

JULY 2015

It was another freezing cold night with sub-polar temperatures as the Port Lincoln Camera Club members gathered in the Senior Citizens Hall for their July meeting. Committee members arrived early to set up equipment and begin to warm up the room. It was quickly obvious that intergalactic space travel is indeed possible because Pam Hewston travelled *at least* the speed of light to get the heaters on.

And then onto business. After welcoming all of those who had ventured out into the polar weather, Mr. Sykes the Club president, confirmed our upcoming weekend in Coffin Bay (28th – 30th August) for the EPCCA (Eyre Peninsula Camera Clubs Association). Michael Bolenski then presented a slide show of the recent highly successful Portrait Workshop given by John Murray. Many thanks to John for making the journey to Lincoln and spending the weekend with our group. There was unanimous agreement that it was a huge success and massive learning experience, although Michael Bolenski could occasionally be heard loudly complaining that there were no home made vanilla slices for morning tea.

Next on the agenda were the results of last month's competition. In his opening comments our judge commended the standard of many of the photos gave us some tips on photography - take photos that are different using mood, light and angle and execute a good technical approach. He also explained different scoring systems that may be used by judges. Our Set subject was "Silhouettes" and our Special Subject was "Erosion"

Gordon Fowler and Fran Solly scooped the pool for the night ...not sure why the rest of us bothered to turn up really! The Judge voted Gordon first and second for the Open Section with "On the Run" and "Stilts," with "Stilts" also being voted third in the Popular Vote by our club members. Gordon also won the judges Set Subject with "Late Arvo at Coffins" and a Judges Merit for "Makybe Diva". In the Popular votes Fran came first for the Set Subject with "Family" which was also awarded a Judges Merit and second in the Open Subject with "Marina Reflections". She also came second in the Set Subject judges with "Sculptures"

Other successes on the night were Pam Hewstone who received thirds from the judge for "Watching Carefully" and also "Sculpture Silhouette" and Janine Waters with a second in the Popular vote with "Mystery Tree" and merit for the Judge's vote for "Fairy Tern". Ruth Evans was awarded a Judge's Merit and a Popular Vote third for her emu image "On The Horizon" and last but by no means least was Lesly Scarman's "The Dancer", a first in the popular vote Open.

Our Special Subject category was "Erosion" which was won by Janine Waters for "Washed Away" with Fran Solly a close second for "Cape Wiles". Congratulations to all.

Fran Solly took her first foray into competition at the Professional level at this year's Epson AIPP South Australian Professional Photography Awards and scored a Silver in the Documentary Category. Judging was streamed online and she said it's fabulous to be able to watch the judging from the comfort of your Office and hear the comments and see the other images. A great achievement Fran. Congratulations.

Steve Sykes then shared with us what he learned attending a Judging Workshop including a list of judges' comments that any photographer would hope were never directed at their images including "I don't know what it is - I'm marking it down", "I can't find one redeeming quality in this photo", "I don't like flowers/dogs/cats etc" or "I wouldn't have done it that way"

Supper was then the order of the day at which Michael Bolenski could again be heard complaining about the absence of homemade vanilla slices even when presented with a choice of delicious home made banana muffins (courtesy Ruth Evans) and even more delicious home made chocolate cake (courtesy of Judy Glendenning) . You just can't please everyone.....

After supper, the time is available for general question time, where members can seek answers and information from those more experienced. This is a very useful forum to share knowledge and get to know fellow members..

For more information on the Port Lincoln Camera Club including meeting dates, subjects and excursions, see our website at www.portlincolncameraclub.org.au . Our next meeting is at the Senior Citizens' Hall on Monday August 24th at 7:00pm and vanilla slices are on the menu. Tiff Firth will be our guest speaker with stories and photographs from her recent trip to Africa. Please come. All welcome.



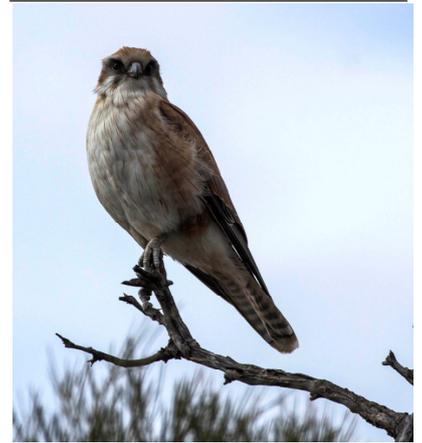
“Family”
by Fran Solly



“On the Run”
by Gordon Fowler



“The Dancer”
by Lesley Scarman



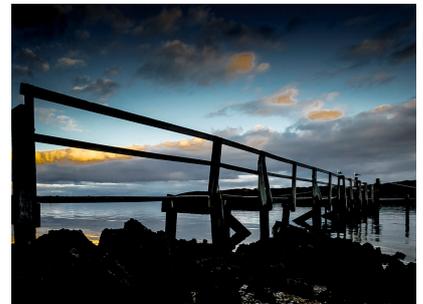
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