



FOCAL POINT

NOVEMBER 2018

Hi everyone and welcome to the newsletter for November. This will be the last one for 2018 - I will be away for a few weeks soon so any info that we need to get to you will be sent by email from someone on the committee.

Congratulations to Sherryl Neale and Robyn Garrett who did really well in the CHB show photography comp. It's great to have 'our' connection with CHB being strengthened.

We had another successful field trip, this time to Holt's Forest and Lake Tutira with good attendance and some lovely pics. Thanks again to Sherryl for organising it. Watch this space for the next one!

Have you considered going to the PSNZ National Convention? Last year it was in Dunedin so it was a really expensive proposition for our club members but this year it's in Lower Hutt so it's much more accessible for us. Have a look at the convention programme it looks amazing https://issuu.com/photographicsocietyofnewzealand/docs/convention_programme_booklet

There's something for everyone; post processing at different levels, studio lighting, a macro walk, pin-up photography, smartphone photography, creative processes, architectural, portraiture, astro and so it goes on.

Numbers for many of the workshops are restricted so don't hesitate! I'm sure there will be several of us going down so we will be able to car pool.

At the committee meeting last week we decided to go ahead and buy a monitor colour calibrator thingummy. We will lend it out to members to calibrate the colour on their computer monitors. This will mean the colours in our images are consistent, judges will see the same as we do when they look at our images, and we will get less colour surprises when we see our images projected on club night. More on this once we've purchased the calibrator.

Don't forget the HBPS Exhibition in late January next year. Images have to be mounted ready for hanging - any way you like though, not just standard matting, and the size is open. The more images we can get into this exhibition the more likely we are to get a good crowd, so let's all get some pics on the wall!

Our next Hands-On workshop is this Tuesday, 13th November, 7 pm at the Arts Club as usual. It will be a general discussion and Q and A session about photo gear. Tripods questions? Filter questions? How to get the histogram onto your camera display? Bring along any questions and the related gear and we'll do our best to help you. If you have camera questions, please bring your camera manual along as well!

CHRISTMAS KNEES-UP, END OF YEAR PRINT COMP, AND AWARDS FOR THE YEAR

As you know the Christmas Party and end of year comp is on December 16th at the Arts Club Rooms at 5pm. The club will provide BBQ meat and a paella, and non-alcoholic drinks. BYO alcohol, and either a salad or a dessert: If your surname starts with A-M you're on dessert, N-Z you're on salad. This is our traditional system and it seems to work a treat we always have great food at the party.

You will also need to bring a \$5 'Secret Santa' present - one each if you are bringing partners or hangers on. Last year Noel did an admirable job in the Santa costume - any volunteers for this year??? Talk to a committee member if you fancy the job....

The end of year comp is for print images only, and they have to have been entered into either the monthly club comp during the year, or the mid-year print comp. The categories are: A and B Grades Colour, A and B Grades Black and White, and both Grades together Creative. You can change an image that was entered in colour during the year to black and white for the end of year comp if you choose to (or vice versa). Images need to be matted and submitted with an entry form. I've attached an entry form to the email with this newsletter. The final date for submissions is the November club meeting (27th November). You can submit up to two images per category. If you would like to drop your images off earlier than the club meeting contact Paula via the club email address. Info about sizing etc is on the club website.

The Annual Awards are for; Best Overall Image, Most Improved Beginner, Most Consistent Competitor, Most Points in A Grade and Most Points in B Grade.

FINAL CLUB COMP FOR THE YEAR: POSTCARDS

For our final club comp for the year the set subject is 'Postcards'. Submission date as usual, but this time we will judge the images by show of hands (or similar) at the Christmas do. We will print off your images into postcards so please make sure they are sized to 6:4 ratio. Chat to someone at the hands-on or club night if you have trouble with this.

SET SUBJECTS FOR 2019

Hand in	Set Subject
January	The letter V
February	Street
March	Openings
April	Triangles
May	Two of us
June	Minimalism
July	Frame It
August	Flight
September	Obstructed View
October	Liquid
November	Fog

JUDGES CHOICES FOR OCTOBER



A Grade Open: Spectres
by Sherryl Neale



A Grade Set Subject: We are Family
by Rebecca MacDonald



B Grade Open: The Green Green Grass of home
by Robyn Garrett

B Grade Set Subject: Bethell's Beach Stars
by Lynne Roberts





Creative: Serenity Looks Like This
by Jackie Lowry

POINTS TABLES AFTER OCTOBER JUDGING

B Grade Points	October 2018				
	Membership List	Points this Month	B grade YTD	Honours this Month	Total Honours
	Graham Bartleet	7	93	0	7
	Mike Mulcahy	10	93	0	7
	Robyn Garrett	14	81	1	8
	Dave Langdon	10	74	0	2
	Charlie Kim	9	59	0	4
	Geoff Long	4	56	0	4
	Debbie Nicol	7	55	0	2
	Jane Muller	0	43	0	1
	Russell Taylor	0	42	0	3
	Ted Willis	0	31	0	0
	Amanda Blewett	0	20	0	0
	Kerry Ganderton	0	18	0	2
	Vivienne Waterer	0	15	0	1
	Terry Tester	0	15	0	3
	Lester Oliver	6	15	0	1
	Maggie Oakes	4	14	0	0
	Lisa Cunliffe	0	7	0	0
	Lynne Roberts	6	6	0	0
	Kate Watson	0	4	0	3
	Ian Lancaster	0	4	0	0
	Hugh Bristow	3	3	0	0
	Chris Brown	0	2	0	0

A Grade Points Membership List	October 2018					Award
	Points this Month	A grade YTD	Honours this month	Total Honours		
Sherryl Neale	13	103	1	10	Silver	
Liz Caldwell	3	96	0	18	Gold	
Robin Cranford	6	94	0	11	Silver	
Rebecca McDonald	0	73	0	23	Platinum	
Trish Johnston	2	72	0	12	Gold	
Greg Thompson	8	71	1	11	Silver	
Jackie Lowry	11	69	1	6	Bronze	
Constance Fein-Harding	12	69	0	7	Bronze	
Jillian Selkirk	3	65	0	2		
Noel O'Riley	4	55	0	12	Gold	
Ruth Norman	4	51	0	9	Silver	
Tom Wilkinson	3	50	0	13	Gold	
Sue Martin	5	45	0	1		
Ruben Smith	0	38	0	2		
Andrew Caldwell	4	35	0	23	Platinum	
Bruce Coombe	0	31	0	12	Gold	
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	0	11	0	2		
Maurice Field	0	1	0	5	Bronze	

IN A NUTSHELL

NOVEMBER

Hands on Workshop; Q and A session about Camera Gear. Tuesday 13th, 7.00
 Final date for submitting entries for end of year comp - Tuesday 27th

DECEMBER

Christmas Party and End of Year comp - Sunday 16th 5.00 pm at the Arts Club Rooms

JANUARY 2019

Friday 25th - HBPS Exhibition starts at Creative Arts Napier.
 Tuesday 29th - Club meeting and hand in 'The Letter V' - meet at Creative Arts Napier then field walk

FEBRUARY

Tuesday 5th - Committee Meeting
 Thursday 7th - Exhibition at Creative Arts Napier finishes.
 Tuesday 12th - Hands-on workshop
 Tuesday 26th - Club Meeting and hand in "Street"



POST CARD
POSTAL CARD—CARTE POSTALE
Authorized by Act of Congress, May 19, 1898.

Dont forget Postcards!

Hand In 27th November 2018

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ONE LAST THING

If you've still got your cup from last year please return it at the Hands-On workshop next week, or at or before the November club meeting. Although we've replaced the cups with new ones now, Noel is going to record the info on the old ones for posterity and photograph them. Then we'll decide what to do with them. Any ideas?

That's all for this month folks. Next newsletter will probably be late January, but we'll keep you informed by email anyway. See you at the Christmas party!
Happy Shooting, Jane

Stranger: "That's a beautiful child you have there."

Mother: "That's nothing. You should see his photograph."