



Prism NEWSLETTER



President's Piece

November 2020

Greetings QCG members and also a big welcome to new member Tim MacTaggart. I hope everyone is in good health, that your homes are intact after the storms and importantly that you have enjoyed a wonderful month of photography.

In October, we were fortunate to have Guest Judges, Jenny Graff and our very own David Bullock generously give their time for in-depth judging of the Photoshoot Outings and Hunt and Shoot. Congratulations to all the participants and to the place getters including Dorothy Bunzli who blitzed the Hunt and Shoot field. See more on page 3.

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The Portrait Group led by Gaye Edwards took their model to the streets exploring the Laneways in the Brisbane CBD for a location with a difference. A sample of images from the day are on Page 5. For more, browse the Gallery on the QCG website.

Reflecting on the last month of QCG activities, Michelle Kennedy popped immediately to mind. At first I thought it was because she was the last Focus Group speaker. Then realised it was her talented and highly skilled work in post-production that still captured my attention.

How did the session impact on you? Did you find yourself thinking about ideas to get more creative? Did it inspire you to try something new in Photoshop post-production? Did you pick up your mobile phone instead and decided to leave it until next year?

Whatever your view, it made me aware of the value of being part of a club. Being able to share the experience of learning together and even better to see the achievement of your efforts in the images you produce.

As we get closer to the end of a significant year and head into Christmas and the holiday period, perhaps it's worth reflecting on progress and also what to do with all those images, hidden away in discs or in clouds the eye can't see.

Storing images is fantastic for space saving, though what about the appeal of printing out your best Portrait or Creative or Landscape to put on a wall, to give as a gift, to admire in a portfolio or in a Photobook, of course!

Presidents' Piece Cont,

Many of you agree, so thank you for your participation in the Zoom poll at the last meeting so that now we know. A QCG Photobook is where you get a chance to showcase an image you love and have it printed alongside the best images of your fellow club members. It is likely to be a real highlight in an otherwise challenging 2020.

There is still more to come in the next couple of months. This month, get ready for:

Thursday 5 November – Competition Judging: Nature and Social Documentary

Thursday 19 November – Competition Judging: Creative and Pictorial

Saturday 21 November – Portrait Group

By the way, does your monitor need calibrating? If so, QCG has 2 'Spyder' Monitor Calibrating units for loan. Contact Tony FitzGerald wendyandtony@optusnet.com if you want to know more.

Jasmine Westerman

QCG President



Dorothy Bunzli's winning Hunt and Shoot photo "***Together***– for the we are all in it together section

Competition Corner—Photoshoot Outings

Guest Judge Jenny Graff

The October 15 judging night was another Zoom double header. Jenny Graff was the judge for Photoshoot Outings, an aggregate competition where this year members were able to enter up to 4 DPIs taken on official club photoshoot outings. The entries for this competition were an enjoyable reminder of the range of outings we have managed this year, including Wilson's Outlook, Sherwood Arboretum, the Workshops Rail Museum, Mulgowie Markets, Stones Corner and of course our own backyards and even front yards for Anzac Day. Jenny provided extensive comments on the night and also in MyPhotoClub for members to refer back to.

The evening concluded with our own David Bullock providing his thoughtful judging and commentary on the Hunt and Shoot. Chris Pigott and Dorothy Bunzli tied with two first places each, but Dorothy was our winner with a second and third place as well. It was very entertaining to see the similarities and differences in how members interpreted each topic!

A Grade Honour Winners



Pay Me Some Attention Darling! - Martin Reilly



Happy Days—Nick Lefebvre



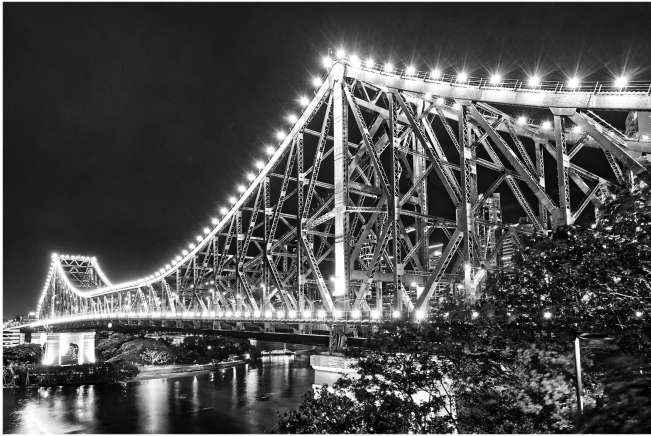
Somewhat ruffled—Elizabeth Reilly



Aunty Colleen - Martin Reilly

Competition Corner—Photoshoot Outings Cont.

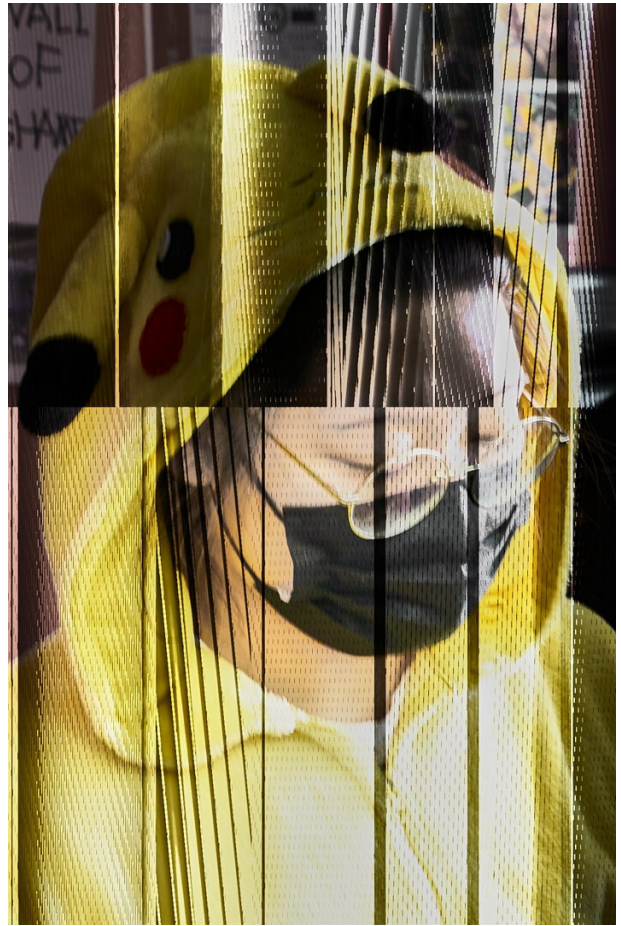
AB Grade Honour Winners



Story Bridge Lights—Peter Moodie



Malgownie Dogs Day Out—Jasmine Westerman



Fractured—Geoff Shortland

B Grade Honour Winners



Mutual Attraction—Chris Pigott

Competition Corner—Hunt & Shoot Cont.

Guest Judge—David Bullock

Results: Hunt and Shoot

| | Topic | First | Second | Third |
|---|----------------------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| 1 | Spring has Sprung | Peter Moodie | Gaye Slade | Geoff Shortland |
| 2 | Marks the spot | Chris Pigott | Esther Andrews | Tony Fitzgerald |
| 3 | Four (or more) people | Esther Andrews | Martin Riley | Geoff Lawrence |
| 4 | Happiness | Chris Pigott | Dorothy Bunzli | Martin Riley |
| 5 | The full monty | Jasmine Westerman | Wendy Fitzgerald | Esther Andrews |
| 6 | Abstract | Margaret Whyte | Martin Riley | Dorothy Bunzli |
| 7 | Le Tour continues | Dorothy Bunzli | Anne Pappalardo | Joy Melchiori |
| 8 | We're all in this together | Dorothy Bunzli | Tony Fitzgerald | Margaret Whyte |



Wining Images left to right 1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8

October Portrait Group—City Laneways



Gaye Edwards

The QCG Portrait Group held an exciting Laneways of Brisbane walkabout workshop on Saturday 17th October. Finding the right light in busy outdoor settings was again the main task for our seven keen shooters. Crystal (a hair and makeup artist) was our model and it wasn't long before her sense of fun was evident. Members benefited greatly from Crystal's willingness to provide character poses in some unusual and interesting locations. Here are some action photos. Please check out more images on the club website! This month's 21st November Portrait Group meeting will be our last for the year - watch for your email notification closer to the date.



Image above—Margaret Whyte

Article and images by Gaye Edwards

Focus Group— Michelle Kennedy—Creative Images



looking Through The Layers' with Michelle Kennedy

For our October Focus Group, we had the honour of welcoming back interstate guest Michelle Kennedy who lives on the Central Coast of NSW. Michelle wowed us back in August with her talk on 'Activating the Creative Mind' and inspired us with her amazing creative composite images.

This presentation was an opportunity to see how one of Michelle's Award Winning Images was created, from start to finish, including all the adjustment layers, shadow layers and overall effects.

She taught the Photoshop techniques used to build a believable scene and gave us the opportunity to discuss them as she went along. Michelle's image "Zoo Poker" used a variety of techniques and elements providing an opportunity for everyone to learn something



Zoo Poker by Michelle Kennedy

Avid QCG participants learning Michelle's techniques



Photoshoot Outing Results

A Grade Photoshoot Outings

| | | |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| Pay Me Some Attention Darling! | Martin Riley | Honour, Most Apt Title |
| Aunty Colleen | Martin Riley | Honour |
| Happy days | Nick Lefebvre | Honour |
| Somewhat ruffled | Elizabeth Riley | Honour |
| Race No More | Philip Lawrence | Merit |
| In Need of a Bath | Jane McMenamin | Merit |
| Lest We Forget A Local Hero | Philip Lawrence | Merit |
| Brisbane in Pink for Hannah Clarke | Martin Riley | Merit |
| Egret Refuge | Martin Riley | Merit |
| Noble | Tony FitzGerald | Merit |
| Tiny Superb Fairywren Oxley Common | Gaye Edwards | Merit |
| Riverside at Fernvale | Gaye Edwards | Merit |
| ANZAC Day Driveways at Dawn | Gaye Edwards | Merit |
| My backyard buddy | Anne Pappalardo | Merit |
| Snowdrop in Spring | Louise McDonald | Merit |
| Bold and beautiful | Tony FitzGerald | Merit |
| Market Day | Nick Lefebvre | Merit |
| Contrast | Nick Lefebvre | Merit |
| Best in Show | Anne Pappalardo | Merit |
| Making ripples | Elizabeth Riley | Merit |

AB Grade Photoshoot Outings

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|-------------------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Storey Bridge Lights | Peter Moodie | Honour |
| Malgownie Dogs Day Out | Jasmine Westerman | Honour |
| Fractured | Geoff Shortland | Honour |
| Steam Train Whistle | Peter Moodie | Merit |
| Spider and Web | Peter Moodie | Merit |
| Action Duck | Peter Moodie | Merit |
| Socially Distanced Photoshoot | Geoff Shortland | Merit |

B Grade Photoshoot Outings

| | | |
|------------------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Mutual Attraction | Chris Pigott | Honour |
| Steamed Fours | Kathie Cato | Merit |
| Poppies Amongst the Rosemary | Chris Pigott | Merit |
| Danger Lurking | Chris Pigott | Merit |
| Dogs and Clogs | Chris Pigott | Merit, Most Apt Title |
| Making a beeline | Harvey Kramer | Merit |

Visit our website:- <https://www.qcg.org.au/>

Georgie Crossley Silver Award at RISE International Photography Awards



November Photowalk by Georgie Crossley

Last Word!

Save the dates for the awards night and presentations

- Thursday 10th Dec—Awards via Zoom (glam up for the night with finest gourmet food and wine on hand)
- Saturday 12th December— Presentation of trophies, viewing of prints including face to face meetup in the park

KEEP ON PHOTOGRAPHING



QUEENSLAND CAMERA GROUP INC.

QCG meets 7:30pm – 1st and 3rd Thursdays

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Meetings currently suspended due to COVID-19 Laws

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