

The official newsletter of Parklands Photographic Club

Our website

www.parklandsphotoclub.org.au

Newsletter email

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Welcome to the first edition of our club's newsletter for 2008.

Firstly, please note our **new website** address (above). The content will be slowly updated over the next coming months – if there's anything you'd like to see on your website, please let us (the committee) know.

<u>This Saturday</u> (2nd Feb) will see our **first workshop** for the year (for details, see below), followed by our **first monthly meeting** on the 14th February.

Also, the club's introducing a **special membership discount** for 2008: for any member who pays their membership on or before the first meeting night (February 14th) receives their annual membership for only \$25 (instead of the usual \$30/yr) – another great incentive to join in early!

Please bring along your photos for the 'Open' theme at our first meeting, on Thursday 14th Feb – the judge will be judging on the night (ie there's no need to drop the entries off before the meeting). It would also be a good time to submit your entries for the March competition, themed 'My Melbourne'.

Cheers, Paul



2008 committee

The committee for this year, as voted in at the 2007 AGM, is as follows:

| President | Paul Grinzi |
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| Vice President | Nick Condon |
| Secretary | Kath Kelly |
| Treasurer | Joe Gizzi |
| Work Steward | Kath Kelly |
| Assistant Work Steward | Ray Jenner |
| Bookings Officer | Sarah Grinzi |
| Refreshments Officer | Vicki Barker |
| Newsletter Editors | Sarah & Paul Grinzi |
| Advertising Officer | Kath Kelly |
| Website Officer | |
| New Members Officer | Ray Jenner |

Feel free to pass on your thoughts and suggestions to any of us.

Upcoming events

10 ways to take better photos workshop
Saturday 2nd February 2-4pm; aimed at beginner photographers, and
will hopefully encourage a few locals to join our club too! Parklands
members are more than welcome to attend. <u>Please RSVP</u> to me
(0411581120 or <u>parklandsphoto@people.net.au</u>) to allow for catering. \$5
for non-members.

First monthly meeting:

Thursday 14th Feb, from 7.30pm. The competition theme is 'Open' (ie *anything*) and the photos will be judged on the night.

• Photoshop Basics workshop

Thursday 28th February 7-30; aimed at teaching the basics of this popular photo software: cropping, straightening, contrast adjustment, touch-ups, B&W conversion, etc. Again, Parklands members are more than welcome to attend. Please RSVP to me (0411581120 or parklandsphoto@people.net.au) to allow for catering. \$5 for non-members.

2007 End of Year BBQ highlights

The club's last meeting for 2007, saw quite a few members and their families enjoy a sunny afternoon at Fairfield Boathouse for a casual BBQ and the end-of-year awards. Aside from the numerous flies and a temporary disruption when one of the children's balls rolled into the Yarra River, we enjoyed a pleasant extended BBQ lunch thanks to our cooks lan and Joe.

The awards were as follows:

2007 Aggregate winner: Paul Grinzi

2007 Aggregate runner up: Kath Kelly

2007 Photo of the year: Ray Jenner

2007 print of the year:



Congratulations to all.

Here are some snaps from the day....







'The ball went that way'



'There it is!'



2007 awardees

Information for New Members

Each member is allowed to enter a total of 4 pieces of work each competition. That is 4 prints or 4 slides or a combination of both prints and slides totaling 4 pieces of work. Each piece of work must be labeled with your makers/competition number, subject and image title. If you do not have your maker/competition number, see Joe Gizzi and he will allocate one for you. In addition, slides must be spotted in the bottom left corner when viewed correctly. For full details of print and slide labeling refer to information sheet. The competition subject for February is "Open". This means that you are able to enter any print or slide you have taken, that hasn't been previously entered.

Information for Current Members

Why not bring a friend to our first meeting? Our club continues to grow and there's nothing better than joining the club at the start of the year, to feel welcomed and included.

Exhibitions, Events & Competitions

Part of the Melbourne Food and Wine festival, the Sanpellegrino Cafe
Society Photography Exhibition will be held on the banks of the Yarra
at Southgate on February 22nd & March 2nd The term cafe society dates to
the 1920's when intellectuals, writers, philosophers and artists gathered in
Paris, Rome, London and New York to discuss issues of the day. Not much
has changed, and today Melbourne's thriving cafe society is all about
sharing good coffee and stimulating conversation with friends.

This year's competition brief to RMIT final-year photography students was 'What is unique about my cafe?' Their evocative images of Melbourne's most stylish cafes will be on display.

Pinehole Camera Fun Day

69 Smith St. Sunday 2nd. March 08 Please register your interest with Merle at merleparker@hotmail.com by fri. 29th. Feb. Meet at Gallery [69 Smith St. Fitzroy.] at 10;00am for a 10;15 start.

Quote of the month

- Q. How many photographers does it take to change a light bulb?
- A. Fifty. One to change the bulb, and forty-nine to say, "I could have done that!"



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For further information:

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2nd Thursday of every month^{*} The Coburg Library Meeting Room Meetings commence 7.30pm ** Visitors welcome **

Monthly Meeting dates for 2008

Guest judges and lecture themes to be announced soon, once confirmed

Thursday 14th February - competition subject "Open" #

Tuesday 11th March* - competition subject "My Melbourne"

Thursday 10th April - competition subject "People"

Thursday 8th May - competition subject "The dark side"

Thursday 12th June - competition subject "Open" #

Thursday 17th July* - competition subject "A book/song/movie title"

Thursday 14th August - competition subject "Landscape/Seascape"

Thursday 11th September - competition subject "4 photos telling a story"

Thursday 9th October- competition subject "Open" #

Thursday 13th November – annual general meeting

6th / 7th December (TBA) - end of year BBQ and Awards

... 'Open' related to any topic of the photographers choosing

* ... Dates that don't fall on the 2nd Thursday of the month: March and July

Workshops dates for 2008 (\$5 non members, members free)

Saturday February 2nd: 2.00-4.00pm - Ten ways to take better photos

Thursday February 28th: 7.30-9.30pm Photoshop Basics

Thursday September 18th: 7.30-9.30pm Capturing Motion

Excursion dates for 2008

March (date TBC) - Westgarthtown

May 31st/June 1st - VAPS Muster, Mornington

October (date TBC) - Moonee Valley Racing: capturing motion practice