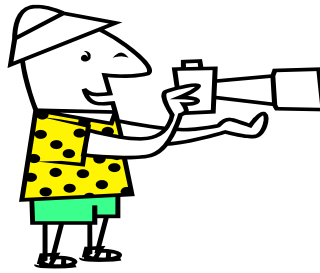


Thru The Lens



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The official
newsletter of
Parklands
Photographic Club

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Hello again,

Wow! This month's meeting had a record 42 entries – a fantastic effort. There were some great images and our judge certainly had his work cut out selecting his preferences! Mike (the judge) shared some important insights that are worth thinking about – concepts such as 'pre-visualising' the image before pressing the camera shutter, and some important aspects of composition. One thing I took away from his talk was the idea of each photo trying to convey a message to the viewer.

On the topic of conveying a message or story, you only have this week left to get your entries in for the September meeting – "Four photos that tell a story". It's one of our more challenging themes of the year and should give us some things to debate in September!

Spring's only a week away – the year's rushing by, isn't it?! This means opportunities to capture images of new growth, vivid colours, and a bit more sunshine (and less frozen fingers) than we've experienced over the Winter.

Cheers, Paul

What The Duck



<http://www.whattheduck.net/>

Upcoming events

- **September monthly meeting:**

Thursday 11th Sept, from 7.30pm. The competition theme is 'Four photos that tell a story'. Our guest judge will be Robert Groom, who will speak about landscapes and outdoor photography on the night. Competition entries *MUST* be received by Kath by Sunday 31st August. Entries must be of four photos. These photos should tell a story (your interpretation). They can be (but do not have to be) in a particular order. If there is an order, please number the entries #1, #2, etc. The 4 photos can be individually mounted, or mounted together on a single mount. Please keep the size of the 4 photos consistent.

- **Parklands/Preston photography inter-club competition/night**

Preston will host this year's inter-club night. It will be held on Monday August 25th – ie **tonight!**

- **Oct theme:**

October (theme = open): up to photo photos per member, with complete choice regarding the subject matter. This is the last of the regular meetings for the year, and a chance to submit your best/favourite photos.

nb members can re-submit photos *provided the photo hasn't previously been awarded a place or highly commended*. There also isn't a time limit, but everyone's encouraged to submit a contemporary image – we learn a lot more by shooting regularly, rather than delving into our 'shoeboxes' for old photos.

- **September workshop and excursion!**

In September, we'll host Leo McGuire who will run a practical workshop on ***Capturing Motion*** for our club. It will be held on Thursday September 18th: 7.30-9.30pm. Following this, we plan to go as a club to the Moonee Valley races on Friday 26th September to practice what we learnt at the workshop! Thus we have three events scheduled for September, over three sequential weeks.

August competition results – *Landscape/Seascape*



First place – Paul Grinzi



Second place– Mathew La Sala



Third place – Nick Condon



HC – Mathew La Sala



HC – Kath Kelly

Exhibitions, Events & Competitions

- ***29th Northern Counties International Salon of Photography 2008***
This year's event is even larger than last year, with the merger of both our Prints and Projected Image Salons into one event.
There will be five sections: Monochrome Prints, Colour Prints, Open Projected Images, Nature Slides, Photo-Travel Slides. Closing date for all entries 27th September 2008. Full details of all the rules and conditions of entry, together with **Entry Forms** can be found at www.ncpf.org.uk.
- ***My Favourite Travel Exhibition***
You are invited to submit your favourite travel photo. Judged by an expert panel from The Age, Lonely Planet, misheye and RovingEye, winners will be exhibited at Michaels Camera Store in Melbourne and auctioned for charity. The money raised is donated to Co-Operation in Development who build schools and provide a free education to children in Bangladesh. The theme this year is 'discovery' and people can submit a photo via www.myfavouritestravelphoto.com.
- ***Travel Photographer of the Year gallery and competition***
This website has a great gallery of past winners and is currently open to entries for this year's competition: www.tpoty.com/. The comp is open to anyone and there's even special awards for amateur photographers – like us! Entries due September 9th.
- ***Art Deco 1910-1939 - NGV***
Showcasing over 300 works across all fields of Art Deco, including works by Man Ray, Forence Henri, Cecil Beaton, Olive Cotton and Edward Steichen. National Gallery of Victoria (St Kilda Road), until October 5th.
- ***291: Photographers in the circle of Alfred Stieglitz - NGV***
This exhibition brings together work from Alfred Stieglitz and other artists who exhibited at New York's 291 Gallery in the early 20th century. National Gallery of Victoria (St Kilda Road), until September 28th.
- ***2009 VAPS Vietnam Photographic Tour***
This exhibition brings together For more details check our this month's VAPS newsletter:
<http://www.vaps.org.au/Documents/Newsbrief%200808.pdf>
- ***"My Life inside a Box" exhibition - Melbourne's InnerNortherns Photography Group***
Aug 5th -Sep 2nd 2008; Northcote Town Hall, Level 1 Display Area
189 High St. Northcote

Club Website/internet update

Our website, www.parklandsphotoclub.org.au has received over 300 'hits' already! Nick, our 'webmaster', is looking to update the site once a month – so if you have any suggestions for improvement, please email the suggestions in!

Also, Cheree has set up a Facebook page for our club. You need to register on Facebook first (www.facebook.com) and then can join the group (just do a search for "parklandsphotoclub"). This will hopefully become a place to 'chat' and share ideas in-between meetings. Thanks Cheree!

Fundraising

If you have yet to return the money (\$48/box) from the chocolate drive, please do so at the next meeting. Also, Kath has sourced some pre-cut photo mounts for purchasing at the meetings. The club makes only \$1 on each mount – and it's much more convenient than searching in the shops!

November meeting

We are slightly altering the format of our final 'indoor' meeting of the year; combining the annual general meeting with club judging of the 'print of the year' – prizes will be awarded on the night! Any photo submitted during the year can be entered on the night (previous winner or not). Submission details will come next month.

2009 themes

Start thinking about possible themes for next year's monthly meetings. The club will vote on them at the AGM in November – please email your suggestions to me at any time and I'll collate them for the meeting.

Websites of the month

- <http://www.smashingmagazine.com/2008/04/28/really-stunning-pictures-and-photos/> - a great selection of inspiring photos.
- <http://photo.net/learn/basic-photo-tips/aperture-shutterspeed-iso/> - a great article on understanding the basics of exposure: shutter speed, ISO and aperture. Worth a read!

Quote of the month

Buying a Nikon doesn't make you a photographer. It makes you a Nikon owner.
- *Author Unknown*



Recipes for Great Wildlife Photography

Esther Beaton

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SEMINAR SERIES

Australia & New Zealand 2008

Patience is only one of the ingredients required to making stunning wildlife images. Australian Geographic Photographer of the Year winner Esther Beaton will share many of the secrets of her work published nationally and internationally over the last twenty years. Join us for a passionate discussion on the photojournalist's storytelling tradition at work depicting the wildlife and beauty of Australia's unique landscape.

Attendees at each location have the chance to win one of three prizes - 1st prize is a Kodak Z1012 Digital Camera, 2nd prize is a Kodak ESP5 Inkjet Printer package and 3rd prize is Esther's new E-book - The Nature Photography Cookbook.

(See entry form for terms and conditions)

Admission is free.

MELBOURNE

TUESDAY 2ND SEPTEMBER AT 6.15 PM
Royal Melbourne Institute of Technology,
The Kaleide Theatre, Building 8, Level 2,
360 Swanston Street, Melbourne, Vic.

ADELAIDE

WEDNESDAY 3RD SEPTEMBER AT 6.15 PM
University of South Australia, Lecture Theatre HH5-08,
Sir Hans Heysen Building, Level 5, Room 8,
Hindley Street Entrance, Adelaide, S.A.

PERTH

THURSDAY 4TH SEPTEMBER AT 6.15 PM
Edith Cowan University, Room ML3.201,
(Building 3, Level 2, Room 01),
2 Bradford Street, Mt. Lawley, W.A.

BRISBANE

TUESDAY 9TH SEPTEMBER AT 6.15 PM
Griffith University, Queensland College of Art,
Auditorium S05_2.04, 226 Grey Street,
South Brisbane, Qld.

SYDNEY

WEDNESDAY 10TH SEPTEMBER AT 6.15 PM
College of Fine Art,
Lecture Theatre EG02 - E Block
Greens Road, Paddington, N.S.W.

WELLINGTON

TUESDAY 16TH SEPTEMBER AT 6.15 PM
Massey University, Tasman Street,
Entrance B, Room 4B06, off Wallace Street
Wellington, New Zealand.

AUCKLAND

WEDNESDAY 17TH SEPTEMBER AT 6.15 PM
Unitec, Entry 4 off Carrington Road, Building 180,
Room B001, Red Lecture Theatre, Carrington Road,
Mount Albert, Auckland, New Zealand.

Bookings essential

To attend, email specialoffer@kodak.com, detailing the names of those who wish to attend, and the date and location you will be attending.

