



APRIL 2015 Newsletter:

Topics for May: PORTRAITURE Trophy (P/I only)

NATURE (P/I only) We will aim to select images from this comp. for the NZ Nature Photography Competition.

1. Sizing of Images. New International Competition Standard Size of 1620 x 1080. (was 1024 x 768?) will be used this year. Check the Website if unsure what to do.

IMPORTANT REMINDER: Subs are OVERdue NOW. !!! Please pay by end of April or you won't have access to the Club Website to upload your images. Easiest way is to use direct credit. Consider paying all your door fees at once to save yourself hunting for coins on Wednesdays. \$40 for the year. Your access will be reactivated as soon as payment is received if you email Barb.

Workshop Night: 20th May 2015

Black & White : aka 10 Shades of Grey?! Come and Learn some techniques for successfully changing Colour images to B&W.

Also: We had a really successful Portraiture Workshop. Please bring some of your best images on a stick so we can give them to our Gorgeous models (Chloe and Tony). Noel will put the best in to a booklet for each of them.

OUT AND ABOUT / WHAT'S ON:

...an Aside...we are looking for the "Bone of Contention" trophy. Does anyone know where it is PLEASE?. Originally donated by past President George Rhodes who has recently passed away. We are looking to restart awarding this fun trophy.

Battle Between the Bridges.

Take an Image anywhere between the Canopy bridge and Te Matou a Pohe.

Then - a bit of editing or in-camera work. We want to see the SAME IMAGE in Colour AND Black&White
– Upload both to the Website (April/May Extra) before next Workshop night.

We want to get some tips on improving B&W before the Interclub contest.

THIS SATURDAY - May 2nd : "A Day at the Farm". Donna Russell has very generously invited us all to her farm in Whatatiri – from 11 a.m. onwards. The day offers lots of different opportunities including; Sheep Shearing, maybe Working farm Dogs, Bush Walks, Landscape Vistas.

Stay til after dark and we can practice some 'painting with light'. A few enthusiasts attended the Painting with Light workshop at the Shutter room so have some great ideas for fun with light. Google some ideas in advance.

Bring your lunch – cups of tea available at Donna's. She has also issued a Mystery Challenge to be completed en route – it will lead you to the farm. (A pdf file is on the website to download.) REMEMBER to Check the Website on Sat. a.m. if the weather looks questionable. Carpoolers to meet at Kowhai Court Rust Ave at 10:30.

May24th: NZ Go-Kart Championships at Austin Rd. Ruth Mooney has more details.

NEWS

We have a hole in our Committee. Any Volunteers to come and have a say in running your club? See Noel if you are keen.

WORTH A LOOK:

A NZ website about photography - www.photoclass.co.nz

Here is a bit of info from the link

This free course is intended primarily for the photographer who has purchased a first interchangeable lens camera. However any photographer should find some worthwhile information within.

Although most topics are covered to a greater than basic depth, none are fully covered. The aim has been to give enough information to enable a good start. From this start progress can be made by trial and error.

A good process is to be first critical of your own photographs. Study each one and see if, in the light of the knowledge gained here, it can be improved. Study other photographer's works and try to figure out how they achieved their results.

ONGOING OFFER! :Don and Noel and Dick's offers to meet you on a Saturday morning for some 'live' lessons with your camera are still on offer. A GREAT way to learn in a real situation. Talk to them on Club night. Some 'not-so-newbies' are likely to join in too.

Don't forget "You Don't Know what You Don't Know!"

[PSNZ](#) We suggest a look at their website for the various competitions that can be entered as Individuals.

Looking forward to seeing you all Wednesday night. (And/or Saturday at the farm.)

Happy Shooting. 😊