



FOCAL POINT

SEPTEMBER 2018

Hi everyone and welcome to the September newsletter

There seems to be lots happening in the club and the new committee is rocketing along so things are good for HBPS! Any ideas or suggestions are always welcomed, so have a chat to a committee member if you'd like to comment or contribute.

At last week's committee meeting we agreed to buy a new set of cups for our End of Year Competition. The old ones were getting tatty, the silver has rubbed off some of them, and they were 'for' very different and outdated comps - eg one of them was for 'Best Slide'! So we've splashed out and bought ten new cups. Of the "don't have to polish" variety, which is even better!

More about the End of Year Competition later in the newsletter.

We have also decided to buy a colour calibrator thingummyjig for the club so members will be able to borrow it to calibrate the colours on our monitors. I'm looking forward to that, sometimes the colours I get when I print an image are quite different to how they looked on my computer monitor!

Our dates for the exhibition at Creative Arts Napier are finalised and we have confirmed the exhibition so it's all go for that too. See more later in the newsletter.

Don't forget subs are overdue now! It's \$55.00 for the year.

The bank account to deposit it in is: 0642-0935780-000

Those who haven't paid there subs by the end of October won't be able to enter competitions or join us on field trips any more sorry.

Happy Shooting, Jane



NEXT FIELD TRIP

When: Sunday 16 September 9.30 am
Where: Central Hawkes Bay
Meet up: 9.30 at Taniwha Daffodils - on SH 2 just south of Waipukurau
BYO Lunch: 12 - 12.30 at Geoff's Place, 30 Tamumu Rd, Waipawa. Bring your own food - tea and coffee will be supplied.
After lunch: Woolshed and Alpacas

This is about taking a wide range of images and learning (by doing) what settings work best on your Camera - it's also about having fun with fellow photographers - ask for help if you need it. Taniwha Daffodils covers about 10 acres - over 700 varieties of daffodils, a Lake, bridge, sculptures, old homestead, birds on lake, trees, fences. Following this we meet at Geoff's Place for lunch and then we can explore his garden which has lots of vintage stuff and also woodwork machinery. Then we will go about 5km down the road to an old Woolshed - you will be able to go inside - and we will also stop off to see some Llamas.

You need to bring:

Your lunch - spare battery, spare card, tripod/remote release, (small bean/wheat bag could be a good substitute) ND filters/polariser (if you have them)
 Sturdy shoes, jacket etc if this rain keeps up.
 We're looking forward to spending the day with you - if you have any queries please give Sherryl a call 021-023-66186

Trees	Try some ICM - Intentional Camera Movement	Manual - f/22, SS 1/20 sec, low ISO, ND filter	Trees - pan upward Landscape - pan L to R
Building Perspective	Find a different angle	Aperture Priority - try f11 - f16	
Local Colour - bright primary colours	What grabs your eye	Try shooting into the light	
Find some shadows	Make the shadow the feature	Try shooting in monochrome	
The BIG picture	Wide angle		
Individual/s in a crowd	Who's standing out?	Aperture Priority - try shallow DOF - f4	
Animals		At rest - AP f/4 Focus on the eyes	
Abstract	Focus on a portion of something		
Lowdown perspective	How low can you go?		

JUDGES CHOICES FOR THE MONTH



B Grade Set Subject: "Jane" by Graham Bartlett



B Grade Open: "Flower Droplet"
by Russell Taylor



A Grade Set Subject: "A Wintery Walk in London" by Constance Fein-Harding



A Grade Open: "The Country House" by Constance Fein-



Creative: "Head in the Clouds" by Mike Mulcahy

POINTS TABLE AFTER THIS MONTH'S JUDGING

Membership List	Points this Month	A grade YTD	Honours this month	Total Honours	Award
Liz Caldwell	13	78	1	16	Gold
Sherryl Neale	13	76	2	7	Bronze
Robin Cranford	13	75	2	9	Silver
Rebecca McDonald	0	73	0	23	Platinum
Trish Johnston	7	57	0	11	Silver
Constance Fein-Harding	19	50	3	7	Bronze
Jillian Selkirk	11	50	0	2	
Greg Thompson	11	48	0	8	Silver
Jackie Lowry	12	45	1	3	
Noel O'Riley	8	43	0	12	Gold
Sue Martin	12	40	1	1	
Ruben Smith	8	38	0	2	
Ruth Norman	7	37	0	9	Silver
Tom Wilkinson	7	36	0	12	Gold
Bruce Coombe	7	31	0	12	Gold
Andrew Caldwell	5	26	1	22	Platinum
Chris Helliwell	0	25	0	2	
Julie McEwen	0	24	0	3	
Kirsteen Redshaw	0	15	0	21	Platinum
Loren O'Connor	0	14	0	25	Platinum
Darryl Baxter	7	11	0	2	
Maurice Field	0	1	0	5	Bronze

B Grade

Membership List	Points this Month	B grade YTD	Honours this Month	Total Honours
Mike Mulcahy	13	75	2	6
Graham Bartleet	12	71	1	6
Dave Langdon	8	55	0	2
Robyn Garrett	10	50	0	4
Geoff Long	8	44	0	3
Jane Muller	5	43	0	1
Debbie Nicol	8	41	0	2
Charlie Kim	8	38	1	3
Russell Taylor	11	36	1	3
Ted Willis	6	24	0	0
Vivienne Waterer	0	15	0	1
Kerry Ganderton	0	15	0	2
Amanda Blewett	2	13	0	0
Terry Tester	3	12	0	3
Lester Oliver	0	9	0	1
Lisa Cunliffe	7	7	0	0
Kate Watson	0	4	0	3
Ian Lancaster	0	4	0	0
Maggie Oakes	4	4	0	0
Chris Brown	0	2	0	0

UPCOMING SET SUBJECTS, FIELD WALKS, AND WORKSHOP

SEPTEMBER

Hands on workshop - Tuesday 11th - constructing a triptych

Field Trip - Sunday 16th

Club meeting and hand in 'Triptych' images - Tuesday 25th

OCTOBER

Committee meeting - Tuesday 2nd

Hands on workshop - Tuesday 9th

Club meeting and hand in 'Red' images - Tuesday 30th

NOVEMBER

Committee meeting - Tuesday 6th

Club meeting and hand in 'Postcard' - Tuesday 27th

DECEMBER

Christmas Party and End of Year comp - to be confirmed

CREATIVE ARTS NAPIER EXHIBITION

It's on! We're really excited to be having our first exhibition at Creative Arts Napier from 25th January 2019 till the 7th February next year.

So start thinking about what you'd like to exhibit, what you already have printed that's under the bed gathering dust and could be paying for some new camera gear..... Creative Arts Napier take a 30% commission from sales but it's still worth having a go.

And it's not just for the money - for real amateurs it's wonderful to see our work on display in a public forum, and for the professionals or semi-professionals it's another opportunity to show the world how great you are and encourage them employ you.

We can have a wee opening 'soiree' from 5 - 7 pm on the opening night, then it's two weeks of HBPS showing off our work!

Chris Helliwell at Edges Gallery in Havelock North is doing good discounts for HBPS club members. These include specials for our exhibition. For example to get an image of up to 500x400 mm matted in white and backed onto foam board he only charges us \$25.00, and to have it printed (up to A3+) on nice art paper, matted and foam backed its only \$50.00. It's really worth going in and having a chat to him. He also knows the rules and regs for PSNZ comps so we're lucky to have someone to help us so if you're planning on entering Natex, for example, he can help.

NEXT HANDS-ON WORKSHOP

Our next hands-on workshop is this coming Tuesday - the 11th, at 7.00 at the club rooms. Bring along your three images and we will help you put them into one image.

There will also be short chats about watermarking your images, exporting from Photoshop and Lightroom, resizing your images, and any other technical problems you have with your software. Basically a 'Q and A' session.

END OF YEAR COMPETITION

Christmas is approaching with alarming speed so it's time to start thinking about your entries for the End of Year comp.

The categories are:

Top A Grade member based on points

Most consistent competitor

Best A Grade colour print

Best A Grade black and white print

Best Creative Print

Top B Grade member based on points

Most improved beginner

Best B Grade colour print

Best B Grade black and white print

Best Image

The competition is judged at the Christmas dinner. Sizing etc of entries is on the website.

COMPETITIONS

A little reminder about entering our monthly competition. The email address to send the images to is different from the club email. Its hbpscompetitions@gmail.com

Sherryl Neale and Andrew Caldwell are sorting the images, judging etc. The images need to be sent before midnight on the night of the club meeting. Not the last night of the month. In the past the person sorting the images has often left it till the following weekend to rename, order and send the images to the judge, so we could risk a few days leeway. But Andrew and Sherryl are doing it as soon as they possibly can so you need to get them in on time or they will be missed.

That's all for this month folks, take lots of photos! Jane