



# FOCAL POINT

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## BETTER LATE THAN ...

So, with the departure of Penny from the Newsletter Editorial Team ( it was a team of 2, now down to 1) , the task of pulling together the Newsletter has fallen onto my shoulders. And for that reason alone we are now into April and this is Newsletter No 1 for the year.

Oops, sorry about that!

Anyway, the new year for the Club has started well, with continued interest and attendance at the monthly hand's on "workshop" meetings and a growing club membership overall. I also feel that the interaction and participation within the Club is also increasing, and I will again take this opportunity to say that the Club is the members, and not just the Committee, so if you have some thoughts on the way the Club runs please speak up; I want to hear you.

Also on that vein with the AGM fast approaching the new Committee will need to be elected for the 2018 / 2019 year, and I urge you all to think about whether you can spare some of your time and enthusiasm to become a Committee member. If you want to come along to a Committee meeting to see what we do ( other than drink tea and eat scones ) then please let me know and I will invite you to the next meeting, and reveal the secret location where we meet.

With that said here is the Newsletter.

In this Newsletter we have:

- the Judges Choice images from both the February and March judging rounds, as well as the current points tables for A & B Grades.
- a list of the upcoming Set Subjects and Workshop topics.
- some items that people would like you to buy.
- Some information about Pixel Wars.

I think that is all so I will sign off for the month.

PS: If you think you have some time to help me with this Newsletter then please let me know.

President / Editor  
Andrew Caldwell

## FEBRUARY JUDGES CHOICE IMAGES



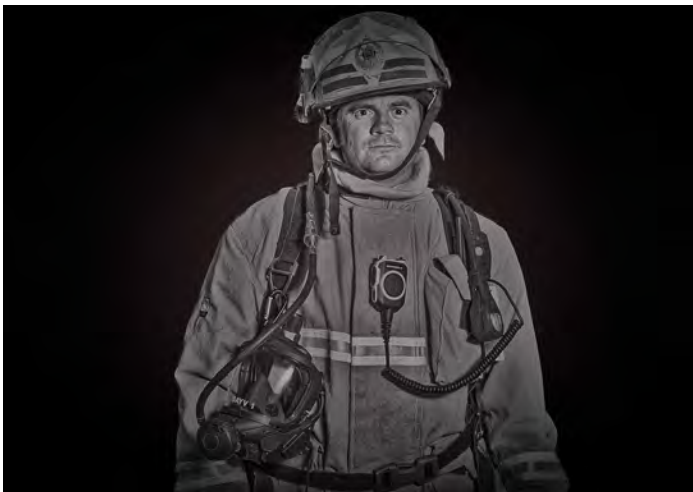
B Grade Set Subject: Self Portrait

“Headspace” by Graham Bartleet



B Grade Open Subject

“Blue berries, blue berry, blue berry's blood”  
” by Constance Fein Harding



A Grade Set Subject: Self Portrait

“Ready for the Call” by Ruben Smith

## FEBRUARY JUDGES CHOICE IMAGES



A Grade Open Subject

“Kingfisher” by Chris Helliwell



Creative

“Food and Wine” by Rebecca MacDonald

## MARCH JUDGES CHOICE IMAGES



B Grade Set Subject: Tools of the Trade

“Tool of the Trade” by Dave Langdon



B Grade Open

“On the Lay” by Jackie Lowry

## MARCH JUDGES CHOICE IMAGES



A Grade Set Subject: Tools of the Trade

“All the tools he needs... Cello and soul” by Rebecca MacDonald



A Grade Open

“Thunderstorm over Westshore” by Robin Cranford



Creative

“Pirouet sunset” by Liz Caldwell

## SET SUBJECTS AND WORKSHOP EVENINGS FOR 2018

Month	Set subject to hand in	Workshop Topic
April	Bokeh	Post Processing
May	Childhood Story	tbc
June	Still life inside	Black and White
July	Black and white	Night photography
August	After dark	Triptych
September	Triptych	tbc
October	Red	tbc
November	Postcards	

The committee has deliberately chosen to hold workshops that relate to upcoming set subjects. These will be held one and a half months prior to the set subject hand in. The workshops will provide the opportunity to practice the necessary techniques/ideas relating to that subject.

## FOR SALE

The following items are for sale if any one is interested:

( contact the editor if you are interested and I will pass on the contact details )

- Jean McGavock emailed the club and wondered if anyone would be interested in a Fujica ST 705 camera and also a 200mm Hanimex Lens.
- I have a Nikon 60mm AF-D Macro lens for sale

## PIXEL WARS

Pixel Wars is a competition that runs periodically within our club. The idea is to pit one photographer against the other, push each other outside their photography comfort zones and let the club members do the judging!

There is a champion ( currently Jackie Lowry ) and anyone can put their hand up to be the challenger.

Each individual chooses 3 subjects to photograph (completely random subjects, whatever they like). These subjects are shared with the other person and off they each go and take the 6 photos, their 3 plus the other 3. This is usually done over a month.

The images are then sent to a committee member to collate into a set with no names attached. At the next club meeting all the club members present get to view the 2 images for each subject projected and vote on which they like best.

After that the votes are counted and a winner is announced, they then become the champion and someone else can challenge them.

If you are interested in challenging please raise your hand at the next meeting.

## OUR COMMITTEE

In case you have forgotten, these are the current Committee Members:

Andrew Caldwell President and Newsletter

Noel O'Riley Vice President, Website and Technology

Jane Muller Secretary

Kate Watson Treasurer

Tom Wilkinson Monthly judging competitions

Paula Burden Mid Year and End of Year competitions and Memberships

Rosemary Duff Mid Year dinner

Mark Dames End of Year event

Kerry Ganderton Memberships



## POINTS TABLES

### A Grade

Membership List	A grade YTD	Total Honours	Award
Rebecca McDonald	26	18	Gold
Robin Cranford	23	4	Bronze
Liz Caldwell	21	11	Silver
Sherryl Neale	19	1	
Trish Johnston	18	11	Silver
Noel O'Riley	15	11	Silver
Jillian Selkirk	13	2	
Chris Helliwell	13	1	
Tom Wilkinson	11	10	Silver
Bruce Coombe	10	11	Silver
Ruben Smith	10	1	
Sue Martin	10	0	
Julie McEwen	8	1	
Andrew Caldwell	7	20	Platinum
Greg Thompson	7	6	Bronze
Loren O'Connor	4	23	Platinum
Ruth Norman	4	8	Silver

### B Grade

Membership List	B grade YTD	Total Honours
Jackie Lowry	22	3
Constance Fein-Harding	21	0
Graham Bartleet	18	1
Dave Langdon	15	1
Robyn Garrett	14	2
Michael Mulcahy	13	1
Debbie Nicol	11	2
Jane Muller	10	1
Geoff Long	6	0
Amanda Blewett	4	0
Kate Watson	4	3
Russell Taylor	4	0
Ted Willis	4	0
Vivienne Waterer	4	1
Kerry Ganderton	3	0
Terry Tester	3	2
Chris Brown	2	0

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