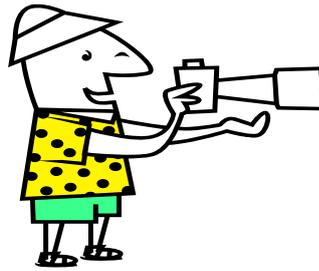


Thru The Lens



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The official
newsletter of
Parklands
Photographic Club

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I can't believe the first half of the year has come and gone already ... it only feels like yesterday that we were enjoying the Sydney Road festival and running our Summer workshops!

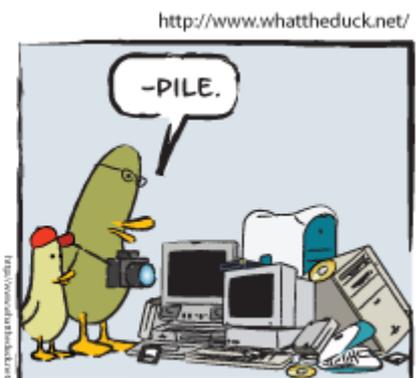
Welcome to our newest members, Bruce and Darren. Like everyone else, feel free to send in your suggestions or ideas for this newsletter! The recent June meeting showcased a great array of photos – the 'Open' theme certainly was broadly interpreted. The presentation by photojournalist, Nicole Garmston, was also fascinating – providing us with a terrific insight into pre-visualising photos and arranging the timing/subjects/composition to achieve some inspiring results.

The committee met recently and this newsletter provides an update of what's been going on behind the scenes.

See you at the July meeting – and bring a friend! New membership fee is \$20 for the remainder of 2008.

Cheers, Paul

What The Duck



Upcoming events

- **July monthly meeting:**

Thursday 17th June, from 7.30pm. *Note: it's the 3rd Thursday of the month, due to the school holidays.* The competition theme is 'Book/song/movie title'. Our guest judge will be. Competition entries *MUST* be received by Kath by Sunday 29th June. When submitting your images, ensure you include the title (eg "Blue Swede Shoes; Elvis Presley") on the reverse of the photo, along with your Maker number. Up to 4 photos per member.

- **Parklands/Preston photography inter-club competition/night**

Preston will host this year's inter-club night. It will be held on Monday August 25th – please keep this evening free. We NEED to submit our club's entries by the end of July, so please ensure you submit your best photos to Kath by the July meeting. You can submit any photo – it doesn't have to have been submitted previously. Here are the guidelines:

Small prints are to be limited to a maximum print size of 15x20cms, mount board sizes are maximum (20x25cms) & minimum (15x20cms).

Large prints are to be limited to a minimum print size of 20x25cm with a maximum mount board size of 40x50cms

Slides must be presented in standard 5x5cm mounts

- **July/August/Sept/Oct themes:**

Start planning/taking your photos for these upcoming months....

August (theme = landscape / seascape): any photo that depicts a section or expanse of scenery (eg ocean, rural, urban, etc). Up to 4 photos per member.

September (theme = 4 photos telling a story): members must submit four photos. These photos should tell a story. They can be (but do not have to be) in a particular order. If there is an order, please number the entries #1, #2, etc. The 4 photos can be individually mounted, or mounted together on a single mount.

October (theme = open): up to photo photos per member, with complete choice regarding the subject matter. This is the last of the regular meetings for the year, and a chance to submit your best/favourite photos.

nb members can re-submit photos *provided the photo hasn't previously been awarded a place or highly commended*. There also isn't a time limit, but everyone's encouraged to submit a contemporary image – we learn a lot more by shooting regularly, rather than delving into our 'shoeboxes' for old photos.

- **September workshop and excursion!**

In Septmeber, we'll be running a practical workshop on **Capturing Motion**. It will be held on Thursday September 18th: 7.30-9.30pm. Following this, we plan to go as a club to the Moonee Valley races on Friday 26th September to practice what we learnt at the workshop!

VAPS newsbrief

Would you like Newsbrief (the Victorian Association of Photographic Societies monthly newsletter) emailed directly to you every month? It is completely free. All you need to do is ask!!

Email the editor - vapsnews@optusnet.com.au

Chocolates!

Yes, it's chocolate season and we're selling them!

Kath has boxes of *Caramello Koalas* and *Freddo Frogs* (each box contains 49 items, at \$1 each – the club gets 50% of the sales) for us to sell in the next month or two. Thank you to those who grabbed a box at the recent meeting, for everyone else, please contact Kath to arrange to pick up your box (otherwise she'll hunt you down!)

Committee meeting update

The club committee met last month and there are a few items you should know about:

- **November meeting**

We will be combining the annual general meeting with club judging of the 'print of the year' – prizes will be awarded on the night!

- **Fundraising**

See 'Chocolates', above

- **Club communications**

Following the results from the survey (last 2 months), we've decided to try to channel all email correspondence through the newsletter editor (myself currently) to avoid too many email and too many 'senders'. Occasionally, an urgent issue may bypass this process, but if you have some info for the club, please email it to me and I'll collate it all together – to avoid doubling up. The email address is at the top of this newsletter.

- **Website update**

Nick has been working hard to design our new club website. It's not far away and we look forward to our new look. In the meantime, the current page still has the important stuff – these newsletters, our contact details and the program ("syllabus").

June competition results - *Open*



First place – Paul Grinzi



Second Place – Mathew La Sala



3rd place– Paul Grinzi



HC – Frank Rubino



HC – Mathew La Sala



HC – Paul Grinzi

Exhibitions, Events & Competitions

- ***The InnerNortherns Exhibition***

July 5th - Aug 2nd 2008; Opening Sat July 5th 2-4 pm

Brunswickbound Bookstore, 361 Sydney Rd Brunswick, Vic

Melbournes Brunswickbound Bookstore is proud to present the very 1st Exhibition by the InnerNorthern Photography Group - consisting of artists inspired and working in the Northern Suburb's of Melbourne.

These 10 photographers will showcase their diverse inspirations, ranging through photographic imagery in capturing Industrial Landscapes and Urban Development to intimate Portraiture in a show of localised talent.

- **NORFOLK ISLAND PHOTOGRAPHY WEEK**

27th September - 4th October 2008. Norfolk Island's natural beauty, spine-tingling history and relaxed lifestyle will captivate charm and delight any photographer! This "not to be missed" event will feature Ken Duncan providing an audio-visual presentation and guest speaker at the farewell dinner. For all enquires 1800 111 653; res@norfolkpacific.com.au

- **Pakenham Camera Club national competition**

The Pakenham Camera Club is conducting its 4th National Photographic Exhibition. There are 12 sections to enter, with cash prizes for 1st and 2nd place in each section. It's important to note that entries close on Friday 18th July 2008. For more information, go to

<http://pakenhamcameraclub.smugmug.com>, or email pakenhamnational@hotmail.com.

- **The 2008 Royal Melbourne Show Art and Craft Competition and Exhibition**

is now taking entries. Information about the Photography Competition or other classes of the exhibition are available from me (just email me and I'll forward the info on) or via Judy.barnes@rasv.com.au; www.rasv.com.au.

Website of the month

<http://www.doubleexposure.com/CritBoutique.shtml> - this site describes in detail how to go about critiquing a photo – whether it's your own or someone else's!

Quote of the month

I thought I made a mistake once but it turned out it was a creative moment.
- *Scott Fleming; American photographer*