

GEELONG CAMERA CLUB

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"Forsythia"

By Chris Reichl

Awarded a Merit

Print Open A Grade

November 2022

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PRESIDENTS PEN

I hope you've all had a great month of photography. Our recent intraclub competition was as usual judged by an external judge, and potentially created controversy. Remember that the Geelong Camera Club goes that extra distance to ensure that we source external experts to give objective feedback to your artistic endeavours. Often there is power in disagreement in a world that wants to get along. Genuine dissident thinking often leads to innovative and original outputs.

2023 is rapidly ending and summer is here. I hope to see you all at the Christmas Party which will be on Wed 13th December 7pm at The Valley Inn Hotel. We will re-commence the club workings in late January 2024 with a customary BBQ at the clubrooms on Wed 24th Jan, with a 6pm start for a brief working bee and tidy up of the clubrooms.

I wish you all the best with your photography over the summer break!

Yours Sincerely,

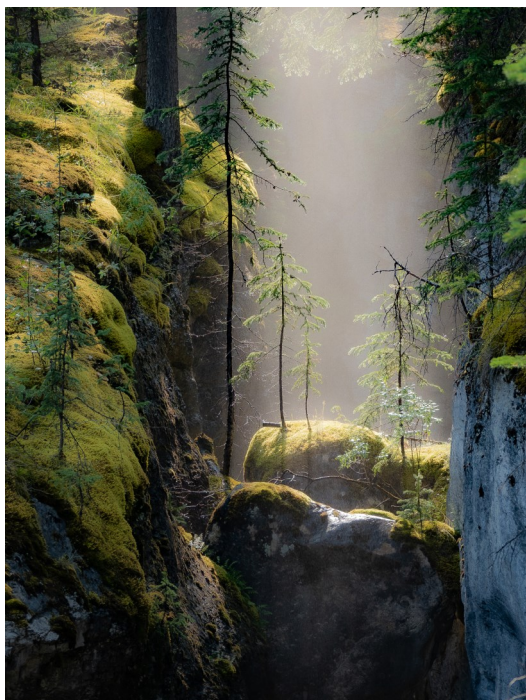
Robert L. Long AAPS



NOVEMBER COMPETITION RESULTS

EDI OPEN A GRADE

JUDGE: JEFF MOORFOOT



First Place

"A Little Ray of Sunshine Alaska"

By Darryl Martin

Second Place

"Surfing High"

By Phillipa Alexander



Third Place

"Landed"

By Frank Kennedy

NOVEMBER COMPETITION RESULTS

EDI OPEN B GRADE

JUDGE: JEFF MOORFOOT



First Place

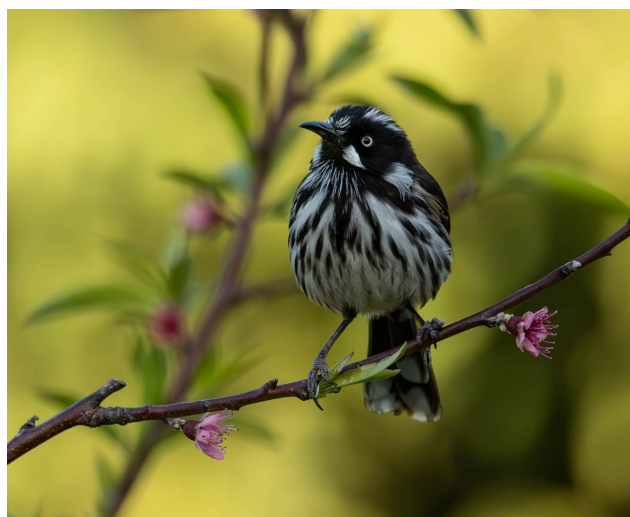
"Bowling to a Higher Order"

By Shelley McKiernan

Second Place

"New Holland in Spring"

By Marion Best



Third Place

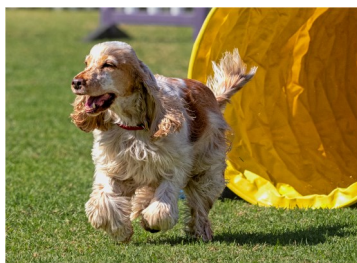
"Entering Light"

By Steve Davies

NOVEMBER COMPETITION RESULTS

EDI OPEN A AND B GRADE MERITS

JUDGE: JEFF MOORFOOT



A Grade

“Out of the Tunnel”

By Frank Kennedy



A Grade

“Not Quite Right”

By Sandra McArthur

B Grade

“Lifeguard Hut”

By Meredith Bain



B Grade

“A Tower of Giraffes”

By Marion Best



NOVEMBER COMPETITION RESULTS

PRINT OPEN A GRADE

JUDGE: JEFF MOORFOOT



First Place

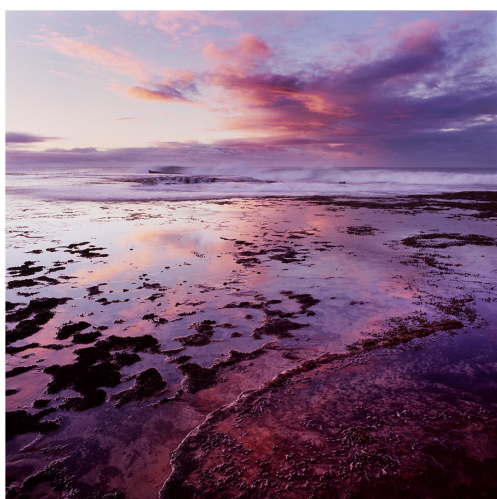
"A Moment of Reflection"

By Shelley McKiernan

Second Place

"Emerging 2"

By Mick Kupresanin



Third Place

"Quiet Light"

By Robert Long

NOVEMBER COMPETITION RESULTS

PRINT OPEN B GRADE

JUDGE: JEFF MOORFOOT



First Place

"Hoo Roo"

By Sue Wilson

Second Place

"Stormy Church"

By Larry Devenish



Third Place

"Safety in Numbers"

By Marion Best

NOVEMBER COMPETITION RESULTS

PRINT OPEN A AND B GRADE MERITS

JUDGE: JEFF MOORFOOT



A Grade

"Beach Beauty"

By Shelley McKiernan



A Grade

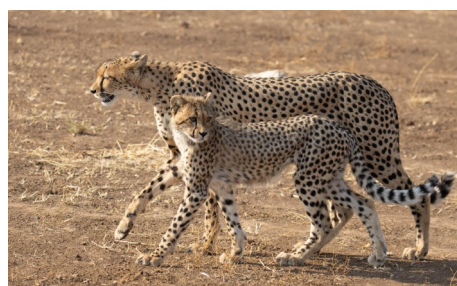
"Stormy Ride"

By Heather Prince

B Grade

"Come Hunting With Me"

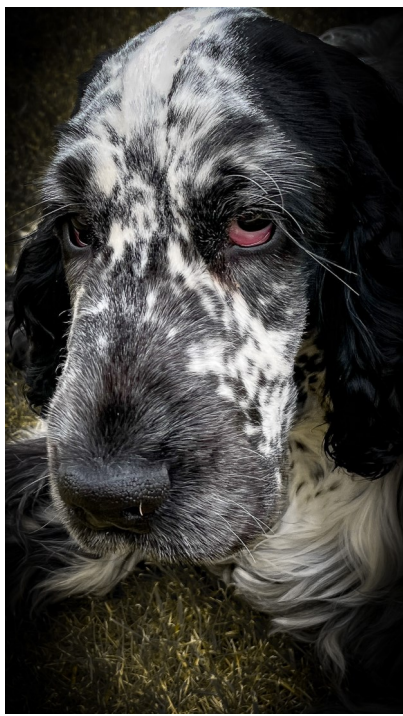
By John Best



NOVEMBER COMPETITION RESULTS

SET SUBJECT A GRADE

JUDGE: JEFF MOORFOOT



First Place

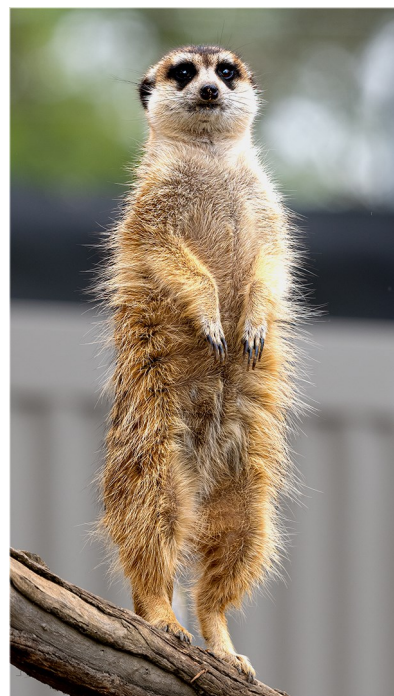
"Storm Our Cocker Spaniel"

By Darryl Martin

Second Place

"A Furry Meerkat"

By Frank Kennedy



Third Place

"Last Breath"

By David Grant

NOVEMBER COMPETITION RESULTS

SET SUBJECT B GRADE

JUDGE: JEFF MOORFOOT



First Place

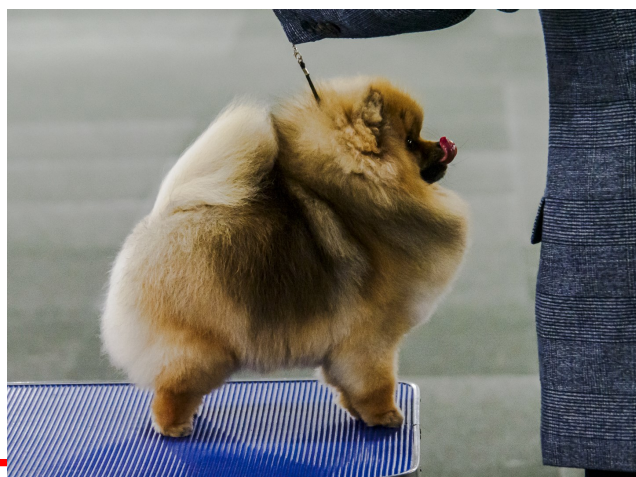
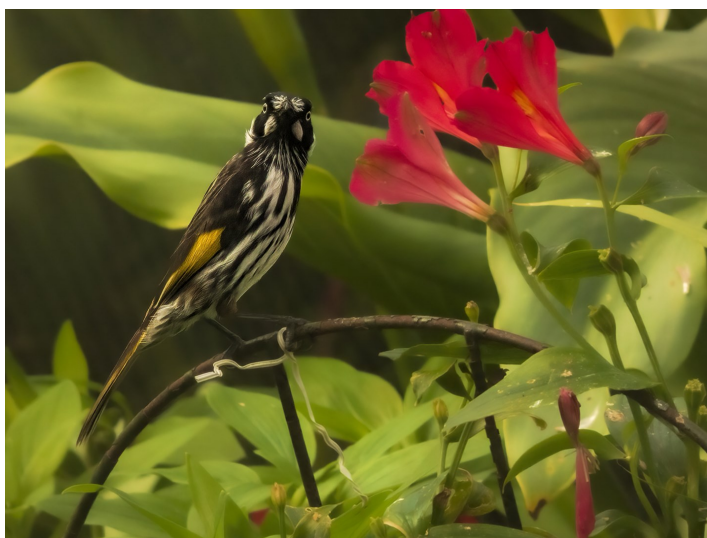
"Uber Lunch Treat"

By Shelley McKiernan

Second Place

"Watching You"

By David Bridge



Third Place

"That Tasted Good"

By Lyndall Abbott-Young

NOVEMBER COMPETITION RESULTS

SET SUBJECT MERITS

JUDGE: JEFF MOORFOOT



A Grade

“Foxy”

By Judith Wood

B Grade

“Morialta Pardalote”

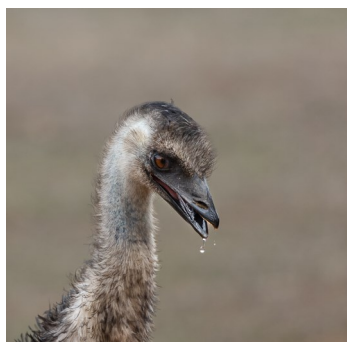
By Nick Abbott-Young



B Grade

“Emu’s Last Drop”

By Shelley McKiernan



LIGHTSEEKERS

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP



This is the last Lightseekers Report for 2023, and ends a busy year of many field trips and photo opportunities.

We visited the town of Clunes north of Ballarat which is known for its Book Fairs. Since COVID, many of its shops have closed, but the interesting buildings remain. We made a side trip to Lambley's Nursery, a dry country garden with lovely displays of spring flowers and hedges.

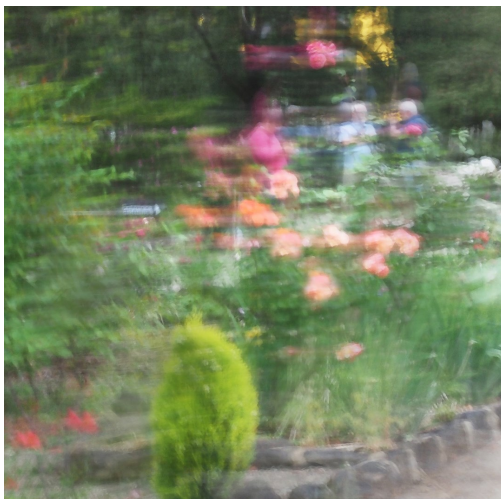
Below is a photo of a treasure trove collection discovered by Harry on the road home.

The Heights in Newtown was our last outing for the year. It is a gracious old home and garden on the hill, with bluestone outbuildings. It is now a National Trust Home with many interesting items and furniture, surrounded by a rich and varied garden. You may be able to spot the Photographers among the flowers in the photo below.

We thank Allan and Peter for the organisation that makes these activities run smoothly. Many Members also volunteered to run specific outings, providing information, maps, and of course, where we meet for coffee. Others undertook to provide education to assist with our Term Challenges, which aim to introduce us to different aspects of photography. The Term 4 Challenge is due on 30th November, where we will be treated to our efforts at Intentional Camera Movement. This has been a journey of experimentation, and is not easy to create magical images of Impressionism.

Lightseekers resumes in early February 2024. We look forward to the photographic delights that 2024 will bring.

Chris Reichl

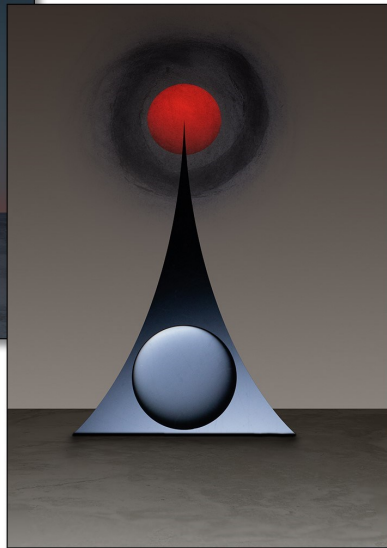


CREATIVE SIG

The Creatives welcomed a new member this week, Gloria van der Meer. Gloria is no stranger to Altered Reality and Creative imaging so she is a welcome addition to our group. We have been discussing options to keep us busy for the next few weeks and have come up with some one-word challenges - 'Glass' and 'Flight'. Both have very broad parameters so it will be quite a challenge.

I am going to showcase one of our members this week, Brian Farey, creates some very interesting abstract work using oil on water, laptop screens and other disparate objects and then compiles the images. I know you will enjoy them.

Heather Prince



BIRDS AND NATURE

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP



The group had their last meeting of the year showing a collection of photos from our outing to Lake Colac and finishing the evening at La Porchetta's in Colac.

The weather was not kind to us with rather large waves on the lake and all the wildlife wanted to do was curl up and stay out of the wind. But those who went had fun trying to capture the birds fighting the wind and waves.

The group had a discussion about where we were going to head in 2024. This included venues, travel distances the members were prepared to travel. With only six meetings and outings per year at present it won't be too hard too fill the calendar.

The evening finished with a shared supper and lots of conversations about the coming year.

Sandra McArthur

CLUB SYLLABUS

This is the club syllabus for the next two months. Please note and be aware that the syllabus is subject to change after publication within this newsletter. Visit the GCC website to keep up to date on the syllabus front.

December 2023 and January 2024

Wed 6th December Competition Night.

- Open Prints, Open EDI and Altered Reality EDI

Thurs 7th December Lightseekers end of year breakup function.

- Leura Park Estate, Curlewis

Wed 13th December GCC Christmas Party.

- The Valley Inn Hotel 7pm—10pm

Mon 15th January 2024 GCC Committee Meeting—Syllabus.

- In house—7pm

Wed 24th January 2024 Welcome back BBQ at the club rooms.

- **6pm start** for a working bee to tidy and clean the club rooms.
Please bring some cleaning gear if you wish.

Wed 31st January 2024 Holiday photo presentation.

- In house—this will include a presentation of images captured at the recent club camp to Bendigo. If you wish to present some of your holiday images, contact the president or a committee member.

MEMBERSHIP FEES 2022-2023

Full Year, from July

- > Single: \$65
- > *Concession Single: \$55
- > Full-Time Student: \$55
- > Family (2 people): \$95
(Additional members \$35 each)
- > *Concession Family (2 people): \$80
(Additional members \$30 each)

**Concessions: Aged Pension, Govt Seniors Card, Unemployed, Full-Time Student, Disability Pension.*

** See Treasurer for pro-rata rates applicable from January-July.

Studio Hire: \$20.00 using your own studio lights.

\$40.00 + \$50 refundable bond,
if using the Club's studio lights.
(conditions apply)

Darkroom: \$ (currently unavailable)

PRO RATA MEMBERSHIP FEES

2023

January to End April = 50% of Full Year fees

- > Single: \$32.50
- > Concession Single: \$27.50
- > Full-Time Student: \$27.50
- > Family (2 people): \$47.50
(Additional member \$17.50)
- > Concession Family (2 people): \$42.50
(Additional member \$17.50)

May to 30th July

All Fees = \$nil

Or, 25% for Voting & Competition Rights

- > Single: \$17.50
- > Concession Single: \$17.50
- > Full-Time Student: \$17.50
- > Family (2 people): \$27.50
(Additional member \$12.50)
- > Concession Family (2 people): \$22.50
(Additional members \$12.50)

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Geelong Camera Club

BSB: 033622

Acct: 400835

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You Must Include Your Name and Member Number in the Transaction

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