

Exposure

Newsletter for the



Mackay Camera Group Inc.

April 2023

Regular club meetings:

7:00pm ~ 1st Thursday of each month

'Sarina Room' Jubilee Community Centre,
Alfred Street, Mackay

Workshops - 3rd Thursdays of each month

Outings and excursions: arranged on a regular
basis

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From the President's Pen

Hi everyone,

It's hard to believe that Easter is upon us already. The year is flying by very quickly.



Firstly, I'd like to thank Deb, Stacey and Belinda for the workshop on Lightroom. It's not an easy task when members are all at different stages of their skills and knowledge, but they did a magnificent job, and everyone learnt something new.

From all accounts, people who attended the Boulder Creek outing were generously rewarded with nice lighting, flowing water and lots of green moss. The photos looked wonderful.

We have decided to enter the River City Print Competition this year. The organisers are keen to promote the printed image and they were very encouraging of regional clubs. We will discuss this in more detail at future meetings.

There is currently much discussion regarding AI images, and we thank Inge for giving us an overview. We will need to keep abreast of the issues regarding AI. For now, they are not to be included in club competitions as the images are sourced from millions of images from around the world and are therefore not the original work of the photographer. For club competitions, composite images are still allowable as long as all the elements are the original work of the photographer. If you are entering external competitions, please remember to always read the rules as they can vary.

It is wonderful to see that quite a number of our members will be attending the PSQ convention in Rockhampton. It should be a great weekend and I'm really looking forward to it.

Finally, I'd like to wish Carmen and David all the best for their move to Loganlea. They have been long standing members and we will miss them.

Take care everyone.

Cheers

Sue

President

Supper Roster

Thank you to Inge and Anne for providing supper for us in April's meetings.

Caine and Jeff will provide our supper during our meeting and Workshop evenings in May.

Thanks guys!



The following folk celebrate a birthday this month.

We wish you all a really happy birthday and trust you have a wonderful day.

Lynnie Hutchins 2nd April

Steven Allworth 16th April

Jacqui Patterson 9th April

Eddie Wilkie 25th April

Greg Rabnott 14th April

Recap of Outing 1st April

Boulder Creek, Mt Charlton

Some members of our club met at the KFC carpark and carpooled to meet others who had already gone on ahead to Boulder Creek. The day was overcast and stormy, and we were concerned that we might get a huge downpour while there. However, we were very fortunate, and the heavens remained dry, and the light was not too bright. This is a gorgeous relaxing spot, and we were able to get some amazing shots of this tranquil spot. We followed up our time together by sharing a meal at The Leap Hotel. Thanks, Heather, for organizing this great afternoon for us.



Photo credit Heather Atkinson

Photo credit Jennise Carr



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Workshop 16th March 7:00pm – ‘Hands on’ learning Lightroom.

Deb Ford led us through the basics of learning to use Lightroom. Members had brought in their own laptops, and we all followed along and practiced editing set photos. No matter how experienced the members were, we all learned some new tricks and shortcuts. A huge thanks go to Stacey, Belinda and Deb for planning, coordinating and executing this great night of learning together.

RESET, REFRESH REFOCUS

in Rockhampton

PSQ CONVENTION

MAY LONG WEEKEND

30/4/23 to 1/5/23



Many of our members are excited about attending this Convention that is approaching fast.

It has been so popular that all tickets have been sold out. Keynote Speakers will lead us on many different topics, and practical workshops will offer further opportunities to learn and practice a whole range of skills.

Watch this space!

We will share insights with you next month!

THIS MONTH'S WORKSHOP 20/4/23 - 7pm

This month we will use our collective wisdom to figure out the "ingredients" for a successful landscape photo. Please **email the website URL of your favourite landscape/seascape photographer** to Stacey **along with one landscape or seascape image** that you admire. Please email this info by **17th of April** so she has time to put it into our workshop ppt. (stacey@dreamscapestudio.com.au) Following the workshop, those who can make it will put our learning to use with a landscape shoot on Friday 21st April (at a location to be confirmed).



Please join us this month as we discuss the features of a successful landscape photograph.

Your homework: 🧐

"What's in your kit?" topic:
Favourite landscape/seascape photographer

PLUS email your favourite landscape/seascape image to Stacey

Landscape Photography Workshop
20th April 2023 .. 7pm



DATES TO MARK IN YOUR CALENDAR

| Date | Time | Event | Venue |
|---------------|-------------|--|----------------|
| 20/4/23 | 7pm | MCG Workshop - Landscapes | Jubilee Centre |
| 21/4/23 | tba | Landscape Outing | To be advised |
| 28/4 – 1/5/23 | | PSQ Convention | Rockhampton |
| 4/5/23 | 7pm | MCG Meeting | Jubilee Centre |
| 10/5/23 | 12 midnight | Competition submission deadline | Online |
| 12-14/5/23 | | Street Photography Workshop | Various |
| 18/5/23 | 7pm | MCG Workshop | Jubilee Centre |
| 27/5/23 | | Charity Horse Ride | Marian |
| 1/6/23 | 7pm | MCG Meeting | Jubilee Centre |
| 10/6/23 | 12 midnight | Competition submission deadline | Online |
| 15/6/23 | 7pm | MCG Workshop | Jubilee Centre |
| 20-22/6/23 | | Mackay Regional Show | |
| 16-17 9/23 | | Workshops – Landscapes with Phil Cropp | To be advised |



TO OUR JUDGES THIS MONTH

Thanks to our PSQ Accredited judge Graham Harris CF FAPS EFIAP PPSA GPU CR-2 PSQA from Toowoomba who gave his critique this month for our images for Advanced, Intermediate and Novice Grades. We appreciate the time and care given to his critiques and suggestions for improvement.

Thanks also to Lennie Hutchins for giving great suggestions of improvement to our Beginner Grade.

Next Month's judge is Richard Bassett from Kidaman Creek.

Photos Awarded Gold and Photo of the Month Advanced Grade -



Congratulations

Deb Ford

Awarded Gold & Photo of the Month – Advanced Grade

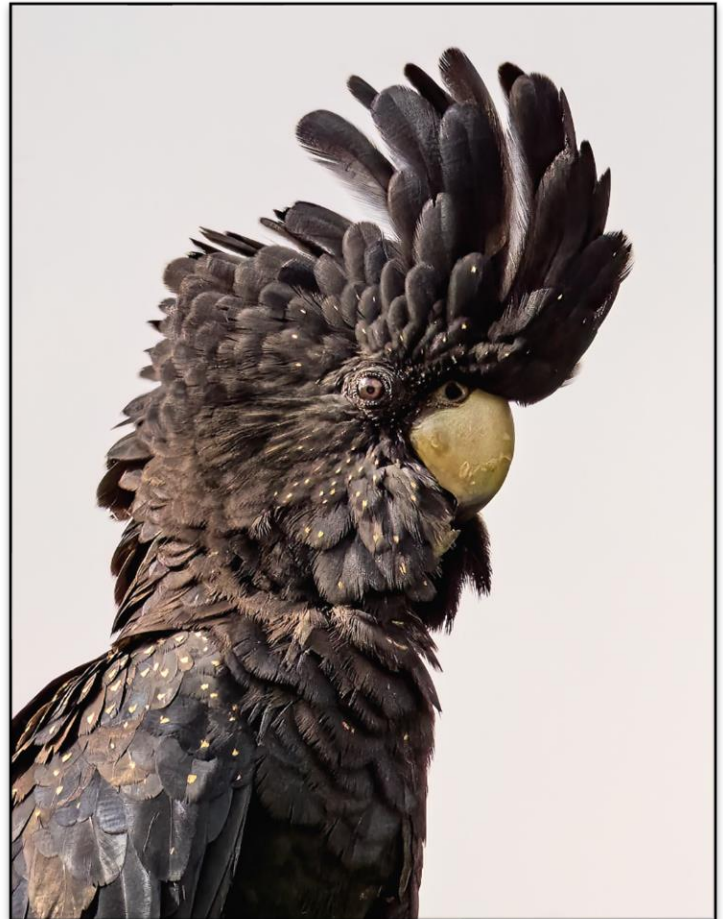
'Pondering'



Congratulations

Deb Ford

**Awarded Gold & Photo of the Month –
Advanced Grade**
'Moody Morning'



Congratulations

Deb Ford

**Awarded Gold & Photo of the
Month – Advanced Grade**
'Black Cockatoo Portrait'



Congratulations
Deb Ford
Awarded Gold – Advanced Grade
'On the Streets'

Photos Awarded Gold & Photos of the Month – Intermediate Grade



Congratulations

Anne Palfrey

Awarded Gold& POM Intermediate Grade
'Gottcha''



Congratulations
Stacey Nicholas
Awarded Gold & POM Intermediate Grade
'Jack Attack'



Congratulations
Anne Palfrey
Awarded Gold & POM- Intermediate Grade
'Resting'

Photo Awarded Gold and Photo of the Month - Novice Grade



Congratulations

Sharon Anderson

Awarded Gold & POM – Novice Grade

'Crystal Marbles in Red'