



# *In Camera*

*The Newsletter of the Hawkesbury Camera Club Inc.*

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## WHAT'S ON THIS MONTH

November 2	HAWKESBURY HOSPITAL CHILDREN'S WARD PHOTO SELECTION
November 9	OUTING Night Photography at Darling Harbour [no meeting at the club]
November 16	AGM + END OF YEAR COMPETITION  CHRISTMAS PARTY Date TBA

## FROM THE PRESIDENT

October was a very busy time for the club.

We placed the first of our images in Fitzgerald House for review by the Board of Directors. These have been well received and we are moving into the administration, delivery and maintenance phase of this project. We expect to have this project settled in November. Members wishing to donate images of the Hawkesbury district, preferably, but not necessarily, landscapes, are invited to submit them to the committee for consideration for inclusion in the Fitzgerald House collection. Please note! The author's name will appear on the bottom of the print alongside the Hawkesbury Camera Club logo.

Jim Crew was invited to comment on our 'Illustrate a Song' and Portfolio projects on October 12. He enjoyed the experience and was impressed by the enthusiasm with which our members embraced the challenge of illustrating a theme requiring multiple images to complete a story. He was reluctant to award competition points explaining that all the entrants were very good but for different reasons. Jim is from Lane Cove Camera Club and has been judging camera club competitions for the FCC for more than 20 years. He is a strong advocate for the abolition of competition between club members preferring instead to promote mutual support and encouragement. Humans are competitive by nature and we need to satisfy ourselves that we are at least keeping up with the game and being rewarded with points is a tangible indicator of the degree of our success. On competition nights, when we display our images for all to see, it is obvious to each of us what we like and what we don't like as much. If we put aside our personal preferences and look at the work objectively, recognise or identify the point of the image, and make an assessment as to how well it illustrates the reason why the image was created, then we are well on the way to understanding how we can improve our own photography. This craft is learnt through our fingers and improved by our friends.

Paul Hulbert's contribution to 'Illustrate a Song' was magical. His use of a 'Lens Baby' and creative approach with soft focus and narrow depth of field produced a remarkable product. Well done, Paul.

The local Animal Welfare League approached the club for assistance with their fundraiser at Bark Park, Kurrajong on October 16. We had a good turnout of club members and managed to raise \$90.00 for the AWL. We were able to provide on the spot images for the dog owners who wanted photos of the event. Our members made a significant contribution to the community in which we live. Well done!

The Council's garden competition presentation evening at Windsor RSL Club was held on Wednesday 19<sup>th</sup>. It was great to see so many members of the club attend this important evening. Thanks to all who attended and assisted with the preparation and distribution of prizes. Thanks to all who have worked behind the scenes to bring this event to fruition again this year.

This month's excursion was a visit to the Wolgan Valley and a photographic foray amongst the ruins at Newnes. No doubt we will see some enthralling images as a result.

Christmas is rapidly approaching and we have not received any suggestions for our end of year function. If you have a favourite restaurant or venue now is the time to speak your piece.

Our AGM is on November 16<sup>th</sup>. Members will have received an email notifying the closing dates for nominations for positions on the committee. The necessary forms have been sent as attachments to the email. Your completed form must be received by the club secretary, Marian Paap, by November 2<sup>nd</sup>.

Happy snapping,

*John Hughes*

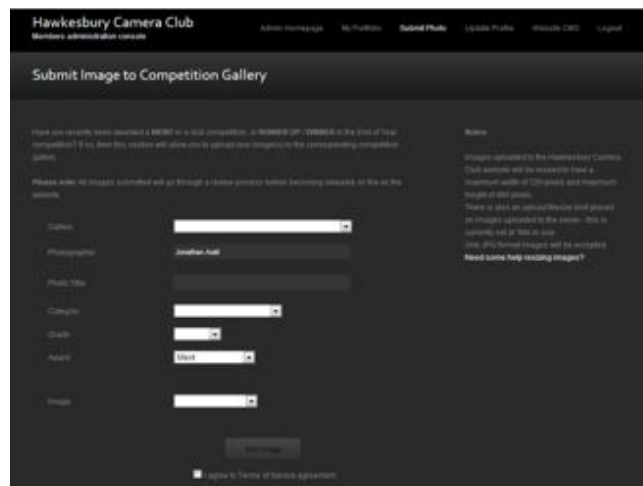
#### MONTHLY COMPETITION GALLERY

We are falling behind uploading Merit images to our website. All the Merit winners are encouraged to upload their images regardless of the year.

This is a simple task to do. Login to the Admin section and follow the "Submit Photo" link –

<http://www.hawkesburycameraclub.com.au/admin/submitGalleryImage.php>.

For any assistance, contact one of the committee members or the Webmaster – Jonathan Auld.

The screenshot shows the 'Submit Image to Competition Gallery' form in the Hawkesbury Camera Club Admin section. The form includes fields for 'Caption', 'Photographer' (pre-filled with 'Jonathan Auld'), 'Photo Title', 'Category', 'Grade', 'Event', and 'Image'. There is a 'Submit' button at the bottom. To the right of the form, there is a 'Notes' section with instructions: 'Images uploaded to the Hawkesbury Camera Club website will be reviewed by a committee made up of club members and members of other clubs. There is also an online gallery and photos are shared on the club website. This is a service to the club and is not a competition. All images must be submitted by the deadline. Please ensure you have read the terms and conditions of the competition.' At the bottom right, there is a link to 'Login to Admin section'.

*Submit photo page in Admin section*

In order to save the amount of time members spend uploading images, a limit of 1Mb file size has been placed on images. Once uploaded the server will resize your images to fit into the gallery format. If members follow the three rules below, there should not be any issues uploading files to the server:

1. IMPORTANT - Copy your original images and only perform your resizing on the copies
2. Limit your longest dimension to 1200 pixels
3. Set your JPG compression / quality to 100%

#### NEXT OUTING

**NIGHT PHOTOGRAPHY AT DARLING HARBOUR  
9 NOVEMBER**

#### ADVANCED NOTICE

**Wednesday Night 9 November**

**Instead of our normal meeting night, we will go to Darling Harbour for a night photoshoot.**

**Limited seats on the bus, so book now with Pete Burford!**

## HOW TO NAME PROJECTED IMAGES

- Images are to be labelled accordingly: entrant's grade (**A or B**),
- Two digit year of comp (ie. **16** for 2016),
- Two digit month of comp (ie. **05** for May),
- Sequence number of entry in category (**1, 2, 3 or 4**),
- Entrant's name [example A16051**JohnHughes**.jpg].

**A16051JohnHughes**

Grade Year Month Sequence Name

## QUOTE



## NEWSLETTER CONTRIBUTIONS

Do you have an article, story or tips that you would like to share with other members through the monthly newsletter?

Contributions can be submitted at any time to the Editor Marian Paap [Marian@secureaz.net](mailto:Marian@secureaz.net). The newsletter is distributed prior to the first meeting of each month.

### CONTRIBUTIONS DUE DATE:

28 November

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## Next Door – exhibition



*Children with Chinese New Year dragon masks and their father, Auburn, 1998 by Paul Blackmore.*

Courtesy State Library of NSW.

Taken throughout the 1990s, Paul Blackmore's photographs document outdoor life in a range of Sydney suburbs. Much of suburban life is defined by the experience of having neighbours — living in close proximity with others, together yet apart. Blackmore's photographs explore contrasting expressions of neighbourliness — driveway cricket matches in a Balmain gated community, the friendly openness of working on your car in the front yard, a community bonding over the protest against a proposed local airport. These photographs from the Library's collection show people relating to the world around them, starting with those next door. On display until 27 November.

**State Library of NSW  
Macquarie Street Sydney**

**SYDNEY POLO CLUB TOURNAMENT – NORTH RICHMOND**  
**SATURDAY, 15 OCTOBER**

The Club has been very busy this month. It started out with an invitation to take the opportunity to photograph the Sydney Polo Club's polo tournament. And many club members obliged and spend Saturday and Sunday photographing the tournament.



*Photo by Alan Sadlier*



*Photos by Marian Paap*



**ANIMAL WELFARE LEAGUE FUNDRAISER**  
**'BARK PARK' KURRAJONG**  
**SUNDAY, 16 OCTOBER**

The Camera Club was approached by the Vice-President approached from the NSW Animal Welfare League to participate in their fundraising event at Kurrajong 'Bark Park'. The volunteered photographers' involvement provided photo opportunity for the people and their pets on the day. Following are some of the pets that were photographed on the day.







*Photos by Marian Paap*



**GARDEN COMPETITION PRESENTATION EVENING**  
**WEDNESDAY, 19 OCTOBER**

Thanks to all the members attended on the presentation evening to support and represent the Camera Club and especially for those who volunteered to take on the tasks behind the scenes and on the day to make this a successful evening. Everyone looked great in Club polo shirts.



*Trophies and Prizes are setup and ready to go!!*



*Jonathan posing for a test shot*





Marian-garden comp coordinator, Joathan-PowerPoint Presenter, Alan Sadlier-Photographer and Natasha from the council



Michelle, Ashleigh [function Coordinator–Windsor RSL], Tina & Debrah



*The new Mayor's speech*



*The lady in orange – Ms Ruth, Michelle and Iris having a laugh!*



*The Garden Comp winners - congratulations*





*Well earned drink and nicely dressed too!!  
Photo by Pete Burford*



**THANK YOU TO ALL**

## WOLGAN VALLEY DISCOVERY TRAIL

SUNDAY 23 OCTOBER

“Oils ain’t Oils” Well it was from 1906 to 1932 when the Commonwealth Oil Corporation processed a tonne of Torbanite (Shale) to extract 350 litres of high grade shale oil at the now ruins of the large scale Industrial plant at Newnes not far from Lithgow, where it takes 20 minutes to make a coffee at the local Coffee shop...but that’s another story.

That’s where 10 Club members ventured last Sunday amid fine weather and exceptional scenery. Tea break and photo stops along the way had us arriving at midday, so after lunch the fit and the brave tackled the zig zag track along the National Parks tourist trail through the ruins. For those familiar with the Newnes Glow Worm tunnel, this plant was the termination point of the rail line. For more info on the site just Google Newnes Oil Shale Wollemi National Park. PB

*By Pete Burford*







*Photos by Pete Burford*







*Photos by Paul Hulbert*



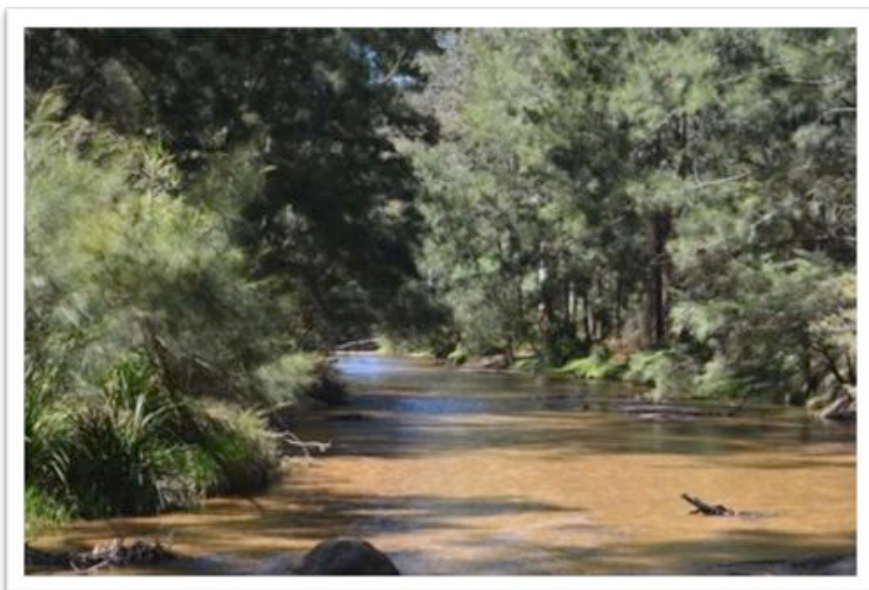
For once I arrived early for an outing. As many of our members know, I generally arrive late. So, the day was already off to a great start for me!

Deborah and John were my travelling companions for the day and we set off with a quick pit stop at Maccas, then onwards to Kurrajong Heights to meet up with the rest of the adventurers. We all stopped at the lovely Vanilla Bean Café in Lithgow and then made our way to Lidsdale. From there we made our way to Newnes and explored the hotel/museum.

We had a lovely time having lunch in the camping grounds and we all took lots of photos of the beautiful creek. Then the adventure club made way to the Ruins Walk and spent several hours exploring the ruins of Newnes.

We finally made our way back to The Richmond Club by about 5ish and I hope everyone had a fun time, because I did and I am looking forward to our next outing. A very big thank you to Paul for organising this wonderful outing.

*By Michelle Godsby*



*Photos by Michelle Godsby*

### Newsletter Contributions

To the Newsletter Editor-Marian Paap – [newslettereditor@hawkesburycameraclub.com.au](mailto:newslettereditor@hawkesburycameraclub.com.au)

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