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A Monthly Newsletter of the Mackay Camera Group Inc

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Executive Members >>>

PRESIDENT: Sue Mayer-Miller

VICE PRESIDENT: Deb Ford

TREASURER: Heather Atkinson

SECRETARY: Jennise Carr

ORDINARY MEMBERS:

Stacey Nicholas &

Carol Connolly

Meet 1st & 3rd Thursdays, monthly
7pm 'Sarina Room' Jubilee
Centre,
Alfred St. Mackay

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President's News

Hi everyone,

Welcome to the first newsletter of 2024. I am honoured and excited to have been endorsed as the President of the club for another 12 months.

I'd like to extend congratulations to the other executive members: Deb Ford as Vice President; Jennise Carr as secretary; Heather Atkinson as treasurer; Stacey Nicholas as an ordinary member and Carol Connolly as an ordinary member. I am truly looking forward to working with this team. We have already had our first executive meeting and I am inspired by the enthusiasm and the ideas that were generated. If any members have suggestions for workshops, outings or anything else, please don't hesitate to contact any one of us on the executive.

I encourage everyone to take note of the events that are coming up as it is a great way to learn and we have a lot of fun in the process.

We have a number of new members which is heartening to see. If you are new to photography, please feel free to ask questions - remember that no question is a silly question. The PSQ (Photographic Society of QLD) will be holding their annual conference in Brisbane this year. I have been to quite a few and they are always inspiring and always leave me with a sense of enthusiasm. I encourage members to attend if they are able. It is often said that a club is only as good as its members. With that in mind, I believe we are in for a great year ahead.

Take care everyone and remember to keep those shutters clicking.
Sue

From the AGM >>>

Elected Positions

President:

Sue Mayer Miller

Vice President:

Deb Ford

Treasurer:

Heather Atkinson

Secretary:

Jennise Carr

Ordinary Members:

Stacey Nicholas
Carol Connolly

Appointed Roles:

Website: Caine Batley & Stacey Nicholas

Facebook: Deb Ford

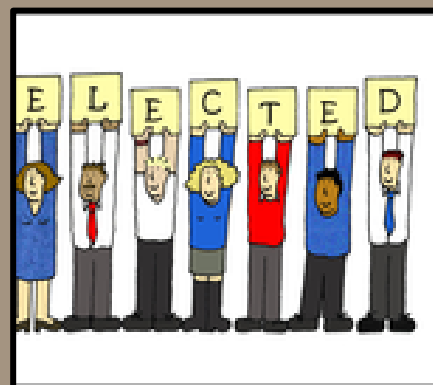
Newsletter: Jennise Carr

Supper Roster: Elizabeth Butterworth

Competitions: Internal – Sue Mayer-Miller & Deb Ford

Competitions External: Deb Ford , Sue Mayer-Miller & Carol Connolly

Workshops/Outings: Stacey Nicholas & Heather Atkinson



Congratulations !

to all these members.

Thank you for your willingness to serve the club in these ways. We really appreciate you!



WORKSHOP *15th February*



Members Reminder >>>

Bring your favourite print to share on 15th

On 15th we will look at your questions relating to the club's function, how to resize and load your photos for competitions. Already know how to do that? Never fear – there are all sorts of other information that we will cover, and look at our theme for March. Also, we ask you to bring a favourite print of yours, and share with us. This can be any size and doesn't need to be technically perfect – it just needs to be special to you for some reason, and you are willing to share why with us all.

Theme for March Monthly Competition - for April's judging
up to 2 x Textures and/or Patterns +
up to 2 x your choice

First OUTING for the year – Tuesday 13th February.

Dudley Denny Library - Victoria St, Mackay 9:00am

Meet at 9:00am in Victoria St at base of the Library
and we will explore textures and patterns in the area.

Come & join us if you can!

BUCASIA ESP BIRD WALK

**also hunting for
Patterns & Textures**

Things to bring

- Camera
- Long Lens
- Water
- whatever else you want to carry



SUNDAY 18TH FEBRUARY 7AM
We will meet at the Bucasia Espanade
near the Cafe
Breakfast will follow at the Cafe
afterwards

SPORTS & RECREATION EXPO

Sunday 11th February

What a fabulous opportunity this was to give our club exposure! Approximately 6,000 people passed through the building checking out the displays of various sporting activities and clubs suited to both children and adults.

People who had an interest in photography were drawn to our stand, and those who were really interested stopped, chatted, asked questions. They also took flyers, business cards and even some membership forms. We can expect to see many new faces in our midst in the coming days, so make sure you watch out and give them a warm welcome.

Many thanks to Heather, Janene, Elizabeth, Deb, Sue and Jennise for setting up and manning this stand during the morning of 11th Feb. As this was our first time being involved in this free event, we were unsure exactly what to expect, but the interest shown by the public has proved it to be time well spent, and we recommend being involved again next year.



Upcoming Events..

Stay tuned!

Have we got some things planned for this year!

Watch this space.... As your team of dedicated leaders are planning some AMAZING workshops, outings, weekend getaways, and lots of opportunities for socializing.

As details are finalized and dates allocated, ensure you mark them in your diary so you don't miss out!

IT'S GOING TO BE A FABULOUS YEAR!

Calendar of Events coming up

15/2/24	Information Night	7:00pm	Bring: a favourite photo
18/2/24	Bucasia Beach Bird Walk followed by Breakky	7:00am	Meet near the cafe
7/3/24	Meeting & Critique	7:00pm	Sarina Room
10/3/24	Submit competition photos		2X Theme & 2x your choice Theme: Patterns and/or Textures
21/3/24	Workshop – to be confirmed		
23/3/24	Outing to Boulder Creek		Details to be finalised

**It is possible that some dates and activities may change.
Keep checking for updates on the fb Closed page, and your email.**

Speaking of
Calendars....



Stunning Calendar Sale

Malcolm has very kindly offered some of his gorgeous wall calendars to us to sell. All money raised from their sale is donated to our club. Thanks so much Malcolm – they are truly gorgeous and would look fabulous on any wall. Give one as a gift to a loved one or keep it for yourself.

GRAB YOUR BARGAIN NOW SO YOU DON'T MISS OUT

Two sizes - A4 landscape	\$5	<i>Or make us</i>
A3 – Portrait	\$10	<i>an offer</i>

Contact Jennise to secure your copy NOW! She will bring them to club nights.

You're invited! educate inspire engage



Where art meets inspiration ...

2024 PSQ Convention

Join us in Brisbane for this exciting 3 day event 4th, 5th & 6th May



Kedron Wavell Services Club plenty of parking, accommodation close to venue

Kittyhawk Drive Chermside

Registration opens in February

Enquiries: Pete Law 0400 065 714
president@aspleycameraclub.org.au

Image credits left to right - Kris Anderson, Andy Campbell, Mel Sinclair

Your hosts...



Photographic Society of Queensland



Meet Our Keynote Speakers

Kris Anderson
Andy Campbell
Gary Cranitch
Mel Sinclair
Lisa Kurtz

plus an ever growing programme of skilled presenters providing workshops, walkabouts, demos, both internal and on location, from early morning to late evening

Sponsored by
CameraPro

a trade show is planned where you can engage with representatives of the major equipment brands

and don't forget!

The **Gala Dinner** on Sunday Evening in the KittyHawk Room at Kedron Wavell.

Presentation of the SEQ Awards
Fine Art Print Auctions and more.

Great food and beverages for all.



Salon of Excellence 2024

On behalf of the Photographic Society of Queensland, Queensland Camera Group invites members of all PSQ affiliated organisations to enter the Salon of Excellence Queensland 2024.

Opening Date: Monday 1st January 2024

Closing Date: Sunday 17th March 2024

Salon website <https://psq-seq.myphotoclub.com.au/> Subjects for Competition

A Grade

Prints	Open Colour	Open Mono	People – Colour or Mono	Nature	Social Documentary Mono	Creative Colour or Mono
Digital Projected Image	Open Colour	Open Mono	People – Colour or Mono	Nature	Social Documentary Mono	Creative Colour or Mono

Non A Grade

Prints	Open Colour	Open Mono	People – Colour or Mono	Nature	Social Documentary Mono	Creative Colour or Mono
Digital Projected Image	Open Colour	Open Mono	People – Colour or Mono	Nature	Social Documentary Mono	Creative Colour or Mono

Photos of the Month

Advanced Grade



Congratulations

Stephen Allworth

Awarded Gold & POM

'Fishing'

*Thanks to our judge this month
Fran Cross from Hervey Bay
who has taken time and effort
to review and critique our
images and give her written
report. We appreciate the time
and attention she has given.*

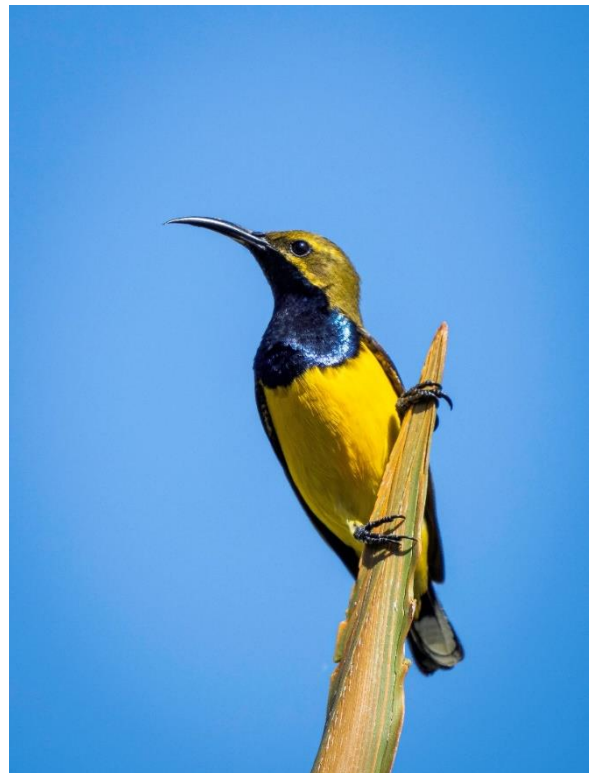
*Robert Cullen is critiqueing this
month's images, and next
month's judge for our Theme of
Patterns & Textures is
Rochelle James from Ipswich*

Congratulations

Belinda Eckford

Awarded Gold & POM

'Watchful'

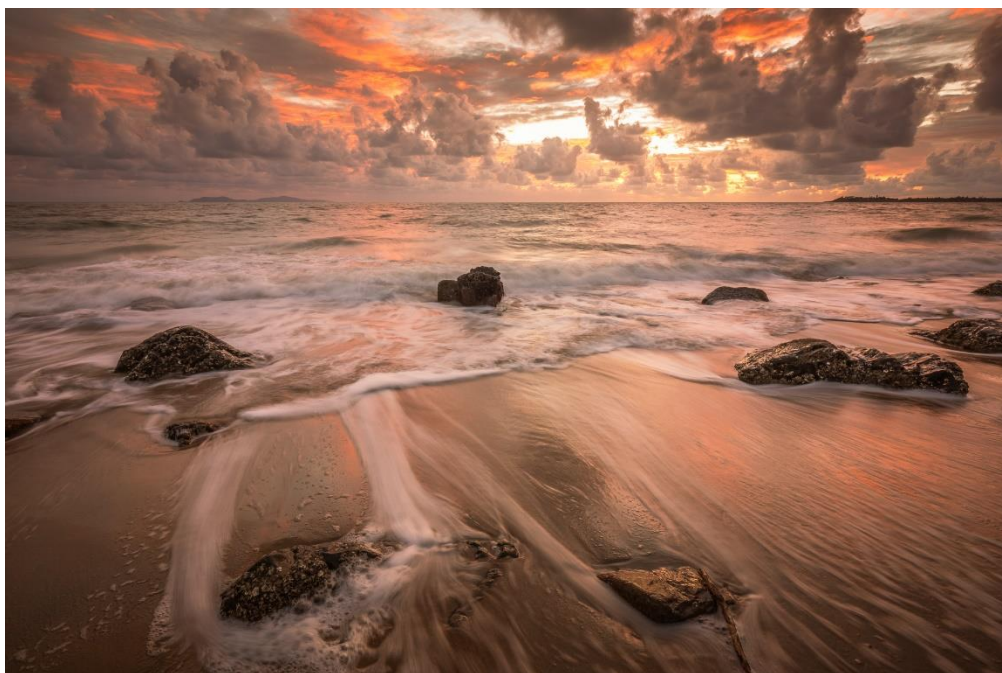


Photos Awarded Gold

Advanced Grade



Congratulations
Sue Mayer-Miller
Awarded Gold
'Industrial'



Congratulations
Heather Atkinson
Awarded Gold
'Good Morning World'



Congratulations

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Awarded Gold

'Camouflage'

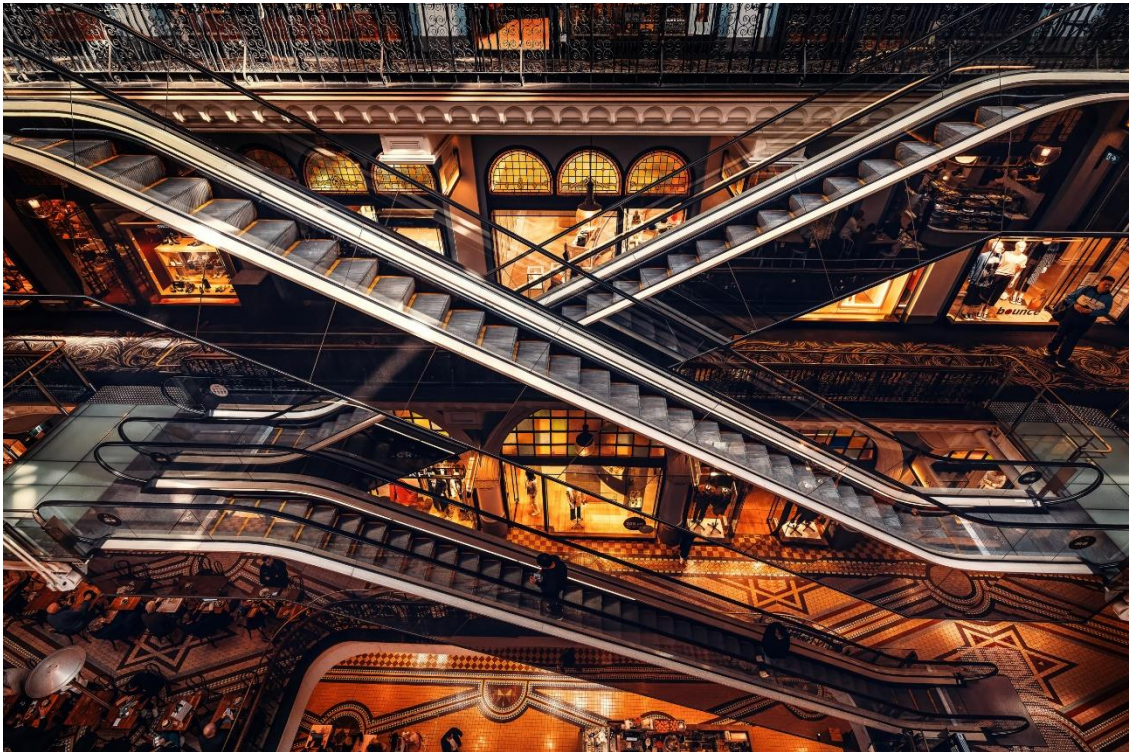


Congratulations

Susan Teder

Awarded Gold

'Murray Peace'



Congratulations

Deb Ford

Awarded Gold

'New & Old'



Congratulations

Stacey Nicholas

Awarded Gold

'Nature's Collage'

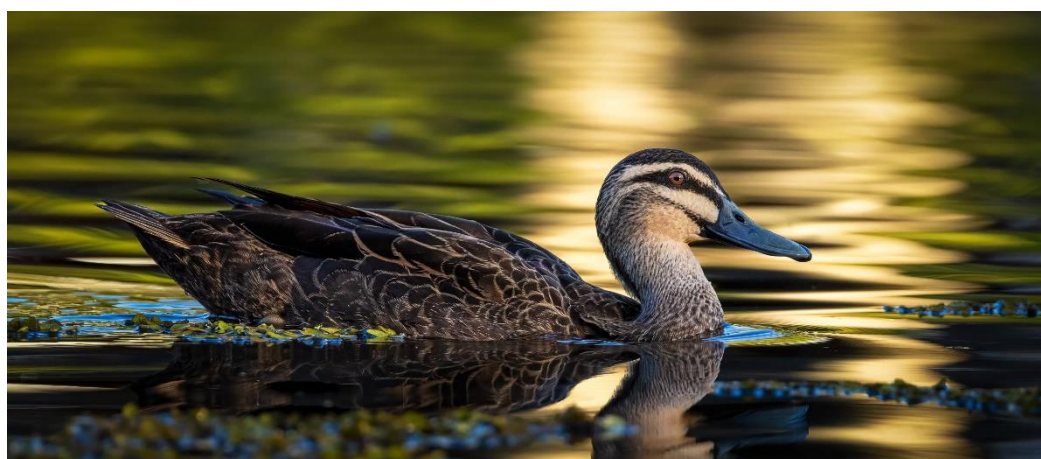


Congratulations

Jeff Jones

Awarded Gold

'Wreck Point Yeppoon'



Congratulations

Deb Ford

Awarded Gold

'Golden Hour Serenity'



Congratulations

Jennise Carr

Awarded Gold

'Kapow!'



Congratulations

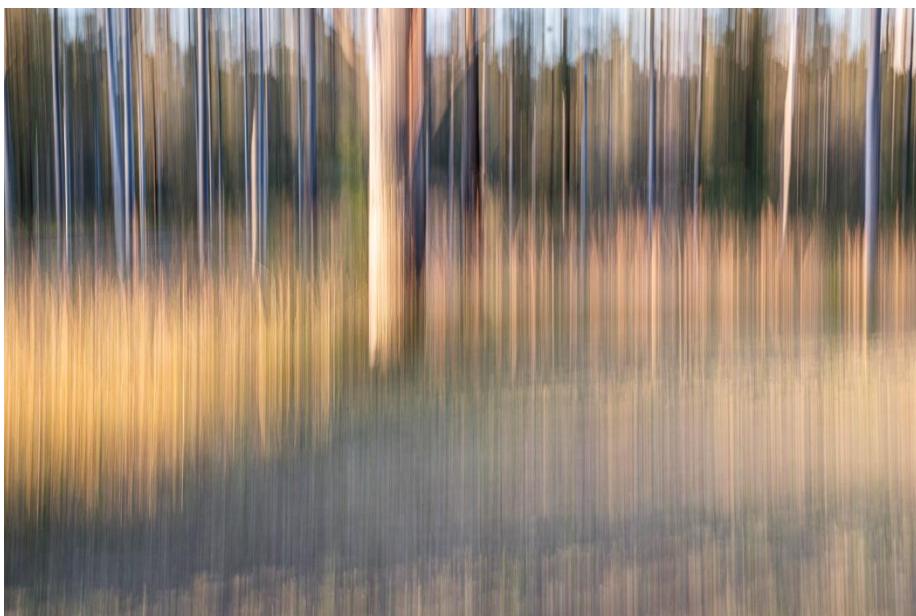
Susan Teder

Awarded Gold

'Sitting Pretty'

Photos of the Month

Intermediate Grade



Congratulations

Malcolm Griffin

Awarded Gold

'Bush'



Congratulations

Pamela Finger

Awarded Gold

'Old Town Norwich'

Photos Awarded Gold

Intermediate Grade

Congratulations
Malcolm Griffin
Awarded Gold
'Light Painting'



Congratulations
Pamela Finger
Awarded Gold
'Approaching Storm'



Photo of the Month

Novice Grade



Congratulations

Elizabeth Butterworth

Awarded Gold

'Oh Really – Don't Point'

Photos Awarded Gold

Novice Grade



Congratulations

Elizabeth Butterworth

Awarded Gold

'Lemon Butter'



Congratulations

Elizabeth Butterworth

Awarded Gold

'Summer Essentials'