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Manawatu Camera Club

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Welcome!

Thank you to Ajay for taking over the role of Newsletter Editor.

The Club programme for 2006 sets out the activities but the people factor makes the Manawatu Camera Club so popular. Whether novice photographer or wise mentor, club members are willing to share their knowledge and give encouragement to improve.

If you think you take good photographs, come along to Camera Club to learn how to make superb images. There's a special prize for the best landscape image next month.

Do join us on the second and fourth Mondays of the month!

Sonia,
(MCC President)

What's Happening?

Meeting Monday 13 March

7.30 pm Share your small prints on the Small Prints Board.

Enter your prints or slides in the April competition "Landscape" and "Open".

7.45 pm Chris Thomasen will comment on entries for "Wind Turbines" and "Open".

8.45 pm Leicester and Robert's wind turbine project.

9.00 pm Coffee/tea

Sunday 19 March. Trip to Mt Bruce Reserve

1.00 pm Depart Lido Car Park, Park Road. For information see page 4, or contact Sonia, 356 1073.

Meeting, Monday 27 March

7.30 pm Small prints displayed on the large screen. Problem solving with helpful comments.

8.00 pm Digital Update: Scanners and software demonstration.

9.00 pm Coffee/tea

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Landscape

"Landscape" and is the topic for the set subject competition with print or slide entries required **no later** than 13 March. The best time for landscape photography is early morning, late afternoon or evening. Palmerston North.

Please Note: No competition images will be accepted after the closing date. This applies to all monthly competitions during 2006.

Changes to Manawatu Camera Club Certificates of Achievement

Novice	earn	30 points	
Practitioner	earn another	40 points	
Mentor	earn another	50 points	including 5 Honours
Icon	earn another	60 points	including 10 Honours

The good news is that the Committee has decided that the certificate points can accumulate into succeeding years. The requirement for Honours awards has been included in the Mentor and Icon levels. Records will be calculated on spreadsheet by Ajay, Newsletter Editor.

Commencing in March

- 1 On the competition nights (the second Monday of the month) we are introducing TEN minute TIPS. Yes, restricted to 10 minutes, club members will "show and tell", giving advice that they have found to be very helpful in the taking of pictures and/or the subsequent manipulation of images. At the March meeting, Robert and Leicester will talk on "catching the light".
- 2 On the practical nights (the fourth Monday of the month), a club member or visitor will show pictures with WOW. These may be travel pics to exotic places. This will be restricted to 20 minutes and will be in addition to the theme for the night.

As discussed by Richard at the meeting on 27th February 2006, MCC members have been invited to participate with an international publisher to provide images for use in a series of books to be sold to a mass market in New Zealand. When more details come to hand, the topics, themes of the books will be known and more details of the specific images that are needed. A small group of MCC members will be given the task of selecting the best images to be sent to the publisher. What is in it for you? If an image of yours is chosen, you will be given photo credit in the book. Probably, you will also be paid for the image.

Watch this space!

Field Trip 19 March, 1 pm

We'll meet at 1 pm outside Memorial Park, Main Street, then drive over the Pahiatua Track to the Mt Stewart Bird Sanctuary in the Wairarapa.

The birds are elusive around lunchtime so we should have more chance of seeing them during the afternoon.

Add your name to the list for this trip at the Club Meeting!

ZERO: NEW WORKS BY CONTEMPORARY NEW ZEALAND AND AUSTRALIAN PHOTOGRAPHERS

Te Manawa is showing a display of photos from March 10th - June 10th by women photographers. The display is to be called Zero - sounds a little arty-farty as they use words like "photography is the ideal medium through which to explore ideas of absence and presence..." Well, could be worth a visit!

More details: www.temanawa.co.nz

Scanning and Software Workshop 27 March

So now you have a digital camera. It may be the new toy or a prized possession.

The first stage of digital development is to read the manual and have fun taking lots of pictures and show friends and family what they look like on the camera LCD screen. Then remember to have the images printed!

The second stage is to consider extending your skill by transferring images from the camera to a computer and using digital editing software. Remember to print some images!

The third stage is to add to your digital hardware and scan or photograph some of those old prints of special people or events.

The fourth stage is to create a photoshow using, for example, ProShow Gold or MS Movie Maker.

What type of scanner is recommended? Print scanner? Slide scanner? How do they work? What is a photoshow?

These questions and more will be answered on 27 March at 7.30 pm. See you there! Bring a friend!

ANZANG COMPETITION

“Nature and Landscape Photographer of the Year 2006”

For details, please visit the website;

www.anzangnature.com

Closing date of entries 1st of May 2006

April Landscape Competition Prize

The company “CANVART” of Levin has sponsored a prize of “the best landscape image” from the April competition . The company will print the respective image on canvas for the winner. The image size will be 30 x 30 cm on canvas.

So make sure you have an entry!!!!