

# CAMBRIDGE CAMERA CLUB NEWSLETTER



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Welcome to this month's Cambridge Camera Club newsletter. It only seems a few days ago since the last one was published. Where does the time go? I am sure many of you will be thinking it will be Christmas soon. October is a great month for photography. Daylight saving is here, the days are getting warmer, the trees are all over the place and the flowers are blooming.

This month's newsletter was going to focus on the results of last month's competition. Then I discovered that I could insert a slideshow on our web page so please check out all the wonderful images on the results page. Regrettably not all entries have been shown as I have not received digital entries of some prints.

If you see any errors or ways to improve the page please let me know. Congratulations to all those who participated. There are some wonderful images and as a club I feel we are growing stronger. Many thanks to Anne Johnson for judging the entries and her kind comments. I was asked to include her comments as not everybody was able to attend the meeting.

I was most impressed with the light box that Mike kindly built. What a super way to show off those wonderful prints. I made the decision straight away that I would have at least one print in the next competition. If everybody were to do the same we would make excellent use of the box. Time to dust off my matt cutter sitting in the garage. I took a look on Trademe this morning and spotted a computerized matte cutter for sale. I don't think my wife would be amused if I hit the buy now button .....\$22,000 !!!!!

Feel free to make next month's newsletter interesting and your contributions will be most welcome.



## Field Trips

The proposed field trip to the Hamilton Gardens was a bit of a washout—literally. The weather was shocking and that combined with others factors for me meant I could not attend. Helen however bravely faced the elements and was rewarded with this little beauty of a photograph.



### **Matamata Cup Day**

Matamata has invited us to join them for the Spring Carnival Racing on Saturday 8th October. First race is at 11.55 am. Admission is free but there will be a very small fee to cover cost of gazebo hire etc. Bring along a chilly bin, some chairs and your longest lens. If interested please let me know or contact Keith directly. Check out Matamata Club page for contact details.

### **Auckland Zoo**

Helen has asked me to point out that Auckland Zoo run photography classes Take a look here.

<http://www.aucklandzoo.co.nz/experience/photography-workshops--classes.aspx>

### **Whale Watching**

Kim Westerkov is a Marine Biologist and accomplished wildlife photographer. I subscribe to his newsletter via this page <http://www.hedgehoghouse.com/>

His latest newsletter discusses whale watching trips from Tauranga in October. It's worth a look and if you would like me to forward his latest newsletter please let me know.

### **Wairata Labour Weekend**

A final reminder to contact Cliff if you can make this trip. I am disappointed I cannot.

## Inter-Club Battle - Islesburgh v. Cambridge

Just a reminder at this stage that this competition will take place around the middle of November. That gives you plenty of time to put aside an image specifically for this competition. I would like to see every member participate this year and bring the honours back to New Zealand. Bring along your entry to the next club meeting.

## Gear Talk

I did manage to acquire the 17-40L but I have had very little time to play with it. Canon L lenses are very addictive and top Canon bodies such as the 1D MKIV, 5D Mk2 and 7D just scream out for top quality lenses. Once you buy an L lens you will be saving up for your next. I am sure it is the same with top quality Nikon and other makes. Now that my proofreader has done her bit and won't see this, I may be in a position to also report on the Canon ST-E2 next month as well. I have a bit of an interest in learning off camera flash and this little gadget sounds just the job.

## Library display

Helen and Katie have their images in the library just now. Pop along and take a look and have a chat with the library staff.



Dream Time Musician— Helen



Old Commer—Katie

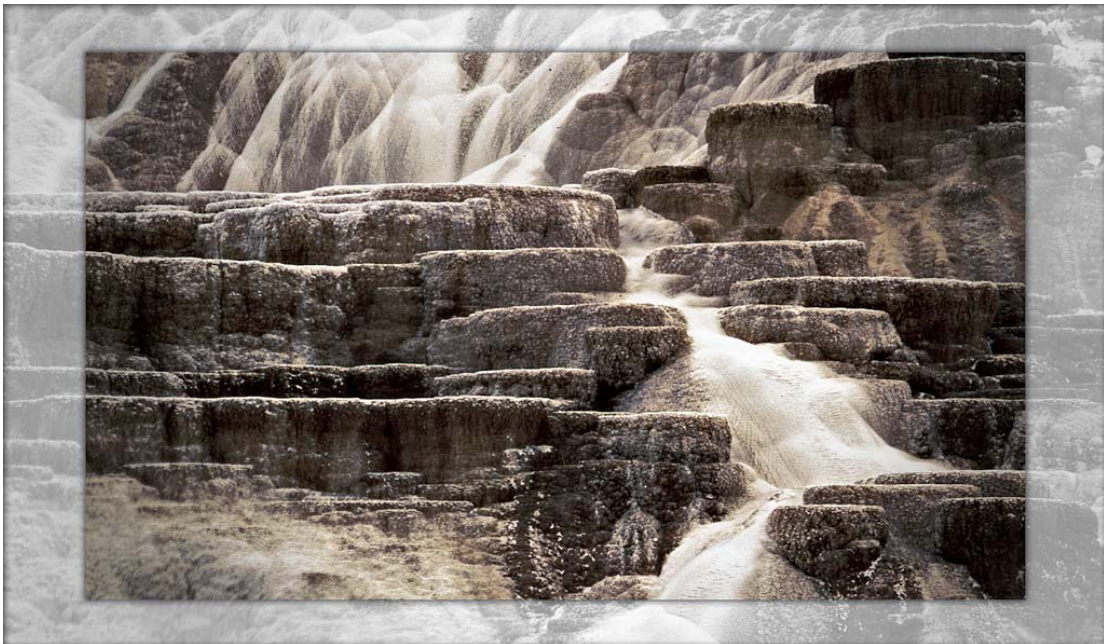
## Honor's Photographs

Congratulations to Alyson and Steve for receiving "Honours" in the last competition. Well done



### Past, Present Future Thoughts — Steve

This was a **WOW** for me! The composition, the depth of field, the beauty and serenity of the subject, the skilful handling of the lighting and the black and white medium. One very tiny distraction, the patch of light below the nose, but otherwise nigh on perfect! Congratulations.



### Thermal Steps — Alyson

This is my second **WOW**! I just love it! I love the way the creator has seen it, has handled it, has framed it, the delicacy of the shapes and colours and the way the 'weight' of the images have been distributed to make the whole such a well balanced picture. I know nature made it but it takes a skilled artist to represent it to the viewer.

## And finally.....



Karen sought advice on what to do in this situation she found herself in recently. I would suggest that if you do not have a lens protector or filter on then you run :)

## And one from me



Spotted outside a Taupo café..... Look closely at the accompanying extra. If you have a funny photo send it to me for inclusion in next months newsletter.