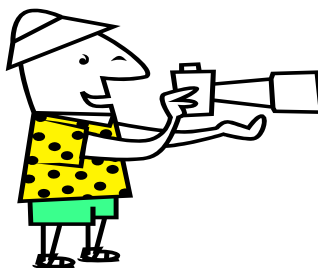


Thru The Lens



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The official
newsletter of
Parklands
Photographic Club

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Hello All,

We have an exciting month coming up with the VAPS trip on May 21-22. Held on Philip Island this year, we will be able to view the amazing winning entries as well as have many photographic opportunities on the Island. The VAPS weekend is usually a great event.

As a quick reminder, we ask everyone to pack away their chair at the end of the night and make sure all dishes are washed and put away. Many hands make light work and all that.

Keep snapping,
Paula



Monthly competition – April “movement”

1st – “Luke” – Clem Warren



2nd – “Rider” – Matthew LaSala



Equal 3rd - "Crazy Hair" - Clem Warren



Equal 3rd - "Moomba Ride" - Matthew LaSala



Highly Commended

Falling – The Series – Paul Grinzi



HC - "On The River" – Kath Kelly



HC – “Rush Hour – Paul Grinzi



HC – “Star Trails” – Charles Scicluna



Club events

- **May Meeting - 12th May**

Next month's meeting is on 13th May, 7:30 in the library as usual. The theme is 'Open'. This is traditionally a very popular theme, so don't forget to correctly label your prints. Prints due by 1st May to Matt.

- **Preston Photo Club event – Birds of Prey – 4th June**

The day will start out at the Birds of Prey centre where we can get close to the birds, followed by a lunch at the racecourse, then a 1 hr cruise to the Docklands. If you wish to be included, please email Kath (Kathryn.Kelly@mh.org.au) so we can forward Preston our numbers. **Deadline to Kath is May 1st.** Cost: \$17 plus lunch.

- **Hunt 'n Shoot – June 12**

This is a fun event where members come along to the location and receive the 4 themes for the day. Photos will be displayed at the following mini workshop. The Point of Contact for the day is Joe. When: June 12th at 1 – 4 pm
Where: Wesgarthtown, Thomastown See flyer for more details.

- **VAPS Weekend – 21-22 May @ Phillip Island**

The Victorian Association of Photographic Societies holds a conference each year with an exhibition of winning entries, a variety of talks, workshops and a formal dinner. Our club generally has a more casual weekend that includes seeing the exhibition, an outing and our own club dinner somewhere interesting. It is a great weekend with many photographic opportunities. The point of contact people for the weekend is Clem Warren and Joe.

- **Library Exhibition**

This month's winners will be on display at the Campbell-Turner Library.

- **Fees Reminder**

This is a friendly reminder for those who have not yet paid for this year's membership. Our club fees are minimal, for many meetings, outings and other events. Please give the cash to Fiona on meeting nights, or email Paul for bank transfer details.

Exhibitions, Events & Competitions

- Melbourne Cityscapes - The Melbourne Cityscapes exhibition showcases a unique perspective of Melbourne from one of our walkabout tutors, New Zealand born Joshua Papp
Where: Micheal's - Level 1, 269 Elizabeth St, Melbourne
When: 1st April - 2nd May

How to Photograph...Smoke

With Winter closing in and keeping us indoors, now is a good time for some experimentation. Smoke can be an elusive subject, but well worth pursuing. Here are a few tips and a tutorial link below to get you started.

Incense is a great source of continuous smoke - just make sure the room is ventilated and you have somewhere to catch the ash. A dark, non-reflective background suits this subject best. In camera you will need a fast shutter speed, small aperture and a low ISO setting. (The smoke will show up very grainy on a higher ISO) To compensate you will also need good lighting to show up

the smoke. Once you are ready to shoot, close doors to reduce any draft that might disperse the smoke too quickly and experiment away!

<http://www.jhoque.com/blog/how-to-photograph-smoke>

Websites of the month

- <http://www.canonblogger.com/2009/11/04/creating-compelling-captures>
Some good advice on what makes a compelling image.
- <http://www.smashingmagazine.com/2008/10/05/celebration-of-smoke-photography-and-smoke-art/>
Find some inspiration for making your own image of smoke.
- <http://www.digital-photography-school.com/how-to-buy-a-dslr-camera> Looking to upgrade to an DSLR? Here's a good place to start working out what you want.

Member of the month – Anna Small

Anna first heard about the club a few years ago, but finally came to a meeting last year after seeing the stall at the Sydney Road Street Festival. Anna is now an avid club member. Anna's interest in photography has grown since having children. Her favourite genre is portraits, especially of children. Anna also enjoys travel photography especially in the US where she lived for 6 months.

Anna's favourite photographer is Nicholas Nixon who is famous for his 'The brown Sisters' series. Nixon took a single portrait of his wife and her three sisters annually over the last 36 years. The images portray their aging and changing relationships to each other.

Photographer of the Month - **Eddie Adams – War**

Adams was an American photojournalist widely known for his images of the Korean war. Adams served in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean War as a combat photographer. He has received national and international praise for his work. It was while covering the Vietnam War for the Associated Press that he took his best-known photograph – the picture of police chief General Nguyễn Ngọc Loan executing a Vietcong prisoner in 1968. He is the subject of a 2009 documentary feature, *'An Unlikely Weapon'*, directed by Susan Morgan Cooper and narrated by Kiefer Sutherland.

Quote of the month

'Most people try to include too much in the picture. If you are photographing a child playing on the lawn, photograph the child, not the trees, the house, and everything else in sight. Photography is really a simple statement and the clearer it is the better.'

Eliot Elisofon

PARKLANDS PHOTO CLUB

Cordially Invites You to Our:

Hunt & Shoot

Where? WESTGARTHTOWN

100 Gardenia Road,
Thomastown (Melway 8 H5)
Admission: Adults \$3.00, Children 50c

When? June 12th 2011

1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Later, that evening.....

If you are interested in dining together, we are looking to book
"ALASYA", Turkish Cuisine located at 555 Sydney Road, Coburg
They have an online menu at: www.alaysa.com.au and are licensed or B.Y.O.
Please R.S.V.P. as early as possible so Joe can book numbers
This is a chance to rub shoulders with fellow members, hope to see you there!

Please R.S.V.P. by May 27 to Joe Horvat at:
hatemondays@netscape.net
Or call 0438 808 162