 **JUNE 2016**

My sincere apologies for the delay in getting this Hocus Focus out to you, but this is my last as David Price has

been selected at the AGM to produce the Hocus Focus which I’m sure will be bigger and better than ever.

So to record our last competition night 13 June I’ll continue with giving you as much information as I can

remember.

The night was a little quieter than last month with 36 members attending, only two apologies from Chris Townsend and Penny Watkins. Dave welcomed two visitors, Dale and Matt Golby who have moved back from Darwin and are keen to join us so welcome, good to see you.

All the photos for the Lions Club calendar were brought in and there was a total of 40 photos on display for us to look at. There are some lovely prints, I imagine it will be a difficult job choosing the thirteen for the calendar.

Our judge for the night was Bill Chambers who is currently a member of Belmont 16s Club where he has served

two terms as President. He initiated and ran the Training Program for the 16s however his work interferes with this

now so others have taken on the role.

Bill has been a qualified judge since 2004. His main interest is Nature Photography, specialising in underwater

photography (beginning in 1975) and he also teaches on a professional basis.

Twelve months ago Bill was asked to start a new Hunter Club, underwater photography, (known as “Snappers”)

which has now grown to over 30 members.

Bill is a very lucky man as while he was body surfing about six months ago, he got dumped onto the sand and had a nasty hit on the head. He was a bit shaken but not worried, he went home. Several days later he was getting headaches and eventually had scans done which showed he had a Heamatoma which sent him straight to surgery and they had to cut a piece of his brain out!

He is a very lucky man as several days prior a young man was dumped and ended up a quadriplegic, and several days later another man was dumped but did not survive.

So congratulations Bill, it’s been a long road to recovery but Bill is back on his feet and we’re glad to see him here tonight.

Bill gave us very constructive critique with lots of helpful information.

Entries were down a little with 90 entries.

**COMPETITION SUMMARY**

**Awards A Grade: Colour**

Merit (Judges Choice) Ian NUNN - Tree Lopper #2

Merit: Brad Le BROCQUE - Luminous Fungi

Merit: Brad Le BROCQUE - Riders of the Storm

Merit: Michael MARTIN - Oblivious

Merit: Mike FIDLER - Scarlet Bee Eater

Merit: Mike FIDLER - Arabian Oryx

Merit: Dianne ENGLISH - The Runaway

Credit: Ian ENGLISH - On a Cold Foggy Day

Highly Commended: David WHYTE - Hanging About

Highly Commended: Garry KEMP - Reims Cathedral France # 24

Highly Commended: Michael MARTIN - Zebra Finches - Early Watering

Highly Commended: Ian NUNN - Too Close

Highly Commended: Betty MONCRIEFF - Moored in the Rain

**Awards A Grade: Mono**

Merit (Judges Choice) Dianne ENGLISH - Letting Go!

Merit: Sue WINSLEY - The Gaze

Merit: Colleen PRICE - Young and Old

Merit: Ian ENGLISH - Patonga Boatman

Credit: Joy THOMAS - Abandonment from the Past

Credit: Sue WINSLEY - Approaching Elliott Erwin

Credit: Brad Le BROCQUE - Farmers Lunch

Credit: Bettina DAMME - Ashore

**Awards B Grade: Colour**

Merit (Judges Choice) Helen OLIVER - Hello!

Merit: Ray WATTS - Henry & Katherine

Credit: Chris LATHAM - Look Out

Credit: David PRICE - Engine & Propeller

Credit: Toni CONQUEST - Flaming Rose

**Awards B Grade: Mono**

Merit (Judges Choice) Maree JACKSON - Mia

Merit: Toni CONQUEST - Croc

Merit: Maree JACKSON - Brianna

Highly Commended: Ray WATTS - Rachel

**Awards Set Subject**

Merit (Judges Choice) Dianne ENGLISH - Echinaceas in the Rain

Merit: David BOUTEN - Rain on Tin Roof

Merit: Bettina DAMME - Rain(bow Lorikeet)

Credit: Betty MONCRIEFF - maccas Car Park in the Rain

Credit: Sue WINSLEY - Where's That Taxi

Credit: Charles BROWN - Brands Hatch

Credit: Colleen PRICE - Let's Go

**Scores which are final for the year**

**A grade scores**

Ian ENGLISH - 113

Mike FIDLER - 110

Dianne ENGLISH - 107

Brad Le BROCQUE - 106

Michael MARTIN - 95

Colleen PRICE - 90

Bettina DAMME - 84

Sue WINSLEY - 75

Joy THOMAS - 74

David WHYTE - 73

David BOUTEN - 62

John PAYNE - 61

Garry KEMP - 55

Janet PAYNE - 53

Ian NUNN - 52

Ardis EMMERTON - 50

Vicki BOUTEN - 46

Susan SHIPWAY - 39

Don ROY - 39

Barbara ROY - 37

David VANE - 37

Sharon EATON - 37

Betty MONCRIEFF - 36

Glen MONCRIEFF - 24

Charles BROWN - 23

Kevin STOKES - 22

Ann SUMMERHILL - 21

Sandy WALKER - 12

Herb PARKER - 2

**B grade scores**

Maree JACKSON - 123

Toni CONQUEST - 116

David PRICE - 86

Chris LATHAM - 67

Helen OLIVER - 62

John FROST - 60

john SHARPLES - 48

Cliff MUDFORD - 46

Ray WATTS - 38

Ken LINSLEY - 32

Maxine Reid - 30

Michelle Moore - 25

Kamma CHRISTIANSEN - 24

Penny WATKINS - 22

Rene SCHIPPER - 22

Mark CHELLEW - 21

Marie Kildey - 21

Bob Kildey - 16

Chris TOWNSEND - 9

Kiayo PUGH - 9

Vaughn WINSLEY - 5

Gael COONOP - 0

Kayla MILLS - 0

Maurice WHITE - 0

Geoff BRACKHAM - 0

Annelise KAYNE - 0

Penny BAKER - 0

Bruce BAKER - 0

The FCC TOPSHOT EXHIBITION was held on Sunday 29 May at the North Sydney Leagues Club, and I’m not sure

whether any results were published for you. I think Dave Vane gave a verbal report at a meeting, but to be

sure everyone knows how well our club was represented here are the number of entries submitted and results.

First of all **Brad le Brocque was awarded the John Newton Perpetual Trophy for the best Nature Print** Congratulations Brad!

**SECTION 1 - MONO PRINT**

Entries from our club were:

Dianne English 2

Ian English 3

Brad le Brocque 3

Joy Thomas 1

Dave Vane 3

**SECTION 2 - COLOUR PRINTS**

Entries from our club were:

Dianne English 3

Ian English 3 - 1 Highly Commended

Brad le Brocque 3 - 1 Highly Commended

Joy Thomas 3

Dave Vane 3

**SECTION 3 - NATURE**

Entries from our club were:

**Brad le Brocque 3 - 1st in Section** - Congratulations Brad

 - 1 Highly Commended

Mike Martin 3

Joy Thomas 3 - 1 Highly Commended

Dave Vane 3 - 1 Highly Commended

**SECTION 4 - MONO DIGITAL IMAGE**

Entries from our club were:

Dianne English 2

Ian English 1

**SECTION 5 - COLOUR DIGITAL IMAGE**

Entries from our club were:

Dianne English 3

Ian English 2

**SECTION 6 - NATURE DIGITAL IMAGE**

Entries from our club were:

Dianne English 1

Ian English 3

**SECTION 7 - CREATIVE DIGITAL IMAGE**

Entries from our club were:

Dianne English 3 - 1 Highly Commended

Ian English 3 - 2 Highly Commended

**SECTION 8 - AUSTRALIAN LANDSCAPE DIGITAL IMAGE**

Entries from our club were:

Dianne English 3

Ian English 3

Well done to all those who entered and congratulations for all those awards.

We had our AGM on 20 June with new office bearers reported in the minutes which you have all received from

our new secretary Maree Jackson, and our tutorial night with Selena from Sun Studios on the 27 June was a huge

success and enjoyed by all those who attended.

**Competition Night**

The next competition night is on **Monday 11 July at 7:00 pm** and will be our POTY night. All entries must be submitted by 4 July.

**The POTY Competition for June**

Open Colour - Print

Open Mono - Print

Nature - Print

Each member is allowed four prints with a maximum of two in any one category. There are no EDI entries for

the POTY.

 **Committee Meeting**

Our next committee meeting will be on Wednesday 6 July at 7.00 pm and will be held at David Whytes

place at 6 Bulgonia Road, Brightwaters. Davis’s mobile is 0447 834 285 if you want directions or in case you

get lost!

**Future Tutorials**

The next two tutorials on 25 July and 22 August will again be with Selena from Sun Studios, and a further weekend day following for a trip to the Sun studios to practise what we have learnt, and they will provide models for this exercise.

There will be a small charge of $5 per person for each night, and possibly for the visit to the studios. Brad will

advise.

Cheers,

****Helen Oliver

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 Club Motto: A Shared Enjoyment of the Art and Craft of Photography in a Learning Environment