

Benoni Camera Club

November & December



Dear fellow Camera Club member..

The 2013 year is drawing to a close and our last club meeting is next week. The clichéd saying of "time flies" seems so true.

A reminder to all, that December is Versatility time and that all images to be submitted via Photo Vault.

Ann has a couple of name tags that have not been collected. The name tags have helped all of us who struggle to remember a name. Ann will bring these with to Wednesdays meeting.

Please note that our club meeting starts promptly at 7pm and that we have had requests that all members stay until the end of the meeting.

Don't forget our Christmas gift swop, which proved lots of fun last year.

On behalf of the Benoni Camera Club we would like to wish each of you a very merry Christmas and a happy snappy 2014.

See you all next week.

Michele

CLUB MEETINGS

STARTS PROMPTLY

AT 7PM

1ST Wednesday of each month

Benoni Northfield Methodist Church

Thank You & Goodbye's

For those who are not yet aware Les & Hazel Walters are embarking on a very exciting journey. As a result they are no longer able to fulfill their Benoni Camera Club committee requirements. Paula and the committee would like to thank both Les and Hazel for all that they did during their time on the committee and wish them well in their travels. Don't forget to keep us informed of where you are and send lots of pictures.

Hello's

Ann Mckelland has very kindly offered to take on the role of club secretary.

Competition Secretary Post

We are currently in need of someone to assist with the the record keeping of the scores each month. This person needs to be proficient in excel. If this is something you would like to help out with please contact [Paula Rutherford](mailto:Paula.Rutherford@asap) asap. Her email is paula@getpix.co.za

BENONI CAMERA CLUB GOES GREEN

Photographers play such an important role in ensuring that a record is kept of the world around us. They do this by capturing what's going on around them as a record for future generations. We at Benoni Camera Club feel that its important that we do our bit to ensure that there "is something" for the future generations. So from 2014 we will no longer be printing your certificates. You will still continue to receive your certificate but in electronic format.

FACEBOOK CHANGES

We have changed the group status from "open" anyone can join to a "closed" group. Whilst the original intention of the group was to "advertise and create an interest" in our camera club on Facebook, this is no longer the objective of Benoni Camera Club for the Facebook group. Since this group was created there have been numerous privacy changes to Facebook as well as the controversy surrounding copyright and ownership of ones images posted on Facebook.

The committee met and has made the decision to make the group a closed group for BENONI CAMERA CLUB MEMBERS ONLY. It will become a portal for important information and dissemination thereof, and continue to be a platform for members to communicate and share.

As a result any group member of this group who is not a Benoni Camera Club Member currently may remain a group member providing they join Benoni Camera Club. We will approach all the non camera club members who are on facebook and offer them the chance to join the group. Should they wish not to take it up we will remove them from the group. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/benonicamera/>

2014

SET SUBJECTS

MARCH - GREEN

MAY - EYES

JULY - SMOKE

SEPTEMBER - 7 HOLY VIRTUES

(details regarding this set subject will be sent out closer to the challenge)

NOVEMBER - LANDSCAPES

Salon's 2014

2013.12.02 - 2nd PSSA International Salon
2014.02.01 - Free State and Northern Cape Small Clubs Circuit
2014.02.08 - PSSA Salon
2014.02.22 - Laeveld/Longtom Circuit
2014.03.01 - AFO Salon
2014.03.15 - Centurion Camera Club Salon
2014.03.15 - PECC International AV Festival
2014.03.29 - Midrand Camera Club Salon
2014.04.05 - Sandton Salon
2014.04.12 - Emfuleni Circuit
2014.04.26 - Alberton Camera Club Salon
2014.05.10 - Highveld, Kosmos & Kriel Circuit
2014.05.17 - West Rand Photographic Club Salon
2014.05.24 - Paarl Photographic Club Salon
2014.06.07 - Impala Platinum Camera Club Salon
2014.06.21 - Rustenburg Fotografieklub Salon
2014.06.28 - Magalies Foto Fun Club Salon

For more information on the Salons go to

<http://www.pssa.co.za>

If needed a workshop will be held on salons in 2014.

Prize Winners Gallery



Margaret Single - Balancing Act



Owen Signle - San Juan Mountains



Les Walter - Canon Power



Sandra McCalum -
Bird of a different feather

Digital			
	Star	Photographer	Image Name
	1	Bert Oosthuizen	House no three
	2	Margaret Single	Balancing Act
	3	Sandra McCalum	Bird of a different feather
	4	Les Walter	Canon Power
	5	John Coumbias	Drinking Gull
Prints	5	John Combias	Walking Gallinule
	3	Owen Single	San Juan Mountains
Slides	5	Amy Ansell	Cowgirl Kate
SET SUBJECT			
Slides		John Combias	Drakensburg Tree
Digital		Sandra McCallum	Jaccobsbai Sunset

Where possible we will include the months winning images

e-Image Resizing Requirements

Benoni Camera Club Requirements:

Horizontal (Landscape) Images:
1920 pixels on horizontal axis
1080 pixels or less on vertical axis

Vertical (Portrait) Images:
1080 pixels or less on the horizontal axis
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Please go to www.pssa.co.za for a list of salon competitions

72dpi is the norm but not a necessity.

Save as a .jpg file format; colour space RGB or sRGB. The jpg image should not exceed 1.5MB

Naming images: Your star grading-category-title-author.jpg (use Hyphen aka Dash NOT underscore)

e.g. 3-pi-painted lady-sadie glibbery.jpg

Please submit your entries no later than 1 week before the next meeting to benonicameraclub@telkomsa.net

Category Abbreviations:

Photo Journalism/Travel
Altered Reality
Landscapes
Still Life

pj
ar
ls
sl

Pictorial
Portraits
Open
Nature/Wildlife

pi
po
op
na

Set Subject

ss (use 0 as your star rating when entering a Set Subject)

Panorama Definitions:

The primary requirement for this section is the aspect ratio of the image which as to be minimum of 2.5:1. The horizontal dimension of the image has to be at least two and a half times that of the vertical. In the final presentation, where the width of the image is resized to 1920 pixels, the height may not exceed 960 or less pixels. Panoramas may be produced by using any preferred method e.g. cropping, "stitching", dedicated panorama cameras etc. Nature Landscapes with human interests as define previously as well as manipulated landscapes are allowed in this category.

BRAGGING RIGHTS

Promotion criteria

To progress from one level to the next you need to achieve the following:

Star Level	Criteria
1* to 2*	8 gold awards
2* to 3*	14 gold awards, plus 60 club points
3* to 4*	20 gold awards in 4 categories and 80 club points
4* to 5*	30 gold awards, 120 club points and 15 salon acceptances and have served on the club committee

Please limit your titling of your submissions to between 1- to 4 words