



## November/December Newsletter:

So here is your Nov/Dec Newsletter. Last one for 2014..... and less than 4 weeks til Christmas ☺

RELAX...Nothing to Upload this month.

BUT WE NEED YOU....Come out this Wednesday to see Print and Projected Image of the Year Trophy results and the Salon Portfolio results.

AND..... YOUR CLUB NEEDS YOU



Actually Your Committee and Club Needs You!

It is AGM time and we need your Expertise/ Opinions/ New Blood.

Come and Have a Say....Remember you can't complain if you don't get involved?!

You may have exactly the skills we need.

PLUS: Hear the Topics for Next Year

Bring your ENERGY and Ideas PLEASE.

It's YOUR CLUB so come and Support It ☺

Agenda items need to be sent to the Secretary if you have any.

## OUT AND ABOUT / WHAT'S ON:

1. **Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> December:** Last gathering- at the Town Basin at 7p.m.

Bring your Takeaway dinner/Picnic and meet at Reyburn House. Bring your camera and tripod for some fun photos.

2. Planning ahead: Marg's Mid-Summer Mystery Madness !

Feb 7<sup>th</sup> 2015

Travel to Opuia with a Mystery mission on the way.

Bring your Lunch and Camera (kinda goes without saying).

Then the Opuia photo challenge takes place.

More details later in January.

## **NEWS**

1. **It's time to dust off any Trophies you won, CLEAN THEM PLEASE, and return them to the Club so they can be engraved for the next recipients. ASAP :-)  
Thank you!**
2. Sizing of Images. Your Committee have been discussing the possibility of changing Image sizing to the new International Competition Standard Size of 1620 x 1080. (currently 1024 x ?) Watch this Space for more detail in future.

### 3. Self-Assignment Topics for February 2015 - Only 3 months away now!

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

Have you chosen your Topic yet?? If you need a nudge talk to Christine and she can pull a topic from a hat for you. See her this Wednesday ☺

AND IN CASE YOU WEREN'T AWARE.....PRINTS AREN'T DEAD....

We are discussing some ways to make presenting prints a bit simpler for everyone...More to Follow for 2015.

#### 4. WORTH A LOOK:

A NZ website about photography - [www.photoclass.co.nz](http://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.

5. 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!"

[6. 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.



The 2014 Committee Wish you all a Very Happy Christmas.