



Mackay Camera Group Inc.

# EXPOSURE

November 2018

## President's Message

My apologies for not making it to the November General Meeting due to work commitments and thank you to those who stepped up and ran the meeting. Thank you also to our Guest Judges, Hanna Atherstone from Calen High School, and Cheryl and David Phillips.

The next meeting to discuss the 2019 Mackay Show will be held on Thursday 8 November from 7pm at 60 Wellington Street. An email advising of the meeting is being sent out by Lenore for those that wish to come along.

We have been somewhat amiss with our Quarter Club competitions throughout the year. Members are reminded that the final Quarter Club for the year will be at our December meeting. Members are to bring along two images themed "Christmas" for judging. Entries may be up to A3 in size and not be mounted or framed.

John Blessas

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## Important Dates

<b>8 November 2018</b>	Show 2019 Working Group meeting, 7.00pm 60 Wellington Street
<b>10 November 2018</b>	Club Outing, 5.30pm Main Beach Shoal Point
<b>6 December 2018</b>	Monthly meeting and photo judging including Quarter Club theme "Christmas"
<b>13 December 2018</b>	Christmas Party and Presentation Night, Church on Palmer from 6.30pm

## OCTOBER HAPPENINGS

### Gordon White Library Exhibition

The Exhibition appears to have been very successful with lots of compliments coming from patrons and staff at Gordon White Library. The Exhibition has now been taken down, thank you to those who assisted with this. Lenore currently has the images and frames at her place and will bring them along to the next meeting. (Photo contributed by Sue Mayer)





### **External Judging of Advance Grade Prints**

Judging this month was carried out by Hanna Atherstone, Teacher Calen District State College. Photo of the Month was awarded to John Blessas for his image titled "The Guard". Hanna's comments – beautiful portrait, interesting with the sense of a story, anticipation, happiness. Fantastic. Congratulations John. Results will be included when Newsletter is emailed to members.

Cheryl and David Phillips, members from Creative Shots Photo Club were invited along to be Guest Judges this month. Both are renowned photographers in their own right, Cheryl also is an accredited PSQ Judge. Members of Mackay Camera Group would like to extend their thanks to both Cheryl and David, it certainly took a lot of pressure off club members having guest judges and from the feedback received members were very happy with the judges' comments. Cheryl and David have kindly agreed to come along next month to assist with the judging again.

### **Club Announcements**

#### **Next Club Outing – Steel Wool Photography**

Our next outing will be held on Saturday 10 November at the main beach at Shoal Point from 5.30pm. This will be an opportunity to do a sunset shoot if you wish, have a sausage sizzle and later on try out some steel wool shots on the beach. Hopefully John and Damo will be available to help out with the steel wool fun.

Be sure to check out this [Steel Wool Photography link](#), it will provide you with some helpful information on techniques, camera settings and equipment needs.



#### **Christmas Break-up/Presentation Night**

Come along and celebrate on Thursday 13 December from 6.30pm at Church on Palmer. Cost will be \$35.00 per head for a set three course menu, if you wish you can order off the menu. Please RSVP by 6 December to Heather on mobile 0437 549 370 or email [atko5@aapt.net.au](mailto:atko5@aapt.net.au)

### **Other News**

Keep up to date with other Club's happenings. Check out the latest "[Flashes](#)" Newsletter from the Photographic Society of Queensland.



## Digital Competitions

### **Australian** **Photography** TAKE YOUR PHOTOGRAPHY TO THE NEXT LEVEL

**Australian Photography** runs free monthly competitions, with a new theme each month. Find out more [here](#).



Submit your vision of Australia's diverse weather to the **Bureau of Meteorology Australian Weather Calendar** photo competition, and your image could feature in Australia's bestselling weather calendar 2019! More information [here](#).



Check out [Digital Photography Challenge](#) for some very interesting themes and images in this truly international competition. Sign up for FREE and participate.

## **Australian Photographic Society**

APS lists several print and digital [competitions](#) taking place in 2018.



## Photo Judging Results

### **NOVICE 6x4**

#### Gold

Brianna (1)  
Sue M (1)

#### Silver

Brianna (1)  
Karen (1)

#### Bronze

Brianna (4)  
Karen (2)  
Sue M (2)



Photo of the Month –6x4  
*Magpie – Sue Mayer-Miller*

### **NOVICE Large**

#### Gold

Karen (1)

#### Silver

Karen (1)  
Sue M (1)

#### Bronze

Karen (1)  
Sue M (2)

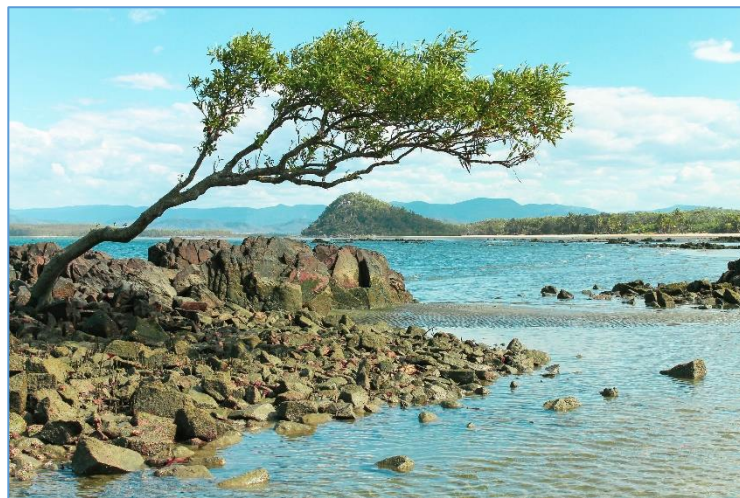


Photo of the Month – Large  
*Midge Mountain – Karen O'Keefe*



## INTERMEDIATE

### 6x4

#### Gold

David (1)

#### Silver

David (1)

John P (1)

#### Bronze

John P (1)

## INTERMEDIATE

### Large

#### Gold

David (1)

Carmen (2)

John P (1)

#### Silver

David (2)

Carmen (1)

#### Bronze

John P (2)

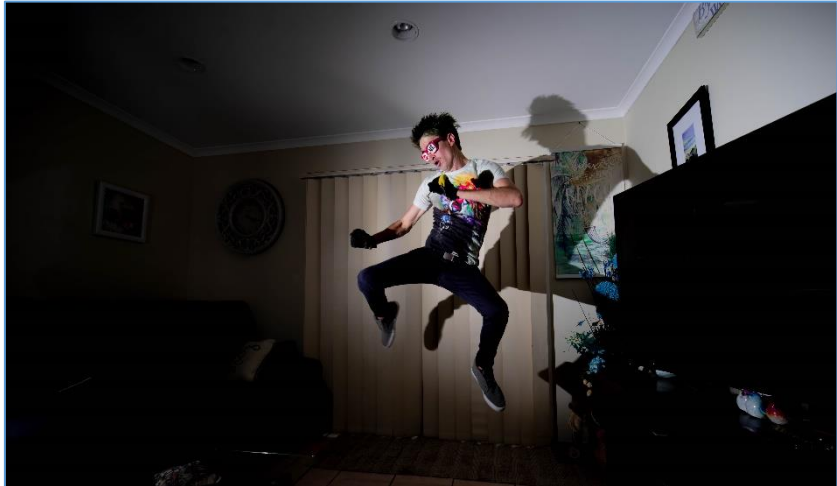


Photo of the Month – 6x4  
*Shadow Dancing – David Blackburn*

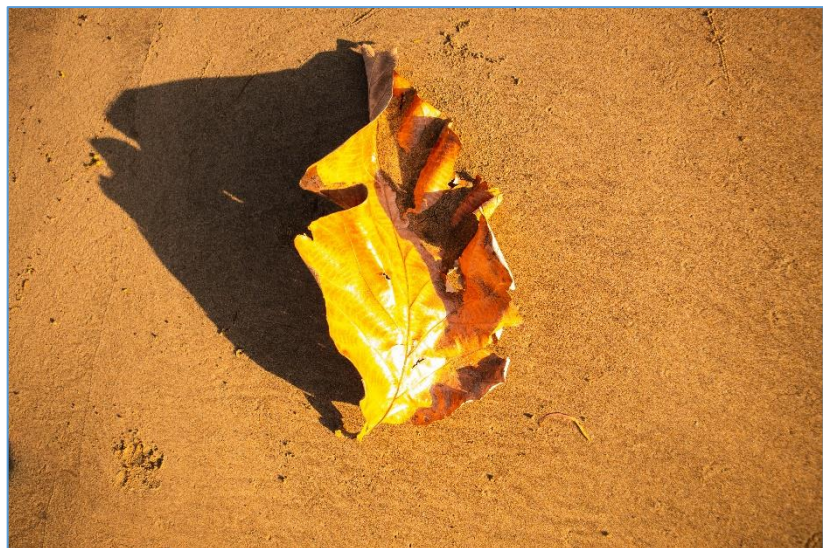


Photo of the Month – Large  
*Golden Leaf – Carmen Blackburn*



**ADVANCED**

**External**

Gold

Inge (1)

Heather (3)

John (2)

Lenore (1)

Damo (1)

Silver

Inge (1)

Jeff (1)

Lenore (2)

Bronze

Inge (1)

Damian (2)

John (1)

Jeff (2)

**ADVANCED**

**Large**

Gold

Inge (1)

Lenore (1)

Silver

Heather (2)

Inge (2)

Lenore (2)

Bronze

Col (1)

Heather (1)



Photo of the Month – External Judging  
*The Guard – John Blessas*



Photo of the Month – Large  
*Miner – Inge Blessas*



## Photography tips

With the theme for the next Quarter Club being “Christmas” this is an opportunity to practice getting some nice bokeh.

The following links will give you some good tips on achieving some great bokeh images.

[How to Achieve Better Bokeh – 4 Simple Tips](#)

[Step by Step Guide to Beautiful Bokeh](#)

## Inspirational Photography Quote

