



Meeting Date:	November 14th	Print Secretary Brian Paatsch 02 6025 2117 brianjan@dragnet.com.au
Judge:	Michael Mathews	
Subject:	Frozen	

Colour Prints – Section 'B' (Red Dot)

1	37	Choices	8	pts	Place	
Comments: Very neat and tidy freezer. I am worried what to do with frozen rubber gloves....perhaps if they had been the pink or blue ones.						
2	133	Frozen in Space	8	pts	Place	
Comments: We have nicely captured and panned with the movement but we need a faster shutter speed to freeze the movement.						
3	4	Cool	8	pts	Place	
Comments: This could have been planned by popping one or two cubes out and putting something colourful in and refreezing.						
4	12	Its Cold	10	pts	Place	
Comments: Really shows how cold it is. Try putting a point of focus on one of the thirds such as the leaves on the very right of the frame.						
5	97	Bride on Buffalo	13	pts	Place	Merit
Comments: Good travel picture showing the cold side of frozen. I would like to see the snow a little whiter then add some contrast to bring up the markings in the snow.						
6	117	Frozen in Time	14	pts	Place	2nd
Comments: This is a very good example of frozen with a high shutter speed being used freezing the water jet.						
7	26	Icy Perspective	8	pts	Place	
Comments: We have got a? Perspective but need contrast to keep our attention in the photo.						
8	37	Frozen	11	pts	Place	
Comments: Good showing the ice on the trees. Try moving closer and making one of the icy branches.						
9	119	Trapped	15	pts	Place	1st
Comments: No real sight of icicles but we have ice and a pleasing pattern in the leaves and their collars point of focus in the foreground.						
10	54	Frozen Fungi	9	pts	Place	
Comments: Move in closer and get cold knees looking at different angles like from the side like fungi are normally photographed.						
11	133	Winter Fetch	11	pts	Place	
Comments: Good photo of the dog and stick doing something but the use of a higher iso or larger aperture to give a higher speed is needed to freeze the subject.						

Colour Prints – Section 'A' (Yellow Dot)

1	7	Desperation	14	pts	Place	2nd
Comments: Good use of colour and composition.						
2	34	Oh No Brain Freeze	12	pts	Place	
Comments: Didn't need to look at the title, interesting use of subject and very simple.						
3	59	Blue with the Cold	9	pts	Place	
Comments: Nice colour in the ice. The dead grass is distracting. Try moving around to change the background or zoom in on a small piece.						
4	95	Marions Lookout	13	pts	Place	Merit
Comments: Foreground gives good perspective and adds to the composition.						
5	10	Too Cold for Boating	15	pts	Place	1st
Comments: Captures the mood beautifully.						
6	27	Going Nowhere	8	pts	Place	
Comments: Interesting to wake up to in the morning...but nice to record it.						
7	34	These Moments Frozen in Time	8	pts	Place	
Comments: An interesting play on the subject title.						



8	43	Chillin' Out	11	pts	Place	
Comments: Nicely framed and a good record shot.						
9	59	Winter Freeze	9	pts	Place	
Comments: There are two photos here. Either the photo on the right or the photo on the left. Their condition is also a problem.						
10	81	Mt McKay and Icicles	12	pts	Place	
Comments: Nicely framed with fence and icicles. Sunshine on icicles gives a pleasing effect.						
11	95	Pademelon	10	pts	Place	
Comments: Good record of them living on the snowline in a environment most mammals either leave or hibernate.						
12	108	The Last Straw	11	pts	Place	
Comments: Very simple, quite interesting and well framed.						
13	109	Hail and Ice	10	pts	Place	
Comments: Perhaps a little to much contrast but a pleasing effect.						

Monochrome Prints

1	7	Winter Scene	13	pts	Place	Merit
Comments: Beautiful landscape with a stream leading to the bridge. Beware of over sharpening giving over definition.						
2	10	Bleak	11	pts	Place	
Comments: Really good use of a strong foreground subject.						
3	26	Dessert is Sorted	8	pts	Place	
Comments: As long as the ice cream has more than a spoonful. Exposure, sharpness and depth of field need attention.						
4	27	Cradle Mt Snow Drift	12	pts	Place	
Comments: Good control of exposure and printing technique.						
5	34	Can You Freeze Time	11	pts	Place	
Comments: Subject fairly well placed with a play of words in the title.						
6	37	Moisture	9	pts	Place	
Comments: Interesting formation of icicles. Try concentrating on a small group showing how they form.						
7	43	Frozen in Time	10	pts	Place	
Comments: Good use of a high shutter speed to freeze the movement in the water.						
8	81	Yellow Frosted Ferns	8	pts	Place	
Comments: Needs stronger composition and more depth of field but the texture in the icicles, where they are in focus, is very nice.						
9	95	Frozen Pond	12	pts	Place	
Comments: The black grass seed heads give a pleasing effect.						
10	108	Cold As	15	pts	Place	1st
Comments: Clean sharp photo showing good control of B/W printing and the bit of bush on the top right third keeps you in the photo.						
11	126	Leaf in Ice	9	pts	Place	
Comments: The leaf has taken on a very interesting form.						
12	7	Winter Stream	14	pts	Place	2nd
Comments: Good use of shutter speed and depth of field. The texture of the paper also gives an effect.						

EDIA Competition

1	10	Hoar Frost	13	pts	Place	Merit
Great effect but a little overdone with full light but a great result.						
2	14	Icy Day	8	pts	Place	
Comments: I find this needing a subject on one of the thirds as I am looking around for a centre of interest.						
3	61	Frosted	11		Place	
Comments: Very busy to look at. Try concentrating on 2 of the leaves giving more composition.						



4	10	Lake Cantani Frosted	11	pts	Place	
Comments: This is nice to see as I have only seen it in summer. Good use of table and tree giving dimension.						
5	12	Chilling Lake	9	pts	Place	
Comments: Nice effect. Trees could do with a little more contrast to give them a little more dimension as they blend in just a bit too much.						
6	65	Stop the Sparks	8	pts	Place	
Comments: Nice thought to get away from the cold and into technique but? Holding is very distracting.						
7	81	Frosted Window	14	pts	Place	2nd
Comments: I am allowing for pixilation. Great colours and shapes.						
8	10	Sap Frozen	15	pts	Place	1st
Comments: Really great composition and handling of exposure.						
9	14	Windows of Winter	8	pts	Place	
Comments: Well framed but through the windows is messy.						
10	27	Lake Dove Frozen	8	pts	Place	
Comments: Seems to be a photo with a lot of exposure problems.						
11	10	Snow and Ice	10	pts	Place	
Comments: Ice is well formed on the branches but still needs some composition with a focal point.						
12	61	Melting	12	pts	Place	
Comments: Good fun in photo shop. Try putting some yellow back in the eyes.						
13	43	Iced Over	12	pts	Place	
Comments: A little over exposed with the detail in the icicle blending into background. Adjust exposure and contrast will help.						

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EDIB Competition

1	12	Autumn Freeze	9	pts	Place	
Comments: This image has potential. It would have been preferable to have all of the leaf along the top showing, instead of the tight crop you have presented to us. A suggestion for improvement of the image would be by lifting the brightness, colour saturation and sharpness. The leaf has been nicely defined against the background.						
2	20	Cold Feet	11	pts	Place	
Comments: We are glad not to be the person creating the footprints, but a well taken and exposed image. A little busier than a similar one later in the competition, could be improved by tighter cropping on the left hand side and also along the lower front. Filling in the top right hand dark corner with more of the timber flooring would give it greater impact.						
3	86	It's Mine	8	pts	Place	
Comments: If only art was judged on execution, you would have a winner. It's been exactly the right moment when you've hit the shutter button. An overall Improvement could be made with minor cropping of the horse and rider from the left hand side. The white car is also a distraction and needs some work on it to lessen its visual impact. All the major elements are in tune, the all riders looking to the ball, the dust being raised by the horses and the general feel of this action shot.						
4	135	Frozen Landscape 2	8	pts	Place	
Comments: Keeping to the theme, nicely defined middle area that's been well exposed with good treatment and presenting it as a monochrome. Image perhaps a little too busy at the top and could be improved by cropping that area.						
5	119	Dinner	14	pts	Place	2nd Place
Comments: Nicely composed image. The mouth, eyes head all clearly defined with a good balance of subject to the amount of ice used. Only minor touches needed to improve this image by adjusting the brightness, sharpness and highlighting the brightness in the eye.						
6	120	South America	9	pts	Place	
Comments: Fits the theme beautifully but care is needed when focusing on this type of close, middle and distant subject. The point of this image (<i>mainly the foreground</i>) is that it is slightly out of focus up to the boat. Composition would be improved by placing the coastline on one of the third lines, however for this image brighten it a little, with some sharpening and increase the saturation by boosting the colours would help.						



7	121	Cracked Frozen	12	pts	Place	Merit
Comments: I'm not sure about the theme but a well exposed and thought out photo which could possibly be improved by placing the egg on the top right third. Nice overall feel and good contrast in colours between the egg and background. The crack in the egg as small as it is, adds further interest to this image.						
8	126	Flowers in Ice	13	pts	Place	Merit
Comments: Interesting concept, easy to determine the subject, nicely composed and balanced image. To draw greater interest an improvement would be by lifting the brightness and sharpness.						
9	133	Point of Contact	11	pts	Place	
Comments: An interesting photo based on frozen in time. The rider is very central and some improvement could be made by giving him/her more space on the right to move into the direction of travel (<i>this is normal practice within the rules of composition</i>). In this case also removing some of the space behind the ride. A suggestion could be to pre-focus and then pan with the subject being in the left hand side of the frame. Also removing some of the distracting whites at the top would greatly improve the image.						
10	135	Frozen Landscape 1	9	pts	Place	
Comments: A difficult one to judge because the main focus in this image gets lost due to the out of focus and busy background. Perhaps a vignette to the busy background and blur it out even further. This would lead the eye of the viewer to focus on the sharpest area of the image, the grass. Fits the theme and great look in monochrome.						
11	12	Frozen Track	11	pts	Place	
Comments: Interesting tyre patterns but lacks a single focal point. Could perhaps be improved by cropping along the top as well as correcting the exposure and some attention to the black area if it's not cropped out. "Cloning" it or using "content aware" would maintain its image proportions.						
12	20	Frost Bite	12	pts	Place	Merit
Comments: Simplicity, this is it, leading lines, patterns, shapes and variations of one dominate colour. A well taken and exposed image. The volunteer whether intentional or not has created humour in as much as maybe walking to the right and running back the other way after finding out it's just too cold to go bare footed.						
13	26	Frozen Dinner	8	pts	Place	
Comments: This image is named Frozen dinner, a single bit of food added could have given us a point of interest, instead we are left to ponder what might have been. Improvement can be made by toning down the blues, brightening and sharpening the image. The square framing is fine but is too tightly cropped around the edges of the plate on the dark background. Concept is good and fits the theme.						
14	86	Where's The Ball	9	pts	Place	
Comments: A balls up! It's a any which way image. It's what we don't see in real time and only photography can give us this frozen moment. Cropping would achieve an improved composition that will concentrate the eyes on the action and not wondering around the background, also lightening the shadow areas of the horses and decreasing the saturated reds will give a more satisfying shot.						
15	119	Thawing Nicely	15	pts	Place	1st Place
Comments: Nice bold colours and good arrangement giving it huge impact and very pleasing to look at. My only suggestion to improve this image is by adjusting the brightness. The orange light refractions through some of the near transparent ice is also a bonus that has been achieved here. Let's just enjoy the prawns.						
16	120	Whiskey on Ice	11	pts	Place	
Comments: Perhaps a nice title would be "Scotch on the Rocks" Improvements could be made by removing the distracting red patch at the bottom right, sharpening the ice and perhaps vignetting the image to draw the viewer further in to the subject matter.						
17	121	Frosty Flower	11	pts	Place	
Comments: Nicely blurred background allowing us to focus on the flower and its centre. Some brightening to the flower, burning in to the rims of the right side leafs and some detailed sharpening would add greater impact. The steam effect adds some airy mystery and suggests a warming of the frost.						
18	126	Frosted Mushy	11	pts	Place	
Comments: A Great little image. This macro/close up world is one very tough subject to be attempting with narrow depth of field, but beautifully blurred backgrounds achievable. Maybe try bracketing the f/stops to allow us to see more in focus of the left side frost, as that lighter area does draw us in to an unsharpened area. If you have access to post processing try removing the single blade of grass and the lower left side near stem.						