

Gympie Camera Club MARCH 2025 Newsletter

Hello from our President...

Hello boys and girls!

I have to say we were presented with some wonderful images for the March subject of Aged! And also wonderful to see so many prints on the night!

We have a bit of a change with our Prac Night this month... we will not be meeting at the clubhouse at 7pm, but instead AT THE GYMPIE CEMETARY at 6PM. We need to be earlier to catch the low light before it disappears... but when it does, we will bring out the torches etc and have some fun!

Be sure to bring your camera, manual (if you need help with settings), and a tripod. It should be a fun night!

And don't forget the bug spray... I hear the mozzies are big!

Looking forward to catching up with you at our next club event!

Keep clicking,

Marc



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MEMBERSHIP

ADULT :\$40

JUNIOR (up to 17 years) \$25

There is also a meeting fee of \$5 per member, per club night.

Support your club....

Whenever you shop at IGA, you can help the club earn money as IGA will donate a percentage of the total spent there. You can use the key tags (near our library) or download the app.

Go to [myDrakes App](#) | [Drakes Supermarkets](#) to download.

OUTING : Sunday 16th March ~ Friendship Day

The annual Friendship day with Caboolture and Sunshine Coast clubs is planned for Sunday the 16th of March at the Caboolture Historical Village.

This is a fun day, with photographic challenges and seeing what people found afterwards.

The cost to get in is \$15 per person, and morning tea will be supplied. You can purchase lunch there or BYO.



Those who have attended these in the past say it's a great day with lots of laughs! Hope you mark it on your calendar so you can attend!

We plan to carpool, so meeting at the clubhouse at 7.30-7.45 so we can leave at 8am sharp. Or you can also meet us at the Caboolture Historical Village by 9am.

- Arrive at 9am
- 9.00 - 9.45 Orientation and Morning tea in the Function room, behind the Hotel.
- 9.45 -12.00 Photography around the Village.
- 12.00 - 12.45 Lunch (Lunch will be at 12.00 for those who are purchasing from the Village, and any-time for those who bring their own.)
- 12.45-2.00pm Photography around the village.
- 2.00-2.30 Finish up (cuppa and chat), The Village is open until 4, and everyone is welcome to stay if they choose.



Morning Tea, tea & coffee will be supplied. There is specialty coffee available at the Redhill Cafe at the entry, at your own expense.

The village requires how many will be attending on 16th, **by the Friday 7th March**. Please email the club if you are planning to go.

SEQ : Salon of Excellence Qld is... ***OPEN***

The Salon of Excellence (SEQ) is being hosted by the Rockhampton Photography Club this year. The competition closes on Sunday March 30th, but if sending prints they should arrive the Friday before (28th) and because they are going to Rockhampton, you should post at least a week before.

There are 2 grades, A and Non-A Grade, where you enter according to the grade you are in club. C & B grade members enter into the Non-A Grade section.

There are 6 subjects, in both Digital and Print:

- OPEN COLOUR
- OPEN MONO
- PORTRAIT (COLOUR or MONO)
- NATURE (COLOUR or GREYSCALE MONO)
- SOCIAL DOCUMENTARY (GREYSCALE MONO ONLY)
- ELEMENTS (COLOUR ONLY)

Here's what YOU can be awarded!

- Gold Medallions will be awarded to the overall Champion in A Grade and Non-A Grade Print and Digital categories.
- Silver Medallions are awarded to the Winner of each Category not receiving a Gold Medallion.
- First, Second and Third place in each category will receive a Certificate.

Here's what the CLUB can be awarded! (So let's get some entries in from our club!)

- Club with the highest total points (Angus Buchanan Trophy)
- Club with the highest average points (minimum 5 entrants) (Stewart Parker Trophy)
- Club with the most acceptances (Dalby Photographic Society Shield)

Entry rules and subject definitions will be sent with the newsletter.

ENTRY FEES

- The entry fee is \$10.00 for the first section and \$5.00 for each additional section.
- IE: 6 Sections = \$35 / 12 Sections = \$65.00
- Maximum of 4 images may be entered in any one section.
- Entry fees are to be paid via Paypal on the website.
- Entry fees are non-refundable.

Click the link below to enter:

<https://psq-seq.myphotoclub.com.au/>



Bunnings Sausage Sizzle

We have been given another Sausage Sizzle Fundraiser on **Friday the 4th of April**. But we need YOUR help! We need 3 volunteers for the morning shift, and 3 for the afternoon shift. Please see Kevin or Dorothea to put your name down, or if you need more info.

March Prac Night ~ 17th March 6pm at the Gympie Cemetary

Our April Set subject is LOW LIGHT... so we're going to practice at the Cemetery!

Bring your bug & ghost repellent!!!

We will be meeting at the main gate, opposite the golf course, at 6pm (**NOT 7pm at the clubhouse**).

Bring your camera, manual and tripod. If you need to borrow one from the club, email the club BY MONDAY morning We only have a few, so get in quick.



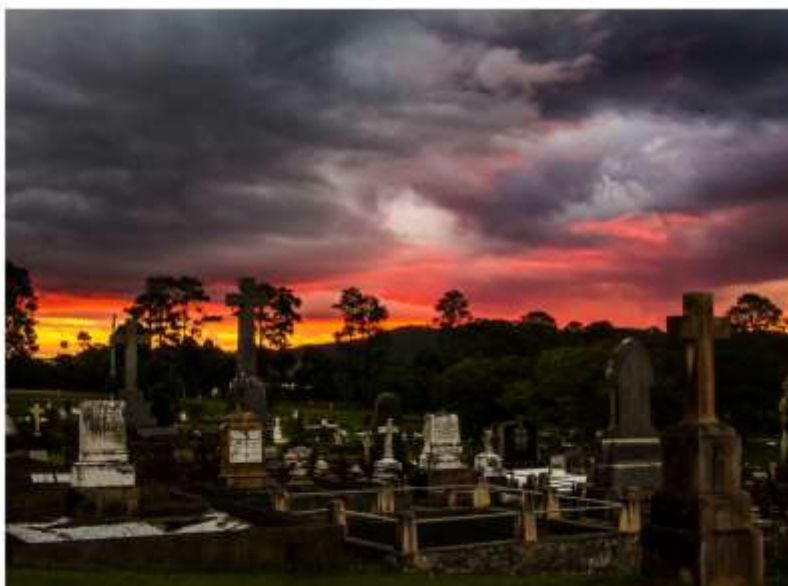
We need to be at the cemetery BY 6pm to catch the low light before it sets... and we plan to try to create some interesting images that hopefully can be used in our April competition.

To read more on Low Light photography before the night, click [HERE](#) for

an article by Nasim Mansurov titled: **Low-Light Photography Explained: A Beginner's Guide.**



See you there!



Digital Project!

This 'Digital Project' is something extra members can do... it's not required for your End of Year score, it's just a fun activity... with a prize for the best at the end. And the fun part... the members will be the judges!

- **Choose a Theme**

Easy or challenging - try something new - or an idea put on hold - camera skills - a trip - some thing close to the heart - local or social - hobbies ...the possibilities are endless!

- **Requirements**

Your project to be registered with club ...if participating in the fun.

Email gympie.camera.club@gmail.com with your name and title.

1. YOUR name.

2. Your PROJECT title. Decide CAREFULLY of your title and theme. Once registered, you cannot change it.

3. The final presentation with 100-125 words about your project. Can be spoken on the night, or written in the presentation video or slideshow.

4. Images for your Project must be taken withing the Project time frame.

5. Your Project should consist of between 10 and 15 images.

6. Image size same as club competition.

- **Time Frame**

Monday 31st March Registration closes.

Commences Tuesday April 1st (no, this isn't an April Fools joke) until Tuesday 30th September.

Judging will be on October Prac Night, the 20th.

- **Judging**

YOU will be the judges!

Scoring is between 1 and 10.

Members will be given a list of the project titles on the night for recording their scores.

Winner will be chosen from total points scored.

The winner will receive a prize on the night!

It will be a lot of fun, so let's get creative!



APRIL COMPETITION - LOW LIGHT & MONO OPEN

Upload deadline is Sunday March 30th @ 11.59pm

Click to upload:

[PhotoCompSoftware \(photocompentries.net\)](http://photocompentries.net)

For print entries, you can download the labels here:

[Documents | gcci \(gympiecameraclub.wixsite.com\)](http://gympiecameraclub.wixsite.com)

click on "PRINT Labels"

March Competition Results ~ Aged & Open

C-GRADE

SET - DIGITAL

M	Kym Kindness	62 EJ Holden
M	Marc Ramacher	Rattler in Sepia
M	Marc Ramacher	Imbil Grocery

SET - PRINT

No Entries

OPEN - DIGITAL

M	Kym Kindness	Abseil
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OPEN - PRINT

No Entries

B-GRADE

SET - DIGITAL

H	Julie Fearnley	Never Too Old to Smile
H	Jackie Carpenter	Old Plane wreck
M	Jackie Carpenter	Old Smelter Chillagoe
M	Sheila Peake	The Tool Shed
M	Gisela Ramacher	Country Shed
M	Julie Fearnley	Hands of Time
M	Jennifer Peters	Paronella Park
M	Jennifer Peters	Birthing Tree

SET - PRINT

H	Jennifer Peters	Waste Land
M	Jackie Carpenter	Old House Sofola
M	Jackie Carpenter	Old Building Sofola
M	Gisela Ramacher	Vacant House
M	Melinda Peters	Dicky Boat Wreck
M	Jennifer Peters	Old House

OPEN - DIGITAL

H	Sheila Peake	Springbox in Etosha
M	Sheila Peake	Early Morning in the Namib Des
M	Melinda Peters	Winery
M	Julie Fearnley	Quiver Tree
M	Gisela Ramacher	Brisbane
M	Jackie Carpenter	White Bellied Eagles

OPEN - PRINT

H	Jackie Carpenter	Orion Nebula
H	Jennifer Peters	The Ducka
M	Jennifer Peters	Low Tide
M	Julie Fearnley	All I Want for Xmas
M	Jackie Carpenter	Jewel Cave Dragon Head
M	Gisela Ramacher	Ginger

A-GRADE

SET - DIGITAL

H	Sue Niven	Time Has Passed By
H	Glen Patullo	The Old Wreck
H	Gayle Harrison	Broken Heart
M	Gayle Harrison	Saddle Sore
M	Sue Niven	With Age Comes Skill
M	Glen Patullo	Renovators Delight
M	Conni Weise	Aged Shipwreck
M	Conni Weise	Rest in Peace
M	Dorothea Heath	Reflecting Back
M	Dorothea Heath	In Memory Of
M	John Bennett	Old Steam Engine

SET - PRINT

H	Dorothea Heath	Just the Three
H	Dorothea Heath	Locked Up
H	Gayle Harrison	Lock and Key
M	Gayle Harrison	Back Alley Love Notes

OPEN - DIGITAL

H	Conni Weise	Yummy Snack
H	Robin Yates	Whale 1 Boat 0
H	Glen Patullo	Boobook Owlettes
H	Sue Niven	White Water Fate
M	Glen Patullo	Red Cap Pluver
M	Gayle Harrison	Three Little Dicky Birds...
M	Gayle Harrison	Watching
M	Robin Yates	Taking a Stroll
M	Sue Niven	Superb Fairy Wren
M	Conni Weise	Barking Owl Portrait
M	Dorothea Heath	Brown Beauty
M	Dorothea Heath	Delicate Anoneme

OPEN - PRINT

H	Dorothea Heath	Humble Thistle
H	Gayle Harrison	Red Hot Love
M	Gayle Harrison	Old Girl

APRIL COMPETITION: Low Light & Monochrome Open

April Set Subject is Low Light... and MONOCHROME Open.

(No colour images in Open next month).

Below are some images found on the internet to hopefully inspire you.



Here's a great [VIDEO](#) to watch on Low Light Photography by
Photographer Simon d'Entremont .



February Birthdays...

Jennifer Peters 14th
Melinda Greenhalgh 16th

And Happy Birthday to anyone
else celebrating this month!



JANUARY

EVENT	DATE	DETAILS
Committee Meeting	15 th	Members are welcome.
Prac Night	20 th	Welcome, "Projects" overview & Paul Balfe PowerPoint with member interaction.

FEBRUARY

EVENT	DATE	DETAILS
Upload	2 nd	Upload for February Competition.
Competition	4 th	FREEZE FRAME (Tewantin Shield subject).
Outing	9 th	"Mixing Bowl" Hunt & Shoot with a difference!
Committee Meeting	12 th	Members are welcome.
Prac Night	17 th	Len Metcalf via Zoom. Talk on Black & White photography.

MARCH

EVENT	DATE	DETAILS
Upload	2 nd	Upload for March Competition.
Competition	4 th	AGED (Tewantin Shield subject).
Outing	16 th	"Friendship Day" With Sunshine Coast Clubs. Caboolture Historical Village. Adult: \$18 / Conc: \$15.
Committee Meeting	12 th	Members are welcome.
Prac Night	17 th	Low light photography exercises.
Upload	30 th	Upload for April Competition.

APRIL

EVENT	DATE	DETAILS
Competition	1 st	LOW LIGHT (Qld Interclub subject).
Committee Meeting	9 th	Members are welcome.
Outing	13 th	Duckponds
Prac Night	22 nd (Tues)	Changed due to Easter. Projects update

MAY

EVENT	DATE	DETAILS
Competition	13 th	ANIMALS (Qld Interclub subject). *Note: date change re PSQ Convention
Committee Meeting	14 th	Members are welcome.
Gympie Show	10 th	Judging.
Gympie Show	11 th	Display set up.
Upload	11 th	Upload for May Competition. *Date change
Gympie Show	18 th	Display dismantle.
Prac Night	19 th	Ken Chapman & Macro Photography
Upload	25 th	Upload for June Social Interclub.

JUNE

EVENT	DATE	DETAILS
Social Interclub	3 rd	Social Night with surrounding clubs.
Outing	8 th	Camelot Dairies (TBC)
Committee Meeting	11 th	Members are welcome.
Prac Night	16 th	Portraiture with Greg Lawler
Upload	29 th	Upload for July Competition.