



Doncaster Camera Newsletter Club

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

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www.doncastercameraclub.org.au

Meetings:

The Club usually meets on the 3rd Friday of each month at the Manningham Uniting Church - Westfield Drive Site, 20 Westfield Drive, Doncaster, at 8.00pm.

Some members meet at the Cherry Hill Tavern, 189 Reynolds Rd. Doncaster at 6.00pm prior to the meeting for a meal and a chat. All are welcome to join them.

Workshops are held generally 6 times each 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 including BBQ's & live theatre.

Membership Subscriptions -

Single Membership - \$55.00

Family Membership - \$80.00

Full time Student - \$40.00

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

March 2018

The March meeting was the Set Subject – "Portraits"

Our judges were Graham Kay, Glenn Mills and Judy Mitchell. As always, a thank you to our members who put such effort into judging our competitions.

There were 16 Merits/Honours on the night – a decrease on last month.

In the Open Prints the top score of 95 went to Pam Rixon for "Deep In Thought". Pam also scored a 90 for "Japanese Monk" and Arthur Lilley scored an 85 for "Alfie"

In the Digital Images equal top score of 80 went to Val Armstrong with "Golden Tresses 2" and Liz Reen with "All Smiles" followed by David Greenwood's "Welcoming Smile" with 75.

In the Small prints Judy Mitchell scored both the Merits awarded with an 85 for "Indigenous Peruvian Woman" and 75 for "Tibetan Dancer"

Overall awards were well spread with Pam and Judy scoring 3 Merit/Honours on the night. Michael Walker, Arthur Lilley, Les Armstrong and Liz Reen were awarded 2 each!

All the winning images along with a list of all the placing's appear later in the Newsletter and are also on the website.

We completed the evening with an excellent presentation by Liz Reen of her recent African travels entitled – "Travels along the Zambesi".

Thanks to Liz for all the work she put into an entertaining travelogue!

This Month's Meeting **April 20th, 2018**

The Annual AGM and Aggregate Trophies

Internal judging of the March Open Topic competition entries.

Hand In Your Images for the May Open Topic Competition

The Following 3 Months In Brief

May 18th, 2018

Judging of our April Open Topic hand-in by our guest Judge/Presenter, Paul Lucas, a member at Knox Photographic Society and a professional photographic tour guide.

Hand In Your Images for the June Open Topic Competition

June 15th, 2018

Internal judging of our May hand-in.

Our guest presenter is Jane Clancy with "Portraits and Costumes"

Hand in your entries for July's Set Topic Competition – "Shadows"

July 20th, 2018

External judging of our Set Subject – "Shadows" by guest judge/ presenter, Darren Bennett member of the Melbourne CC and a professional photographer

Hand In Your Entries For The August Open Topic Competition

A new program will be available at the AGM.

Judging Participants for the Next 4 Months are:

Date	Judges	Observer
May 2018	<i>Visiting Judge - Paul Lucas</i>	
Jun, 2018	<i>Phil Ryan, Judy Dunn and TBA</i>	John Wu
Jul, 2018	<i>Visiting Judge – Darren Bennett</i>	
Aug, 2018	<i>Pam Rixon, Val Armstrong and Kevin Wilson</i>	Ean Caldwell

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

Set Subject – Hand In Dates

The Subject	Hand In
<i>Shadows</i>	<i>Jun 2018</i>
<i>Monochrome</i>	<i>Oct 2018</i>
<i>A Touch Of Yellow</i>	<i>Feb 2019</i>

We Have A New Sponsor!!



We are pleased to welcome the Hall Of Frame in Doncaster East as our official sponsor. They are situated at the south end of Tunstall Square shopping centre

Many of our members in the immediate Doncaster East area may have already used their service and we ask that all Club members support those who are supporting us!!

Our thanks to Pam Ford and her team and we look forward to a mutually rewarding relationship.

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.

This is the start of the 2018 supper roster that was circulated last month.

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

Supper Roster Details - 2018

Apr 2018	Bev Dillon and Paul Franks
May 2018	Robbie Carter and Jo Mellor
Jun 2018	Judy Dunn and Judy Mitchell
Jul 2018	John Wu and David Greenwood
Aug 2018	Michael Walker and Robyn Solum
Sep, 2018	Peter Young and Pat Game

It is fitting that we do so with a nice supper so please don't forget to bring a plate!!

Another Good Joke From My Secret Source!!

England v Ireland March 17 St Patrick's Day Twickenham

This may be of interest to one of you. A friend of mine has two tickets in a corporate box for England v Ireland 17th June. He paid £300 each, but he didn't realise when he bought them months ago that it was going to be the same day as his wedding. If you are interested, he is looking for someone to take his place.

It's at Marylebone Registry Office, at 4.30pm. The bride's name is Maria -- she's 5'4", about 8 stone, quite pretty, has her own income and is a really good cook"

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]

Run Out!! [STILL THINKING!!] But we will have more to come now that the weather is cooling!!

Updating Club Membership Details

Attached to the Newsletter is a current membership list with all details as up to date as we know.

However, over time details change and although we have a good handle on changing e-mail contacts we may not be aware of other variations.

Could all members check the list and advise me [by e-mail] of any changes they wish to make so that we can make the list more complete.

If you have gone into witness protection then you may not wish to advise your new hideout but your telephone and e-mail are the important ones [even your gear?] for communication.

Annual General Meeting - April 20th, 2018

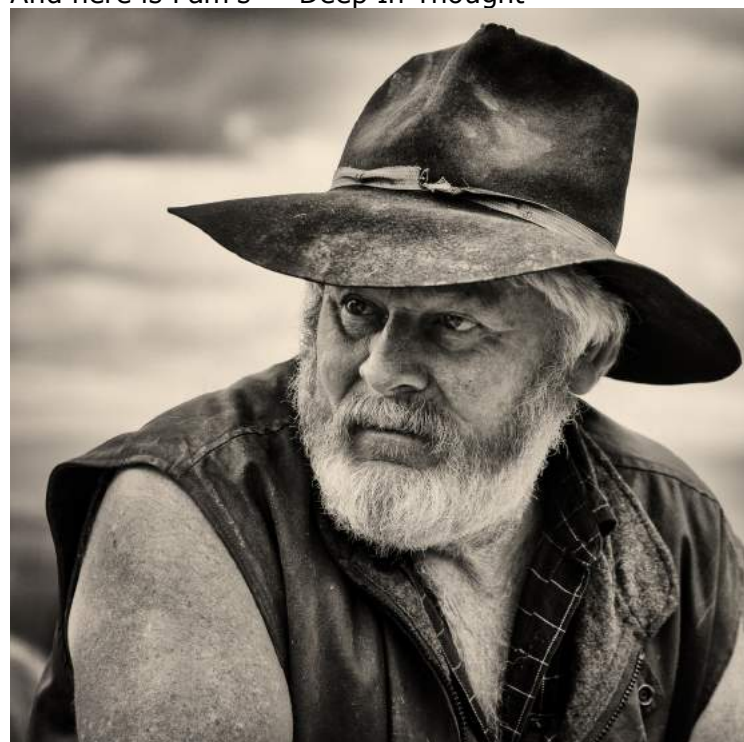
The Annual General Meeting is conducted at the April gathering. On this night we review the past year's progress, introduce our new Program for 2018-2019 and hold elections for Committee. We also announce the winners of our Annual Aggregate Competitions.

To speed up matters on the night we have attached a copy of the minutes of the previous AGM together with the Treasurer's report. You already have the formal advice of the AGM together the standard proposed motion that we need to confirm each year.

Competition Results Large Prints

Pam Rixon	Deep In Thought	95
Pam Rixon	Japanese Monk	90
Arthur Lilley	Alfie	85
Arthur Lilley	Chris L	80
Pam Rixon	BBQ Tokyo Style	75
Judy Mitchell	Indigenous Ecuadorian Woman	75

And here is Pam's - "Deep In Thought"



[Sorry – a short break. The images are very hard to align!!]

~ Old Italian proverb...

"After the game, the King and the pawn go into the same box"

Digitally Projected Images

Val Armstrong	Golden Tresses 2	80
Liz Reen	All Smiles	80
David Greenwood	Welcoming Smile	75
Michael Walker	Tiwi Lass	75
Val Armstrong	Quite A Roar	75
Les Armstrong	Handsome Or Not	75
Liz Reen	Echoes Of Beersheba	75
Michael Walker	PNG Chief	75

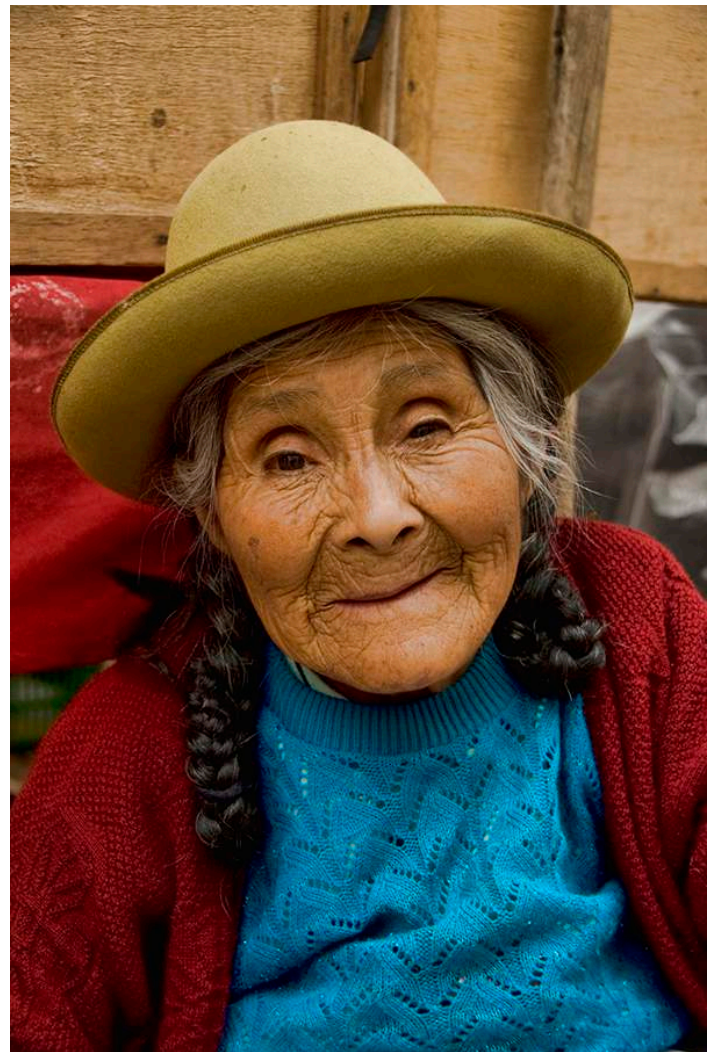
And here is Val's – "Golden Tresses 2"



Small Prints

Judy Mitchell	Indigenous Peruvian Woman	85
Judy Mitchell	Tibetan Dancer	75

And here is Judy's "Indigenous Peruvian Woman"



MENTORS/WORKSHOPS

All members are welcome to contact the mentors but please respect the condition that it is the mentor's right to determine time and place. So please be patient.

Contact details for the mentors are:

Lightroom

Graham Kay
[0403 199 713]

Photoshop

Marg Walton
[9848 4823]

Printing

Arthur Lilley
[9842 5257]

Matting

Gary Leete
[0400 504 462]

[Note: these will be conducted at Frameco's premises at Seaford

Composition And Other Fundamentals

Peter Layton
[0409 947 618]

Colour Management/ Calibration

Glenn Mills
[9857 4730]

VAPS Convention 2018 **Warrnambool – the** **weekend of the 25th – 27th** **May**

The Convention is not far away and members should be making accommodation plans if they are going to attend.

At this stage we have about 8/9 probable's so you will have plenty of company!

The south coast is a lovely part of the world and at that time of the year there should be lots of green scenery!!

The keynote speaker is Joshua Holko [<https://jholko.com/>] who has won Arctic Photographer of the Year at the 2015 Global Arctic Awards. Also presenting are Denis Smith and Glyn Lavender and other local identities.

As usual there will be workshops, model shoots on the Saturday PM and dawn shoots with Ian Rolfe on the Sunday and Monday.

More information is available at the VAPS website at <http://www.vaps.org.au/annual-convention> and you can access registration forms at <http://www.vaps.org.au/downloadable-docs>

VAPS INTERCLUB ENTRIES

OPEN PRINTS

Phil Ryan	The Signalman
Graham Kay	Wattlebird
Robbie Carter	The Things I've Seen
Judy Mitchell	Iranian Faces
Pam Rixon	Three Wise Monkeys
Arthur Lilley	The Long Room
Arthur Lilley	Tulips
Pat Game	Eastland Ceiling
Judy Mitchell	Little Kulala
Ralph Petty	Something Different
Les Armstrong	I'm Looking At You
Pam Rixon	Village In The Snow
Phil Ryan	Top Of Collins Street
Les Armstrong	Smiling Maree
Val Armstrong	Peeping Through

DIGITAL ENTRIES

Pam Rixon	Winter Sunset
Glenn Mills	Old Jetty
Liz Reen	In Pastures Green
Graham Kay	Desert Gateway
Liz Reen	Aroona Dawn
David Greenwood	Barista

Ian Holowko	Mt Pilatus
Val Armstrong	Quite A Roar
Marg Walton	Alone At Geysir
Michael Walker	Outback Cattleman
Val Armstrong	A Delicate Flower
David Greenwood	Indian Girl
Marg Walton	Henningsvaer Aurora
Graham Kay	Belt Range
Pam Rixon	Bruny Island

AUDIO VISUALS

Baroque In Noto, Sicily	Liesel Ingrassia
Lest We Forget	Arthur Lilley
Canning Muse In Verse	Glenn Mills

Congratulations to all who were selected to represent the Club. We managed to spread the representation across 16 members – pretty much the full gamut of those who enter competitions.

Move To East Doncaster

The move is all but settled and we have set a move date to have us hold our first meeting in July at our new premises at:

East Doncaster Baptist Church
47-53 Tunstall Road,
DONCASTER EAST

Tunstall Road bisects the Tunstall Square Shopping Centre and the Church is about 500 metres down Tunstall Road on the right. It's quite handy for a number of members.

We will keep you updated as the timetable unfolds!

Australian Photography Magazine – April 2018 **Article by Pam Rixon**

If you are a purchaser of this popular photography magazine make sure you start your reading at page 75!!

There you will find an article, and excellent images, by Pam Rixon on the subject of her journey to the Outer Islands of the Hebrides [that's about as far west in Scotland as you can get!]

Kudos to Pam for being published in a National magazine and for having such great images to be published.

Pam also took the opportunity of mentioning in

her article how her membership at Doncaster over the years has been a direct contributor to her continued improvement, and success, as a photographer.

Premier's Volunteer Champions Award To Ian Holowko

On the 11 February at Government House, Ian was the recipient of a Premier's Volunteer Champions Award for his exceptional leadership in developing accommodation and programs that benefit young people with an intellectual disability in the City of Manningham.

The award is a fitting acknowledgement of Ian's contribution and dedication to increase inclusion and positive outcomes for people with a disability.

A founding and current member of the executive committee of Manningham Inclusive Community Housing (MICH), his advocacy and negotiation skills were instrumental in bringing together corporate, community, and government entities for MICH's first inclusive community housing project in Doncaster.

Our congratulations to Ian for his award and to Franne and David who I am sure gave him plenty of support!



The "Award Day" at Government House

From L-R: Franne, David, Vic. Governor – Judy Dessau and Ian

Special Interest Groups

Urban Landscape Group

[Coordinator: Adrian Donoghue - 9439 7904]

[Repeat]

Next photo shoot - Sunday 15th April, Point Leo Estate sculpture park

"On April the 1st the photographically annoying daylight saving will be over. So, let's capture some decent afternoon light at the sculpture park at Point Leo Estate, 3649 Frankston-Flinders Road, Merricks.

The sculpture park is open 11-6 with last entry at 5.00. There is a short walk (30min) and a long walk (60min) route to explore the park. You can enter the park directly (\$10) or via a wine tasting package at \$16 or \$20.

Let's meet on the Terrace where they serve wine and snacks at around 3.00 with a plan to enter the park at 4.00 to capture the best late afternoon light.

If you plan to go for lunch you should book now, as its reputation is growing. It's 5-star dining, so not for everyone.

Let me know if you plan to come – Adrian"

Themes and Series Group

[Coordinator: Kay Mack – 9850 9621]

[Repeat]

T&S Group 19 September 2017

We had seven members in attendance with apologies from the others.

***Ralph** is still finding variety & interest in his tree stump studies. The differences to be seen are well highlighted in his growing collection.*

***Peggy** shared an album she had put together of images taken in her rear-view mirror on the road to Kinglake. She assured us that she parked the car before taking each photo! Her initial title was "A Day in Review" but "Rear Vision" was suggested as an alternative.*

***Les** photographed "Resting Places" – empty seats along the Mullum Mullum track, at Port Fairy and in an unidentified park. These left us speculating on the people who might sit there.*

***Val** has begun a collection of photographs of miniatures, tiny china ornaments that she owns. She brought a couple along so that we could see the actual size. It was suggested that she might also include images of her bonsai collection under the same title.*

***Judy M.** had a printed book of land & seascapes & patterns of seaweed on the sand taken during a five day stay on Phillip Island during this winter.*

***Kay** had her printed book of WalkerCam Images to show.*

Judy D. told us of the wonderful animal images that were lost when her camera was stolen on her recent African trip.

Next Meeting: TBA. Usual venue.

Audio Visual Group

Coordinator: Phil Ryan - 9846 6644

avgroup@doncastercameraclub.org.au

[Repeat]

The December meeting of the group was principally to discuss the AV's that would be selected for showing at the Club's January meeting.

Also discussed, again, was the possibility of moving the AV night to a month other than January and the possibility of showing an AV, on some Club nights, when there was not an external presenter.

Next meeting: at a date TBA.

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.

Sometimes the articles/links are not even about cameras and gear!!

Focus Challenges [With Live View]

https://digital-photography-school.com/focus-challenges-live-view-help-razor-sharp-images/?utm_source=newsletter&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=March-2218

This article covers the use of "Live View" in the effort to achieve perfect focus.

Not all cameras have the Live View function but the article also covers some of the reasons for incorrect focus that would affect all cameras. In particular having the focus area set wide with the result that the camera struggles to select the focal point *you want* from what it perceives to be a number of choices. Spot metering might be the answer

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:

<http://www.vaps.org.au/newsbrief>

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.

John