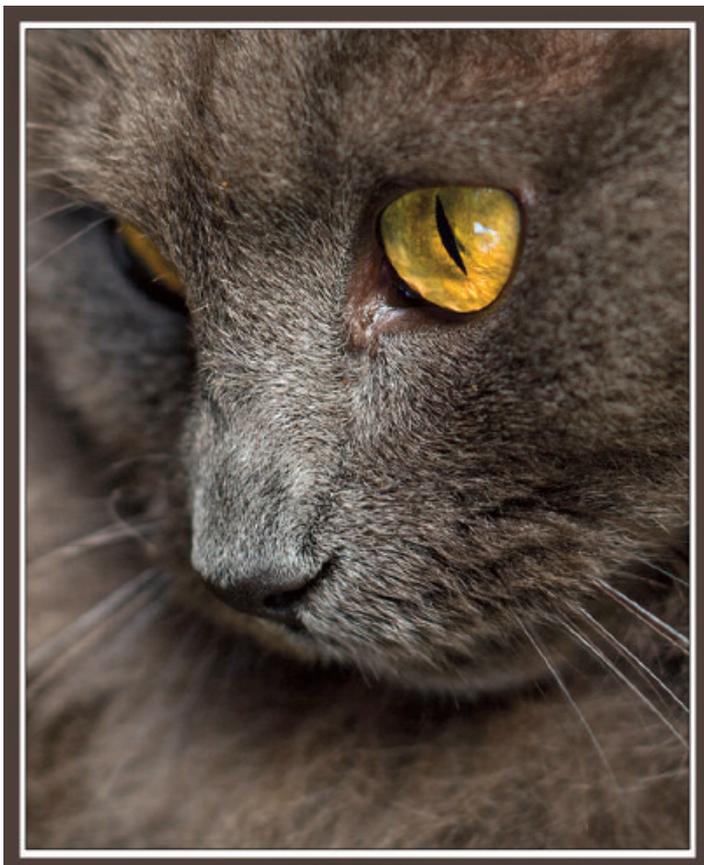


# focus

the newsletter of the matamata camera club

[www.matamatacameraclub.org](http://www.matamatacameraclub.org)



A grade - Yellow theme - Honours  
Sarah Macmillan - Eyes of Yellow



A grade - Yellow theme - Honours  
Carl Proffit - Ghost

## Aug/Sept 2013

President's Report.

Hi All

as of writing this,  
it is only 10 more days till Spring.. Yah

All those beautiful fresh colours (I guess that  
means flowers as well) to photograph..

I for one will hopefully be getting out on the  
water more, as the weather improves.

Later in this newsletter will be details of the  
up and coming Matamata Society of Arts Exhibition  
running 11th - 13th October 2013.

This is a great opportunity to display your  
work in public, and may be sell it. so  
please try and support this event.  
It is also worth going to the memorial centre  
to view other artists art work.

Keith

Kia Ora

It is a little intimidating attempting a change of  
layout with such talented designers in our club,  
but I couldn't handle the lack of colour and imagery  
in our newsletter any longer. I have included some  
of your images from July's theme entries.  
Have a look and enjoy.

Happy viewing  
Esther



B grade - Yellow theme - Honours  
Helena Gratkowski - Lemon Splash



B grade - Yellow theme - Honours  
Cassandra Robinson - Rubber Ducky Your the One



A grade - Yellow theme - Honours  
Tracey Smith - Ohakune Rail Property

## From August's Meeting

Present:  
Keith, Elaine, Caron, Tracey, Geoff, Cushla,  
Cassandra, Helena, Liz, Sue

Apologies:  
Esther, Brie, Tina, Carl, Sonia, Sarah, Dan

Chocolate Fish Quote:  
"I believe the core of all photography, amateur and professional, is knowing your scales and knowing-how to get correct exposure; knowing what correct white balance is and using the camera to get the best out of it."

Answer Jackie Rankin  
Winner Caron.

Congratulations:  
Cassandra and Helena for moving up to A grade.

File Sizes:  
Most people are getting better at sending photos in at the correct sizes. These sizes are a maximum so they can be smaller but watch that you don't lose image quality.

Next Month's Theme:  
Song Title: Pick a song title, shoot an image to illustrate it. Use the song title as your image title. Note: image naming will be important with this one!

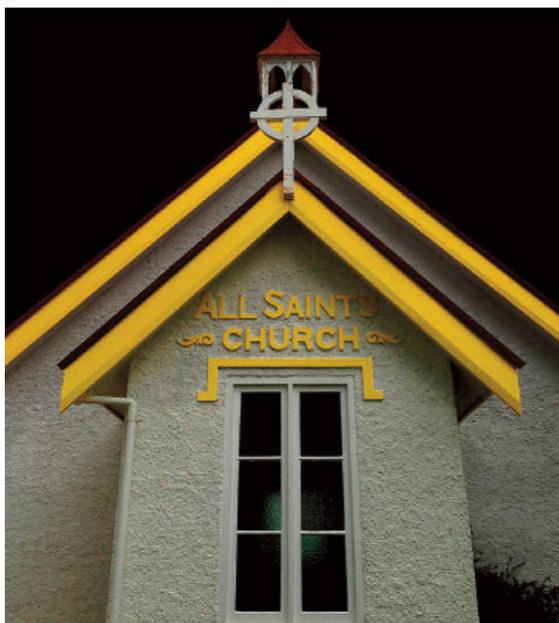
Also open digital and open print  
Cassandra enquired about visiting Maungatautari. Guided trip is \$25 each (day time). September/October best time, Saturday or Sunday. Also trip to Wingspan to be followed up on.

Viewed next month's submission.

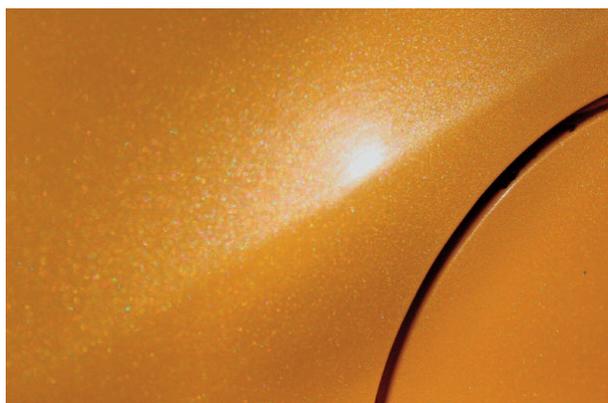
Critiques for July submissions read out by Keith and Caron.

Some of the top results from July's Open and theme 'Yellow' entries

Supper and watched part of video on aperture.



A grade - Yellow theme - Honours  
Tracey Smith - Rawene Church



B grade - Yellow theme - Highly Commended  
Liz Keane - Golden Shine



C grade - Yellow theme - Highly Commended  
Renee Jellie - Bees

## Club & Local Events

Sept 8th

Email in your images for this month's theme and open by Monday 5pm to [photos@matamatacameraclub.org](mailto:photos@matamatacameraclub.org).

Theme - Digital

Song Title: Pick a song title, shoot an image to illustrate it.

Use the song title as your image title.

Note: image naming will be important with this one!

For a hint:

<http://www.dpreview.com/challenges/Challenge.aspx?ID=1736>

Also open digital and open print

Sept 9th

**Club Meeting 7.30pm**

All Saints Anglican Church's Small Hall  
Corner of Broadway and Hohaia Streets

Oct 11th

Last call for entries to local Arts Exhibition

Oct 12 & 13th

**The Society of Arts Exhibition**

(with potters, carvers, sculptors, painters etc)

Keith thinks its normally \$3.00 per entry or \$10 for 4 or more but check with him before paying as we are invited artists for this exhibition so, there probably won't be a fee, and our entries will possibly not be judged.

This is a big and very popular exhibition, and it is well worth us entering stuff (from experience), not just for the camera club but more importantly for your own personal benefit, and a great chance to show off your work and maybe make some money.

If you want your pics sold, it is up to you to put a price on them.

The Society of Arts takes 20% commission. They can be anything, framed, canvas print, but mats probably won't sell so well.



A grade - Yellow theme - Highly Commended  
Sarah Macmillan - End Of Autumn



A grade - Yellow theme - Highly Commended  
Carl Proffit - Park



A grade - Yellow theme - Highly Commended  
Cushla Thornton-Brown - Lemon Moon

## PSNZ Competitions

Oct 4th-6th  
PSNZ Southern Regional Convention  
Lake Tekapo  
- Where Photography Comes Naturally”  
Host club - Focus Aorangi  
Photographic Society Inc., Timaru  
See <http://tekapo.org.nz>

Oct 25th  
Canon Online Round 5 closes

## Quote with a difference:

This Month's Quote is:  
It doesn't matter if you use a box camera or you use  
a Leica; the important thing is what motivates you  
when you are photographing.

Your email answer should read as  
To: [photos@matamatacameraclub.org](mailto:photos@matamatacameraclub.org)  
Subject: Chocolate Fish  
Text: Who said "This months quote."  
Answer – This months author

## Links:

An excellent photoshop tutorial link from Carl:  
[http://psd.tutsplus.com/articles/web/photoshop-and-photography-tutorials/?utm\\_source=feedburner&utm\\_medium=feed&utm\\_campaign=Feed%3A+psdtuts+%28PsdTuts%2B%29](http://psd.tutsplus.com/articles/web/photoshop-and-photography-tutorials/?utm_source=feedburner&utm_medium=feed&utm_campaign=Feed%3A+psdtuts+%28PsdTuts%2B%29)

Wedding photography tips:  
<http://improvephotography.com/3236/wedding-photography-tips/>

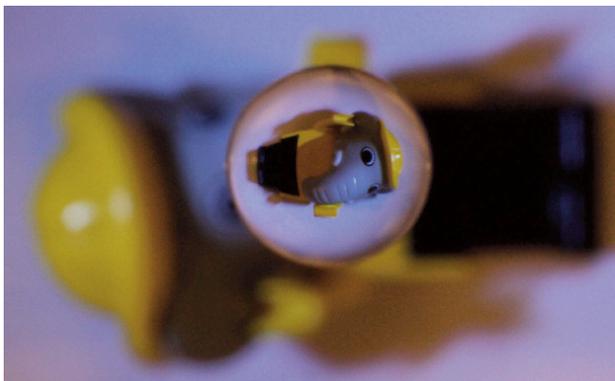
Lomo:  
<http://digital-photography-school.com/how-to-make-digital-photos-look-like-lomo-photography/>



B grade - Yellow theme - Highly Commended  
Helena Gratkowski - Floral Rearrangement



A grade - Yellow theme - Highly Commended  
Cushla Thornton-Brown - Oil Bubbles



B grade - Yellow theme - Highly Commended  
Cassandra Robinson - One Drop of Lego

## Product Specials:

For those of you looking at purchasing a new camera make sure you check out the info below.

Canon have a special cash back of \$250 when you purchase a EOS M SINGLE or TWIN LENS KIT if purchased before 31 Oct 2013.

<http://www.canon.co.nz/Personal/Products/Special-Offers>

Nikon also have a deal running for a bonus SB-400 speedlight until 31 Oct 2013 click on this link for more info.

<http://www.nikonrewards.co.nz/RewardForm05sn.asp>

## Photography Courses:

An recent email from:  
Jacqueline Jones

Subject: Introduction to Photographic Technique and Composition Course

Hi,

I thought the people in your Camera Club might be interested in attending the 'Introduction to Photographic Technique and Composition Course' the University of Auckland have to offer.

Attendees of the course will learn the technical skills of photography and understand compositional strategies of photographic practice.

For more information about the course please visit the following website:  
<http://courses.cce.auckland.ac.nz/courses/107-introduction-to-photographic-technique-and-composition>  
<<http://courses.cce.auckland.ac.nz/courses/107-introduction-to-photographic-technique-and-composition>>

It would be really appreciated if you could circulate this web link to club members.

Many thanks  
Jacqueline Jones  
Event Coordinator – Event Services  
The University of Auckland  
DDI: +64 9 923 5819 | University Ext: 858191  
Email: [jacqueline.jones@auckland.ac.nz](mailto:jacqueline.jones@auckland.ac.nz)  
Web: [www.cce.auckland.ac.nz](http://www.cce.auckland.ac.nz)  
<<http://www.cce.auckland.ac.nz/>>

## Digital Photography Workshops With Xavier Radić

BFA, MA (Hons), Cert Tert Tchng, Cert ESOL Tchng.  
Auckland, Waikato, BOP Districts  
in August/September 2013

Another series of Photography Workshops with  
Xavier Radić are announced for the Auckland/  
Waikato/ BOP Districts during Aug/Sept 2013.

All are outdoor workshops with at least half the time  
taking photographs, at different locations, each  
day 10.00am to 3.00pm (with 1 hour for lunch) see  
below.

We will be looking at all aspects of photography for  
all workshops. All are suitable for all abilities from the  
complete novice to those much more advanced  
(10 to 80+ yo).

### What to bring:

A Camera (any sort of camera), an empty Camera  
Card, Fully Charged Battery, Tripod (if you have  
one), something to sit on (fold up seat) and food/  
drink for breaks. Dress suitably for any weather situ-  
ations and wear sensible footwear for the outdoors.

Workshops run in all weathers, with shelter  
options available. Detailed handouts are  
provided electronically after all workshops.

Any queries and to confirm your booking, please  
email: Xavier Radić (artium.elegantium@gmail.com)  
after booking, in advance of workshop. You may  
attend more than one workshop or bring friends, for  
extra fees.

## Locations & Dates for September:

Friday 06th September  
Thames

Danby St Historical Cemetery.  
Meet Danby St, by entrance.

Saturday 07th September  
Waihi Beach

Waihi Beach, Bowentown.  
Meet in carpark at Anzac Bay, Bowentown.

Sunday 08th September  
Paeroa, Karangahake Gorge  
Karangahake Gorge, Paeroa,  
meet by carpark opposite  
Talisman Café (Waihi end).

Tuesday 10th September  
Auckland, Akl Domain  
Auckland Domain, Park Road.  
Meet by main entrance to Winter Gardens.

If you are ever unable to attend or miss any  
workshop for whatever reason, you are most wel-  
come to join a later one when able (please email).  
For emergencies Ph: 0222 647 000

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