



Prize- giving went of very well though the turnout was a little disappointing.

But a BIG congratulations to those who received awards. Well done and please keep up the good work. Your images are an inspiration to others and keep the club held in high esteem.

Thank you to Heather who spent a great deal of time making our certificates. These are always appreciated and are nice to look back on over the years.

Thanks to Dick we also had a chance to view our body of work for the whole year. We are not to shabby at all when it all comes down to it. Thank you Dick

Congratulations to Noel for winning the **Achiever of the Year** award. This is an award given to a person, not necessarily for their improvement in photography (which certainly Noel had) but to a person who is always there to help, puts their hand up when something extra is asked and is generally a great asset to the club Well done Noel and thank you.

Wednesday's meeting Results for the Self Assignment Trophy.
And a reminder to A those who have not paid yet.. 2.00 fine for not entering.
Also the results of the **Chocolate Box** competition.

Speaking of financial matters..**Subs are now due**, you have until the end of March to become financial. After that you are not eligible to enter competitions or have members rights on the web site.

March competition is Architecture This should be a really interesting topic often well suited to monochrome images. **and Open.**

Workshop night for March will be a shoot, out and about, so no meeting at St John. Bring Camera ,Tripod, Flash ,or just yourself if you prefer. Meet at the town Basin ..on the bridge, between 6.30 and 7. We can then do a walk about and those who might like to shoot in Bank street for the **Where Is It** fun night competition could do so (safety in numbers so please be careful and aware of your surroundings) Perhaps coffee somewhere after? Mackas cafe is open till quite late??

Keep in mind we have two inter-club competitions this year **Gisborne Exchange** and the topic is **Minimalist**. This is coming up in April so start thinking. We need 10 strong images from the club so we need lots to chose from please.

And **Northern Inter-club** in July, again 10 images topic is **Abandoned or Old**. The criteria from the host club is as follows,

Subject: Abandoned or Old (Note: the subject does not have to be both old and abandoned, just one or the other, but both is ok as well)

Digital images: Should be 1920px at the longest edge. *Please note the size change for this competition.*

Don't forget to prepare your images for our Exhibition at Reyburn house in March.

It would be great to have at least 2 images from each member.

Dates for exhibition 26th March 2013 to 7th April 2013, at this stage no one is booked for the following week so we may also get that.

20th March 2013 is the deadline to have prints to Margaret Hooper.

Criteria for inclusion;

1 Prints must be fresh (i.e. not the same ones used last time) and your BEST work.

2 Mounts must be new. No print size restriction. Canvas prints accepted too. NO GLASS.

3 Max of 3 images per club member. Images can be for sale – Reyburn House will require a commission.

We strongly encourage every club member to put in at least one image. If anyone needs help selecting images phone Kate, Ian or Heather.

On the back of each of your entries please write Your Name the Image title and if for sale a price. Reyburn house takes a percentage of that amount so please factor that in. This is very import and and Margaret has enough to do organizing the event without chasing people up to find out their details. Please make her job as easy as possible.

A sneak preview Workshop night May 15th.

A photograph Whangarei fun night. Club members are asked to photograph anything on Bank St from the Court House roundabout to the big 5 finger rail over bridge roundabout; including the roundabouts themselves.

Each club member brings along an image to the club night 15th May. The images are then shown and club members have to identify where or what the image is. Whoever gets the most right answers wins.

So start to collect your images now..anything goes and see who gets most right. Should be a load of fun. A moro bar for the one with the most right answers and one for the person with the most obscure image that no one recognizes.

This is your club so if anyone would like a workshop on any topic please let me or a committee member know and we will do our best to accommodate you. We sometimes tend to forget that newer members might need help on some topic, and others of us simply forget something learned long ago. So please don't be afraid to speak up.. as the old saying goes if you don't ask ya don't get!!!

Sale a little later in the year we will have a gear sale so start sorting! We will organize this for a workshop night. If you have any photographic gear surplus to requirements then bring it along. You will be entirely responsible for your own things so please be aware of that. The club accepts no responsibility.

See ya all Wednesday

