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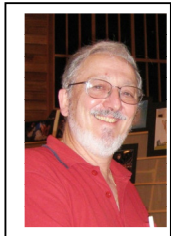
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NEWSLETTER

Seeing God's Creations through the lens of a Camera

"Snaps and Snippets"

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President's Column

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Hello everyone,

How did your festive season work out? After Walter's Workshop, I grabbed the camera and tried some close-up shots. Boy they are challenging. I found that volume was easy to get (digital – no film costs), but a "wow" shot took some planning and execution. Best to say that I have gone to the back-burner and started looking for more friendly close-up gear. It looks like a purpose built macro lens beats the socks of a standard lens with a macro facility built-in. Well - that's my excuse. Must admit I was wondering what tempting food a skink, blue tongue, stink beetle, black ant, gecko etc. liked to eat, and how to attract them to my photo shooting site, or how I moved my studio into the subject's environment. I looked in our garden and all sorts of stuff was revealed. Praying Mantis know which end of the camera is the lens. They calmly move by 180° to get out of the way. Need to think about how to get at it. The black ants seem to be able to leap onto a lens hood and then locate the human. Got a few nips from them. Lesson is that all photography does require research and planning to maximize results. Oh well, I have 2010.

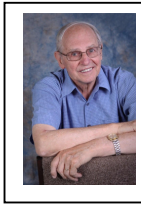
WOW! I am thrilled with our 2010 Program. It is busy, has major exhibition/salon activities, interesting monthly competitions, world quality speakers and presenters, and monthly tutorials/seminars to aid you with your photography. This should be a bumper year for our members. The additional competition activities Pia has introduced for members to compete in Internationals certainly adds spice to our home spun photography. Our members have done exceptionally well in Internationals to date. Is Australiana the new vogue internationally?

Many thanks to our committee and members who have worked tirelessly during the break getting the Club's Program and Membership Manuals into shape for the coming year. The Club's internet site will contain much of the Club's activities. So, get the DSL going where possible. I think dial-up access is still around, but downloading times and limits could create some problems. A working email address is essential, let us know if you have changed mail servers or ISPs. The internet has really penetrated our life style, guess we now have to harness it and get the maximum value from it.

Well, that's it from me, enjoy the newsletter.

Cheers

Len Maloney



A Note from our Program Director

Congratulations to the winners of our Annual Club competition. The results were:-

	1st	2nd
Prints		
A Grade	Tony Bloor	Mark Carleton
AB Grade	Jane Crutchfield	Noelene Oliver-Poole
B Grade	Vida Stanton	Stanley Robinson
Projected Images		
A Grade	Glenda Mathers	Jacqueline Craig
AB Grade	Richard Bennett Karolyn Campbell David Richards	Natalie Vogelsang
B Grade	Daniel Wilson	David Wilson

Competition Results

Sincere congratulations go to Kym Morris who has won the Grand Prize in the 2009 Peregrine Photograph Competition. Well done Kym.

An important message from our Program Director, Allen Forbes

It has come to our notice that on a couple of occasions, visitors and prospective new members have not returned as they did not feel welcome because no one spoke to them whilst they were present. I endeavour, as part of my duties as Program Director, to speak to each "new face" and indeed this year we have a member appointed for this specific purpose. However, may I remind members that it would be wonderful if they would make the effort to speak to any "strangers" and welcome them. We hope that our club keeps its reputation of being a friendly, welcoming club and it will remain so if we can all do our part.



Welcome ...

River City Prints Competition 2010 (from Pia Jensen)

CALL FOR ENTRIES

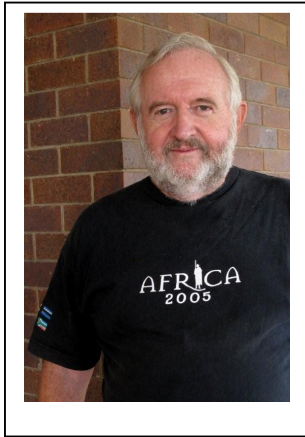
The River City Print Competition is on again in 2010 and will be hosted by the Wynnum Camera Club. This is our clubs opportunity to showcase your photography talents as well as compete on a club level. Mounted Print submission in OPEN category, colour or Mono.

Deadline: Monday 15th February 2010.

Public Judging and Presentation: Tuesday 9th March 2010

Get details from provided flyer, the Forum or Pia and Noel
pia@piadesigns.com

Picture Gallery



John North
December 2009

STOP PRESS

Our Guest Presenter on August 16 will be David Malin, Internationally recognised Astronomer. David will return from a lecture tour of the U.K. mid year and will join us to present the topic Galileo's Legacy. There are many links between Galileo's illustrated books and modern imaging. David works from the Anglo Australian Observatory at Coonabarabran and we are sure to have many visitors to enjoy this very special evening. 2009 was the International year of Astronomy celebrating Galileo's achievement in 1609. Diarise this date and invite any friends who have an interest in astronomy.

1st Master Series Presenter - Richard White

Richard lives at Mansfield in Victoria and has been involved in Photography for over 20 years. He is self taught but has been influenced by many of our great photographers of our time.

He writes regularly for Better Photography and the International Silvershotz. He is a member of the AIPP and a past President as well as being a Judge of the Annual AIPP Awards. He has won numerous awards and held many exhibitions.

His personal statement is "unfortunately photography has become too common. Is photography still an art form? For many it is difficult to take it seriously and to even consider that it could be used for artistic expression. It is the viewer who must make this decision. Do they see what the photographer is trying to convey through their images.

So why do I photograph? Basically I am compelled to. It's as simple as that. I am always looking for the beauty in front of me. Trying to make images from my heart with technical information from my head. Trying to make a visual communication. Hopefully it will give others an appreciation of what there is there and with luck it will elicit an emotional response from the viewer" .

Cameraholics

The next annual sale will be held on March 23rd at the Global Learning centre, 102 Mcdonald Road , Windsor commencing at 10.00 am.

International Competitions - Holland Circuit.

Pia organised our members entries and she has advised that 15 members have entered. We wish them well and thank Pia for her efforts in organising the entries

Also, Jan from the Holland Circuit has received your slides, confirmation received.

AND, we'll all get a refund as well. Our EURO payment was negated and USD was used so everyone will get about \$5-\$6 back.

Secretarial / Administration (from Maureen Maxwell)

The Club has now reached a size where the Administration/Secretarial role has become too much for one person. As a result it has been decided to split the tasks amongst a few people. This will not only ensure that the knowledge rests with more than one person, it will mean that the administrative side of the club will continue to work smoothly when people take holidays.

I would like to thank Karen Duffy and Natalie Vogelsang for helping me out on the Secretarial/Membership management tasks. We have been able to arrange an equitable split of duties so it isn't too onerous for any one of us.

I will remain as general Club Secretary and any correspondence, or membership enquiries, should still be directed to me. My phone number is 07 3821 6830 or secretary@redlandscamerclub.org.au .

Club Website & Forum

I would also like to thank Meg Forbes for taking on some of the Administration of the Club's website, and so ease the burden on Nicolette. Meg will be able to answer any queries you may have regarding use of the website. Meg will also take on the job of setting up people in the **Forum** from information provided by the Admin team.

We really hope that more people will use the Forum in 2010 and encourage you to get in there and participate.

If you have forgotten your login name, it is usually your first name and last name (no aliases) or password, Meg will assist you. Send an email to her at forum@redlandscameraclub.org.au

Name Badges

We are now asking people to look after their own name badges. If you have misplaced yours please send me an email at secretary@redlandscameraclub.org.au.

Workshops

I will continue to keep the lists for attendance at any of the **Workshops**. Please call or email me if you want to register. secretary@redlandscameraclub.org.au.

Financial Members

Please remember that the Forum and the Workshops are only available to Financial Members

Club Calendar – revisions:

- March – Brian Hurst, Editor of the Bayside Bulletin will be presenting in addition to Mark Meier
- June – details of a Workshop by Walter Colaiaco on Advanced Photoshop
- July – Ron Willems, is now confirmed for both the two day workshop (cost to be advised later) and his presentation.
- August – Another Master Series Speaker – David Malin, an International astrophotographer from Sydney. A presentation on “The Galilao Legacy”. This one promises to be something really different.

Please remember if you want to book in for the Workshops, they are for Financial Members only and you should add your name to the list by contacting Maureen Maxwell on secretary@redlandscameraclub.org.au or 3821 6830.

Membership Fees

Fees for 2010 are now due and payable. They remain at \$30.00 per annum (Single) and \$50.00 pa (Joint & family). Fees from 01/07/2010 are \$20.00 (Single) and \$35.00 (joint & family) Fees per meeting remain at \$2.00 except for the Master Series which will be \$5.00

Club records

Secretary Maureen has undertaken the task of reviewing and updating our membership records. We are therefore requesting that members complete and lodge a revised membership form when renewing their

membership. A copy of this form has been e-mailed to members and is also available at the Information desk.

Renewal of Membership

As part of a review of our processes in managing the Club we are asking that all **renewing members** fill out the Membership Renewal form. This will ensure that every member's details are current. It is requested that the completed form be handed in with your fees.

Please send any changes to your Emergency Contact details to secretary@redlandscameraclub.org.au . All personal information submitted is **treated in confidence** and only disclosed with the member's approval.

You are welcome to forward the renewal membership form with your cheque (made out to Redlands Camera Club), to the Club's mailing address at P O Box 2028, Wellington Point, 4160.

Forms have been emailed, however, forms will be available from our Information Desk on Club nights.

The Chosen Ones

	Supper	Setting Up	Welcome
Jan	Erica Siegel	John McMullin	Greg Wedlock
Feb.	Tony Bloor	Denis McGrath	David Linz

Office Bearers

President	Len Maloney	Secretary	Maureen Maxwell
Treasurer	Allen Forbes AAPS SSAPS PSQA		
Competitions – Sub-Committee			
Director	Ralph Brown	Program Director	Allen Forbes AAPS SSAPS PSQA
Newsletter Editor	Marion Upston		
Committee Members	Julie Kirwood	John McMullen	Greg Wedlock
	Mark Carleton	Pia Jessen	Noel Clark