



July Newsletter:

Hello Everyone. Winter is Really here now, and less than 5 months til Christmas!!!

I trust your images for Wednesday are nearly ready for upload if not already done.

ie.Up coming Competitions : to be uploaded by midnight Wednesday 6th August.

1. Faceless Portrait. Prints and/or Projected.
2. NZ Landscape TROPHY. (Projected Only)

NB/ All competition rules are under "RESOURCES" on the website.

Come out on the 6th August to see results for 'Long Exposure' and 'Open'.

Also, our 10 images for the Northern Interclub competition in October will be shown...Was one of them Yours?

WORKSHOP Night 20th August: All Sorts night! Something for Everyone!

Some images will be shared with us

Plus : Bring your Problem's (Photographic ones that is!!) eg Exposure issues, Flash problems!!!!!!!

Our EXPERTS will be there to HELP. No question is too **BIG** or too small.

Thank you to those members who entered images for the Bowron Landscape Competition (run by Greymouth Club) .

Don has selected and entered our 4 best Digital images. See them on the 6th.

BREAKING NEWS. WE WON WE WON WE WON

Yes we did it again WCC. We have won the Gisborne exchange- apparently Very Convincingly.

And Special Credit to Ian Taylor's image which clinched it with the only Honours. Looking forward to seeing and hearing the individual results.

TIRITIRI MATANGI TRIP:

REMINDER to book your own boat trip from Gulf Harbour either on-line or at the Otaika i-Centre.

DATE CONFIRMED as October 18th and 19th. Day trippers welcome.

OLD NEWS.

FUNDRAISING LIGHTROOM WORKSHOP/COURSE:

The first course was run very successfully, with somewhat challenged grey matter. Thank you Barb! (managing the library module including database and keywords)

There is still one space left for the second course on the 3rd August for anyone interested. Very worthwhile. This is the "FUN ONE" which includes post-processing. ie improving the image!

The workshops run for 4 hours each at \$10:00 per hour. (\$40.00 per course)

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!"

5. Self-Assignment Topics for February 2015

We are trying something new this Year to see if we can rejuvenate this competition. Most of us struggle to come up with a topic ourselves but may not be too excited by the one we are given.

So this year we are not limiting you to one choice but..... WAIT FOR IT.....You have 5 CHOICES!!!

You can be as creative as you like in your interpretation of any one of the following. If you still prefer to be given your topic that can still be done for you. Talk to Christine at Club Night. It's going to be interesting to see which topic/s are most popular! GO FOR IT EVERYONE!

Instrument/s

Rear End/s

Bird/s

Park Activity

Blue

Tutukaka Winter Festival. We have been invited to enter images in this fun competition.

Lets shake off the cobwebs and Have A Go.

Images taken between Ngunguru Hall and Sandy Bay Toilets! during the month of August.

Watch the Web Page for proposed club outing to the above Coast to get inspired. Maybe a dawn shoot at Whangaumu or Matapouri??

Here is the blurb sent by our former club member Irene.

Irene Middleton wrote:

Hi Noel,

I used to come to the WCC but haven't been for a while due to work commitments. I have however been helping organise a photo competition that will be run during the Tutukaka Coast winter festival, it is a friendly all inclusive competition that aims to encourage people to look at what is special in your back yard. It will be a shoot out style competition for the month of August with a number of underwater categories that your more adventurous members may want to enter in but we also have a top side category. I would appreciate it if you could let your members know of the comp.. we already have over \$5000 worth of prizes too!

Here is my little blurb about the competition!

After our recent weather I know it is hard to get out there with the camera but hopefully the lure of prizes and lots of Kudos will get crowds flocking to the Tutukaka coast for the inaugural Tutukaka Coast Underwater photography contest! Although it may be a bit chilly; the winter months generally offer fantastic light and underwater visibility so dust off those puffer jackets and 7mm wetsuits!! The photo comp will be running as part of the Tutukaka Coast Winter Festival for the whole month of August and there will be a specific 'Topside' category for you to take part in. We have recognized that there are a lot of photographers that do not dive and we wanted to make this an all inclusive celebration of our coast. For the more adventurous there are the usual underwater macro and wide angle categories, freedive, underwater portfolio and wrecks along with a top side category for those who would rather not get wet.

We already have over \$5000 worth of prizes from 10 trip cards to the Poor knights to focus lights, SD cards, food and beverage vouchers and more. On the weekend of the 23rd-24th of August there will be a workshop session where people can present their pictures for critique and learn more about photoshop, lightroom and UW photo techniques from the masters. There is a full programme of winter festival activities running during August that includes drive in movies, ping-pong tournaments, paddleboat races and the beer fest. Accommodation and food specials will also be available, so bring the family and stay the weekend!!

Prize giving for the UW photo comp will take place during the Beer fest on the 29th of August. Check out the 'Tutukaka Coast Winter Festival' Facebook page for regular updates or email Irene_van_de_ven@hotmail.com for more details!!

THE RULES:

There will be seven Categories within the event, that can be entered

1. Macro
2. Wide angle
3. Portfolio- max 5 images
4. Free dive category
5. Wrecks
6. Coastal Topside

There will be two main prizes – selected by the Judges overall and also by the People.

1. Best of Show
2. Peoples Choice

The following rules were set:

Must have been taken in the month of August, digital only, must have time and date in file name.

Must be own work.

Ngunguru Community Hall to the toilets in Sandy Bay. North Reef, Lizzy Reef, and Poor Knights Islands.

Caption and description to accompany.

Camera make and model included in the file name.

One entry per category.

Deadline 12pm on the 28th August.

The aim will be to have a digital display at venues in Tutukaka for the night of the 29th to encourage engagement from a wider audience and also to enable a People's Choice vote to take place, as well as the concurrent online voting. Votes will be tallied.

Winners announced on 30th Beer Fest night.

WHEW, that ended up an epic.

Looking forward to seeing you all Wednesday night. (Oops that's right, how sad, I'll be in Rarotonga struggling with the warmth??!! so will see you on the 20th instead.)

Christine.