



Happy New Year Everyone and welcome to the start of our hopefully auspicious year..13 is a special number for those of us who maybe ever so slightly superstitious!

Congratulations to Christine for winning the Print of the Year and to Kate for the Projected Image of the Year, and to Shelly for her lovely runner up image.

Don't forget to come along to the meeting on Feb 20th as it is prize-giving night and there are quite a few awards to be shared out. We will also have among other things an AV (thank you very much Dick for all your time and effort) of all our 2012 images. This is always an amazing AV and there are many 'ohs and ahas' as we remember and see how good we really are as a club.

First competition of the month is Self Assignment .. prints only. (for a reminder of instructions refer to your last newsletter or look on line it is stored there. Those of you who have entered please upload a photo of the finished image. This is necessary for your points to be added. All points are stored on line and calculated monthly towards your final total. So no image no points is the bottom line.

Also **Chocolate Box** for those of you not old enough to have seen such creative boxes that these expensive treats were couched in..think back to Grandmas button box. Most Grandmas kept such boxes for the purpose of saving buttons for Grandpas shirts and trousers not to mention Uncle Johnny's britches. But then some of you aren't even that old I think!!

We will have time for a good catch up and chin wag and also a couple of short AV's that might give a little inspiration for upcoming competitions. Also Heather Shelly and Kate will show the images they had accepted or better in National Competitions during the year.

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. More about this very soon, bring Camera Tripod Flash or just yourself if you prefer. Perhaps coffee somewhere after?

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 choose from please.

And **Northern Inter-club** in July, again 10 images topic is **Abandon 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 important 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.

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!!!

For Sale

Due to an injury which requires me to lighten my photography equipment, I am very reluctantly selling my Nikon AF-S-VR ZOOM 70-200mm f/2.8 G IF-ED lens.

I purchased it from Auckland Camera for \$3,000. It is in new condition and Auckland Camera advised me to sell it for \$2,000.

This is a pro lens. It is very fast and sharp. It produces excellent results with DX cameras such as Nikon D90 and D7000 as well as Nikon full frame cameras. It is a very versatile lens and is suitable for wildlife, sport, portraiture and general photography.

Sale price: \$1,850-00

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