



Monthly Newsletter of the Wodonga Albury Camera Club

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Paatsch Shield Challenge Presentations

On Sunday the 11th of September 2016, Wodonga Albury Camera Club and Benalla Camera Club met at Wangaratta for the 2016 Paatsch Shield Challenge presentation. The day commenced with a casual stroll through the Wangaratta markets and surrounding parklands followed by a social lunch at the Wangaratta Club.

After lunch, we sat down to view the images submitted from both clubs and to listen to the judges' comments. As always, the quality and diversity of the images was outstanding and only four points stood between the winning club and its counterpart.

In third place was Jen Fawkes with her image "The Old Register". In second place was Vicki Cain with her image "Past Remedies" Coming in first place was Monika King with her image "Old News".

We would like to thank all members who submitted photos for the Paatsch Shield Challenge. Our combined efforts resulted in Wodonga Albury Camera Club winning the Paatsch Shield for another year!

Diary Dates

Monday 12th September 2016 @ Boomerang Hotel 7:30pm General Meeting Judging – Portraiture Entries due – Shoot from above

Saturday 17th September 2016 1:00pm Dog Photography Workshop at Albury Dog Park

Thursday 22nd September 2016 7:00pm Committee Meeting @ S. Alston Residence.

Monday 10th October 2016 @ Boomerang Hotel 7:30pm General Meeting Judging – Open Entries due – Open



Photos from left to right: David Willis accepting the Paatsch Shield Challenge on behalf of Wodonga Albury Camera Club. Jen Fawkes presenting Monika King with the winners' mug. Monika Kings winning entry "Old News" (*Taken on a Samsung Mobile Phone*).

Paatsch Shield Challenge Presentation Cont'd



Photo above: Place getters of the 2016 Paatsch Shield Challenge



David Woolcock will be running a dog photography workshop on Saturday the 17th of September at the Albury North Dog Park. The workshop will commence at 1:00pm and go for approximately 2 hours.

Members are invited to come along and learn techniques in photographing live subjects. There will be 6 different dogs available to photograph. Members will have the opportunity to take still photos as well as capture images of dogs using the agility equipment at the dog park.

Dog treats will be provided on the day. All you need to bring is your waggly tail and camera gear.



Future Club Competitions:

October:

Judging - Open Entries Due – Open

November: Judging – Shoot from Above Entries Due – Feet Photographic Challenge

HELPFUL TIPS

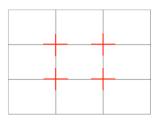
Rule of Thirds



Our next photographic challenge is all about the rule of thirds. The "rule of thirds" is perhaps the most well-known rule of photographic composition and rightly so as it is the basis for well balanced and interesting shots.

What is the rule of thirds?

The basic principle behind the rule of thirds is to imagine breaking an image down into thirds (*both horizontally and vertically*) so that you have 9 parts. As follows.



With this grid in mind the 'rule of thirds' now identifies four important parts of the image that you should consider placing points of interest in as you frame your image.

The theory is that if you place points of interest in the intersections **or** along the lines, then your photo becomes more balanced and will enable a viewer of the image to interact with it more naturally.

Keep the rule of thirds in mind as you edit your photos later on. Post production editing tools have good tools for cropping and reframing images so that they fit within the rules.

Kerry & Leighton Weymouth

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