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the newsletter of the matamata camera club

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September, 2012

Present

Keith & Elaine, Carl & Sonya, Robbo, Sarah, Liz, Tracy, Cassandra, Cushla, Geoff, Esther, John & Mariette, Joel, Caron, Brie.

Guests: Sue & Amanda

Apologies

Dan, Andy, Tina, Sue.

From The President's Desk

Hi all

Does anyone else feel like this year is flying by, the next meeting is the last meeting before the AGM. I was in a shop the other day and all they could talk about is that it is not long till Christmas!

On a more cheery note - Isn't it great, the weather is improving, so hopefully we can get our cameras out more often, although we shouldn't use the weather as an excuse not to be taking photos, as all seasons give a variety of lighting conditions and subject material.

Theme for October is Street Photography: Street Photography - a type of documentary photography that features subjects in candid situations within public places.

Don't forget prints for the Arts Society display, I need them before Thursday 4th October
This is a great opportunity to show off some of our work and maybe sell some.

So until next meeting, I'll see you round like the lens I'd like to buy, but can't afford.

Keith.

Aliah Jan Workshop

12 members took advantage of Aliah Jan's workshop a couple of weekends back. The day covered a good look at Aliah's work, including her commercial & personal work as well as her PSNZ-winning AV's. This was followed by a discussion of the details of putting together a AV slideshow followed by a couple of hours for a shoot around town. We then did some post-processing of the day's images then a took more detailed look at creating a slideshow using the ProShow software. Later Leonie 'took the stage' talking about her work with pinhole photography.

Many thanks Aliah and Leonie, it was a fantastic day!

The ProShow software is available online here <http://www.photodex.com/>

Matamata Society Of Arts

We have been invited again this year to exhibit images at the Matamata Society Of Arts exhibition which begins on the 9th October. This is an opportunity to not only show, but possibly sell, your work. If you wish to have your work exhibited, please have it ready to display and get it to Keith no later than the 4th October. If you are offering the work for sale, don't forget an asking price!

New Image Sizes

Following a recent move from the PSNZ, sizes for digital images submitted have been increased to **1920 x 1080** pixels, or Full HD 1080p.

Effective immediately, please resize your digital images submitted for both theme and open sections to these new dimensions. We will accept the old sizing through to the end of the year, but from the start of 2013, the new sizing will be the standard.

New Projector

And following the new image sizing above, we also have a fantastic new Full HD projector and Screen capable of displaying your images to their full advantage!

This was put to good use at the recent workshop and really is a vast improvement over the old projector.

Grading Movements

Congratulations to the following for moving up a grade due to their great recent results;

From C to B-Grade: Cassandra

From B to A-Grade: Keith, Sonya & Tracey.

Pohlen Hospital Fundraiser

Pohlen Hospital are holding a fundraising auction and are looking for an image of Wairere Falls to be printed and auctioned. If you have an image you would like to supply, please contact either Keith or Robbo.

Tower Road Motel

The Tower Road Motel has also contacted the club looking for images of local icons – the Tower Museum, Wairere Falls etc – for canvas prints to be displayed in their motel units. This is an opportunity to get your work seen and even make a little coin. If interested contact the motel directly on 07 888 6112.

Scott Kelby's 5th Annual Worldwide Photowalk

Date: Saturday, October 13, 2012

Time: 10:00am - 12:00pm

Location Details: Steele Park, opposite "The Cook" Bar & Cafe.

After the walk, meet at: Refreshments, lunch etc. available at "The Cook"

<http://worldwidephotowalk.com/walk/hamilton-waikato-new-zealand/>

Events

07-29 Sept – World Press Photo Exhibition, The Atrium, Wintec, Hamilton.

<http://www.worldpressphoto.org/>

09-11 Oct – Matamata Society of Arts – Art Exhibition at the memorial Hall

10-11 Nov – Armistice in Cambridge

Around The Web

October theme 'On The Street'

<http://erickimphotography.com/blog/2012/08/5-things-stephen-shore-can-teach-you-about-street-photography/>

Julian Ward Photographs

<http://www.julianward.co.nz/>

Silver & Light

<http://vimeo.com/39578584>

Correspondence

Correspondence is being emailed out to members as it arrives.

2012 Subscriptions

\$35.00 for individual member or \$50.00 for couples. We prefer payment by internet banking, but cash on club nights are also accepted. Only paid members are eligible to enter the monthly image critiques.

Account: Kiwibank Matamata Camera Club 38 9010 0534664 00

Reference: MCC Subs *First Name Surname*

Reminder – Submitting Images

We're getting images coming in for the monthly critiques that haven't been sized and labelled correctly, and this makes extra work for those organising the judging. At times there's not even any indication which images are for the theme and which for the open categories. Please remember to;

- size your images to a maximum of **1920 x 1080** pixels,
- label your images with an appropriate name, your grade and initials *i.e. myphoto_a_cp.jpg*
- send Theme and Open images as separate emails,
- and ensure either '(month) Theme' or '(month) Open' is in the subject line of your email.

Next Theme

The set theme for October is: 'On The Street' - Street photography – a type of documentary photography that features subjects in candid situations within public places.

Theme and Open images are due Monday 8th October for the meeting on the 9th.

Please read through the guide on submitting images in the 2012 Programme if you haven't already (a PDF copy is on the website).

Quote: "You have to sit by the side of a river a very long time before a roast duck will fly into your mouth."
- *Guy Kawasaki.*