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the newsletter of the matamata camera club

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Some results from
August's Open and Mystery Item entries



A grade - Mystery Object theme - Honours
Cassandra Robinson - Matchsticks galore



A grade Open - Merit
Cushla Thornton-Brown - Smiley man

Sept/Oct 2013

Up date presidents report

President's Report.

Hi All

Well... the year is fast coming to an end...Yikes another year older. At the moment I feel on top of the world...Another win to ETNZ.. What a Thrashing.If we win I should nearly, if not, be retired when we race here in NZ.. wow that would be so much fun spending all the time up there, on the water watching. MMMM.... I've just been told to get out of the clouds and back to earth, and get on with work.

Thank you Helena for a very informative evening, you made us appreciate what it would be like to photograph the Aurora, from Norway, especially under such cold conditions. What a beautiful place. And then sharing a little about your homecountry, I found it fascinating. Thank you

Next months Theme is 'Inner workings'.

The mechanisms of how things work.

Could include macros, abstracts etc.

November is the AGM.

So until Next time I'll see you round

like the America's Cup Course

Go ETNZ

Keith

STOP PRESS

Now that the newsletter is ready

to send my report is old news

Anyway, so we didn't win the cup,

it seems its all about money

Even though our boys didn't bring the cup home,

between us and the Aussies we still win.The

American boat was mostly crewed by foreigners,

and New Zealand built most of it, and an Aussie

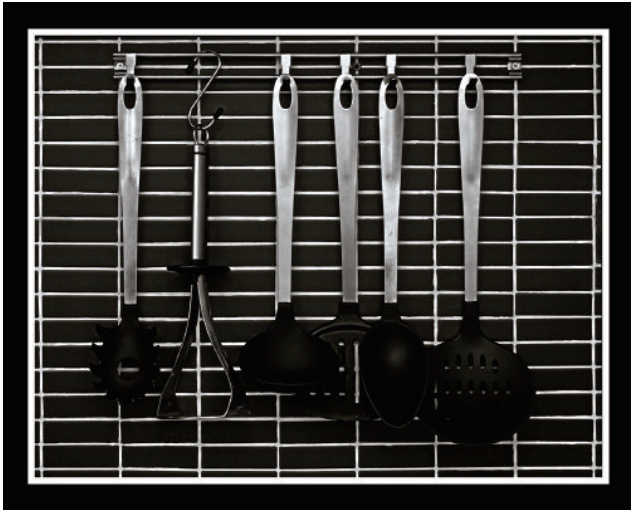
skipped it, and a New Zealander was Boss.

(so we win) (Yah)

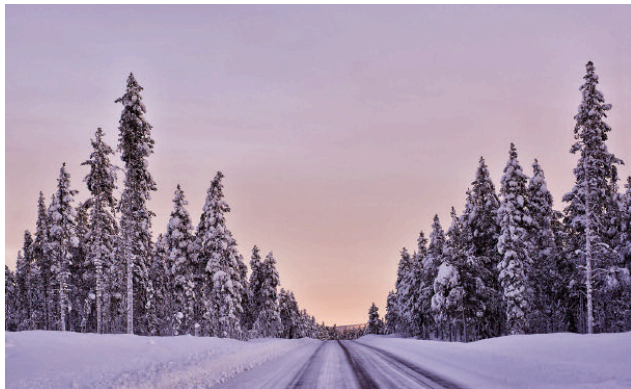
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See you at the meeting,
for my other passion.. Photography

Keith



A grade - Open - Honours
Sarah Macmillan - Odd one out



B grade - Merit
Helena Gratkowski
The- -frozen- -forests- -of- -Arctic- -Scandinavia



B grade - Open -Merit
Caron Stewart - It's a cats life

From September's Meeting

Present: Keith, Elaine, Cassandra, Helena,
Geoff, Dennis, Amanda, Cushla, Esther,
Liz, Caron & Tracey
Apologies: Brie & Tina

Chocolate Fish Quote:

"It doesn't matter if you use a box camera or you use a Leica; the important thing is what motivates you when you are photographing."

Answer: Eve Arnold.

Winner: No Winner this month
'Keith leave those fish alone'

Next Month's Theme:

AGM – no theme this month.

- submit you end-of-year
Open Print of The Year,

Landscape Print and Floral Print.

Start preparing your end-of-year theme (min 6 images)

Critiques for Aug submissions
read out by Keith

Chocolate fish Quote:

No winners for the month,
hopefully Keith hasn't eaten the fish

Helena gave us a presentation of her recent mission with her sister to return her mother's ashes to Poland and her tour of Norway & Sweden in a quest to photograph the Aurora Borealis

Finished up with supper

Club & Local Events

Oct 7th

Entries due

Email in your images for this month's theme and open by Monday 5pm to photos@matamatacameraclub.org.

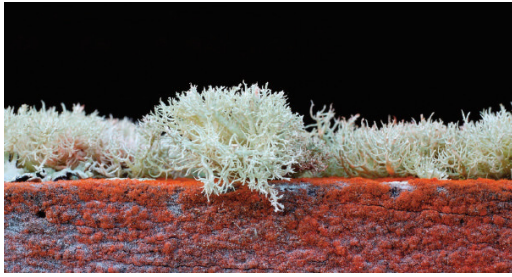
Theme - Digital Inner Workings.- the mechanisms of how things work. Could include macro's, close-up's etc.

Also open digital

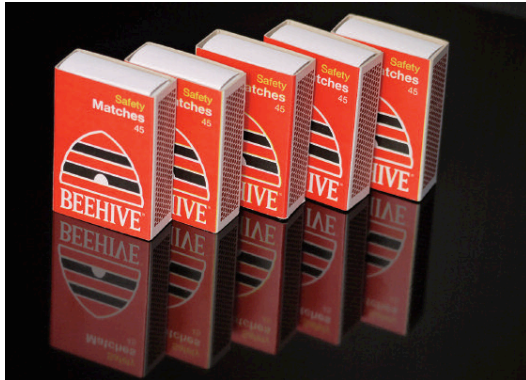
Oct 8th

Club Meeting 7.30pm

All Saints Anglican Church's Small Hall
Corner of Broadway and Hohaia Streets



B grade Open - Merit
Cassandra Robinson - Delicate by nature



A grade Mystery Item- Highly Commended
Cushla Thornton-Brown - line of boxes



A grade - Mystery Item- Honours
Sarah Macmillan - All lit up



B grade - Mystery Item - Merit
Sue -Royal love

Oct 11th

Last call for entries to local Arts Exhibition

Oct 12 & 13th

The Society of Arts Exhibition

(with potters, carvers, sculptors, painters etc)

Keith thinks its normally \$3.00 per entry or \$10 for 4 or more but check with him before paying as we are invited artists for this exhibition so, there probably won't be a fee, and our entries will possibly not be judged.

This is a big and very popular exhibition, and it is well worth us entering stuff (from experience), not just for the camera club but more importantly for your own personal benefit, and a great chance to show off your work and maybe make some money.

If you want your pics sold, it is up to you to put a price on them. The Society of Arts takes 20% commission. They can be anything, framed, canvas print, but mats probably won't sell so well.

PSNZ

Oct 4th - 6th

PSNZ Southern Convention

Lake Tekapo - Where Photography Comes Naturally"

Host club - Focus Aorangi Photographic Society Inc.,

Timaru. See <http://tekapo.org.nz>

Oct 16th

Closing date for Dunedin Festival of Photography

Oct 25th

Canon Online Round 5 closes

Oct 30th

Jack Sprosen Entries Close

The 2014 competition is being organised by the Whanganui Camera Club.

An entry form can be downloaded from http://www.photography.org.nz/jack_sprosen.html

Dec 9th

End of year Dinner & Awards night

Any volunteers for hosting our end of year dinner and awards night, contact Keith

Dec 25th

Canon Online Round 6 closes

Start planning now for:

PSNZ

The 62nd National Convention – 2014
Wednesday 23 April to Sunday 27 April 2014
Malborough Convention Centre, Blenheim

PSNZ Honours and Awards Information

With the increase of 'A' Grade photographers in the club it may be a good time to introduce the seasoned 'A' grader to a new challenge. Rather than concentrating on single or triptych images PSNZ Honours and awards are judged on a portfolio of images.

A portfolio being "a presentation of photographic work in which the total has greater value than the sum of the individual parts."

Closing date for each year: February 28

<http://photography.org.nz/honours.html>
has all the details

Quote with a difference:

This Month's Quote is
"When you photograph people in color, you photograph their clothes. But when you photograph people in black and white, you photograph their souls!":

Your email answer should read as
To: photos@matamatacameraclub.org

Subject: Chocolate Fish
Text: Who said "This months quote."
Answer – This months author

Links:

Inner working photography
<http://www.toddmclellan.com/thingscomeapart>

Time lapse photography
Beginners info
<http://www.learntimelapse.com/>

Professional info
<http://www.digitalphotopro.com/technique/camera-technique/time-lapse-primer.html>



A grade - Mystery Item - Merit
Tracey Smith - Face value



A grade - Mystery Item - Merit
Sarah Macmillan- Winter leaves



B grade - Mystery Item- Merit
Caron Stewart- Burnt Hand