiving apologies from June and Ean.*

BEV has continued with her project of documenting the native flora on the block near Ballarat. So far, she has, along with other family members who have been infected by her enthusiasm, photographed and identified over 30 species of flowers. She is expecting to add more but is now adding varieties of fungi, lichen, moss and insects to her album.

JUDY has recently spent some time further afield so she presented a large page labelled Every Day in the Amazon Rainforest. On this she'd printed a set of really interesting shots, both long and close views of the rainforest.

*Peggy, Val and Les had no new work to show but LES brought the album he made last year in response to the alphabet challenge. Some of us hadn't seen all of these earlier. He'd found not only predictable examples like **L**ion and **U**mbrella but also **Q**werty keyboard and **eX**tremely high water level.*

VAL had the album she's put together of their beautiful garden taken before and after its makeover. These included photos of flowers and foliage and the many creatures that frequent the place. Some are ornamental, but there are so many live birds and also a frog.

KAY shared a booklet containing captioned photos giving her view of Every Day in Aged Care. She has also used this series in the APS Contemporary Group so you can see them in the November issue of the on-line magazine Free Expressions.

https://www.a-p-s.org.au/index.php?option=com_acym&ctrl=front

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The next get together is planned for Tuesday 21 January 2020 at Melaleuca Lodge. The new theme challenge is Freedom. But those who prefer to catch up with Every Day or any self-initiated project are as always very welcome.

Audio Visual Group

[Coordinator: Phil Ryan – 0417 105 868]

avgroup@doncastercameraclub.org.au

[Repeat]

The most recent meeting was held on November 13th, 2019 and the Club AV night in January was discussed and an estimate made of the number of new AV's that will be ready for showing.

The progress [completion perhaps?] was viewed and discussed with some good suggestions made for possible enhancements of:

- Pam's "Quarantine Station"
- Liesel's "Roaming In Rome"
- Phil's "Empire Rhone"

The next meeting is scheduled for February 2020 at an exact date to be advised.

Scenic Landscape Group

Coordinators:

Pam Rixon – 0421 813 531

pamrixon@gmail.com

Marg Walton – 0400 311 128

margw@australianscenics.com

Scenic Group Outing



Photo by "anonymous teenager"

Photo of the team at the Fort Queenscliff on Saturday (23rd November)

A dozen members and partners enjoyed a successful weekend at Point Lonsdale. The program included:

- sunrises at Queenscliff and St Leonards
- sunsets at Point Lonsdale and Clifton Springs
- a tour of the Fort Queenscliff Museum

- a morning walk in the Edwards Point State Fauna Reserve; and
- don't forget the lunches, brunches and dinners!

The weather was good to us and we certainly fitted a lot in. The program was busy, but flexible. It provided enough variety that everyone could find something of interest to photograph.

Our thanks to Pam and Marg for organising the weekend [and to Ean for the report and photo].

Mono Group

[Co-ordinator Graham Kay – 0403 199 713]

grahambkay@gmail.com

[Repeat]

Another good roll up to the November Mono Special Interest Group with 9 eager and enthusiastic attendees.

Each attendee bringing to the meeting just a couple of RAW photos to convert to Mono was seen as highly successful as it enables the processing of at least one of the photos to be done in considerable detail and at a pace for easy learning with plenty of question time.

If the processing is still a little fast, please speak up and slow the process down. There is no hurry!

Added to this is the contribution from our new member Peter Layton who brings his considerable professional experience to the evenings and insight into selecting Mono subject matter.

The meetings are indeed virtual "Workshops", with attendees both learning themselves, and contributing to the learning process for others. At this stage the focus remains on "Lightroom" and to a much lesser extent "NIK Silver Effects Pro". It was generally agreed that the group should stick to this format at least for the time being.

Scenic Group attendees who also intend to be, or are part of the Mono SIG are encouraged to use the Scenic outings as material for Mono SIG evenings.

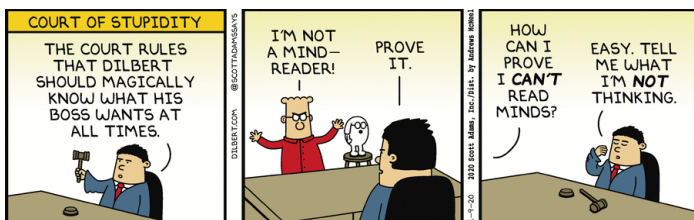
The next meeting will be at 76 Melissa Drive, Donvale on Wednesday, January 22nd @ 7.30pm. Please ensure you advise your intention to attend so that seating can be organised accordingly.

If you would like to join in the fun please let Graham know so he can include you in email circulars. Email Graham at grahambkay@gmail.com

Thanks again to Graham and Chris for their generous hospitality in hosting our evenings.

Details of all DCC "Groups" and their meetings are on the website at:
<http://doncastercameraclub.org.au>
[Menu bar -Special Interest Groups]

"Just Briefly"



Technical/Technique Corner, And Other Matters

Some interesting, and I hope helpful, articles from the wide world of the Internet.

Sometimes articles are brand specific but more often than not the points discussed are relevant to all cameras or computer operating systems. If Canon has a certain function – so will Nikon/Pentax – just with a different name.

Apologies – Once again I couldn't find a thing of interest over the past month!

Perhaps we are running out of new items of interest in Digital photography!

Southern Suburbs PS – Photo Evening Tuesday, March 3rd, 2020

The Southern Suburbs Club are holding an open evening for all VAPS members. Details received from the Club are:

"You are all invited to spend an evening at Southern Suburbs Photographic Society on Tuesday, 3rd March to hear our guest speaker **Malcolm Fackender** who is travelling down from Sydney especially.

Malcolm is well known for his photographic tours including tours –"Spotlight On Asia" and "Spotlight On Africa" and many other places.

It should be a fantastic evening.

8pm start, St Matthews Anglican Church Hall, Cnr Nepean Highway and park Road, Cheltenham [enter off Nepean Highway service lane]

Please RSVP to margedwards@idx.com.au If you plan to attend."

Frankston Photographic Club – Specialised Seminar Series -2020

www.frankstonphotoclub.com.au

Frankston Photographic are running a series of seminars/workshops in 2020 with some of the very best photographers presenting.

Some of those presenters are Darren Davis [January], Adrian Donoghue [March], Damien Bowerman [April] and Matt Testoni [May]

The best place to view all the details is on Frankston's website [above]

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 November 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.

Regards,

John